



Members of the Kindergarten Class visit with jolly old St. Nick and serenade him with Christmas carols.

## Board Approves Two New Science Classes, Looks At Interim Superintendent Candidates

The Mc Independent School District Board of Education met for a Special meeting at 5:30 m. on December 13, Board members 2001. were John present Ward, Holland, Billie Toni Bohler, and Mike Darsey. Others present Interim were Superintendent Ron Gregory, Elementary Principal, Dick Crockett; High School Principal Blaze Herring; Leslie Darsey, Secretary; Pam Crockett, Margaret Milam, Brian Quisenberry, Janet Glass, Brian Erick Smith, Andy Simpson, Hank Holt, Bob Downs, and Boh Howell.

Absen from the meeting were Board Members Neal Odom and Joe Riley. and Delicious meat

cheese trays and other homebaked goodies were provide by Ms. Milam and were enjoyed by all

in attendance. The meeting was called to order at 5:42 by President John Holland. Opening prayer was given by Billie Ward. The Board called for

an Executive Session at 5:44 p.m. to start the process of interviewing the three applicants for Interim Superintendent. was Each applicant interviewed by the Board and the McLean ISD staff was allowed to interact during the The interviews. interaction proved to be helpful and ve da very very productive positive feelings among everyone.

The Board returned to open session at 9:52 p.m. discuss . Custodial to applicants, addition of Science classes and personnel benefits.

After returning to open session, a motion was made by Mike Darsey, second by Toni Bohlar to let the Administration make the decision on a custodian for the High School.

Motion by Billie Ward,

second by Mike Darsey to add two Science classes and increase Mrs. Hargrove's teaching salary by \$4,000 for this semester.

Motion by Billie ward, second by Toni Bohlar to give a Christmas Bonus of \$100 for all fulltime school employees and \$50 to halftime school employees.

employees. The meeting was adjourned at 10:37 p.m.



The Staff At The McLean News!

## McLean Junior High Places Fourth In UIL Competition

The McLean Jr. High 3rd; Calculatortook 4th place in the UIL competition with a total score of 216 points. In the 7th grade, individual scoring was in the following: Maps, Graphs, and Charts -Tamara Loya 3rd; Oral Reading - Kutter Anderson 3rd, Amanda Kutter Fricks 4th; Modern Oratory - Tmara Loya

John Haynes 4th; Ready Writing - Amanda Fricks 4th place, Brooke Seymor 5th; Science - Brandon Phillips and John Haynes 6th; Dictionary -Samantha Krueger 6th ; Math - Courtney Lamb 6th. In the eighth grade

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## REMINDERS

THE HEALD United Methodist Church annual christmas Ever Candlelight Service and Program will be at 7:00 p.m.

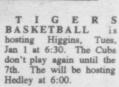
MCLEAN UNITED Methodist Church will have a Christmas Eve Communion Service at 6;00 pm.

THE GIRL Scouts and the Methodist Youth group will be our caroling on Wednesday Dec. 19.

THE CHURCH of Christ Youth group will be caroling on Thursday, Dec. 20th.

FAMILY READING night will be cancelled on Christmas Eve.

arrive at the Bank of Commerce parking by fire engine, Sat. Dec. 22 at 12 pm.



MCLEAN'S LIONS Club will be holding their annual Christmas and decorations lights contest December 17-21.

ALANREED **CEMETERY** Association will not be meeting on Jan 2.

SCHOOL IS OUT for Friday, they will be friday, they at 1:00 and the Christmas break on return on Jan. 3.

LIBRARY will be closed the 24-28th.

DON'T FORGET there will not be an issue of The Groom-McLean News next week, Dec. 27 as the staff take a much needed rest! Be sure to turn in all your holiday visitors and news on December 31. Slip it under the door at the office anytime it's convenient or call us on Monday, Dec. 31.

SANTA CLAUS will

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CARD OF THANKS We appreciate all the community members who have generously donated money, opened their homes, and remembered us in their prayers during our time of need. While we can never reach each of you personally, know that you generosity has touched our hearts.

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Randal, Pamela, Jennifer and Leesa Greer

LIBRARY GETS GRANT The Locker Foundation Austin gave the mcLean Library a grant for \$200 from

Library Program.

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Heald United Methodist

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Chris Walker, first grader, wants new socks from Santa Claus.

invites you to their Annual Christmas Eve Candlelight Service and Program 7:00 p.m. Strength and a state of the sta

Leadership is a potent combination of strategy and character. But if you must be without one, be without strategy. -Norman Schwarzkopf

**McLean Birthdays** Anniversaries

December 20 - Candi Morris, Jamie Kingston, Lamb, Lukas Ann Sevmour.

December 21 - Jana Davis, Clay Cooper, Emory Crawford, Emory Crawford, Nathaniel Conners. December 22 - Glyn

Dora Rice Moore, Sherry Martindale, Tracie Cooper, Laura Willis, Mike Darsey, Florence Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Stillwell (A), Don and Glenda White (A).

December 23 - Sue Cubine, Ott Davis, Deb Crockett, W.A. Davis, Sasha Fish, Bill and Katy Graham (A). December 25 - Ted

Simmons. December 26 - Janet

McCracken, Chet Bohlar. December 27 - Jan Haynes, Joe Magee, John Griffin, Herman L. Petty, Harold C. Petty, Jane Herndon, Christy Steward, Saralyn Beth Richardson.

December 28 Rosa Stefanie Turpen, Rosa White, Michael Doniz, Darel Lee, Anne Weaver, Sammy Averett Ted and Imogene Longino (A). December 29 - Kyle

Woods, Evelyn Pennington, Lacee Wallis. December 30 - Trevor Evelyn McDonald, Olene Brown, William Floyd Smith, Bobby and Missie Richardson.

December 31 - W.C. Kennedy, Beverly Odom, Dusty Moody, Blaze and Amy Herring (A), Gabe and Cozy Parson (A).

January 1 - Billie Billingsley, Traci Seitz. January 2 -Chris eyna, Derek Mark Reyna, Derek Iones, Tami & Mike



Jack Reyna, two years old, ask Santa Claus to bring him lots of presents.



Ruth Magee tells Santa she wants a \$100.00 bill.



Worship 10:40 am & 6 pm Wed. Bible Class 7:30

First Assembly of God 4th & Main Pastor Dean Williamson 779-2221 Sunday School - All Ages 9:30 am Morning Worship 10:45 am Sunday Night & Youth Services 7:00 pm sday Night Children's Church, Family Night, Youth Me and Cell Groups 7:00 pm

> First Baptist Church 206 E. 1st Brian Quisenberry, Pastor 779-2175 Sunday School 9:45; Worship 11 am & 7pm (Youth) & Wed, Bible Study, Prayer Meeting 7 pm

United Methodist Church 2nd & Gray Pastor Thacker Haynes 779-2049 & 779-2337 Sunday School 9:45 am Worship 10:50 am & 6 pm Sun. Sr. High Youth Alpha Chi 5 pm Wed. Choir 7:00 pm

Heald United Methodist Church Kellerville Road Sunday 9:15

Trinity Baptist Church 603 Commerce Interium Pastor John Denton 779-3207 Sunday School 9:45 am Worship 11 am Sunday Evening Worship 7 pm Bible Study & Prayer Meeting Wed 7 pm

Cowboy Church at Red River Steakhouse Cowboy Preacher - Kitchell Collins 779-2456 or 779-2965 Sunday Evening Worship - 7:00 p.m. Children's Church, Sunday - 7:00 p.m.

