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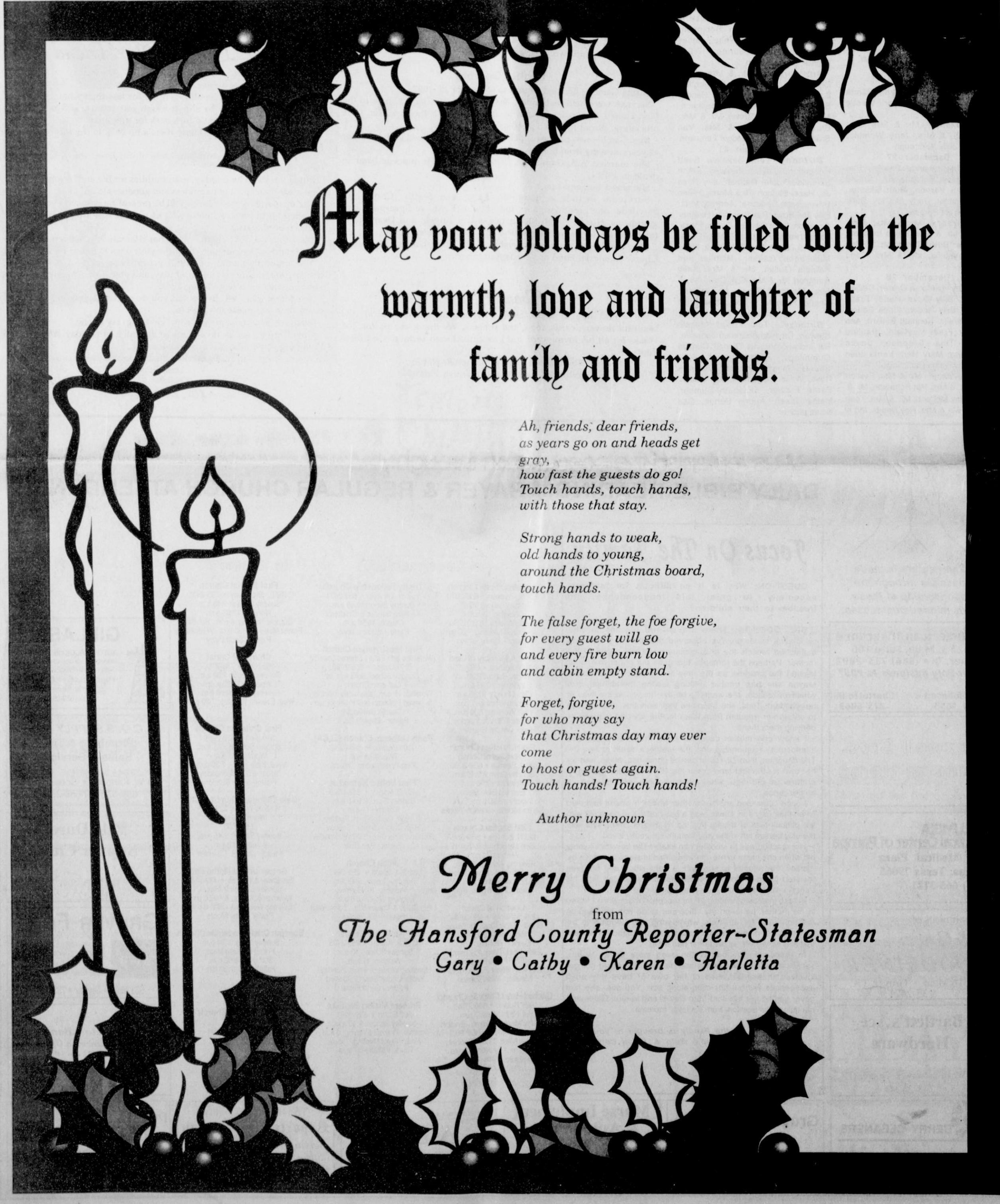
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May your holidays be filled with the
warmth, love and laughter of
family and friends.

*Ah, friends; dear friends,
as years go on and heads get
gray,
how fast the guests do go!
Touch hands, touch hands,
with those that stay.*

*Strong hands to weak,
old hands to young,
around the Christmas board,
touch hands.*

*The false forget, the foe forgive,
for every guest will go
and every fire burn low
and cabin empty stand.*

*Forget, forgive,
for who may say
that Christmas day may ever
come
to host or guest again.
Touch hands! Touch hands!*

Author unknown

Merry Christmas

from
The Hansford County Reporter-Statesman
Gary • Cathy • Karen • Harletta

Happy Birthday!

Editor's Note: This Happy Birthday list is run as a public service by the Hansford County Reporter-Statesman. We apologize if any names are misspelled. If you know of name that needs to be changed, added or deleted, please call 659-3434. Thank you, Catherine Smith.

December 24
Birthday - Glendon Etling, Kay Hobbs, Benny Wilson, Ernie Vanderberg, Howard Heffey, Beth Coomer, Kenny Bratton, Melissa Thompson

Anniversary - Oscar & Rhonda Valdez, Mr. & Mrs. Charles Kruse, Mr. & Mrs. Eugene Sadler

December 25
Birthday - Joni Hart, Ellen Norton, Melanie Hutton, Bill Miller, Christy Freeman, Noreen Sutton, Jeff Graves, Sharon Hamilton, Gil Harnish, Jimmy Vanlandingham, Dean Womble, John Cass

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Red Byrd, Mr. & Mrs. Bart Baker, Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Shook

December 26
Birthday - Jennifer Dahl, Glinda Harvey, Rodney Schroder, Woody Fowler, Chris Perez

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. L.T. Wright, Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Womble, Eugene & Judy Yarbrough

December 27
Birthday - Lance Sparks, Sue Close, Jesse Renteria Sr., Shane Abel, Lynn Vernon, Ruth Skinner, Edna Grimmer, Judy McCloy, Julie Deakin, Nicole Burgess

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Younger, Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Blodgett, Mr. & Mrs. David Tuner, Mr. & Mrs. Gene Reynolds, Mr. & Mrs. Todd Parker

December 28
Birthday - Autumn Gruver, Delbert Williams, Billy Dave Hand, Frank Edwards, Billy Haden, Linda Bodey, Jennifer Wells, Kenneth Bullard, Ann Flowers, Fred Mayfield, Pauline Mayes, Tina Breedon, Joyce Vanderberg, Mary Hart, Verna Jean Boone, Samantha Cummings

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Everett Tracy, Mr. & Mrs. Pat Patterson, Mr. & Mrs. Jimmy McLeod, Mr. & Mrs. Tony Shapley, Mr. & Mrs. Roy Deeds, Mr. &

Mrs. Pat Holt, Annetta & Charles McIver

December 29
Birthday - Bray Armes, Erin Bergin, Tony Cazares, Amy Tolleson, Cecilia Trejo, Jerry Williams, Mrs. W.T. Woodward, Sharon Rhea, Deanna Martin, Del Baskin, Julie Barkley, Thomas Reyes, Robert Elliott, Ed McIntyre, Deann Rosales, Martin Rasor, Brittany Taylor, Connie Wood

Anniversary - Don & Gwen McLain, Mr. & Mrs. Edwin Papay, Mr. & Mrs. Brad Spivey, Mr. & Mrs. Pat O'Connell, Mr. & Mrs. John Duncan, Mr. & Mrs. Ronnie Harris

December 30
Birthday - Sydney Been, Kelly Blasingame, Julie Meyer, Edith Pipkin, Kim Younger, Angela Van Buskirk, Robert Cochran, Fern Robinson, Robert Black, Traci White, James Red, Sammie Goehring, Kelley Ogilvie, Joyce Simon

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Verlin Behne, Mr. & Mrs. Phillip Renner, Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Morris, Mr. & Mrs. Randall Schnell, Mr. & Mrs. Stan Josephson, Mr. & Mrs. Jimmy Brown, Mr. & Mrs. Bart Thoreson, Mr. & Mrs. Van Bradford, Mr. & Mrs. Rodger Ferguson

December 31
Birthday - Lera Beasley, Scott Houghton Jr., Justin Pressley, JoAnn Schneider, John Gaither, Jerry Ross Jr., Hazel Stumph, Rick Morris, Helen Boyd, Seth Redwine, Andrew Vela, Billy Joe Boyd, Ray Brandvik, Heather Gammon, Lucy Gilmore, Delfino Parra

Anniversary - Mr. & Mrs. Oscar Rojas Jr., Mr. & Mrs. Bob Cluck, Mr. & Mrs. John Gaither, Michael and Patricia Quillin, Mr. & Mrs. Kelly Arrington, Mr. & Mrs. C.A. Davis, Mr. & Mrs. Marlon Mitchell, Mr. & Mrs. Charles Page, Mr. & Mrs. James Smith

January 1
Birthday - Teresa Boyd, Kenneth Stewart, Daylynn Brummett Johnson, Bill Jackson, Virginia Trindell, Carolyn Cummings, Andy Francis, S.B. Sheets, Alberto Rosalez, Rhonda Ross, Willie Salgado, Craig Vinson, Bertie Frazier, Elizabeth Sumner, Melba Olsen, Audrie Behne, Carl Baumgardner

With Deepest Sympathy



Willie Pittman

Willie Pittman, 78, died Sunday, December 21, 1997. Services were at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, December 23, 1997 in Fellowship Baptist Church of Perryton. Burial was in Ochiltree Cemetery by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home of Perryton.

Mrs. Pittman was born in Palestine and moved to the Perryton area in 1969 from Hollis, OK. She also had lived in Spearman. She was a homemaker and a member of Primitive Baptist Church of Wellington. She married T.J. Pittman in 1938 at Hollis.

Survivors include her husband; a son, Terry Pittman of Pampa; two daughters, Barbara Peterson of Perryton and Merry Allison of Booker; four sisters, Lorene Brown of Hollis, Marjorie Hall of Altus, OK, and Deannie Gilley and Cleo Cotter, both of Spearman; five grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Girtha Gamble

Girtha Gamble, 87, died Saturday, December 20, 1997. Services were held on Sunday, December 21, 1997 at 2:30 p.m. in the First United Methodist Church of Spearman with the Rev. Ken Cole officiating. Burial followed in Hansford Cemetery.

Mrs. Gamble was born in Tupelo, MS in 1910. She lived in the area for 42 years, moving from Borger.

