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## PAGE ONE

A QUICK READ OF THE NEWS

### New MISD phone numbers

Muleshoe Independent School District will be changing to a new phone system at the beginning of the new year.

The schools are working with Five Area Phone Company rearranging phone lines to allow transferring between campuses. In order for intercampus transferring, new phone numbers must be assigned to the entire school district.

Back in September, the district set up a line so that parents and students can call to find out about early dismissals, if school will start later or to see what days students will be off due to inclement weather. The number to call is 272-SNOW.

Beginning Jan. 4, 1999, all district telephone numbers will change.

The new numbers are:

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Food Service Department	272-7306
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Athletic Department	272-7308
Band Hall	272-7312
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Maintenance Warehouse	272-7330
Technology Department	272-7318
Special Education Office	272-7323
Superintendent's Office	272-7404
Watson Junior High	272-7349

The business office fax number will remain the same: 272-4120.

## FYI

### Journal's holiday deadlines

The advertising deadline for the Sunday, Dec. 27 edition of the Bailey County Journal is at 5 p.m. on Tuesday.

### Mules, Longhorns to meet

Lazbuddie and Muleshoe will play a boys varsity basketball game at 6 p.m. Tuesday at WJHS gym. The game was added Friday.

## LOCAL WEATHER

	High	low	Pre.
Tuesday	63	20	—
Wednesday	56	21	—
Thursday	60	22	—
Prec to date	14.21 inches		

## EXTENDED FORECAST

Mostly cloudy Sunday with highs in the 30s to 40s. Turning colder Tuesday with highs in the mid 20s and overnight lows in the teens. Warming slightly Wednesday.

Out of gift ideas? A subscription to the Journal is a gift that lasts all year.

# Four Mule defenders earn state honors

Week after week, opposing coaches heaped praise on Muleshoe's rock-solid and rugged defense.

Led by Matt Turney, four senior members of the Mules' defensive unit gained more recognition this week by earning honorable mention on the 1998 Associated Press' Sports Editors' Class 3A all-state team.

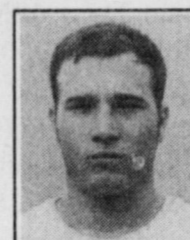
Colorado City punter Randy Byington was the only player from the South Plains on the first or



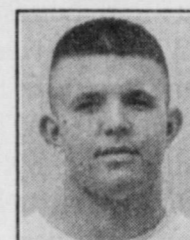
D. Cleavinger



B.J. Gonzales



Greg Pena



Matt Turney

second team.

Turney, a 6-4, 280-pound senior, was selected as both an offensive and defensive lineman.

Joining Turney on defense were senior defensive end Dustin

Cleavinger (6-6, 215), senior line-backer Greg Pena (5-10, 210) and senior defensive back B.J. Gonzales (5-7, 165).

"Those kids deserve it," Muleshoe head football coach David

Wood said. "I thought we were well represented. I think it says a lot for the program."

The four seniors were key contributors on a defense that posted six shutouts and helped Muleshoe earn its first playoff berth since 1983. The Mules (10-2) won the District 2-3A title and advanced to the area round before being eliminated by Crane.

Muleshoe limited opponents to

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JOURNAL PHOTO BY LESLI RADFORD

### Night lights

Bud Holmes of Goodland decorates his home with more than 12,000 Christmas lights each year

# Winter wonderland

## Goodland man brightens up the Christmas holiday

By LESLI RADFORD  
Journal staff writer

Bud Holmes knows how to make the Christmas holiday a little brighter. His home in Goodland is covered in over 12,000 Christmas lights — and he plans to add more.

Holmes said he decorates his house every year because of his son, who was born on Christmas Eve. "We brought him home from the hospital and I sat him under the tree to keep him entertained," said Holmes. "He's liked Christmas lights ever since."

Every room in the Holmes' house has a Christmas

tree. His son keeps one up year round.

"He has about five of them," Holmes said. "He'll have one up, take it down, and put up another." His son also asks for Christmas lights and decorations for his birthday.