DON'T HAVE ENOUGH TIME IN THE DAY? Then do your banking at night! Whether it is 3:00 am or 3:00 pm you are always right on time at Bank Of Commerce.



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Surprise Dessert

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### Have A Healthy Holiday—Route RTIs From Your House

(NAPS)-It's that time of year. The hustle and bustle of the holiday season is in full swing. You're busy buying gifts, making delicious holiday meals, planning to gather with family and friends. But along with rel-atives and friends, respiratory tract infections, or RTIs, may also visit this season According to the RTIalert, a national tracking system that measures and predicts incidences of common RTIs, these infections are expected

to peak this year during the holiday season—Thanks-giving through New Year's Day—a full month earlier than last year. The RTIalert, sponsored by

Bayer Corporation with data compiled by Surveillance Data Inc. (SDI), tracks outbreaks of RTIs, reporting the projected severity of outbreaks for 72 regions nationwide. The RTIalert is the only tool of its kind that allows millions of Americans to learn when and where the most common RTIs

will occur this season. To sign up for a free service that will alert you by e-mail when your area is about to peak, log on to www.RTIalert.com. At this website, you can also download a printable brochure about RTIs and tips for staying healthy during the holi-

RTIs affect millions of Americans each year, caus-ing lost work days and daily activities and, in some cases, posing serious health issues. Three of the most common adult RTIs are bronchitis, sinusitis and community acquired pneumonia. Symptoms of these respiratory tract infections often mimic those of the common cold or flu, creating confusion about

ognize the various symptoms of common adult RTIs, a listing of symptoms is available on the website. By providing you with information on RTI incidence levels, the RTIalert can help you prepare for the peak in your

What else can you do to prevent RTIs from ruining your holiday plans?

Follow these tips to stay healthy and prevent the spread of germs.

For more information on Respiratory Tract Infections and to obtain RTI incidence levels in your area, log onto www.RTIalert.com

## Let Internet freedom ring for Texas

et's face it: it's a high-speed world out there. Distance learning, telemedicine, videoconferencing, telecommuting, home networking - sooner than you think, these will be daily activities for Texas residents and businesses.

Which is why every day, more and more people are turning to high-speed Internet access as an essential resource for modern life.



Unfortunately, too few consumers can get the service they really want. In fact,

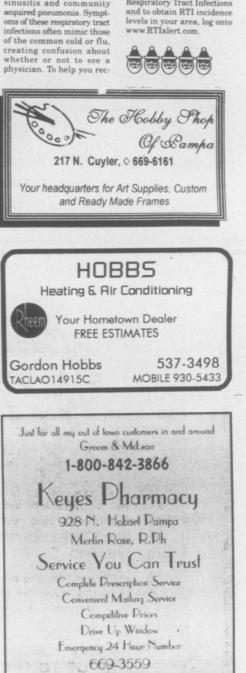
only 7 percent of Americans have a high-speed connection today, while the populations of our global competitors are much more likely to have high-speed connections; for example, 36 percent of South Koreans have high-speed Internet access.

Fortunately, there is federal legislation under consideration to close the digital divide by guaranteeing high-speed access to millions more Americans: H.R. 1542, the Internet Freedom and Broadband Deployment Act of 2001. Authored by Congressmen Billy Tauzin and John Dingell, H.R. 1542 requires local telephone companies to upgrade 100 percent of their central office facilities to provide high-speed service - so inner-city and small-town residents aren't left behind as we race into the Information Age.

Equally as important, the measure creates fair competition among all high-speed service providers - cable, Digital Subscriber Line, satellite and wireless alike - by establishing one consistent set of rules for them to follow. And fair competition means greater choice, better service and lower prices for consumers.

The Internet Freedom and Broadband Deployment Act of 2001 is moving quickly through the U.S. House of Representatives; a vote is expected soon. Congress should do the right thing, giving us all the speed we need and the access we deserve.

Jory Stevens **Gary Stevens** outhwestern Bell



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## Cubs Gain Pair Of Wins

The McLean Cubs played two games against Lefors and won both games. First game was McLean 24, Lefors 23. The second game was McLean 39, Lefors 35, Game one scoring: Cole Dampier, 10; Mandor Coklin. 6: Steve Vassey,

Seth Childer, 2; Keith Raines, 2; Game two: Thomas Glazner, 12; Troy Pendleton 10, Chisum Smith, 4; John Haynes, 4; Jacob Tolleson, 4; Zach Sanderson, 3; and Justin Dillman, 2.

#### Tigers Compete In Tounament game.

The tigers continued to do well as shown by

their play at the Lefors tournay scores were: McLean 46, Miami JV 42, first server 42, first game : Mclean 27, Channing 54, game two and McLean 47, San Jacinto 44 for the final

Adam Johnston scored 47 points making the All-Tournament Team. Other scoring was: Chris Sparling, 31 points; Josh Seymour, 16; Zane Richardson, 15; Jay Wallis 11; Tyler hanes, 9; Drew Barker, 4; Terrence Fite, 5.

#### UIL

competition: Listening team - Thomas Glazner 3rd; Keith Rainei tied for 5th place and Connie Vega with the team took 1st place; Impromptu Speaking team - Lindsey Ruiz 5th, Nicholas Odom 2nd, and Kevin Smith.

Oral Reading team -Savannah Williamson 6th, Oral Reading team -Savannah Williamson 6th, Lindsey Ruiz, and Krista enithe Sadlina team -sollina team -sollina team -sollina team -team Smith. Spelling team -Savannah Williamson and Connie Vega. Ready Writing - Nicholas Writing Savannah Williamson and Zach Sanderson. The eighth grade scores were not available at this time, we hope to have them for a future publication.

**McLean School Keeps** Watch On FBI Alert

the threat.

Last week the FBI issued a warning that Texas and Nevada schools may be targeted for attacks in retaliation for the bombing of Afghanistan. According to Houston FBI agent Bob Doguim the threats were "vague" and the information came from a foreign government. After Agent Doguim informed the Texas Homeland Security Force about the threat, the schools were notified late Tuesday night. Texas Governor Rick

Perry called the threat

The Texas Education Agency (TEA) did not cancel school but said emails were sent to the 1.183 Texas schools districts alerting them of

normal across the state and here in McLean parents did not keep their children home. Superintendent Gregory said he did not receive a notification by the TEA but heard about the threat over the TV. He said everyone in the schools were more vigilant than usual and that child safety is always important especially in the past few years. He said one of the benefits of living in

School attendance was

a small town is you notice people out of place. Dick Crockett, Elementary Principle said the week went smoothly with the students coming to school as usual. The staff was on alert and kept a closer watch on things.

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Students of the Week for December 10-14: Kindergarten-Trac Hannon; 1st Grade Jacob Jones; 2nd Grade-Jack Odom; 3rd Grade-Erin Vassey; 4th Grade-Tucker Adams; 5th Grade-Arely Vega; 6th Grade-Stephen Ingle; 7th Grade Samantha Krueger.