She married A.S. Gamble in 1936 in Borger. He preceded her in death in 1971. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include a daughter, Kay Dean Smith (Choise) of Floydada; one granddaughter, Jody Hight (Keith) of Spearman; two grandsons, Hunter Smith (Bridgette) of San Angelo and Dean Smith (and fiancée, Tanya) of Sunray; and two great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials to the First United Methodist Church Memorial Fund or your favorite charity.

Thank You

We would like to thank all our wonderful friends for all the beautiful flowers, cards, food, and prayers. We thank our pastor, Joe Weeks for all his loving care and beautiful church sermon. God Bless You!

The Dossett Family, Campbell Family, Whitford Family and Harnish Family

In Loving Memory

Coyt Lee Tigrett, Jr.

July 16, 1977 - November 21, 1997

The family of Coyt Tigrett would like to THANK our many friends and family for your faithfulness during Coyt's accident and your prayers and support at the time of his death. Rev. Russ Gibbs and Rev. Billy Nickel for words of comfort. Ashley Patterson, Kathy Archer, and Carol Pack for the beautiful music. First Baptist for the use of the facility and a wonderful meal served to the family. Spearman High School for the use of the auditorium. Earl and Trudy Goodheart for opening their hearts and home to us. Boxwell Bros. Funeral Directors for excellent service and care. For the many flowers, contributions, food, cards, telephone calls, and visits. God Bless each of you.

A month has passed since Coyt left us, but there hasn't been a day, hardly an hour that we haven't missed, wept for, and fondly remembered him. We now live in Amarillo, but our hearts are in Spearman.

Thank You,
Butch, JoDell, Tracy and Mindy Tigrett

Go Long, My Friend

by Dallas Fillingim

Time passes by, we don't know where it may lead. We, your buddies, have all taken life for less than what it really is. We've allowed time to slip through our hands, and now we so desperately wish time would turn back for a moment.

But we each realize and know there's no back to the future going to reveal itself now.

Only if we knew the turn of events of our lives, we would've been there with you.

But as we stand here today, your buddies for life and beyond, we will remember your spirit of happiness and goodness to our lives.

The memories of good times will be present forever and ever, for you have left an impression with each of us that will always keep a BIG smile on our hearts.

We know we can't change what has dramatically happened, but we each would switch our roles to allow your days to follow here.

You know that your pals will grasp those days of playing ball, hanging out, seeing you joke and play, and you always pleasing us with your presences of always being Coyt.

You know what we always had you do on the playing field each and every time you made the big play.

Well, we have to let go and say, "Go Long, my Friend."

Coyt Tigrett, you'll always make the catch of the day, and we will be joining you on the playing field one day.

Thanks for the memories,
Your Guys

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Focus On The Family

QUESTION: Why is it so difficult for mothers, especially, to grant this independence and freedom to their children?

DR. DOBSON: There are several reasons for the reluctance to let go. I've observed that the most common motivation reflects the unconscious emotional needs of the mother. Perhaps the romance has gone out of her marriage, leaving the children as the only real sources of affection. Maybe she has trouble making lasting friendships. For whatever reason, she wants to be the "heavy" in the lives of her children. Thus, she becomes their servants. She refuses to obtain her freedom from them for the specific purpose of denying them theirs.

I know one mother-daughter team that maintained this interlocking relationship until the mother's death at age 94. The daughter, then 72, found herself unmarried, alone, and on her own for the first time in her life. It's a frightening thing to endure in old age what other people experienced in adolescence.

I once counseled another mother whose husband had died when their only son, Davie, was a baby. She had been left with the difficult task of raising this lad by herself, and Davie was the only person left in the world whom she really loved.

Her reaction was to smother him totally. The boy was 7 years old when she came to me. He was afraid to sleep in a room by himself. He refused to stay with a baby-sitter, and he even resisted going to school. He did not dress himself, and his behavior was infantile in every regard.

In fact, instead of waiting in the reception room while I talked to his mother, he found my office and stood with his hand on the doorknob for an hour, whimpering and begging to be admitted. His mother interpreted all this as evidence of his fear that she would die, as his father had done.

In response, she bound him even more tightly to her, sacrificing all her own needs and desires. She could not get involved in any activities of her own or have any adult experiences without her cling-along son. You see, she had never gained her freedom from Davie, and in turn, Davie had not gained his freedom from his lovin' momma.

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Worship: 11 a.m.
Evening Worship: 6 p.m., Sun.
Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7:30 p.m.
Pastor - James Brown

First Assembly of God
401 N. Bernice • 659-2295
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Worship: 10:35 a.m.
Kids Church: 10:35 a.m.
Evening Worship: 7 p.m., Sun.
Wed. Worship: 7:30 p.m.
Youth: 7:30 Wednesday
Pastor - Walter Greaser, Jr.

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
29 S. Bernice • 659-2036
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 10:50 a.m.
Evening Bible Study
Worship: 6:30 p.m., Sun.
Senior Minister - Joseph Weeks

First Baptist Church
123 N. Bernice • 659-5557
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 11 a.m.
Evening Worship: 7 p.m., Sun.
Jr. High Youth: 6 p.m., Wed.
High School Youth: 7 p.m., Wed.
Youth Choir: 6 p.m., Sun.

Church of Christ
121 S. Haney • 659-3244
Sunday Bible Class: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship: 6 p.m.
Bible Study Wed.: 7:30 p.m.
KRDF Radio Program
Living With Christ: 7:50 a.m., M-F
Minister - Willie Tollison

Sacred Heart Catholic Church
901 Roland • 659-2792
Sat. Night Mass: 7 p.m.
Sunday Mass: 9:00 a.m. - English (9:00 a.m. Service on KRDF 98.3 FM)
Sunday Mass: 11:30 - Spanish 1:30 p.m. - Gruver - Christo Rendador Mass - Spanish
Rev. Scott Raef

Trinity Fellowship Church
717 W. 7th Ave. • 659-2671
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service & Children's Church: 10:30 a.m.
Pastor: Johnny Taylor

First Presbyterian Church (Worships with Faith Lutheran Church)
1021 Cotter • 659-2033
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. at Lutheran Church
Worship: 11 a.m. (alternates monthly between Lutheran and Presbyterian Church Buildings)
Pastor - Beverly Cook

Faith Lutheran Church (ELCA)
1101 Bernice • 659-2252
(Worships with First Presbyterian Church)

First United Methodist
407 S. Haney • 659-5503
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 11 a.m.
Jr. High Youth: 5 p.m., Sunday
High School: 6 p.m., Sunday
Rainbow Kids Club: 3:00 Wednesday
Pastor - Ken Cole

Union Church
31 S. Endicott • 659-2644
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship: 6 p.m., Sun.
Bible Study & Prayer Mtg.: 7 p.m., Wed.
Pastor - Bill Sparks

Fellowship Baptist
1102 S. Archer • 659-2783
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Worship: 11 a.m.
Evening Worship: 6 p.m., Sunday
Youth & Adult Serv.: 7:30 Wed.
Pastor - Gene Foster

Primera Mision Bautista
502 E. 7th • 659-3991
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 11 a.m.; Evening: 6 p.m., Sun.
Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7 p.m., Thurs. Visitation: 7 p.m.

In Gruver...

First Baptist Church
402 E. Broadway • 733-2411
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 10:50 a.m.
Disciple Training: 6 p.m., Sunday
Prayer Meeting: 7:30 p.m., Wednesday
Pastor - Scott Curry

Church of Christ
209 King • 733-2760
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Worship: 10:20 a.m.
Evening Worship: 6 p.m., Sun.
Wed. Evening Worship: 7:30 p.m.

First Christian Church
510 King • 733-2960
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 11 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study: 7:30 p.m.
Youth: 6:30, Wednesday
Pastor - Gary Gumfory

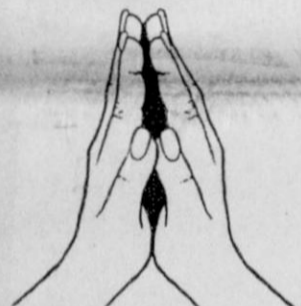
Oslo Lutheran Church (ELCA)
6 Miles West & 12 Miles North of Gruver
339-7709
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 11 a.m.
Pastor - John R. Chandler

Gruver United Methodist
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Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 8:30 a.m. & 10:50 a.m.
Evening Worship & UMY: 6 p.m.
Pastor - Jerry Moore

Spanish Cristo Redentor Church
Sunday Mass: 1:30 p.m.
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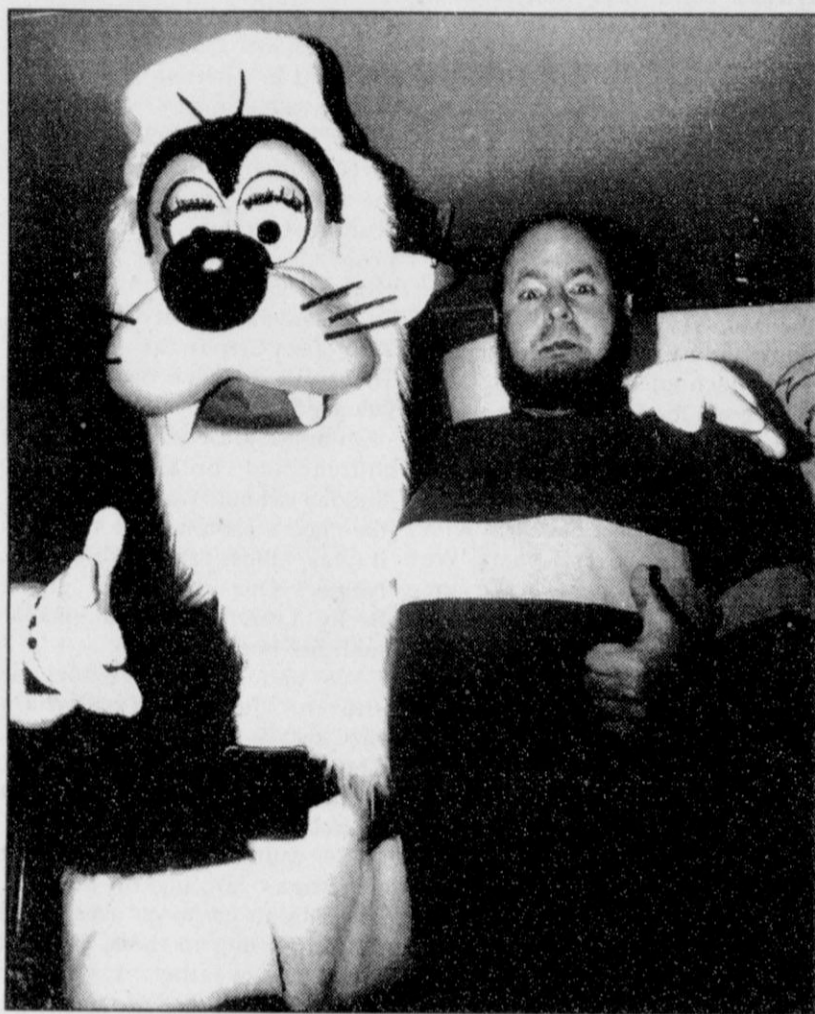
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Laugh and Live

by Gary C. Smith

gcs@ren.net

Two Goofy's Wish You A Merry Christmas!