Holmes invites the community members, especially kids, to come take a look at his displays, which include a five-foot tall Santa that moves on his front porch and a ferris wheel and carousel. He said his next project was to make the carousel strong enough for the smaller children to ride.

His Christmas wonderland attracts many passers-by.

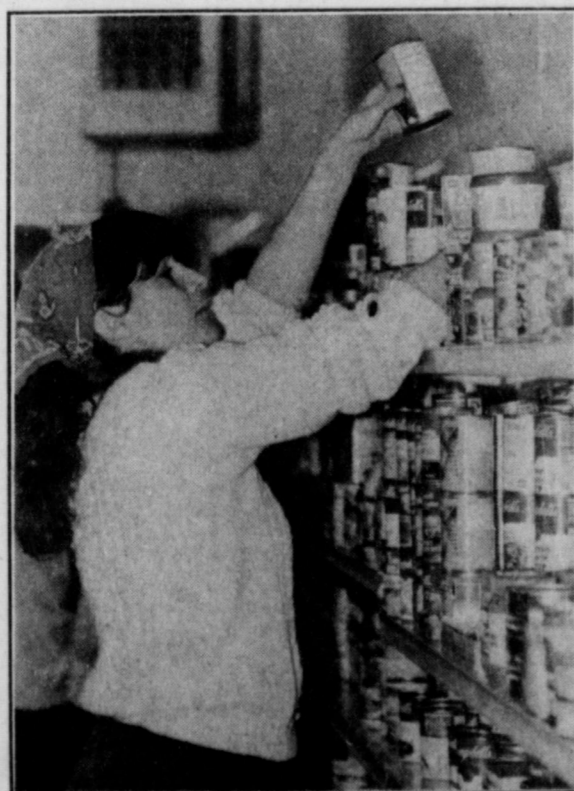
"We had a guy who's doing construction in New

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# Food pantry bridges gap for area's needy

## Stocking shelves

Volunteer Nancy Welker of Lazbuddie helps stock the shelves at the Bailey County Ministerial Alliance's Food Pantry on American Boulevard. The pantry is helping out more than 90 needy families in the Muleshoe area.



BY LESLI RADFORD  
Journal staff writer

The idea of starting a food pantry to help out needy families in the Muleshoe area and surrounding communities started in February.

Kay Graves, one of the co-chairmen of the pantry said that before jumping into the project, the board members of the Bailey County Ministerial Alliance talked to several communities involved in similar projects about starting a food pantry.

Blankets and clothing, according to Graves, were already supplied by the Thrift Store, and there was a great need for food.

"There are so many elderly and low income families doing without proper nutrition," Graves said.

The pantry, which opened in September, uses state guidelines to determine what families are in greatest need. They also ask the families for Social Security verification and utility bill verification to make sure they are a legal resident living in the surrounding area.

More than 90 families in Muleshoe are receiving food from the pantry, most of them senior citizens.

Graves said many senior citizens have expensive medicines and cannot always afford a nutritious meal. "It's like their

choice is 'do I eat this month or buy medicine,'" Graves said. Other recipients are working, but only making minimum wage, which is not enough to support a couple with several children. They may also be on food stamps, but the pantry can help "bridge the gap between the food they might already be getting."

Nearly a dozen community members have volunteered generous amounts of time collecting food and organizing the pantry, located in the Episcopal Church on American Boulevard. Most volunteers are BCMA board members. The

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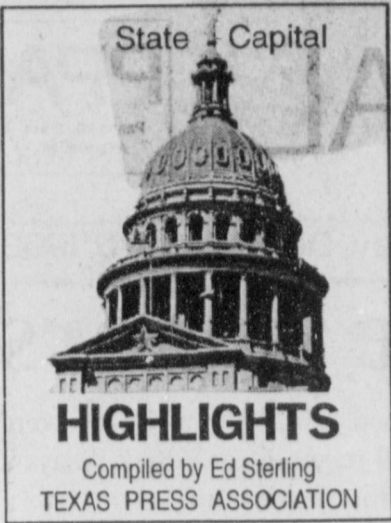
projections, the nursing home will break even at 80 percent capacity. The current 54-bed home has run at close to 100 percent capacity for the last decade.