Super Fans 

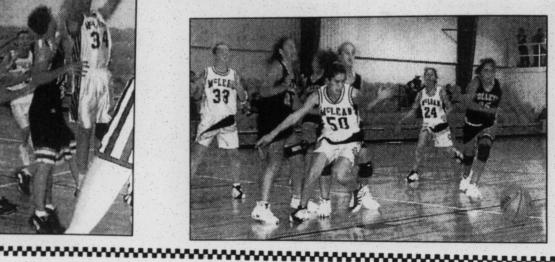
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# Archie Cooper Gets Special Card



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By Archie Cooper

From Boise City. Oklahoma Rev. Frank Lynch, Pastor of New Life Pentecostal Holiness Church gave me an invitation to be guest speaker in the morning service on December 9th and be a guest at the Church's Thanksgiving and Christmas fellowship. dinner in the fellowship

hall of the church. This was like homecoming for me, way pastor of that church two separate terms term 1939 to 1942 first Second term 1956 2. Since then I have 196 there bed back minister of funerals, and speaker at several In this year's ices. there was

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still faithful to the church where she placed her membership in 1939 under my ministry. She also spoke of us, my wife and I visiting in their home, and led her husband to Christ, who became a Deacon in the church for many years, before he died.

There was three other ladies present that were there during my second pastoral term, and worked faithfully with our ministry. My wife has been dead four years now.

Only a few people in that house full, that had not met me, and they all received me like kids running to Santa Claus That was a little part of the reward for more than sixty seven years preaching the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Since I was invited, 1 made it a two purpose trip, and met with four preachers, and three lay members, on Saturday to. "In God We Trust", put in the school system there. I was told, "We will not have any problem getting them up in the schools here, and appreciate we VOU. coming along and getting us started at it.

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Faith is not something that we can see or touch or smell. But it is something that we can the results of. see Without faith this country would have probably not

been founded and without faith this country could very well not continue too long. But I believe that . regardless of whatever the future holds that this country and the people in it will survive: that's faith.

A few years back when my wife Billie and I along with some good friends Keith and Ann Goodman were touring Mexico City I saw one of the strongest show of faith I had ever seen and it made a lasting impression on me. As we were visiting some of those beautiful catholic churches (the kind that are gold plated on the inside (a fact) we came to a lady crawling up the steps to enter the church. This lady was what we call elderly and visibly poor and tired. I reached to help her and the guide said no in no uncertain terms. I said in America if someone is down we help them up. He said this lady has traveled miles on this pilgrimage to show and prove her faith in God

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interfere. Now leave her attack. interfere. Now leave her attack. My grandson alone! Over the years I Jeremy Tidwell took over of that lady and I feel that she accomplished what she started out to faith! do:

and fell off a truck and my legs wouldn't work right. So I got my Mexico has helped me grandson's bicycle and through some hard times with his help learned to make my legs work. That lady in Mexico didn't have a bicycle. But she had faith! When my grandsons and I were driving in that this. construction in Amarillo 1 experienced ā heart

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have thought many times the car and drove it in Amarillo traffic. He was 13 years old. He had

Faith one Years back I slipped accomplishment I'm proud to believe in and I feel the faith that I saw in and I believe that faith and belief has been passed on. to my grandkids. Without faith vou

would not be reading Thanks

Bill Kingston Jr.



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## Dear Santa

#### KINDERGARTEN

Dear Santa, Please bring me a Barbie key house, toy dog, baby doll, tennis shoes, skates, Barbie tent, Barbie playhouse. Thank you, Jacie Ketcherside

Dear Santa. I would like a new bike, a Barbie karaoke machine, a pair of skates, a Barbie cash register, and telephone. Thank you, Tristah Davis

Dear Santa, I would like a remote control snake, toy pickup, battery operated pickup, toy GI Joe house, and a new GI Joe. Merry Xmas Ian McMordie

Dear Santa, want a toy cow, 2002 football video game. Also, a remote control Please bring me snake Rescue Hero Commando Center. Love. Ethan Smith

Dear Santa, I want an X Box and a snowboarding game. I'll have some brand new

clothes. I want to see your reindeer at the North Pole sometime. Thank you! I Love You! Jordon McLain

Dear Santa, love you. Say Hi to the Elves for me. I want a remote control snake, arrows and a monster cars eater.

I understand if you can't get me everything I want, because I know that you have to buy toys for all the kids in the world. Your friend, Oscar Rodriguez

Dear Santa, would like I trampoline, toy boy Indian, and toy snake. Thank you, Braxton Cooper

Dear Santa, How are the reindeer? Please bring me Nutcracker Barbie, Street Jets and a Barbie I love you, Playhouse. Santa! Love, Shelby Adams

I would like new socks for Christmas. Also a Superman and rocket Thank you. stuff. Love, Chris Walker

Dear Santa, I would like a bow and arrow, shark bark skates. shoe rack. Remember Bradley. Love,

Trae Hannon

Dear Santa, This year I want roller

blades. Also I would like Key House Barbie I will leave House. cookies. Hayley Burnett

back hoe. with really like Dodge pickups and a toy pickup truck would really make me happy. I would really happy. I would really like books about tractors so I can read about all kinds of tractors. I think a toy bull and barn would be neat as well. Your friend, Shiloh Brown

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Dear Santa, would like Aeriel and Ballerina Barbies, a skirt and shirt and new shoes. Your friend,

Candace

Dear Santa. I want a bike and a scooter. I hope you can these for me. I will be happy. Your friend, Jeremy

Glory to the Newborn King And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to all people Luke 2:10 The First Assembly of God Church wishes you a joyous Christmas season.

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Devil's Rope Museum



Rejoice and embrace the spirit of the first Christmas when our Saviour was born. With deep appreciation for your loyal patronage and continued friendship.

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# Jur Fondest Wishes

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How are you doing at Dear Santa, the North Pole? Santa, I I would I

FIRST GRADE Dear Santa Claus. I would like a green

tractor with a front end loader for Christmas. I also would like a fertilizer truck. I would really like a tractor with a bailor and swother. think it would also be nice to have a toy bulldozer and road grader

Dear Santa, Please bring me a Reptar like on Rugrats and some Hot wheels. I have been good. Your friend, Jacob

Dear Santa Claus, Christmas will be a good day. I hope you will not be sick, because want a scooter and a big dress with red shoes. If you can find anything else, please bring it. Your friend. Cassondra

Dear Santa, I would like a bike, a scooter and a shotgun. Please bring my mom a present.

> Your friend, Chance

Dear Santa Claus, I want a jam and glam tour bus for Christmas.

Let us

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also would like a Barbie car, a purse, a pretty candle, a candy land game, a new house, a new friend, a punching bag and a workout set. Your friend Miranda McMordie

Dear Santa Claus, would like Shrinky-Dink for Christmas. I will have cookies and milk for you. for Your friend, Nathan

Dear Santa, I want a football, a sling shot, a brand new hat and a tube for my bike. I would also like a new belt, some new boots and a good Christmas. Your friend, Stormy

Dear Santa Claus, For Christmas I would like a good Christmas

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nton and Mis message of eternal life.