Until Next Time,
May God Bless
GCS



Please join us at The O'Loughlin Center on Thursday, December 25th from 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. for a Community Christmas Dinner

This dinner is free and is open to anyone in the community.

We are looking forward to sharing this part of the Christmas season with you and your family.

Sponsored by Friends of Spearman

Out At The Lake



by Dorothy Hudson
Lake Depth--Dec. 19, 1997--36 ft., 8 in.

The picture of the mule deer buck is one Jim made in the backyard at the office building. I had not realized that mule deer are not hunted legally in Hansford County--deer season is only with white tail deer.

Jim reports more geese at the Lake now. They are mostly Canada geese with some snow geese. The time the geese fly out to feed in the morning varies with the temperature, as when it is colder, they fly out later in the morning. Usually they come back around 10:30 to 11:00 and then go out for the second feeding a little before sundown.

The Nov. issue of the Texas Parks and Wildlife had an article on the exploding

population of snow geese threatening the carrying capacity of their Canadian nesting grounds. This is certainly a switch from what we read about endangered species.

Wildlife biologists think there may be 6 million birds--four times as many as desirable--destroying the habitat where they live 4 months of the year by grubbing the soil for roots, pulling up young shoots of sedges, and grazing on the grass.

Rice farming on the Texas coast has also contributed as these fields are ideal for the geese. Whereas in 1970 hunters killed nearly 40 per cent of the geese, now less than 8 per cent are harvested. The article also added the snow geese are challenging to hunt, and hunters rarely get their bag limit of 10

geese, with 40 in possession.

T. J. Bergin told me there were pheasant on the Palo Duro Creek south of Gruver shortly after World War II. He had several

near wrecks when a pheasant would fly up under or near his horse. He thought that someone had started both pheasant and chukar, but both died out.

Thank You

I want to thank my friends for the cards, phone calls and flowers they sent me while I was in the Hospital. I would also like to thank Joe Weeks for visiting me while I was in the hospital.

May God Bless You All,
Ethel Ellsworth

Thank You

We wish to thank the community for sharing their memories of Ernie with us at this special time. We would also like to thank Hansford Manor for giving him love and care for so many years of his life, Hospice for the same in the last days of his life, and all our friends for their prayers, flowers, cards, memorials, and other thoughts of kindness.

Charles and Leola Newcomb

HO! HO! HO!
Merry Christmas!
from
First State Bank

The lobby and drive-up will close at 1:00 p.m. on Christmas Eve. On New Year's Eve, the lobby and the drive-up will close at 3:00 p.m.. We will be closed Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

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Merry Christmas

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Among The Neighbors

by Helen Fisher

On Thursday evening about 5:30 Billy Brown, with sons, Travis and Tracy, and friend, David Pipkin, were checking cattle southeast of town, when Travis was injured in an accident. Billy used the mobile-phone to call a Spearman ambulance and his wife, Joan. Travis was immediately taken to Amarillo to Northwest Texas Hospital. His injuries included a broken left femur and extensive damage to the tissue and cartilage in the pelvic area. A bar was inserted in his leg and he is in a brace. The main concern now is the lack of blood flow to the hip.

At this writing it is hoped that Travis can return home by Tuesday. He will be bedfast for some time. For a 13 year old 7th grader, at Christmas, that is not a pleasant prospect.

The Browns had planned to leave Saturday morning for skiing in Santa Fe. Schoolmates can come by and sympathize with Travis at 702 South Haney street.

The family expresses admiration and appreciation to the Spearman E.M.S. personnel for their concern and efficiency.

Margaret and Kenneth Evans recently returned from Houston where they had spent a week with their son, Gary. On December 11 he underwent surgery for a complete hip replacement. It had been damaged previously in a vehicle accident. The surgery was successful, but on Saturday he returned to the hospital for treatment of some complications.

In spite of all the warnings concerning icy roads, there were some vehicle accidents in the area on Saturday night and Sunday. About 10:30 p.m. Saturday night, the Sheriff's office answered a call about six miles east on Highway 15. A car had skidded into the ditch and rolled over. Of the three girls from Perryton who were in it, one had to be hospitalized. About a quarter of a

mile farther, an Oklahoma couple enroute to Borger skidded off the road into the ditch, but they were not injured, though their car was damaged.

Sunday morning six miles north of Gruver at an intersection of 136 and 2535, a car was unable to stop and skidded into a pick-up. Both drivers were from Gruver but not injured. Another accident was reported Sunday morning one mile south of Spearman, but no further information was available.

A change in the method of giving directions in Hansford County comes as a result of the new county highway signs. The tried and true method for generations has been identifying by known locations--such as 'I go past Squint McGinnes's old barn for a couple miles or so, turn east at the Perkins place, then left after crossing the gully' etc..

The recently placed markers for the county highways will sure be better, especially for directing emergency vehicles. However a little more information would be helpful--are the east-west roads designated with a letter and the north-south roads with a numeral?

Wouldn't it be mighty thoughtful of the County Commissioners to publish a map to sort of enlighten certain slow learners?

Dora Lee Jarvis underwent major surgery Wednesday morning at Baptist High Plains hospital in Amarillo. She was still in I.C.U. over the week-end. It was not definite whether she would undergo chemotherapy or an alternate treatment.

The school choir concert on Thursday evening at the First Baptist Church was well-received and enjoyed by the audience. Under the able direction and training of Becky Byers, Denise Bridges and Dan Ellis, the students' performance was first class. It was a credit to the school and their instructors.

The Hansford Cemetery Association is a non-profit

organization directed by volunteers. The only source of income is the sale of lots and contributions. It is tax deductible. Memorials and contributions can be made by calling 659-3468 or to Box 101, Spearman.

Several Spearman students received their R.N. degrees from Amarillo College in a Pinning Ceremony on Thursday.

Among them was Sharon Sutton. Proudly witnessing the ceremony were Omar Sutton, their daughter Kristi and Johnny Williams and their daughters, Shelby and Madison.

Traci Scribner's was witnessed by her parents Gerald Ray and Cindi Scribner, her sister Rae Lynn Cook, son Colby and Betty Scribner. Traci is employed by Hansford Hospital and expects to continue.

Kelly Fuller, formerly of Spearman, now of Dumas, son-in-law of Chuck and Joan Eaton, received the Outstanding student award in the R.N. pinning ceremony. It included a scholarship, and he plans to get a Masters Degree. He will begin employment at Baptist St. Anthony's hospital on December 28 in I.C.U.

Kaye Ivey and Cindy's grandmother, Ann White, attended the Pinning Ceremony as her daughter, Cindy Atkins,

received her pin. She is employed at the Amarillo Diagnostic Clinic with Dr. Rose.

She lives in Amarillo as does her sister, Kindra Davis, who was pinned last year.

The Gruver Fire Department was called to D.G.C. Feeders, southwest of Gruver, for a trailer house fire on Sunday. It was occupied by an employee of the company. There was also a fire at the Palo Duro Feeders south of Gruver on Highway 136 at the maintenance barn. No information concerning the cause nor amount of damage was available. Perhaps the Gruver column can be more detailed.

Dwayne Smith is not a professional weatherman, but as a radio broadcaster and sports announcer, he has a far ranging vocabulary. So he would have been shocked if he had been in the weather class when the student, when asked the meaning of the word incongruous, replied that it is where the laws are made. Uh-oh, Dwayne reports that the high was on December 15th at 71 temperatures, the low on the 21st at 26 degrees; moisture was .32.

This column will not be in the paper next week. Santa Claus has priority.

Merry Christmas !!!

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Morse Morsels

by Mildred Lewis

Well, Rudy and I went back down to Linda Lou's in Wichita Falls Thursday before last. I put Rudy in the Kennel and Linda and I went on down to Van's in New Braunfels, TX that night. We got there at 2:00 a.m. Got to, visit with my son, Van, my daughter-in-law, Kathy, and my granddaughter, Amanda. Linda and I came back on Sunday to Wichita Falls. Then Rudy and I came home on Monday last week.

We had customer appreciation/open house at the post office on December 19th. They had 44 register for the door prize. Carol Forrest, our coach's wife, won.

The Lions Club had ladies night on the 16th. Denise Apodoco is the cook for the Lions Club. The food was great. She has the Morse Cafe open now. Go down and try her food, it's good!

Our school had a program "Celebrate the Season." The band had the first part of the program.

We have a really good band to be so small a school. Mrs. Hutchinson is the director. She has been with the school for several years. We had three members make the Five-State Band. They are Mikala Reiswig, Andrew Martin, and Ross Womble. Those making the All-Region Band were Mikala Reiswig, Sarah Martin, Andrew Martin, Amanda Apodoca (alt), Evan Schmidt, Ross Womble, Teresa Sage, and Erika Mendoza. Sandra Blankenship, Evan Schmidt, Denise Huchison and Ross Womble played a solo.

We also have a good choir. Carla Martin is the director.

Santa Claus came - all the little boys and girls were very happy.

Mrs. Barnhart also told us about our children who took the TAAS

test. Our reading and writing scores dropped a little this year, yet are still higher than the State average. (Last year writing was 100%.) Our math score rose, and that is what we were hoping for because it raised our rating from Acceptable in 1995-1996 to Recognized in 1996-1997.

Our attendance rose from 95.8% to 97.2%. We must have a rate above 94% to be recognized. We were really proud of our parents who saw that the children made it to school. Our children are educated in a setting comparable to a private school.

Our school has an average of seven students per teacher, while the state has proven that a 15.7 student-teacher ratio has a positively affect the academic program of students.

Our students got out on December 19th for Christmas holidays. They will go back on Monday, January 5, 1998.

On Sunday, December 21st, our church had breakfast before Sunday school. Our service was the choir's cantata. The name of it was "Bless That Wonderful Name." Our choir was great! Becky Leach played a special with her horn.