The district plans to finance the project through private investors and believes the loan can be paid off in 20 years or less.

Members of a community nursing home committee spent the past few months visiting nursing homes in the area. They told the board it was important that the facility had a "home-like" atmosphere and was built with casual comfort in mind.

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# Texans could see auto insurance rates drop



AUSTIN — Texas Insurance Commissioner Elton Bomer last week ordered cuts averaging 5.5 percent to the private-passenger auto insurance benchmark rate.

The cuts are to take effect Feb. 15.

Drivers carrying only liability insurance also will see cuts averaging 7.8 percent, Bomer said.

Bomer's action follows a 5 percent benchmark rate cut he ordered last January. At the time, he urged companies to file lower rates. Major companies in the personal auto insurance market responded by reducing rates 7 percent on average.

Insurance company claim payouts continue to lag behind premium collections because of tort reform, safer cars, less drunken driving and other factors, Bomer said.

"We need to close this gap so that consumers don't pay too much for their car insurance. All the evidence justifies a substantial rate reduction that still should leave the companies a fair profit on their Texas business," he said.

The rate changes apply only to drivers insured by rate-regulated insurance companies that cover about 75 percent of the drivers in Texas.

Bomer did not order changes to rates for commercial auto

insurance, following a recommendation by administrative law judges.

### Minorities, poor pay more

Where a driver lives may have a bearing on how much he must pay to get behind the wheel with suitable insurance coverage in Texas, a new study shows.

State Rep. Lon Burnam, D-Fort Worth, last week told the Austin American-Statesman that data collected in the first quarter of 1998 by the House Insurance Committee show that "many lower-cost, standard insurers appear to systematically deny coverage to consumers who live in poor and minority areas."

Only 49.7 percent of drivers are insured by less-costly, rate-regulated lines of insurance if they live in areas where the minority population is 85 percent or greater.

In 1997, rate-regulated premiums in Texas averaged \$800 a year, while non-regulated premiums averaged \$1,300 a year, the study said.

### Welfare rolls have shrunk

A study released last week by the Texas Department of Human services gives a first look at the impact of the 1995 welfare reform law.

More than two-thirds of adults pushed off welfare rolls found work; those workers were paid an average of \$6.28 an hour, and most of them found

jobs in the food service, clerical, retail sales or healthcare fields, the study shows.

The average annual salary of the respondents was slightly more than \$11,000. The figure the federal government use to mark the poverty level for a family of three is \$13,650.

Since 1994, state welfare rolls have dropped by nearly 400,000 recipients, and over the same period, food stamp rolls have dropped by 1.3 million recipients, the study said.

Work requirements and time limits on Texas welfare benefits took effect in 1996. Work or job training is mandated for most people between ages 18 and 59.

### Scholarship hike proposed

State Rep. Henry Cuellar, D-Laredo, last week filed legislation that would give Texas high school students access to \$250 million more in financial aid for college.

Student loan and grant programs presently total about \$156 million.

Under Cuellar's proposal, an applicant's family's annual income would have to total less than \$75,000, among other criteria.

### Teacher reward plan proposed

Education Commissioner Mike Moses, in response to a legislative directive, last week announced a teacher pay-for-performance program that will reward teachers for gains in

student performance.

Every year, cash awards of \$750 per person would go to 25 percent of state's educators, under the commissioner's proposal.

Rewards would go to all teachers at campuses that have shown significant improvement in student performance, as measured by the state education agency's Academic Excellence Indicator System.

### Other Highlights

Officers from 25 law enforcement agencies are fanning out in Austin's Sixth Street club district to catch and arrest minors using fake identification. Offenders face a stay in jail, a fine and interrogation by federal agents.

### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

## Local scouts were big help to food pantry

On behalf of the Food Pantry, I would like to say how much we appreciate the Boy Scouts and Cliff Black. This year they donated their canned foods to us for distribution to hungry people in our community.

The people of Muleshoe showed a tremendous response to the scouts canned food drive. Now we'll be able to meet the needs of the people in our area for Christmas.

Your continuing support will be greatly appreciated so that we can continue to show the love of Jesus in our community.