We hope you enjoy a happy and holy holiday

God Bless all our friends in McLean

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eve, a puppy and a new bike. I would also like it if you would help my friends to have a good Christmas. Your friend. Kendra

Dear Santa Claus, Merry Christmas, I would like a star, some games, clothes, and Lucy the Cow. Thank You, I love you Santa. Your friend, Sammi

Dear Santa, This Christmas if you will bring me a kite, a bike and a scooter. I would like to play with the toys.

Your friend, Justin

Dear Santa Claus, Would you please bring me a lap top, a bike, a remote control car, a new bed and a new desk. Your friend,

Dear Santa Claus, would like some basketball shoes for Christmas. I would also like a tractor and a school cap. I will see you at Christmas time and I hope you have a merry Christmas. Your friend,

Cody

Rocco

Dear Santa, I want a baby doll, swimming pool and My Size doll. I would like happiness for everyone in world. And Cash th dubler, tow bales. Your friend, Rachel

Dear Santa, I would like a piano and a nice game. are my friend, Santa. You hope you have a nice Christmas. Your friend, Kaela

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the nutcracker movie. 1 want the Aaron Carter CD. I want the Britney Spears CD. I want the Barbie and the nutcracker Barbie.

Love, Becca

Second Grade

the dark weels.

Love,

Dear Santa,

skates.

I would really like

some Digee mon cards

and a play station also. Ans a Tony Howk

shoes that turn into roller

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Dear Santa,

Proskater game. And some Jell pens and a new scooter with glow in Dear Santa,

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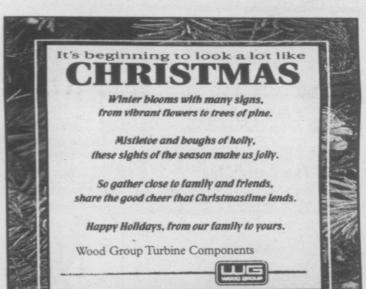
My name is Saber. If you can't get it for me then don't/ Well anyway, I want for Christmas is a glitter girl. Now this is what I really want for Christmas. Now her it I want the Barbie and it. I want a lip color

creation. Dear Santa that is not all I want. This is what I want now. new C.C. Player. And some C.C.'s that comes with it. And a play cat and a play dog. And I want Jaguire topys. And I want Jaguire Clippys. And I want special friends like Becca and Neva my cousin.



Love, Saber





# HOLY NIGHT

Rejoice as we celebrate the birth of our Savior. Wishing the happiest of holidays to all our friends and neighbors.

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- Joy to the World God bless you and your family this holiday sea

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## Letters to Santa

Dear Santa,

I want a ahorse and a dolphin and a castle and a pony and a trampoline. Love, Britnie

Dear Santa, My name is Chase. I want a snowboard and a T.V. and a X bos and a control.

Love Chase

#### Dear Santa. I want a C.D. Player and socks. want Aarron Carter C.D.s I want a laptop. I want a dog. I also want Aarron Carter clothes.

From Jack to Santa Dear Santa

My name is Jace. I want an Xbox with a football game ans an amped and a Free Style

snowboard game with a basketball game. That is two player and alittle something for Jayden.

Dear Santa,

It's Beginning

To Look A Lot

Opportunity's knocking And we'd just like to say

May it open the door. For good tidings and cheer -

Merry Christmas to all

And a joyous New Year

In every way.

Hope your season is perfect

ike Christmas!

The county corner

**Texaco** Crew

My name is Jamie Leigh Alvarez. I want for Christmas is Fib Finder and some clothes too and some games and a basketball, a stuffed ani al that's all becasue I all ready got lots of stuff and I hope you got a good Chrismas Santa. hope your wife has one too that's what I want for Christmas. I will to. Love, Jamie Alvarez

Dear Santa, My name is Taylor. I have been good but I want a Karoake Machine and a pink and green bike with a basket on it. also want perfume called Calvin Cline.

## Love, Taylor

Dear Santa, I want from you is a T.V. and makeup. I also want a notbook and whatever you want to get me.

friend, Rena

Dear Santa,

doll house, a slithering Jake and the R.C. snake. Hu'e under your command. And a Mary Kate and Ashley dress with the pants too. your Love, Mariah friend

Dear Santa, I would like a bicycle and a baby doll. Love Katy Acuna

Thursday, December 20, 2001-THE GROOM NEWS-Page 23 Santa, I am Daniel. I want a

choo-choo train and tools, thank-you-Please. Brother thank-you-Please. Brother Davis would like a bigboy Davis would like a bigboy bed like me, please. We have been very good this year. Sissy has also been good. Please bring her something neat. We'll leave you cookies and milk Love, Daniel Syfrett

Dear Santa, I would like a guinea pig, a drum set, a horse that is brown and white, a siamease kitten, a paint kit, some Breyer horses, some hair clips, tow big hair, a lunch box, some pencils, that are electric, and som wood number 2 pencils, some markers, some crayons, a Husky puppy too. Love Nichole

Dear Santa, what I want for Christmas is a pistile and a 20 gage shot gun and a remote controle airaplane and motorscycle and battle Your ship and a pny. Friend.

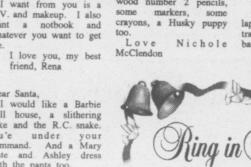
Bradley Scott Howard

Dear Santa,

I want a four wheeler. I want a dirt bike, I want a 12 gage. I want a toy train. I want a toy car. but I want a bike, I want a bebe gun. By Tim Jeffries

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Dear Santa, Can i please have a laptop set, remote control transform battle ship. friend; transformer and a plane Jacob



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Numerous open houses were held last week in and around the city. Bill Hinson and Mike Britten and other elected county officials hosted this one in the Justice of the Peace Office in Groom.

#### City of Groom

and Forrest McLaughlin seconded the motion to not adopt an ordinance that would allow the City to tax leased motor vehicles. Don Case opposed. The motion opposed. passed. Forrest McLaughlin moved and Chris Welch

seconded the motion to table making a decision

about repairs to the north entrance of the Community Center until we get an estimate for we get an estimate for the repairs and for a new door. Don Case and W.H. Ollinger opposed. The motion passed.

Mike Peters from PRPC was appointed Labor Standards Officer for the TCDP grant by the mayor. Mr. Peters reported that the contract awarded to L.E. Fuller Company was with Fuller's bonding company for approval and that as soon as possible the preconstruction hearing would be held, so that work can begin on the well.

The council went into Closed Session at 8:29 p.m.

The council reconvened into Open Session at 8:36 p.m.

Don Case moved and Ellis Stapp seconded the motion to give longevity pay of \$200.00 to each of the three full-time City employees and to give longevity pay of \$100.00 to the Animal Control Officer.

The minutes of the November 13 regular meeting were reviewed and approved. The meeting were reviewed and approved. The minutes of the November 29 called meeting were reviewed and approved. A motion was passed to pay the bills and accept the financial column

statement.

The meeting adjourned at 9:04 p.m.