We had several visitors at church. Jana and Shahala McCloy, a friend of Shahala's. They were home from college. Dean and Linda Lieb were also at church.

We didn't get to have our Christmas caroling on Sunday. They didn't get to go over to the Manor to sing to them. We had such bad weather. I went to church and it really was slick. There was ice on everything and I think we will have a white Christmas.

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by Harletta Carthel

The release of the new three hour movie "The Titanic" this week brought to memory the Hansford County connection to the luxury liner which sank on its maiden voyage. According to Ingebord Sogn, the historian of the Oslo community, A.L. Mordt and Company of Guymon commissioned a Mister Odegaard in Norway in 1908 to paint an altar picture for the Oslo Lutheran Church for 1500 kroner. Mr. Odegaard's painting was shipped to the church on the new "unsinkable" ocean liner, the Titanic. When the Titanic sank on April 14-15, 1912, the painting, destined for Hansford County, was also lost. Odegaard painted a second picture which hung behind the altar of the church until 1948 when the church building was destroyed in a fire. Both the painting aboard the ill-fated Titanic and the painting which graced the Oslo Church for many years were the depiction of Christ walking on water.

Sports

All District Selection

Bray Armes' name was inadvertently omitted from the I-A All District roster last week. Bray was chosen first team all-district linebacker. Bray had the district honor of being the only sophomore selected to be on the all district first team. Congratulations to Bray and all the players making the all district team.

Lady Hound Injured

Senior Lady Hound Autumn Bateman, who sustained a broken nose in the game with Vega last week, had her nose manipulated back into place by her doctor on Friday. Autumn will miss the game on December 27 with Borger and also the Stratford Tournament December 29-31.

Lights out in Dog House

While it is sometimes helpful to have a doctor present at sports events, it is also helpful at times to have an electrician on hand. When some of the lights in Gruver's gym went out during the Lady Hounds game with Vega, electrician Bennie Wilson, who was watching the game, was able to repair the lights in record time.

Bort on Sports

While returning home from Amarillo last week, I heard a familiar voice on KGNC's call-in sports hour. The voice belonged to Bob Bort. While other callers were mostly concerned with college or professional teams, Bob sang the praises of the Gruver Lady Hounds and Hounds' basketball teams and his high expectations and hopes for them

this season.

Our Ill

Pauline Winger had knee replacement surgery last week. At this writing, Pauline is hoping to return to Spearman for her rehabilitation, weather permitting.

Little Miss Hannah Speck was in the hospital recently with a viral infection. Hannah is at home now with her parents, Paige (Holt) and Tom Speck.

First Baby Born in New Ambulance

Ruben Chavez, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ruben Chavez, Sr. was delivered last month in Gruver's new ambulance while en route to the Ochiltree General Hospital. The little lad, who was premature, weighed four pounds and 10 ounces. Gruver EMS crew members assisting in the delivery included Beth Swink, Diane Boyd, Michael Boothe, Curt Fitzgearld, and Kevin Babbs. Little Ruben and the ambulance crew are both doing well.

New Year's Eve Gatherings

Several area churches are planning New Year's Eve gatherings. The Gruver United Methodist Church has scheduled a Watch Night service at 11 p.m. The Gruver Church of Christ has slated a come-and-go night of fun and games following 7 p.m. worship services. The night will conclude with midnight prayer. The Oslo Lutheran Church is also planning a watch party Wednesday, December 31.

Former Resident in Perryton

Brian and Stacey (Williams) French have relocated from Colby, Kansas to Perryton where Brian is working as a physical therapist's assistant at Ochiltree General Hospital. The couple has a young son, Brenner.

Gumfory Inducted Into Phi Theta Kappa

Doug Gumfory, of Gruver, was recently inducted into South Plains College's chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, international honor society for students in two-year colleges. Students must achieve a minimum 3.25 grade point average while carrying at least 12 semester hours to be considered for induction into the nation's top honor society for two-year college students

A merry Christmas to each of you!

Following are the letters to Santa from the Spearman and Gruver Elementary Schools. We hope you enjoy them.

DEAR SANTA,

Spearman Elementary

Pre-Kindergarten

Dear Santa Claus, I have been a good girl. I want a Barbie table and a Barbie and some play paper and a Tickle Me Elmo and an orange toothbrush and a Tickle Me Big Bird.

Love,
Kali Jo Walsh

Dear Santa, Can you bring me a toy school house and a real doll house? I want a shopping cart to put my baby doll in and I want some pretend food.

Love,
Shyloh Sparks
P.S. I want a Tickle Me Elmo

Dear Santa, I want one of them play school's and some pretend paint and pretend fingernail polish and a shopping cart and some pretend papers. I want some pretend curtains too.

Goodbye,
Cheyenne Sparks

Dear Santa Claus, I go to my Grandma's. I want a present. I want a toy bear and chairs for my little table and some kids where the play-dough comes out of the machine and makes them. I have to go to the dentist.

Love,
Raymond Quintero

Dear Santa Claus, I want a shopping cart and a red car and a green remote control truck. I want a play real motorcycle that makes a real motorcycle sound and a play go-cart that I can play with using my hands and a Tickle-Me-Elmo.

I Love Santa Claus!
Gabriel Jacquez

Dear Santa, I want a tractor, a truck, a race track, and some cars.

Love,
Edgar Castillo

Dear Santa, I want Elmo, a playhouse, and some dishes to play with. I have been a good girl.

Love,
Joqueline Fraire

Dear Santa, I have been a good girl. I want a Barbie doll.

Love,
Elizabeth Carmona

Dear Santa, I have been a good girl. I want a Barbie kitchen, and if you can't get me that you can bring me Barbie clothes.

Love,
Jessica Piñon

Dear Santa, I have been a good girl. I want a kitchen set and dishes, some clothes, and a doll.

Love,
Susana Hernandez

Dear Santa, I want a Barbie, and a Barbie on a bicycle, and a Tickle-Me-Elmo.

Love,
Melissa Fraire

Dear Santa, I want a truck, a car, and a remote control car.

Love,
Jorge Caro

Dear Santa, I have been a good boy. I want some ninja turtles, spiderman, and a power ranger.

Love,
Tony Bernal

Dear Santa, I have been a good girl. I want pretty dress, cookie monster, and a doll playhouse. Could bring my sister Melissa a movie.

Love,
Leslie Hernandez

Dear Santa, I have been a good boy. I want a motorcycle, a game, a robocop, and a dinosaur nintendo game.

Love,
Martin Valle

Dear Santa Claus, My name is Justin Jay Roberts. I want a play motor and all those diesel trucks. I want a green monster truck and a red monster truck and a pick up truck.

Love,
Justin Jay Roberts

Dear Santa, I want a game, a Superman and Robin and a truck.

Love,
Ramon Garcia

Dear Santa, I want a playhouse, a Barbie car, and a horse. I have been a good girl.

Love,
Angelika Valverde

Dear Santa Claus, I want you to get me a big doll. There's a puppy that has a button that makes it go and I want that. There's a Barbie that has a shop with a bunch of clothes and I want that. Thank you very much.

Love,
Natalie Saldivar

Dear Santa Claus, Please bring me a computer, and a play phone and a guitar with headphones and a Magna Doodle and Don't Break the Ice and Ants In The Pants and a hair thing and some fingernail things.

Love,
Stevie Rae Couch

Dear Santa Claus, I have been a good girl. I want a doll for Christmas. I want that thing on t.v. that has a beep and food and a basket.

Love,
Lexi Painter

Dear Santa Claus, How is your reindeer? I have been a good girl. I want some toys like a Barbie and a Nintendo.

Goodbye,
Love,
Dedee Vaquera

Dear Santa, I have been a good boy. I would like a bigfoot truck, a cowboy hat, and a play gun. Could you bring my sister Emily a doll.

Love,
Martin Vela

Dear Santa, I have been a good boy. I would like a tractor, a big truck, a remote control truck, and a cowboy hat. Could you bring my brother Freddy a car.

Love,
Joel Mendoza

Dear Santa, I have been a good boy. I would like a cowboy hat, a remote control truck, and some clothes.

Love,
Everardo Flores

Dear Santa, I have been a good boy. I would like a big truck, a watch of Winnie the Pooh, and a car.

Love,
Juan Ortiz

Dear Santa, Please bring me some cars and a Toy Story.

Love,
Brandon Roberts

Dear Santa, I have been a good boy. I would like a fishing pole, a guitar, and a laster gun. Thank you.

Love,
Alberto Camacho

Dear Santa, Please bring me a Star Wars space ship with men and some potato chips.

Love,
Christian Fisher

Dear Santa, Please bring me a present like a computer, that's all.

With love,
Audrey Loya

Dear Santa, Please bring me a real purple dog like my play-dough, and a baby doll in a car.

I love you.
Allysa Comp

Dear Santa, Please bring me a Barney backpack, and a Barney Bible and a Barney Star.

Love,
Jessie Roberts

Kindergarten

Dear Santa, I want an elf. I also want a game for my Nintendo. I want a Sega. I'm going to leave you some milk.

Love,
C.J.

Dear Santa, I was good for my whole family. I would like to have an airplane that flies by itself. I want a toy with a button that makes it go by itself. I want a car with a button that you push to make wings. I want a car that turns into a dinosaur.

Love,
Daniel.

Dear Santa, I want a little puppy, and his mane is going to be Fluffy. I want Sant to come to school! I want a doll. Santa, will you bring my mom money and make my dad happy?

Love,
Cassidy

Dear Santa, I have been very good. I want a gigot pet. I also want some new crayons. I want a big present. I will leave some milk and cookies for you. Also, please bring me a red calendar. Also a fan and a radio.

Kaylee Patterson

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Dear Santa,
Please bring me an airplane and a superman car. Also bring me a spiderman car. Please come to my car and house. Come wake me up when you get there. Please bring me a power ranter. I want to see your elves.

Love,
Manuel

Dear Santa,
I am sorry for saying names. How are your elves? I miss you. How is Rudolph? Is he sick? I want a Rudolph that glows in the dark. I want a little puppy. I want a little doll santa to sleep with. I want a Barbie telephone.

Love,
Murllee

Dear Santa,
I want a gigot pet. I want to see your elves. I want to ride in your sleigh! I want you to come to my house! I want you to come to school! I want you to give me a reindeer shirt! I also want a doll. I want a real little puppy. His name will be Beethoven. I'm going to get you a star, and that's all.