Happy Holidays,  
Pat Kirk

## That's one fat cat(fish)

TYLER — Imagine the surprise when while fishing for crappie on nearby Lake Palestine, James Laster hooked into the biggest flathead catfish ever caught on a rod and reel in Texas and possibly the world.

Laster, who was fishing for crappie from the bank on Dec. 2, fought the 98.5-pound fish for nearly 30 minutes before getting it ashore. The huge catfish, which measured 53 inches in length and had a girth of 40 inches, eclipsed a 22-year-old state record flathead weighing 98 pounds. William Stephens of Lewisville caught the former record on Lake Lewisville.

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**PANTRY**

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pantry will hold a volunteer training session in January for those who are interested in helping.

As of Monday, Graves counted almost 4,000 articles of food in the pantry. Any food donated to the pantry must be USDA approved and in their original package. They will not accept home canned food, fresh produce or perishable foods. They will accept foods packaged by the Food Bank in Lubbock. They appreciate a variety of foods from cake mixes to peanut butter.

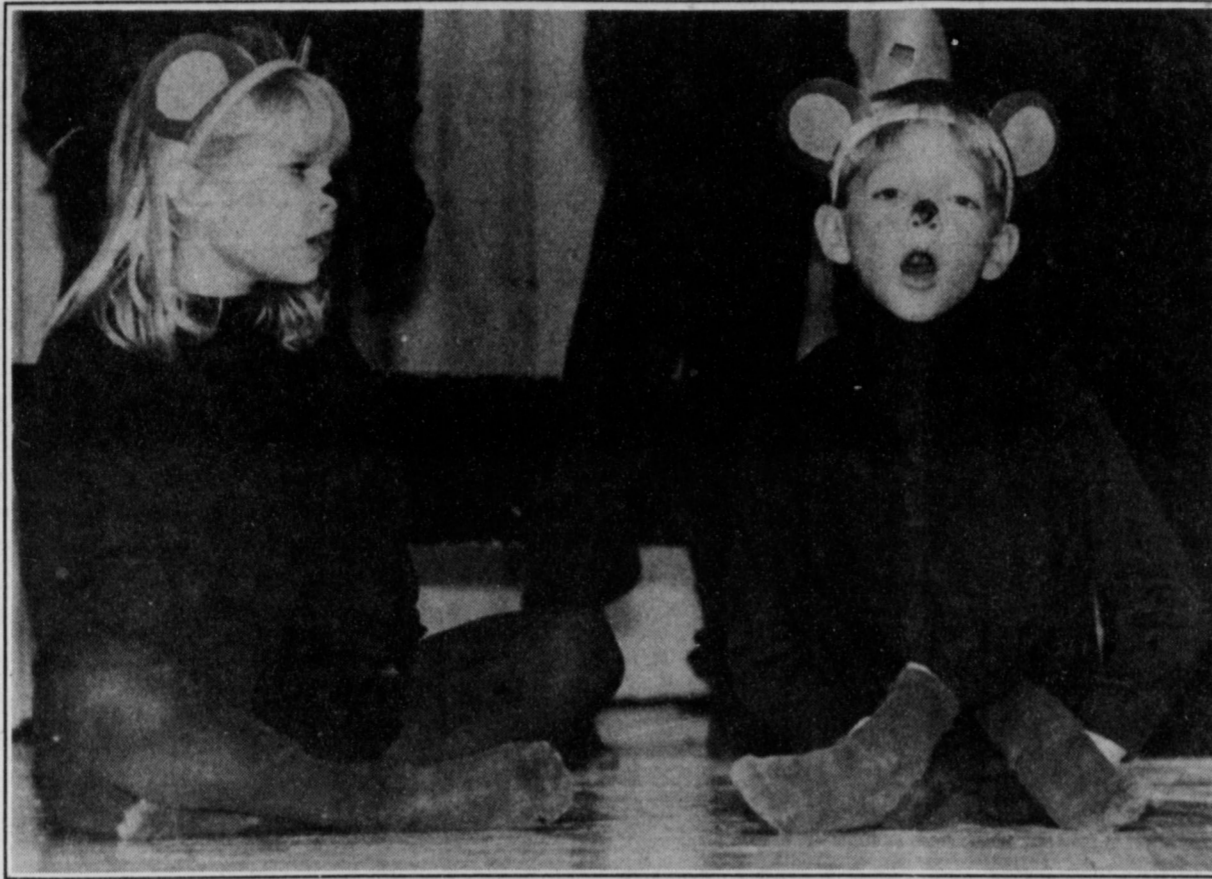
Graves said that they supplied 75 families with meals on Thanksgiving. The meals were boxed turkey dinners won by customers of Lowe's who donated the food to the pantry. Some of the meals were put together by the pantry. "We hope to do the same for Christmas with a few extra goodies," Graves said.