COMBINED STATEMENT OF	EW-HOPKINS INDBPENDEN REVENUES, EXPENDITURE ALL GOVERNMENTAL FO the fiscal year ended	S, AND CHANGES IN NO TYPES	N PUND BALANCES		
	Governmental Fund Types				
	100-199 General Pund	200-499 Special Revenue Fund	500-599 Debt Service Fund	600-699 Capital <u>Projecta Pund</u>	98 Totala (Memorandum Only)
REVENUES					
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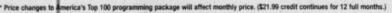
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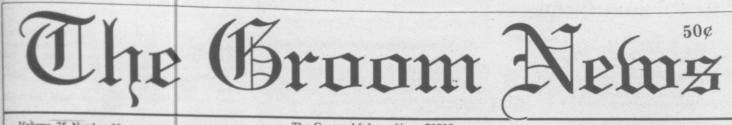
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Thursday, December 20, 2001

## Weller Home Wins Holiday Decorating Contest

The City of Groom is pleas to announce that after tabulating all the votes the home of Kenny Weller has won the home have had recently." lighting contest. In Everyone is encouraged second place was the to get out and see the home of Lynn Barker prize winning homes as and third was the home of Tony Treadwell.

beautiful display, There were 23 entries. Numerous homes are decorated this year. another.

I would like to thank

than in previous years,

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## Festive Events Keep Residents Busy

Anyone who has ever thought life in a small town was boring has never been in Groom during the holiday season. Numerous activities been held and if have are not in the vou holiday spirit now, you never will be. Many businesses local have open houses held including The State National Bank, The Post Office, The Library, The Justice of the Peace, County Commissioner and other elected officials.

Groom school children performed in a play and concerts last week. Elementary music director, Melanie Britten and high school band director, Larry Porter were in charge of the program.

Grades K-3 presented the play, "Bob Humbug, The Christmas Grump". Chris Homen played the roll of Tanner Humbug, Bob Britten with Charlie Checker, Bekah Roskens was Mia the Mouse, Carter the Cat was Trent Murray, and the Happy were McKenna Helpers Britten, Shaunna Corley, Brooklyn Kerlee, Katelin Cheyene Schuster, Cockrell, Eric Davis and Magan Ruthardt.

The chorus consisted of Kyler Barkley, Brody Tanner Case, Britten. Victoria Moraniec, Brady Reid. Painter, Ryan Stetson Rocha, Macee

Ruthardt, Lane Stegall, Molly Stewart, Forrest Yelverton. Amv Weinheimer, Hali Bohr, Neva Corley, Kattie Kevin Fehr, Davis, Fields. Keeli Taylor. Howard, Cheyenne Kosechata, Sophia Leven, Johnathon Robinson, Morgan Britten. Kassandra Brown. Clendennen. Samantha Myles Friemel, Michelle Jacob Unger, Torres, Nunn, Todd Cecila Weinheimer, and Maddie Wieberg.

the 4th grade In recorder band performing 5 traditional Christmas Carols were Tyler Britten, Babcock, Korri Tyler Case, Christopher Chaney, Billy Corley, Davis, Joshua Britney Evenson, Ricky Fehr, Kathryn Herndon, Tiffani Kling, Rachael Hopkins, Murray, Jes Eric Torres, Ashley Roskens, Eric Micah Wagley, and Cady

Wilson. 5th grade The beginners band did an excellent job performing 4 ho in holiday performing Members are favorites. playing the flute, Bailee Ruthardt; clarinet Taryn Davis and Charles Leven; alto sax Trent Britten and Weinheimer; Brittany Brett Friemel, cornett Trevor Friemel, Ben Thompson, and Kelton Weller; and baritone Andrew Thompson. The 6th grade band



performed a march and 2 Christmas Songs. Songs. Members are: clarinet Amanda Chaney & Katie-Lane Thompson; alto sax Kendall Weller; cornet Taylor Drewery, Cory Hartsell Anthony and Luna; Baritone Whitney Evenson and Michaela Roskens; Trombone Chad Barkley and Percussion T.J. Moraniec.

The High School Band performed 6 traditional and non traditional songs to the audiences delight. Members of the Concert Band are: Flute - Lorri Britten, Ashley Jackson, Sharri Britten, Katy Britten, Stephanie Adams, Karla Howard, Berklee Ruthardt: Clarinet Robertson. Catherine Gailynn Drewery, Malorie Ratteree. Homen, Jan Howard, Ellen Kecia Leven; Tenor Sax James Reid; Alto Sax- Garrett Britten, Chance Barkley, and Javier Caro; Baritone Sax - Luke Pavlovsky; Trumpet- Joenea Horn, Britteny Martin, Adam

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#### **City Not To Tax Leased Vehicles**

The Groom City Council met for a regular session with the following members and visitors present: Mayor Joe Homer; Aldermen, Ellis Stapp, W.H. Ollinger, Don Case, Forrest McLaughlin, and Chris Welch; visitors, PRPC Peters, Mike representative, and Mary Sue Lyles.

Mayor Homer told the council that the City had been approved about trading some City The council property. was given copies of the state laws regarding trading or selling land and informed that the items would be on next month's agenda. Welch moved Chris

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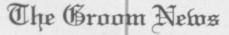
## Community Calendar

AND TIGERS ETTES will compete in the Clarendon Greenbelt December Classic on December 27 - 29. The Ettes will face off with River Road at 9:30 am on Thursday. The Tigers will play Tulia at 11:00 am on Thursday morning for their first game.

DONT FORGET there will not be an issue of The Groom-McLean News next week, Dec. 27 as the staff take a much needed rest! Be sure to turn in all your holiday visitors and news on December 31. Slip it under the door at the office anytime it's convenient or call us on Monday, Dec. 31.

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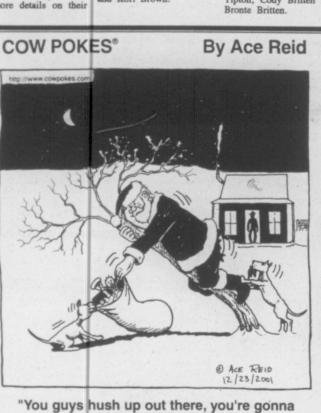
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#### ILL OR RECOVERING

The following people are on the ill or recovering list. Please check with their families if you wish for more details on their

condition. Beulah Shockley, Jack Barnett, Sammy Britten, and Kori Brown.



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HOMEN GRADUATES

Misty Dawn Homen raduated from W.T.A.M.U Friday, Dec 14, 2001 with a bachelor Science degree in of and sports exercise. Misty graduated on the dean's list with 4.0 GPA. Misty was honored Sun. with a dinner at Chilies and then attended the Miracles of Love Christmas Pageant. Those attending were Brenda & Randy Broom; Justin Malorie, & Chris Homen; Jodi & Branon Reed; Ellis and Roxie Stapp; Jack & Yvette Dale, Jo & Stapp; Kim & Broom; Jessica Russell Lewellen; Chris & Renee' Stapp; Shannon & Shelby Stapp; Sharon Tipton; Cody Britten and

TO RUN FOR COUNTY OFFICES: You must file with the party chair and the county clerk's office no later than January 2, 5 p.m. Positions up for election are Judge, Clerk, Treasurer, Justice of the Peace and some Commissioners.