Love,
Preslee

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a Nike jacket. Please bring me some walkie talkies. Also could you bring me a guitar like Tracy Lawrence. I have been very good. I want a Harley Davidson jacket. I'll leave some milk and cookies.

I Love You,
Skyler

Dear Santa,
I want a bulldozer with spikes on the back. Also a remote control track hoe. Please bring me a real robot. I want a walkie talkie and also a big dumptruck.

I Love You, Santa,
Christian

Dear Santa,
I want a bear and a doll. Please bring me one walkie talkie. Also bring me a cross necklace and a gumball machine. I would like to have a ring and a book. I will leave you some milk and cookies.

Love,
Amanda

Dear Santa,
I've wanted a gigot pet for Christmas. I want a teddy bear and I am going to leave you cookies and milk. I've been good!

I love you!
Elisa

Dear Santa,
I want a bike for Christmas. I want for Amy to get a Gigot pets. I want Ashley to get ateddy bear. Amy has been so good. So has Ashley. See you on Christmas!

Love,
Andi

Dear Santa,
I want my own Christmas tree! I want my own Santa suit! I want my own sled. I've been good! I want you to get Zane a little surprise baby toy. Maybe his own playhouse. I want my own club. I want my own power wheel dump truck. I'm going to leave you some cookies. I'm going to also leave you some milk by the fireplace!

Love,
Zack

Dear Santa,
I want a stereo with some tapes. I want a doll and I want a Santa Claus and I want my own Christmas tree. I want my own teddy bear. I'm doing good. I also want a new desk. I like Christmas and I like turkey teddy bears. I'm going to leave you a note and that's all.

Love,
Shelbi

Dear Santa Claus,
More than anything I want a Geeka pet for Christmas. I love Pound Puppies. Please bring me four pound puppies. I have been the best girl in town this year. I will leave you some milk and cookies.

Love,
Jessica Hunt

Dear Santa,
I would like a jeep, a coat. I have been very good.

Marial

Dear Santa,
I want a real puppy, a German Shepard. They are the best. I want some real makeup to wear when I play dress up with my sister. Please bring me a real horse with a saddle, reins and a rope. I also want icicles to put on my Christmas tree. I would like a real kitty.

Sutten Garnett

Dear Santa,
I want a potty training Kelley, a television, and another Barbie car. I've been very good at home and school. I've been making good grades. Would you bring a little toy for my cousin? I'll leave you some cookies and milk.

Love,
Whitney

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a blue bike, a big brown bear and a Barbie for my sister Deanna. My mom and dd would like a new bed. I don't have a chimney so come in the front door.

Alberto G.

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a nurse Barbie and the boy Kehn. I would like a big brown Teddy bear, a big pink girls bicycle and a television satellite for my mom. My teacher said to bring me some books because I know how to read. I've been very good and I'll leave you some milk and cookies.

Love,
Brandee

Dear Santa,
I would like a remote controlled car, Quatimoto, and some hot wheels. I have been a very good boy and I will leave you milk and cookies. Please bring my sister Bolaria a little Barbie car.

Edgar Lugo

Dear Santa,
I have been very good this year. I would like a big bike for Christmas. I would like it to be paintee green. My Power Ranger has a broke right arm. Could you bring me a green Power Ranger. I also want a toy Snowman that has wheels and a string on his back.

Kyle S.

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a new pair of pink rollerblades. I also want a pair of Nike tennis shoes so I can play outside. I want as wingset to put in my backyard. I have been real good this year. I will leave you some chocolate chip cookies and milk for you.

Alicia

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a small white car, a computer for my family, and puzzles. I've been a very good boy. Mrs. Howard caught me being very good at school. I'm in kindergarten. It's also my birthday December 3, so please bring me a white cake.

Fernando Flores

Dear Santa,
I want a Sega, some new scissors for school, and a stuffed doll from Toy Story called Woody. I'm going to leave you some cookies and milk. I've been good. Just ask Mrs. Howard. She says you need to bring me soom books because I know how to read.

Love,
Austen

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a girls bike, a kid computer, dog, and a basket. I have been good and I will leave you cookies and milk.

Amber

Dear Santa Claus,
I hope you're having a good day and not getting too tired from making all the toys. I hope you don't get too cold at the North Pole. I would like a Dinosaur movie, a big red truck, and a litte red car.

Ruben

Dear Santa,
I would like a Shopping Barbie with a cash register. I also want a Mermaid Barbie that's Ariel. I have been very good this year. I would also like a light blue Nike hat like my sisters.

Love,
Mary Beth

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a yellow bicycle with training wheels, lots of books, and a Barbie for me and my sister Jessica. I will leave you some milk and cookies in my mother's room. I've been good so please us a computer.

Julie Diaz

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie and Barbie swimming pool. How is the North Pole? Is it freezing? It's raining here, so wear a raincoat. I have been a good girl.

Thank you,
Dennise

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Tate. I have been really good this year. I would like a real puppy dog under the Christmas tree this year. Please!! I will name him Jingles. I will try real hard to be nice to my sister.

Thanks,
Tate

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a new Go Cart. I want a little puppy also for Christmas. I'll leave cookies and milk for you under the tree. I have been really good. Better than my sister.

Christian

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a yellow kitty under the tree for Christmas. Please bring me four hot wheels cars. I like to play with hot wheels. I will leave you cookies and milk for you by the Christmas tree.

Jesus

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a very good boy, better than my brother. Please brine me a race car and some dinosaur toys. Bring me some match box cars. I want a baseball bat, baseball and a toy airplane. Please bring my sister a doll and my brother a walkie-talkie set. I will leave some milk and cake for you and some hay for the reindeer.

Love,
Jose Ibarra

Dear Santa,
I want a choo-choo train for Christmas. I will be nice to my brothers. I won't break my toys. I'll put my toys in the closet. I'm a very good boy. Ask my Mom.

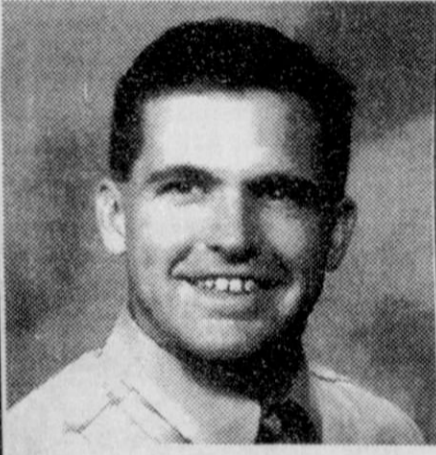
See you later,
Jesus Mendoza

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie and some Barbie clothes. Please bring a toy store for my little sister. I love all my family and I am very nice.

Thanks,
Ashton


Dear Santa Claus,
I want a new Barbie. I will leave some cookies and milk beside the tree. Thank you very much.

Love,
LeAnna



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Dear Santa Claus,
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Love
Andi Linn

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a new computer with some games to play on it. Please bring Beach Party Barbie to my house for Christmas. How is Rudolph doing? I'll leave sugar cookies and milk for you under the tree.
Love,
Blanca

Dear Santa,
I want a new Barbie doll with clothes. I have been a good girl sometimes.
Thanks,
Nelly

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like a train and a swimming pool. I live at 1116 S. Haney St. please dont forget. I'll leave cookies under the tree.
Thanks,
Miguel

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a new go-cart and I will leave cookies and milk under the tree. I would like a flip-over race car. I will be nice to my sister and not break my toys.
Thanks,
Caleb

1st Grade

Dear Santa,
I want a doll. That's all I need. I wandr wen aro you coming.
Love
Elizabeth Mendoza

Dear Santa,
You are nice. I want a giggapet. Santa I love you as a friend. Christmas is fun cus of you. You are nice
Love,
Ashley Close

Dear Santa,
The suts for Jorge Briseno. I want a green Santa sut and a blue santa sut and a red santa sut and a white santa sut.
Love
Jorge Briseno

Dear Santa,
I wut a rocit that gos off in the sky. I wut a pupy from the pet shop.
Love,
Dalton Sparks

Dear Santa,
This is what I want for Crismes a giga-pet and a pillo budie.
Love,
Cha'tae Avila

Dear Santa,
I wont red bike and I wont one of your randeer. I wont a tv for my rum.
Love,
Addam Ferguson

Dear Santa,
I with I had a coc sho car. I with I had a new spr intendo gem. I with I had a ntndo sixtyey-four. I with me and mom had a new clos.
Your friend,
Domingo Salazar

Dear Santa,
Nintendo 64, neklis, dog, saga, randir shos, shok
Love,
Gabriel Moreno

Dear Santa,
I wex a cat an dog.
Love,
David Almanza

Dear Santa,
I woont a deer colu and a blo bick that has hendl bracks and a gun that pops alt win you shoot it and rolr blads and bonoculars.
Chase Farrar

Dear Santa,
I wunt a house and a coor for crismus and I wunt a bell from your slaye in a box. If you bring the stuf I will gif sum cookes and milk.
Love,
Brenda Ortiz

Dear Santa,
I wantn crash Bandicoot 2 and gatergolf chicken liboe and apicogame for Christmas. And a neclis for my grandma.
Mery Chismas, love,
Dylan Sumner

Dear Santa,
I think your cool. So do my frids. Pleser right me bake.
Your fane,
Hunter Cox

Dear Santa,
I want a cat stuff animal cat.
Love,
Sabrina Cantu

Dear Santa,
All I crismus is a pupe for crismus.
Love,
Justin D

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl can you ples get me a skaten doll and a walking doll.
Love,
Doree Deluna

Dear Santa,
I wut hoh said travis. i wut a cat and a dog and a linstoshuting lins did transboy
BoBo

Dear Santa,
I want a stufft cat. I want a stufft dog. I want a gigg pet. I wanta bell. I want a santa. I want a play mom. I want a play dad. I want aplay sis.
Love,
Chasity Thomas

Dear Santa,
I wot a police car gor sewit has fier men and sum donkrs.
Love,
Addam Ferguson

Dear Santa,
I like your Christmas. And I wish you cood come and see my Mommy But I wish I wonte too be a Angel.
Your Darling
Destiny Fisher

Dear Santa,
skates. computer. bike. reindeer. prisg.
Jennifer Perez

Dear Santa,
Santa woot you like coke. Sant I want a Nintendo 64.
Corey Fletcher

Dear Santa,
I want a bike and gigapet.
Your friend,
Gabby

Dear Santa,
I likek your Christmas and I wish you cood see my pape dog Bit i wish I cood see him too can I be a angel. Mere crismus
Huivey Tindell