Cash donations are appreciated and can be sent to The Food Pantry, PO Box 175, Muleshoe, TX 79347. Linda Tarter will also accept cash donations and can be reached at 272-3119.

Food donations can be dropped off at the Food Pantry between 2-5 p.m. on Tuesday or contributors can call 272-3699 until 5 p.m.

Graves said that the Pantry will be there until "the need is not there anymore."

Gerald McCathern's new book "Quarantine" is available at the Journal for \$21.



**Unbearably cute**

Megan Mcguire and Trevor Coker belt out the lyrics to a song Thursday while performing in a play called "A Teddy Bear Christmas" put on by Lazbuddie second and third-graders.

*Yes Gabrielle. Yes Sarah.  
There is a Host of Angels among us.  
They all work and volunteer their precious time at Muleshoe Area Healthcare Center and Muleshoe Area Medical Center.  
Love,  
Nana*

**LIGHTS**

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Mexico stop by the other night asking if we minded that he brought his wife, who has polio, back to see the display. He was from Petersburg."

For the past ten years, Holmes has added Christmas figures to his yard.

"My wife and I used to live near the Three Way school. We started out by just putting out lights. The first thing I made was the ferris wheel. On nights there were basketball games, bus loads of kids would come to see all the lights we'd add every year."

He and his sons made several of the wooden figures. He has elves, Santas, snowmen and angels. His most recent piece is a 30-foot tall cross. "That was the hardest to make," he said. It took him a week, working all day to drill holes for the 500 lights that edge the cross and to

get it set up in his front yard.

His wife, Venus, is a teacher at Three Way and he has been the director of transportation and maintenance since 1988.

It takes him about a month to set up everything and he takes it down after the first of the year. He recently won \$100 in a decorating contest in Morton. He jokes that it helps him pay the electric bill.

Holmes buys his decorations at flea markets and makes things from what people throw away. His light house is made out of a metal pipe and old police car light, and to make it turn, he has used a rotisserie off of a grill.

He said that he has to fix something everyday on his display whether it is a bulb out on the manger or the Santa fell over. He considers Christmas his only hobby.

The Holmes' residence is lo-

cated along Highway 54 in Goodland. Just follow the bright lights.

**HOME**

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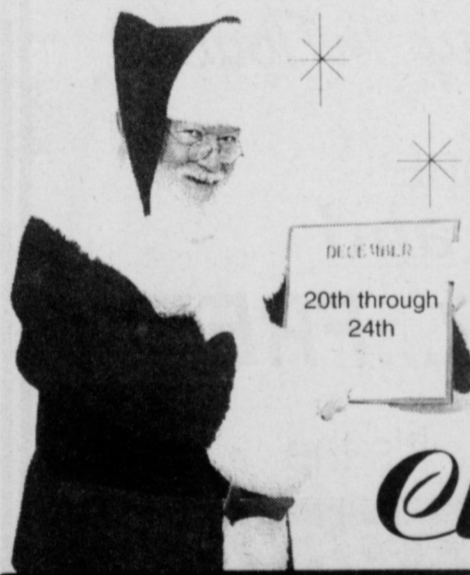
They also encouraged the board to consider the possibility of adding an adjoining assisted-living facility in the future.

"We all agree that the nursing home comes first," committee member Arlene Phelps said. "But an assisted-living facility should be close behind because there is a desperate need."

The Muleshoe Area Healthcare Center was built sometime in the early 1950s.