#### CHRISTMAS

everyone who took the time to vote for their f a v o r i te h o m e," commented City Secretary Mary Sue Lyles, "and those who nominated homes for our contest. Groom is truly in the Christmas spirit this year"

#### Groom Birthdays Anniversaries

December 20 - Wade Ritter, Mrs. Bill Bohr, Shirley and Gary Parish (A).

December 21 - Thane Barkley, Franklin Leven, Joannie and Douglas Kling (A).

December 22 - Jerry Crowell, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hutsell (A), Mr. and Mrs. Milton Thompson (A). December 23 -

Marion Pool, Rebecca Conrad. December 24 -

Margie Stephens. December 25 - Kristy

Case, John Fraser III, Karen Fields, Malene Burk.

December 26 - Jerry Britten. December 27 - Kevin

Brown, Connie Britten, Laurissa Noack, Mr. and Mrs. Barry Fields (A).

December 28 - Bobby Babcock, Larry Reid, Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Weinheimer (A).

December 29 - ' readwell, Macie - Tony Treadwell, Ann J'Lynna Fink, Britten, Brad Rainer, Mr. and Mrs. John Fraser III (A). December 30 -Mrs. Bob Corbin, Whitney Evenson, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Crowell (A), Mr. Mrs. Tom Britten and (A), Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Britten (A).

December 31 - Tom Lambert, Ty Lambert, Mr. and Mrs. Greg Lambert (A), Mr. and Mrs. Monte Ray Schaffer (A).

January 1 - Tanner Paul Britten, Cody Lane Kling, Matt & Aimee Fields (A). Britten, Daniel Thompson, Joel Horn; Baritone Jenkins; Brandon Laurissa Trombone Noack, Kelby Noack. Thane Barkley, Blaine Britten: Tube Bobby and Frank Ratterree Leven; Percussion Karri Britten, Britten, Trey Dennis Cockrell, Jennifer Jenkins, Jeff Rios and Kade Brown. the area Most of

churches will have or have had their Christmas programs soon. Don't miss any of these opportunities to see the real meaning of Christmas.

Carson County Sheriff's Report There were 5 persons

There were 5 persons booked into the Carson county Jail during the week od December 10-16. Currently there are 14 persons incarcerated in this jail and additional 17 prisoners being held in other jurisdiction. Tis the season to celebrate, but the Law Enforcement Community reminds you to be responsible as you enjoy what this season brings.

Arrest made this week include:

Robin Loner, 48, Groom, Tx, Possession of marijuana less than 2 oz.

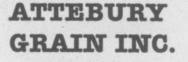
April Bolgrin, 40, Skellytown, Assault Causing Bodily Injury-Family.

Max Doye, 42, of Panhandle, Driving While Intoxicated 1st.

Jerimey Howard,23, Panhandle, Driving While Intoxicated 1st. Brian Barrett, 35,

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## Tigerettes Win Pair Of Games Last Week

Groom High School girls played two games last week and come home with a pair of wins.

The Ettes were pitted against the Lady Warriors in Tuesday nights game. The Ettes took the lead. early and the Miami

team proved no match. Groom won 76 to 28. Candade Bohr took top honors in the scoring department gaining 18 for Groom. Crowell also had points Lauren a good night scoring 14. Staci Britten added another 12 points to

#### Groom's credit. Amanda Conrad contributed 10. Nichole Barnett, Jill Britten, and Cassie

Ashford each scored 4 point for the Ettes. Krisanne Davis and Krisanne Davis and Britteny Martin added another 3 points each Laurissa Noack and Amanda Martin scored 2 points each.

On Friday, the Ettes faced White Deer and won 55-16. Candace Bohr again

lead the scoring with 22 points. Krisanne Davis was next high point with 9. Amanda Conrad scored another 7. Cassie Ashford added 4 more points. Jill Britten Staci Britten, and Lauren Crowell gained 3 points each for Groom. Brio Burgin and Nichole Barnett each netted 2 points for the home team.

The Ettes will compete in a tournament Clarendon after a short holiday break, beginning on Dec 27. They will play River Road in their first match at 9:30 am on Dec. 27

lheir last nonconference game will be on Jan 4, at Statford at 6:30 pm. District play will begin on Jan 8.

#### Groom Tigers Lose To Miami By Coach Brad Rainer

The Tigers opened the season with 3 days practice and 4 games this. past 2 weeks. The Vernon Tournament was a great experience for us, it allows us to match up with people we could compete with and it gave us much needed practice in game situations. The boys competed real well for their first time out this season: We then returned home

and played a good Miami team last Tuesday. They started 4 seniors and have 5 players at least 6'2" on the floor. We gave a good solid effort and made some big and made some big strides in improvement. Wyatt Britten had 3 defensive tips for the tigers. Doug Fields had 7 points, 1-3 pointer, 2 rebounds, 2 steals, and 3 defensive tips to the strict strict strict defensive tips to the strict strict strict strict strict defensive tips to the strict defensive tips. Luke

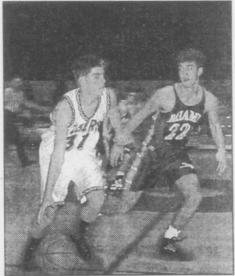
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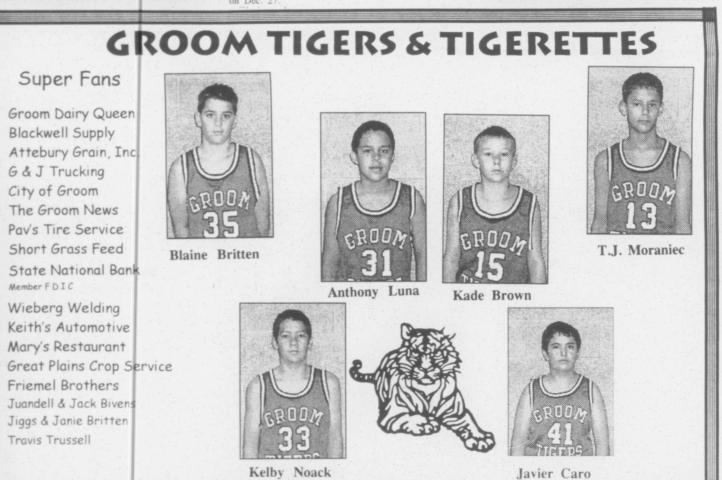
Clarendon

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rebounds, 1 blocked shot, district begins. We start and 3 defensive tips. Cody Babcock had 5 district on Jan 8 at points, 3 rebounds and 1 Samnorwood. That is

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Mart Marrie

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attended the wedding, and the late Ewell and Charline Ward.

Parents of the groom are Robert "Bubba" and Cheryi Linquist of Howardwick. Grandparents of the groom are T.D. Splawn, attended whom the wedding, the late Wanda Splawn and the late John and Jane Linquist. Maid of honor was

best Kim Anderson. bride. of the friend attendants Bridal were Katy Britten, sister of the bride, and Susan Kirtz. Honorary attendants were Karri Britten, cousin of the bride, Jessica Bates, Liz Vega, friends of the bride, and Jamie Ward, cousin of the bride.

Best man was Kelly Linquist, brother of the Groom groom. attendants Ben were Wilson Travis and brother of the Britten. Honorary bride. attendants Shane were Morgan, Zack Butts. Lane, Michael and Brandon Ward.