Dear Santa,
Har you. I want a fishing pole for Christmas and I want a alligator and a car whith it and a dote and a pris.
TJ Howard

Dear Santa,
How are you I am fin so you no that I am good girl. I wanta Big bick and I wot a sore gam.
Your frend
Isabel Varela

Dear Santa,
I wood lik a hot will set. I wot a per uf nike shoos. I wot a computer. I wot a gem boy. I wot a meshcar. I wot a per uv jis. I wot a chremset.
Your friend,
Jake Leicht

Dear Santa,
I like skates a bike a nintendo a computer a alligator a reindeer a cehen a play school.
Your friend
Monica Gomez

Dear Santa,
I wud like a rendeer and a prest for my mom and dad. I like Santa wer is Rudolph and your comet.
Josue Hernandez

Dear Santa,
Id like a new bike and a new dokycon 64. Haw is comet. Id like a cat for Christmas coum to see my dogs. I like some dols and a crawn.
Your friend,
Lauren Blades

Dear Santa,
I like a remoctrol car a truck with a bowt a track with a car.
Your friend
Tyler Schnell

Dear Santa,
I will like a guitar and a tokn Buba and a rollbek girl. but my buther will like a leckt guitar and some bumes and a arplen runs wite gas.
Your friend
Tayshia James

Dear Santa,
I wot a got car bick computr ntido pisis snow redow cooke house
courtney

Dear Santa,
Iv ben good all yir beecaus I no thet you are coming to town I want a telephone and a tv and I want a teeset with cart.
Your friend
Bond Pittman

Dear Santa,
I want a wu flubber and a gam for my Nintendo and dog.
Your friend,
Raul

Dear Santa,
I would like you to brine me a sete of looney toons. Will you bring my sister and I a nentendo? Could you bring me a new bike of my own? I would like you to bring my dad a chiefs coat.
You're friend,
Ashley brown

Dear Santa,
Nintindo sikstefor with thre gams I want some bills imaniset.
Your friend
Jacob

Dear Santa,
wer is christmas can you brig me a nentendo 64 in thats all?
Your friend
Ramon Ortega

Dear Santa,
Can you git me a kechen and a trempolin and a School, a house, a baby, a cat, a book, a little house, a little bed for my pony.
Your friend,
Irma Hernandez

Dear Santa,
I want Nintendo 64 tose in a box walk man that is all.
Your friend,
Arnold

Dear Santa,
I hope you bring sum toy fud. We can play withim and win my mom and dad said to put the toy up we will put up the toy and we will go to bed and we will wit for Santa clos and win we saw a nos we will gid up and win Santa clos gos we will see our toys.
Your friend
Laura Chavlar

Dear Santa,
I want drums and a anuthr cow mailbox Nintendo 64 tools and a gitor and a lisins.
Your frind
Seth Redwine

Dear Santa,
All I wont for christmas is pooh. All I wont for christmas is a pooh tea set. All I want for christmas is pooh soks. All I wont for christmas is teny susy.
I love you
DeeDee DeLaRosa

Dear Santa,
I want a gega pet for christmas and a Nentendo 64 a car sit for my doll with a sholr and sum thing for my tow brathrs and mom and dad. And all lef you cuces weth melk.
Your friend
Victoria Rengera

Dear Santa,
I want a new santa clas soot I have bin vere good in scllu.
Your friend,
Elena Vargas

Dear Santa,
I want biseco for my sister me 9 cars for Santo
Your friend
Fernando

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Dear Santa,
I want a eletrick gutr. I also want a game boy. Bring killr instenk with it. I relle want some stufted animals. I also relle want a football tee and a net to kick the football in. I wont a new basball glove.
Your friend,
Brett Winegarner

Dear Santa,
I want a biseco for my sister. I want a wagen for me and my brather nids a bik.
Your friend,
Fabian Frayre

Dear Santa,
I wut a ten spede bisico gronup size for my mom and dad and a twinee sede for me. I wut rmotanchuwul land wut a red rider.
Your friend,
Cade Carter

Dear Santa,
I am ben as good as I can be. This is my list of toys. Nintendo 64 max cash troll and a remote controll boat my own real sealer phone two talk with rechargeable batery and lost of games for the Nintendo 64.
Kegan Garnett

Gruver Elementary

Pre-Kindergarten

Dear Santa,
I want a doll, a horse, a cow, a chicken.
Love,
Daniela Carrasco

Dear Santa,
I want some little dolls. I want some little puppies. I want a Mermaid, kittens, and a train. Also, I want a teddy bear. I want a shopping cart.
Love,
Chrys Ortiz

Dear Santa,
I want some play dishes. I want a Barbie. I want a toy shopping cart. I also want some toys for the snow. And I want a Barney.
Love,
Marisol Ortiz

Dear Santa,
I want a stuffed rabbit. I want a doll and a toy horse that walks. I also want a little grocery cart.
Love,
Dania Ramos

Dear Santa,
I wanta 4x4 toy pick-up trucks. I want a toy train and a motorcycle.
Love,
Cesar Soto

Dear Santa,
I want you to bring me a little house. I want a little car. I want a little teddy bear.
Luis Muñoz

Dear Santa,
I want a motorcycle. I want a toy car that drives on a road. I also want an elephant and a blue monster. I want a teddy bear that is blue.
Love,
Jose Luis Salazar

Dear Santa,
I want a horse, a bear, and a train. I want a teddy bear. I also want some toy cars. I want a puppy.
Love,
Fabian Martinez

Dear Santa,
I want a choo-choo train. I want a horse and some little toys.
Love,
Jesus Balderrama
Dear Santa,
I want a baby doctor. I want a watch and Barbie.
Love,
Sammie Sanchez

Dear Santa,
I want a toy train. I want a little ball. I also want a play frog. I want a little teddy bear.
Love,
Noe Tarango

Dear Santa,
I love you. I'm proud of you. I want you to come to my house. Bring me presents. Would you bring me with you? Bring me some toys.
I love you,
Gaby Santillan

Kindergarten

Dear Santa,
I want for Christmas a fish tank. I also want for Christmas a pruple space jam alien, but it's bigger. I also want for Christmas an elf hat I want a Christmas tree toy that opens it's eyes and talks. I want a santa clause toy that winds up and kind-of talks. I want some playdough. I've been a good boy. I want a new computer, because ours really doesn't work. I want a basketball.
I love you,
Gage Parker

Dear Santa,
When I grow-up I want to get a sword. I would like ka computer and a typewriter. I can't wait till you come.
Your friend,
Jorge Tarango

Dear Santa,
I will leave you some cookies. I would like to give you a toy. I would like some candy. I want a toy and a Christmas tree.
I love you,
Ramon Mendoza

Dear Santa,
I want a computer, a Barbie that says names on the computer, and a dress, new white shoes, andn some books, and a new blanket and some stickers. I would like some coloring books.
I love you,
Noemi Bernal

Dear Santa,
I want a computer, a doll that you can brush her teeth, a Teddy Bear. I need a Barbie and an Elmo. I have been good. I will leave out milk and cookies for you.
I love you,
Mariel Barrera

Dear Santa,
I want a dress that has a little flower on the front, a shirt, and a big Barbie that you can dress-up. I want a mermaid that swims, a color book, and a Christmas book that gots Santa on the front, and some brown shoes. Thank you for all the toys you brought me last year. I miss your elves.
I love you,
Valerie Perez

Dear Santa,
I want a semi that carries cars, a dinosaur that is in an egg that's cracking, and two combines that are green (one is for Jack, my brother). Greyson wants two babies and one stroller. And we want two cattle semis, and a Rudolph the Red-nosed Reindeer book. When I'm seven I want a be-be gun.
I love you,
Reagan Karlin
Dear Santa,
I've been wanting a kid's sewing machine, a belt for my baby doll and some clothes for her, a painting box. I miss you. I hope I can see you again.
From your best friend,
Lauren Christy

Dear Santa,
I would like a cheerleader doll, a dress, a coat, and some pictures. I've been good, Santa. I want a bear and markers.
Love,
Carmen Dahl
P.S. I would like a radio, too.

Dear Santa,
I want a truck that has a tarp that rolls over on the truck. I want a kinze gram cart that is blue and a green grain cart. They both have augers. I need a red combikne, because Snoopy (my dog) chewed it off mine. Also, when I grow-up I want a real gun. I need a desk really bad, cause I don't have one. When I grow-up I need a knife, too, not a fake one - a real one. We need some pens, too, all we have are pencils.
Hudson Williams

Dear Santa,
I want a scooter, a coloring book, a doll, and a toy train and some crayons. I have been good, Santa.
I love you,
Molly Zimmer

Dear Santa,
I want a typewriter, and a basketball deal that has a net to hold the balls in it, and a big foot that can carry a dinosaur in the back. I want a remote kcontrol car with the front wheels that spin. I want one of those red dealies that you look into to play - it looks like you are really fighting.
I love you,
Keith Dillard

Dear Santa,
I want a computer, a Barbie, a Christmas tree (a little one), and a baby doll.
Love,
Gaby Barrera

Dear Santa,
I want a bike and a Barbie and a dress up room. I want a doll.
Love,
Mary Barron

Dear Santa,
I need a bike and a red car to play with. I need some shoes cause mine squish my toes.
Love,
Weston Castillo

Dear Santa,
I want a computer Barbie. The computer really works. I want a walking Barbie, a computer, a rndeal rolling skates. I want a new big dancing Barbie. I want a doll house, a mermaid doll and a real dog. I want a Winnie the Pooh that has on overalls and wiggles his nose. I want a Christmas doll. I want a baby that cries.
Love,
Katie Gibson

Dear Santa,
I want Nerf guns. I want a cd player and a tape player and I want a new tv in my room. Wake me up and show me all of the toys. I want a Nintendo 64. I want the new Beauty and the Beast Christmas movie and I want you to make me 25 years old so I can work at the Farm Supply.
Love,
Parker Grotegut
P.S. I want a doll for Christmas so I can nail it with my Nerf gun.