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# MHS edges No. 5 Slaton

For the second time in eight days, Muleshoe played a near flawless first half and held a double-digit lead against a ranked opponent.

But this time, Muleshoe finished what it started and knocked off No. 5 Slaton 38-35 Tuesday in a non-district game at WJHS gym.

"That's what we needed was a win," Muleshoe coach Jim Gruhlkey said after the Lady Mules halted a four-game losing streak. "We took some ill-advised shots and made some questionable passes at the end. But to our credit we bucked up on defense and held them."

Muleshoe got balanced scoring led by Erin Wilhite's 10 points and a huge defensive effort in the first half.

Dimmitt rallied from a 10-point halftime deficit last Tuesday and beat MHS 57-42.

The Lady Mules (4-10) held Slaton to just two field goals in the first half and led 17-6.

"We were patient on offense and were able to control the tempo," Gruhlkey said. Slaton took just 12 shots in the first 16 minutes.

But the Tigerettes started pushing the tempo in the third

quarter.

A 14-6 run that included 3-pointers by Cami Caldwell and Allyson Lewis cut the Lady Mules' lead to 22-20 with two minutes left in the third quarter.

Lindsey Field scored on a drive and freshman Britni Gartin converted a three-point play to push MHS' lead back to seven.

The Tigerettes made another charge early in the fourth quarter, slicing the lead to 31-28. But sophomore Myndi Heathington (nine points) drained a 3-pointer and a long jumper on back-to-back possessions to give the Lady Mules a little breathing room at 36-28.

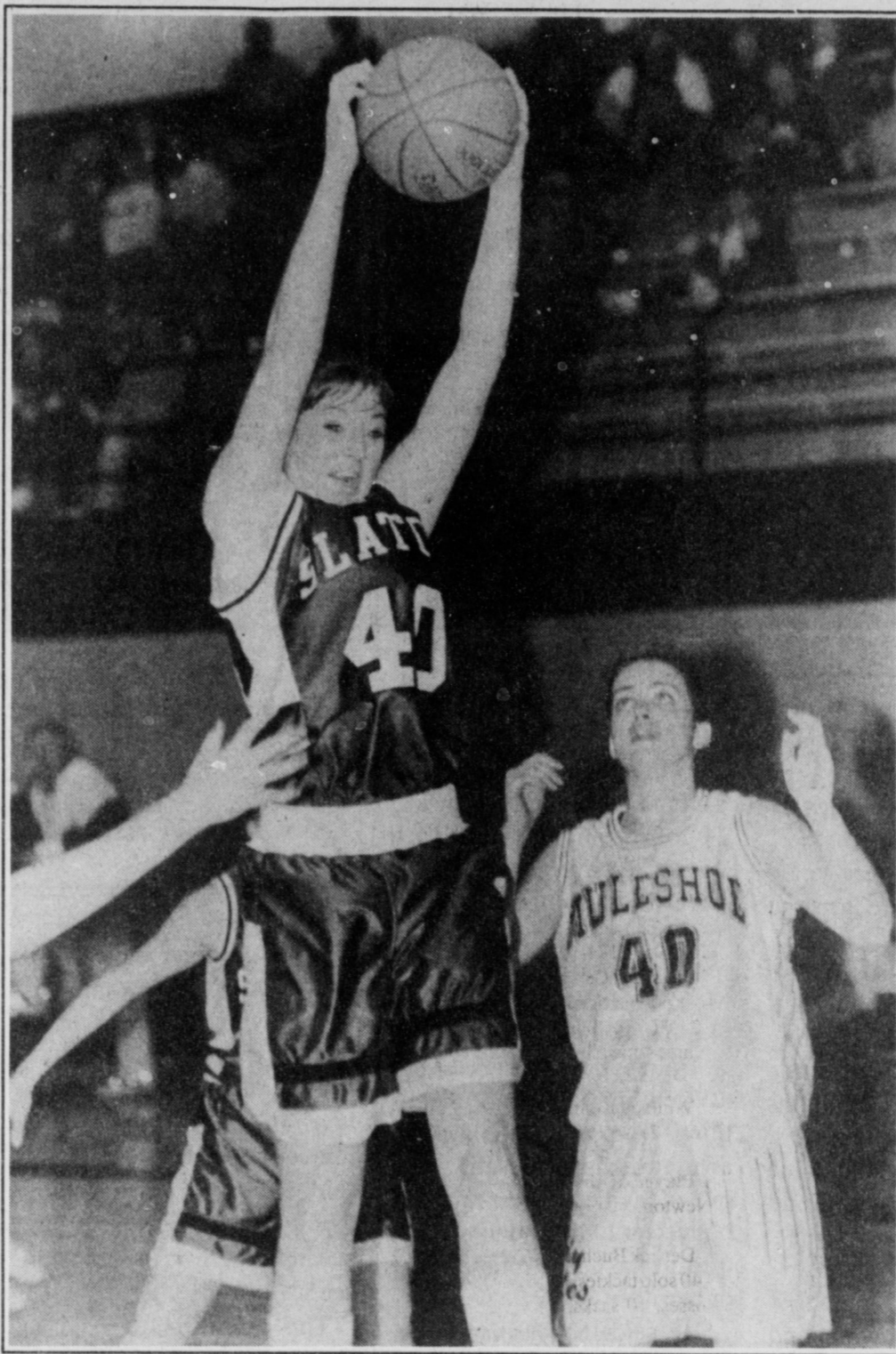
Field made it 38-30 with three minutes left by banking home a five-footer.