Flower girl was Korri Britten, cousin of the Ring bearers were bride. Brody Britten, brother of the bride, and Kyler Splawn, cousin of the groom.

The wedding reception and dance was held at St. Mary's Parish Hall. Reception attendants were Lorri and Sharri Britten, and Kalli Stoerner, all cousins of the bride.

The couple plans to honeymoon in Minnesota in the summer. They will reside in Groom.

#### Letters To Santa

I have been sorta good. I want a Barbie style head, polly pockets with rubber clothes.

I will have cookies an milk waiting. Please come to Grandma's

house. Love, Christy Painter

Dear Santa Claus, Say hi to Rudolph. I want a Poffles and a Leap Frog.

Love. McKenna Britten

Dear Santa,

I have been a good girl. Can I have a real puppy dog? I will name him Bruiser.

Love, Cheyene Cockrell

Dear Santa.

I have been a good girl. I want a little horse and carriage from Barbie and the Nutcracker. I like you and I like Rudolph because he pulls Santa's sleigh. Love, Brooklyn Jade Kerlee

Dear Santa, I want baby dolls for Christmas. I helped decorate the Christmas tree. Love Katelin Schuster

Dear Santa.

I want you to bring me a baby doll with clothes and a stuffed dog. Please bring your reindeer to my house and I will leave you some cookies and milk. Love, Megan Ruthardt



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

Shaunna Corley Dear Santa.

I want a brown and white motorcycle for Christmas and some keys. Santa I hope you are happy and I want you to bring your reindeer to my house. I will let the reindeer cat some grass.

#### Love, Eric Davis

happiness May abound in your home on Christmas Day and fill the hours with love and . contentment

Greg & Dena Lambert

Merry Christmas

May there come to you at this Holiday time an abundance of precious things of life: health, happiness and enduring friendships.

Points West

May the happiness of christmas be in your heart to stay and to brighten all you moments long after Christmas Day.

Happy Holidays, Betty & Joe Skipper



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Happy, Healthy New Year

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I have been very good. How have you been doing? I have been wondering how can you see if we are doing good or not? I want a few things for Christmas and if you want to give me any more gifts you can. I want a Ken doll and a girl Barbic and some Barbie clothes and I want some snow boots and a baby doll and a scooter and some clothes for my choo choo doll and some clothes for me and a fire fighter suit for my brother and a My Size Barbie for my sister Cari and a baby toy for my littlest brother and that is all. Merry Christmas Santa. Your Friend, Amy Weinheimer

#### Dear Santa,

How are you doing Santa? How are your reindeer? We decorated our classroom. I am getting ready for Christmas. I have been good for I want air snares, football, pads, a helmet, football shoes, a shirt, some pants, a fake sword, a baby rabbit, my own

Christmas tree. Your Friend, Tanner

#### Dear Santa,

Dear Santa, How have you and your reindeer been doing? Have the elves been working hard? Have you been decorating for Christmas? How has Mrs. Claus been doing? Have you hung up your ornaments? I have been good this year. I want a cd player and a 30-6 and a rille and a youth 20 and a rifle and a youth 20 gauge and a 12 gauge and a over and under and a puppy for my hunting dog and a high school football and a new combine and another tractor and another truck and another plow and another planter and another dump truck and another trailer and another pick up truck. Your friend, Stetson Ruthardt

I have been good. Can you give my brother a bionical give my brother a bionical robot and some gift. certificates for clothes and hair stuff and clothes for mom, dad and my, brother. And I need some CD's and headphones. Bring me all the CD's that my brother has. I'm going to make a snowman and paint a picture for you and make some chocolate milk and chocolate chip cookies for you. chip cookies for you. Love, Victoria Moraniec

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,

I help my mom with my baby brother. I love my baby brother. I want a Britney Spears CDs and a

robot baby and baby clothes and Barbies and babies and a Diva Star.

Love, Molly Catherine Stewart

How are the reindeer? I have fed my cats and birds

and made stew for everyone

Dear Santa.

I have been very good. have helped make pies. help people make things. help make money. I help my Dad make money. I want a Play Station 2. I want a GI Joe and two motor scooters. Your friend, Brady Painter

Dear Santa Dear Santa, How are you doing Santa? How are your reindeer? I have been good. I help Dad and Katy pick up the house. I want a football shirt. I want football shoulder pads. I want football shoulder pads. I want a puppy. Your friend,

Brody Britten

#### Dear Santa

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How are you and your reindeer? Are your elves reindeer? Are your elves busy and tired? I want Street Jets, Legos, some Gundoms, Rumble Robots, some computer games. I've helped my brother take out the trash sometimes. I clean my room. I have been good. Your friend, Ryan Reid

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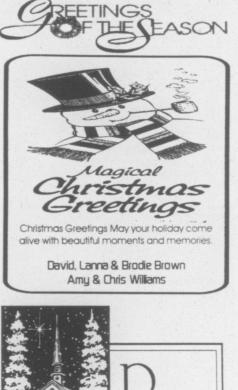
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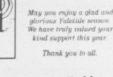
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Keith, Skirley & Stacy Fields Matt & Aimee Fields



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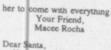
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At this Holy season, May we wish you and yours every blessing. A.J. & Leona Newsom

May the special meaning of Christmas remain with you throughout the year. Margurite Rurgin May you sense His Love and goodness in a very special way this Christmas season. Merry Christmas to

One & All, Wayne & Adela Kotara

Wishing you love, happiness, peace and joy throughout the Holiday Season. Merry Christmas to all. May the meaning of Christmas be deeper, its friendships stronger and its hopes brighter as it comes to you this year. Jack & Bettye West

This brings a prayer at Christmas time that God will always bless your home and you and those you love with lasting happiness.

John & Patsey Fraser

WISHING YOU THE

Melvin & Sue Wills Floyd, Lorie & Logan Wills

& Theresa Wills

Dear Santa, How are you and your reindeer? I will leave a lot of cookies and milk. I have been good this year. I took the trash out and cleaned my room and watched my baby sister Hannah. I want some Zoids like Liger Zero and the Shadow Fox and the Shadow Fox and the Command Wolf and some Robo Robots with the armor and some Gundoms and Nintendo games like Zelda 2 and Perfect Dark and mobile suit Gundom and some Gundom models and an Xbox with games.

Dear OSanta

Love, Forrest Yelverton

Wishing You

The Happiest of Holidays You've helped make this

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At this Christmas Season and throughout

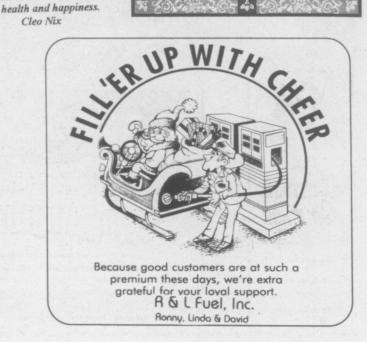
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HOME ON THE RANGE There's nothing better than being home with family and hierds, during the holidays Happy Holidays & Best Wishes Carson County Judge's Office Lewis W. Powers, Judge & Staff reetings With a golden joy in a silver mirth, Thank God for life!" James Thomson; Life, Love and You One of our greatest joys at Christmas is the opportunity to express our gratitude. appreciation and best wishes to friends like you. Circle B Meat Company BILL & LINDA BOHR LEON & MARY BOHR





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#### Thursday, December 20, 2001-THE GROOM NEWS-Page 7 Christmas Greetings

May you and yours enjoy the spirit of the season which is peace, hope, and love. Louis, Sabrina,

William, Heather. Ellen, Katie, Cassie, & Jimmy Ray Leven

May the Prince of Peace bring love and joy to you and yours this blessed Christmas season.