Dear Santa,
I want a bicycle, a Barbie, clothes, and a doll. A Mickey that if you touch his nose he says, "Did you touch my nose?"
Love,
Edaena Huerta

Dear Santa,
Give me green cars. I want a football and some new clothes. I want some new shoes.
Love,
Luis Lora

Dear Santa,
I want a bicycle and a train.
Love,
Alonso Martinez

Dear Santa,
I want a globe and one of those star bright globes that look like a globe but just show you the stars. I want a dirt bike. It just the one that you push the brake.
Love,
Drew Mireles

Dear Santa,
I want a pogo stick. I want the Barbie that walks. I want a Tumble Baby and some books. I saw a scooter in a magazine and you can take the handle off to make a skateboard. Please bring me one. Bring these presents and leave them under my Christmas tree.
Love,
Megan Stedje

Dear Santa,
How is your wife doing? I hope you have a good Christmas Eve. What I really want for Christmas is Computer Barbie and i want a swimming pool, a race car track, a train to put under the tree, and I want a big tent with a tunnel on it. I want the kitchen where you can make chocolate milk and easy food. I also want a real telephone and a lap top computer. And I want "Pippi Longstocking's After Christmas Party" movie. Please stop by my house and wake me up.
Love,
Leigh Ann Winger

Dear Santa,
I want Turbo-man and a Tyranasaurus Rex toy with a cage. I would like a CD walk-man with lots of CD's. Santa, please give me a Superman that has a parachute. I also want a remote control car. I want a car set, too.
Love,
Cody

Dear Santa,
I want a Super Nintendo and another polar bear stuffed animal. Please bring some game called "Money Game." I also want a new trash can. Could you bring my mom and dad a new sink? Santa, I will leave you some milk and cookies.
Joel



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Dear Santa,
I want a Nintendo 64. Please send me a doll from "American Girls" that has a computer. Her name is Molly. I want Santa to bring me play eyeballs that you can squish. They are lots of fun. Santa, please bring me any Barbie that has brown hair not blonde!
Mattie

Dear Santa,
I want a cat for Christmas and a remote control race car. Thank you for my friends. Santa, will you bring me a banana? I also need a new school box. I also want a raincoat. Some toys that I would like are a doll, Walkie-Talkie, and a pair of glasses.
Briann

Dear Santa,
I would like a big race car for Christmas. I would also like a teddy bear. Please send me a lion, too. Santa, could you please give my mom and dad some clothes?
Love,
Blake

Dear Santa,
I would like a "roller skater" Barbie. Would you please send the "dentist" Barbie, too. I also want a "walking" Barbie. I think "Baby Magic" is something I want. I also want a Santa Claus doll. I will leave you a snack if you come visit me!
Love,
Leana

Dear Santa,
Please send me a Tyco "Rebound" car. I also want a big horse that I saw at the store. I want a whole family of horses since I lost my baby horse. I will give you some milk and cookies. Next year I am going to be Santa on Halloween.
Love,
Rico

Dear Santa,
I want a truck and a bike and a football. I want a car, a dog, and a cat. I want a toy Santa Claus I want a fish.
Love,
Joani Ortiz

Dear Santa,
I would like a tree and a truck for Christmas. I want a Super Nintendo, a Teddy Bear, and a cat. If you can, I want you to bring me a rabbit. I want a Superman, too. Mom and Dad want a dog for Christmas.
Love,
Lorenzo

Dear Santa,
I want a T-Rex toy that has a cage. Please send the man with this toy. I would like a Batman with a motorcycle and a Batgirl and Robin. My mom wants a ring and my dad wants tools.
Your friend,
Caleb

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Barbie that can go in the water. I also want a new pair of dress shoes. I want some new colors and a new coloring book. I want a doll who sings songs. Please bring me a new dress. I love you, Santa!
Love,
Luli

Dear Santa,
I would like a tent. Could you please give me a kite? I would also like a talking truck and a squishy eye ball. I need some more markers, too. I would like a desk for my bedroom.
Love,
Devin

1st Grade

Dear Santa,
I need a computer for Christmas and a Nintendo 64. I want some computer games, too, and a white reindeer suit with white gloves and shoes. I want a puppy. I hope you don't get sick any more.
Love,
Payton Mitchell

Dear Santa,
I want a Repunzil Barbie and a T.V. I want an Easy Bake Oven that does M&Ms. Feed your reindeer for Christmas.
Love,
Macy Jones

Dear Santa,
I want Nintendo 64 and a game with it, too. I also want a new book and new shoes. Be careful coming to my house.
Love,
Matt Salazar

Dear Santa,
I want a white Polar Bear and a lot of books. And I want a new lap top computer and a little doll newspaper boy. Be careful landing on our house so you won't break your ankle!
Love,
Jordan Lippincott

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a jeep and a Santa doll. I have been good this year. I'll be waiting for you!
Love,
Lizi Chavez

Dear Santa,
I want a Giga Pet and a Doodle Bear. I also want a pet bird. I am goign to call it Zack. My brother and I will set out cookies and milk for you.
Love,
Lindsey Mireles

Dear Santa,
I want some football pads, and I want Star Fox 64 with Rumble Pack. I also want a basketball for Lance Hallum to sign. I want my baby brother to talk. I also want a football. I want a new cousin from my aunt, too. I want some game for the Star Fox 64. I want to see you in Mexico, and I'm going to leave you somem cookies. Leave a lot of presents for me please.
Love,
Anselmo Trejo

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie car and a bicycle because mine is flat. I also would like a swing set, and I want a TV and a computer. I wish it could snow. I want to see you, Santa Claus. I love you, Santa.
Love,
Estefany Saldana

Dear Santa,
I want you to help me be a good reader. I need some books please so I can have fun. I want a swing, roller skates, and a robot. I want a computer, too. I want you to give me presents. Take care of your reindeer.
Love,
Gabriel Rios

Dear Santa,
Please give your reindeer plenty of food before you come. I would like to see you also. I want Batman this year.
Love,
Steve Morales

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a Nintendo 64 and a Superman doll. I also want a Polar Bear. I want one of the toys like Mrs. Hallum has in her room. It is a Santa Claus puzzle. I want a black Power Ranger doll. I will be happy to see you. Will you also bring Mrs. Hallum a mouse pad?
Love,
Jorge Soto

Dear Santa,
How are you? For Christmas I would like to have a new bike, a ball, and some new clothes.
Merry Christmas,
Cody Dahl

Dear Santa,
How are you? I am fine. I want a train set, some jacks, and some books. I would also like a dollhouse.
Merry Christmas,
Lynn Vela

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas, Santa! How do the reindeer fly? I would like to have a kitten and a mother cat. I would also like to have a Giga pet, a Barbie, some Barbie clothes and a Santa doll.
Love,
Mallory Reid

Dear Santa,
I want you to read my letter. I want a B.B. gun and a jacket. I want new books, a new backpack, and a new bike.
Merry Christmas,
Ruben Martinez

Dear Santa,
I want toys for Christmas. I want a remote control toy and a new bike. I want a bow and an arrow. I want my brother to have some new shoes.
Merry Christmas,
Roberto Mendoza

Dear Santa,
I want a puppy, a doll, a giga pet, and a necklace.
Merry Christmas,
Skyler Bettis

Dear Santa,
I would like to have Barbie. I would like to have a doll, a ball, and a play kitchen.
Merry Christmas,
Diana Bernal

Dear Santa,
I will leave you some fudge and cookies, if we have any. You can see all of our presents under the Christmas tree if you would like. I would like a go cart and an airplane that flies and comes back to you. I would like a couple of play pickups and a real pet. I would also like a coat. My own computer and a telephone would be fun.
Merry Christmas,
Jordan Hicks

Dear Santa,
I love you! You have a big long white beard. You are nice. I hope I get presents. I want a sand art, a dog, a cat, a play car, and a doll. I would also like to have a ball. In my stocking I would like a play little pig, a little bird, and a little play bee.
Merry Christmas,
Chevi Smith

Dear Santa,
I want a new bike and a new T-Rex because mine broke. I want a new packosaurus from the Lost World, a volas raptor, and two trailers from the Lost World. I want a rescue set from Turbo Power Rangers.
Merry Christmas,
Brandon Traylor

Dear Santa,
I want a Nintendo 64, new nike shoes, and a game boy. I want some new nike clothes and a new computer and a new backpack and a new coat. I would also like a race car, a gun, and tools.
Merry Christmas,
Rey David Gaspar

Dear Santa
I want a crash-back, some cars, and a smallcomputer. Thank you for bringing me presents. Mrs.Haight says I have been a good boy.
I love you,
Edgar Garcia

Dear Santa,
I want a car, bike and a truck. Thank you for coming. Mrs. Haight says I have been a good boy.
I love you,
Jr. Huerta

Dear Santa,
I want a Y-wing, a crash-back, and a new bike. I have been a good boy and worked hard at school.
I love you,
Caleb Abernathy

Dear Santa,
I want a Lost World race car set, star war lazier tag guns, and power wheels four wheeler. Thank for what you gave me last year. Mrs. Haight says I work hard at school and I am a good boy.
I love you,
Miles Messer

Dear Santa,
I want a yak-back, a balloon and a talk-back Barbie. Thank you for coming. I will have you cookies. Mrs. Haight says I have been a good girl.
I love you,
Dani Wheelock

Dear Santa,
I wish for a computer, a Barbie, and a bike. I have been a good girl. I like you very much.
Love,
Nataly Lopez

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie, a big bear and a computer. I love you and thank you for coming.
Love,
Esbeyal Ramirez

Dear Santa,
I want a puppy, a race car track, and a stuffed bunny. I love you. Mrs. Haight says I have been a good boy.
Love,
Taylor Williams

Dear Santa,
I want a baby kitten, ice skates, and roller blades. I love you and Mrs. Haight says I am a good hard worker at school. Be careful.
Love,
Sydney Clawson

Dear Santa,
I want a real rabbit, a pretend reindeer, and a stuffed dog. I love you, Santa. Mrs. Haight says I have been a good girl.
Love,
Devlin Reynolds

Dear Santa,
I want a big stuffed bear, a little four-wheeler, and a Toy Story toy ship. Come to my house and eat a big cookie.
Thank you,
Arturo Trejo