But Britany Huddleston scored on a drive and a 15-foot jumper to cut the lead to 38-34 with 1:38 left.

Muleshoe then missed the front end of three-straight one-and-ones, but Slaton failed to capitalize.

Slaton had two chances to tie

see **LADY MULES** on page 5



## Strong rebound

Slaton's Shannon Krajcovic corrals a rebound as Melissa Williams looks on Tuesday during Muleshoe's 38-35 victory at WJHS gym. Muleshoe played at Lamesa Friday before taking its Christmas break.

JOURNAL PHOTO BY RICK WHITE

# Cleavinger, Mules stop Slaton 68-50

Muleshoe is starting to develop a killer instinct. Dustin Cleavinger scored 27 points and Muleshoe put away Slaton in the second half of a 68-50 victory Tuesday at WJHS gym.

The Mules (7-4) outscored Slaton 31-19 in the final two quarters of the fast-paced contest.

"We're starting to learn how to finish teams off," Muleshoe coach Ralph Mason said. "The third quarter has been one of our strongest quarters this season, which hasn't always been the case."

Muleshoe put the defensive clamps on Michael Mosako in the third quarter while stretching its six-point halftime lead to 49-37. The Mules held the 6-7 senior post scoreless after he pumped in 15 first-half points.

Mosako finished with 22 points.

Cleavinger got plenty of scoring help from Mitch Mason and Carlton Lewis, who added 14 and 12 points respectively.

Cleavinger pumped in 16 points in the first half while Mason added a trio of 3-pointers, helping Muleshoe take a 37-31 lead.

"In a couple of our losses, I think we just ran out of gas," Mason said. "But we're working hard in practice every day and starting to learn what winning is all about."

Because Muleshoe reached the area round in the football playoffs, the Mules started their basketball season a couple of weeks late and are being forced to play their way into shape.

**Slaton (50)** — Jones 2 1-2 7, Pettie 1 0-1 2, Huellen 1 0-0 2, Cottreu 6 0-0 13, Inmon 1 0-0 2, Mosser 1 0-0 2, Mosako 8 2-3 22. Totals 20 3-6 50.

**Muleshoe (68)** — Lewis 5 2-4 12, Bruns 1 2-2 4, Sinclair 3 3-5 9, Hodge 0 0-0 0, Mason 5 0-0 14, Hahn 0 0-0 0, Cleavinger 11 2-3 27, Turney 1 0-0 2. Totals 26 9-14 68.

**Slaton** 14 17 6 13 50  
**Muleshoe** 19 18 12 19 68

3-pointers: Slaton 7 (Mosako 4, Jones 2, Cottreu; Muleshoe 7 (Mason 4, Cleavinger 3). Records: Muleshoe 7-4.