Tony, Tina, Brady & Christy Painter

May the Christmas hour sing with joy for you and those you love. Bobby & Darlene

Jones

May you and yours be blessed with the peace of this season of joy and love

> Kenny & Linda Babcock

Wishing you all happiness at this wondrous time of year! Irma Ray Rutherford

To all who are young Warmest in heart: holiday greetings for the

best Christmas ever! Katie Tally





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Bob Byrd, Tony Treadwell, Judy Ruthardt, Jesse Jenkins, Corkey Hicheky, Javier Caro, Jamie Shuck, Bobby Ratteree, Dewayne Gray, and Linda Babcock.





We hope the holiday season brings many gifts for you-



just to name a few!

Thanks for dropping in on us this year. We look forward to another visit from you soon!

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ROM OUR FAMILY TO YOU Best wishes for a happy holiday. Darrell, Charlotte, C.J. & Dara Whatley Away Dn a Manger Let each of us remember His message of peace, love and goodwill to 9 all this Christmas season. Have a holy and happy holiday. BILL & NORMA JEAN HOMER D+(kWith Love and 1 aughter! Vishing you and your family every happiness this holiday season Thank you for your patronage **Groom Flying Service** Craig, Monica, Caren, Kecia, Karly,& Keeli Howard Harris & Cleta Howard



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To all my good love and friends, May you find happiness. gifts aplenty this Barney Davis Christmas, filled with

much





## CHRISTMAS Is In The Airl

It's just days before Christmas and all through the town, We see happy people; not even one frown. It's great to see folks who show so much care For their friends and their neighbors - today it's so rare. So we'd like to thank you this time of the year For all of the memories we hold so dear. As customers, as neighbors, you all mean so much To us, your community and all whom you touch.

Have a wonderful holiday!

The City of Groom

Joe Homer, Ellis Stapp, Don Case, W.H. Ollinger, Forrest McLaughlin, Mary Sue Lyles, Donnie Evans, Louis Leven, & Donna Burton



#### Dear Santa.

This is what I want for Christmas. All of the Harry Potter books. A different house. A knew bed spread of scooby-doo. And a basket-ball. And to go to basket-ball. And to go to summer school.

From Samantha Nicole Clendennen

#### Dear Santa

I really want a computer and a CD player. I really want a Brittney Spears CD and a Kid Rock CD and a N-Sync CD and a trampline and some clothes.

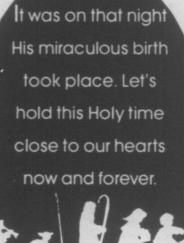
Love Michelle

#### Dear Santa Claus,

I want a big dog that is verey pertty and I would like a shawmu. I've alwas wanted. I would like a remote control car and a Grandh and Grandpa for my doll house and I want a stuft dolphin. Their is a lot of dolphin. Their is a lot of more toy I want so many you have to listen to it. Evrey thing you give me will be okay if it's not on my list. Love,



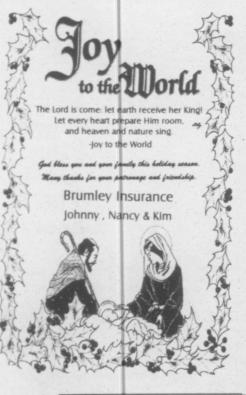




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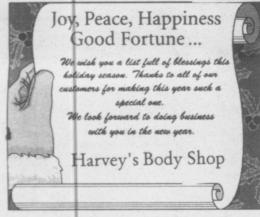
Dear Santa, How is Rudolph? Are the elves working hard? I want a dog. I want a movie. I want a clock. I will leave some coke and pizza. I want a computer. I want some cars. How is Donner? How is Blizze is Blitzen. Love, Kevin Fehr

Dear Santa, Could I have a whitetale hunting game and a fourwheeler and a dirtbike and a bike? I wish I could see Rudolph and your elves and Mrs. Claus. I wish could see your work shop. Love, Taylor Fields

#### Dear Santa.

Dear Santa, How cold is it at the North Pole? I want a bed. I want a bike. I want a radio. I want a room. I want a cat. I want to go to the North Pole. I want ton presents. I want to fly with you. I want a horse. I want you to get Jimmy out of the hospital. I want you to get mom to feel better. I want a new house. I want to go with you. I want to see go with you. I want to see Rudolph. I love you.

Love, Sophia Leven





## Dear Santa, I want a pair of roller blade shoes that are white. I want a new c.d. player. I want a video for Christmas. Kecia wants one too except one of our controllers are broken. I want some cars for broken. I want some cars tor Christmas. My favorite reindeer is Prancer. My other favorite reindeer is Vixen. Love, Keeli Howard

Dear Santa, How is Rudolph? I want a present. I want a Barbic and Brats girl, a betta fish, and The Nutcracker movie. I also want a bard of horses, a robot cat that I can teach, and some play jewelry. I want a computer that I can put in my room. your reindeer fly? How do Love, Neva Corley

Dear Santa, How's Vixen? Rudolph is cool. I want a computer, a play house, and a barbie cash register. Is Rudolph's nose shining right now? Can I have some pencils too? I want one of the reindeer and a new bike. How are the elves? Love.

Love, Cheyenne Kosechta

Dear Santa, How is Donner? I want some snakes. I Goldenbloodhound want a and a DVD player. Do you like Louisana hot sauce? How do reindeer fly? Good bye.

## Love, Johnathon Robinson

Dear Santa, How are your reindeer? I really liked the present you gave me like that 410 shotgun. I like Vixen. He's my favorite reindeer. I want a gold lab. I want a big bike and roadrunners. Your friend, Chris Homen

Dear Santa, What I really want for Christmas is a horse. They are fun to have around and promise to take very good care of it and never forget to feed it. I also want a deck of cards for when I have nothing to do and I am bored out of my mind. I want the game Guess Who. That game is so much fun. Me and my sister Michaela want and my sister Michaela want it so much. But there is only one thing bad about it though. Only two people can play at once. But we can handle that problem because we could have two teams. I also want a go-kart. Those are so fun and now I can drive one and sometimes could get to school really fast when I am about to be late and besides they're fun. I would also want a Sorry game. Those are fun and my grandma is the only one that has one. She lives so far away in Iowa that I barely get to see her much and I don't want anything else for Christmas. Who is the lead reindeer? Comit, Cupid or Rdolph? Your friend,





)+(·K With Love and aughter! Wishing you and your family every happiness this holiday season. Ronny, Linda, & Shannon Fields Kim & Joe Rae Richardson Brady, Roni Michelle. Mason & Ginna Miller



May you all have a very Merry Christmas Nathan, Sherri & Maddie Wieberg