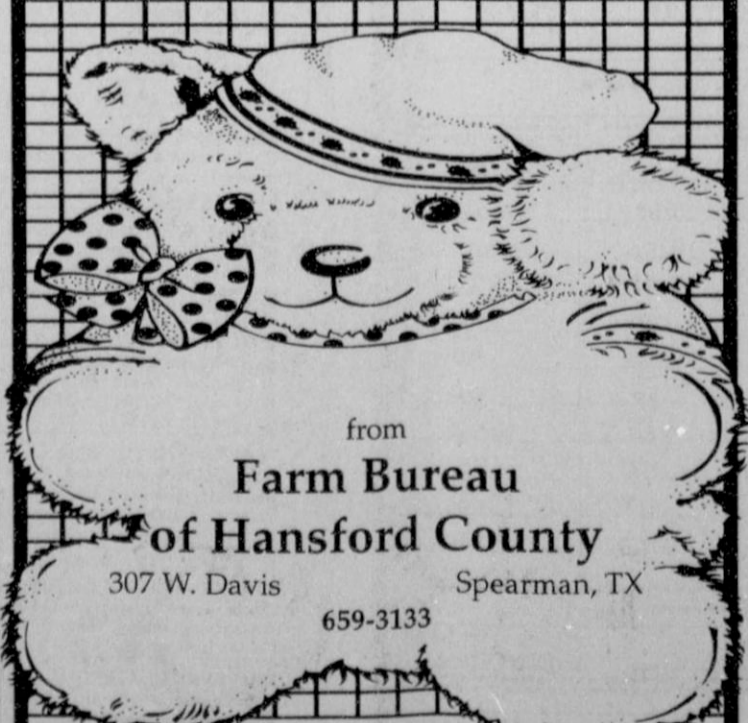
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from
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at
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December 29th, 30th & 31st
Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday
Michele's
306 Hancock Spearman, TX
Hours: 9:30-5:30

ADVANCED NOTICE
Reagan & Brown Auctioneers, Inc. will be holding their 14th Annual Spring Farm Equipment Auction on Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday, February 24th, 25th & 26th at Miller Airport, Dalhart, Texas.
Anyone wanting to consign items, farm and ranch equipment, tractors, trucks, trailers, vehicles, irrigation equipment, tools & shop items, must contact Reagan & Brown no later than January 22nd.
Call (806) 249-6776 or come by the office with your consignments or mail to: Reagan & Brown Auctioneers, P.O. Box 648, Dalhart, TX 79022.
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SPEARMAN LISTINGS

NEW LISTING - 112 Wanda Dr. - 3BR, 1B. Remodeled on inside - carpet & paint. Corner lot - extra nice & clean. Central heat/air, two-car detached garage, fenced yard.

NEW LISTING - 703 S. Bernice - 2BR, 1B, corner lot, **SOLD** - good starter home. Owner will carry.

NEW LISTING - 804 S. Bernice - 2BR, 1B, corner lot, detached garage. Owner anxious to sell; will carry.

NEW LISTING - 706 Wilmeth Dr. - Beautiful, large, spacious 3BR, 2B, 2 car garage, large den, sprinkler system, **SOLD** fenced yard, corner lot, guest house. Much, much more to see. Excellent neighborhood. Must see to appreciate.

417 Dressen - PRICE REDUCED - 3BR, 2B, hardwood floors, wood burning stove, **SOLD** car garage, fenced back yard w/patio. Excellent location. Close to school.

208 Lonita Dr. - Small 3BR, 1B, single car garage. Nice neighborhood. **LET'S MAKE A DEAL.**

210 S. Bernice - 3BR, 1B, with basement, central H/A, detached garage, fenced backyard. Centrally located. **Build Your Dream Home** on these extra large lots located at 709 & 801 Wilmeth Dr. Prime location - quiet neighborhood.

COMMERCIAL PROPERTY

NEW LISTING - 222 S. Main - Corner location. Basement, w/walk-in vaults, office space. Prime location.

200 S. Main - For sale or rent. Office space in rear. **Little Fort Worth Area (West Crawford Addition)** - 2 large lots, pipe fence, corrals, water & electricity. Endless possibilities.

FARMLAND

640 Acres - Prime farm ground for sale in Hansford County. Highway frontage. Price Negotiable. Close to Spearman - some improvements.

We need and appreciate your listings!

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Commercial Property - 434 Main, Gruver - Corner Location.

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811 S. Roland - 3 bedroom, 1 bath. Let's make a deal.

611 S. Evans - 3 1/2/1 - priced to sell.

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1013 S. Townsend - 3/2/1, extra large den & **SOLD** cabinets & storage.

705 Cotter - 3/1, price reduced, plus all new paint - inside & out. Price reduced to \$21,000.

722 S. Bernice - Large 2B, 1 1/2 bath stucco home with den & fireplace.

708 Lee Dr. - **UNDER CONTRACT** - 2 addition.

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601 King - 3/2/1, extra large master suite

906 King - 4 Bedrooms, 1 Bath

NEW LISTING
207 Richardson - Price Reduced to \$35,000 - 3 BR, 2 1/2 bath, 1 car garage, hardwood floors.

We'd Like Your Listing FOR QUALITY & SERVICE CALL US TODAY! Equal Housing Opportunity

EMPLOYMENT

HELP WANTED: Attendants needed to help with the handicapped and elderly. Call (806) 372-8480. 3(12-11-97)B

HELP WANTED LVN position available full-time at North Plains Home Health, Inc. Benefit package includes medical insurance. If you are a professional, compassionate, self-starter who is interested in providing skilled care to our special clients, please call 659-2120 or pick up an application at 206 Main Street in Spearman, or 320 Main in Gruver. TFN(11-27-97)B

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HELP WANTED: Weekend relief RN at Senior Village in Perryton. Call to apply and contact Rita Hargrove at 435-5403. 4(12-4-97)B

HELP WANTED: Experienced truck driver. Must have CDL and good driving record. Other duties will be machinery set-up and light mechanic work. Salary plus benefits. Apply in person at Five Star Equipment, Highway 15 West, Spearman, TX. TFN(11-27-97)B

HELP WANTED: Diesel Mechanic, base salary plus lucrative commission sale. Excellent benefit program including vacation and sick leave pay. Community minded leadership. Call (806) 659-3743 for application, or to send resume. TFN(12-11-97)B

HELP WANTED: Outreach Health Services is looking for prime-time attendants for Spearman. Call 1-800-800-0697. EOE. 2(12-25-97)B

WEIGHT WATCHERS is now meeting every Monday in Spearman. For more information, please call 1-800-359-3131. TFN(9-18-97)B

FOR SALE: Refrigerated Box Car, \$1000. Want to buy 3/4" sucker rods, 2 3/8" upset tubing. Call (806) 659-2808. 2(12-18-97)P

FOR SALE: Whirlpool portable dishwasher - \$150; Gold Star Microwave - \$20. Call (806) 733-2964. 2(12-18-97)P

RELOCATING: Gas dryer for sale. 6 years old - runs great. Call (806) 935-3857. 2(12-18-97)P

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Public Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Gruver Independent School District will accept bids for band uniforms. Bids will be received in the administration office of the Gruver ISD at P.O. Box 650, Gruver, Texas 79040 until 1:00 p.m., on January 8, 1998 at which time bids will be opened and read. The school district reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, or any part thereof, and to waive any or all formalities. Please contact the administration office at (806) 733-2001 for information pertaining to the particulars as related to this bid. 2(12-18-97)B

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids for the purchase of a new, four-door police sedan with heavy duty equipment will be received by the City of Spearman, Texas up until 10:30 a.m., January 7, 1998, and then publicly opened and read.

The City reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive informalities, and to accept the bid deemed to be the most advantageous to the City. All bids received after the closing hour will be returned unopened.

All bids shall be sealed and marked on the outer envelope of the type of bid being submitted.

Specifications and bidding documents may be secured from City Hall, P.O. Box 37, Spearman, TX 79081. 2(12-18-97)B

JOB OPENING

The City of Spearman is accepting applications for a part-time Court Clerk for the Municipal Court. A work week will be twenty-hours. Office, public relations, communication and computer skills helpful. Training will be provided. Employment date to be on or about January 19, 1998.

The City has an excellent fringe benefit program which includes hospitalization insurance, retirement, and half vacation, holidays, and sick leave.

Applications will be accepted until 5:00 p.m. on January 6, 1998. Applications may be obtained at Spearman City Hall, 30 S.W. Court, Spearman, TX. Equal Opportunity Employer. 3(12-18-97)B

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF ELLA MARIE O'LOUGHLIN CARMODY

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of ELLA MARIE O'LOUGHLIN CARMODY were issued on December 15, 1997, in Cause No. 2210 pending in the County Court of Hansford County, Texas, to June O'Loughlin and Kathleen O'Loughlin, Box 55, Spearman, Texas 79081. All persons having claims against this estate, which is currently being administered, are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. DATED the 15th day of December, 1997.

John L. Hutchison
 Attorney for the Estate
 1(12-25-97)B

NOTICE

The Spearman Housing Authority is now taking applications for potential residents. Eligible applicants will be placed on a waiting list. The family size and income guidelines are as follows:

FAMILY SIZE	FAMILY INCOME
1 Person	less than \$19,700
2 Person	less than \$22,550
3 Person	less than \$25,350
4 Person	less than \$28,150
5 Person	less than \$30,400
6 Person	less than \$32,650
7 Person	less than \$34,900
8 Person	less than \$37,150

Rent is based on family income minus allowances for elderly occupants, children and allowances for gas and electric utilities. For more information, contact Gary Ellsworth at Spearman City Hall by calling 659-2524. Spearman Housing Authority does not discriminate based on race, religion, sex, age, disability, national origin, or other classification protected by federal and state laws.

HELP WANTED

Cargill, Inc. is looking for an aggressive individual to fill a full-time production position.

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 Spearman, TX

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LOCAL CANDY ROUTE. 30 vending machines. Earn approximately \$800/day. All for \$9,995. Call 1-800-998-9858. Multi-Vend, Inc.

THE PERFECT OPPORTUNITY to make money at home. We'll teach you to make simulated stone waterfalls, boulders and birdbaths that everyone will love. Molds, supplies and technical support included. \$3395. The Waterfall Company. 1-888-755-1996.

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\$51,000\$5 SIGN-ON BONUS. PFT/Roberson, CX/Roberson's looking for flatbed and van semi-drivers. Up to 30-31¢/mile to start. Need Class A CDL, 1 year OTR. 1-800-473-5581. EOE/mf.

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EXPRESS FREIGHT SYSTEMS, Inc. seeks owner operator. .78¢-.84¢ per mile. Tolls/lumpers paid, 1 year experience & clean MVR required. Rusty @ 1-800-331-9938.

FREE TRAINING & FIRST year income \$30K - Stevens Transport - OTR truck drivers wanted! Non-experienced or experienced 1-800-333-8595. EOE.

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RAPID FREIGHT OF Texas is seeking OTR drivers. Minimum 1 year verifiable experience, class A CDL with HazMat required. Call recruiting 1-800-299-7274 ext. 21 or ext.41.

EMPLOYMENT

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