# LHS bounces Bovina 73-68

BOVINA — Lazbuddie has lived and died with its outside shooting most of the season.

The Longhorns added an inside game Tuesday and it proved to be the difference in a 73-68 win against Bovina.

The victory was Lazbuddie's third in a row and probably its most impressive of the season.

Cade Morris led Lazbuddie (9-4) with 21 points and Josh Morris finished with 18. They combined for five of the Longhorns' seven 3-pointers.

Cade Morris and Adam St.

Clair (six points, eight rebounds) provided most of the inside scoring.

"We moved the ball real well against their zone and it made a lot of good things happen," said Lazbuddie coach Rich Powers.

The outcome wasn't decided until Josh Morris drilled a 3-pointer with a minute left to put the Longhorns (9-4) up for good at 70-67. Bovina had rallied from nine points down to tie the game at 67.

Herman Marquez finished with four 3-pointers and a

game-high 30 points for the Mustangs (7-3). Jason Stone added 16.

**Lazbuddie (73)** — C. Morris 8 2-6 21, J. Morris 7 2-3 18, Foster 3 1-2 9, Seaton 3 3-6 9, St. Clair 3 0-0 6, Gartin 3 0-3 6, Ronek 2 0-1 4, Black 0 0-0 0. Totals 29 8-21 73.

**Bovina (68)** — Marquez 11 2-2 28, Stone 6 2-2 16, Quitania 3 0-0 7, Antillon 2 1-1 6, Kerby 1 1-2 4, Martinez 2 0-0 4, Neito 1 0-0 2, Venegas 0 1-2 1. Totals 26 7-9 68.

**Lazbuddie** 15 20 19 19 69  
**Bovina** 14 19 17 18 68

3-pointers: Lazbuddie 7 (C. Morris 3, J. Morris 2, Foster 2); Bovina (Marquez 4, Stone 2, Antillon). Records: Lazbuddie 9-4, Bovina 7-3.

# Lady 'Horns cash in at free throw line

BOVINA — Lazbuddie made Bovina pay for getting physical.

Lazbuddie pounded out a 69-40 win Tuesday by converting 35 of 50 free throws in the non-district game.

Lazbuddie coach Carey Sudduth was pleased with the way his team reacted to the the Fillies' strong-arm approach while improving to 12-1.

"We didn't back down and just kept playing the game," Sudduth said. "When you get sent to the line that many times you've got to make them pay for it and we did."

The game digressed into free throw shooting practice in the second half, according to Sudduth.

Sophomore post Laura Jo Via led three Lady Longhorns in double figures with 24 points, including 8 of 11 free throws. Kia Morris added 14 points and Holly Engelking chipped in 11.

Lazbuddie has been getting balanced scoring all year with different players stepping up each game, Sudduth said. "The kids don't care who scores as long as the team scores."

Angelina Vargas led the Class 2A Fillies with 18 points.

**Lazbuddie (69)** — Foster 1 2-4 5, Engelking 3 4-6 11, Brown 0 2-4 2, Rodriguez 0 5-6 5, Turner 0 5-6 5, Via 8 8-11 24, Morris 5 4-7 14, DeLeon 0 3-6 3. Totals 16 35-50 59.

**Bovina (40)** — Vargas 3 1-2 7, Casas

# Three Way JV improves to 4-0

Three Way junior varsity boys used a total team effort Tuesday in a 56-27 win against the Cotton Center Elks.

After a steady first quarter, the Eagles turned up the pressure, holding Cotton Center to just six points while building a 30-16 halftime lead.

The pressure continued in the second half as Three Way (4-0) outscored the Elks 12-2 in the third quarter to extend

# TWJHS ropes 35-17 victory

Three Way Junior High used defensive pressure to defeat the Ropes Eagles 35-17 Monday.

The Eagles jumped out to a 12-6 lead in the first quarter and never looked back. Paced by the strong inside play of Antonio Jasso (16 point) and balanced scoring from the rest of the team, the Eagles were

able to extend their lead each quarter.

Three Way got a big boost from its bench with Rigo Rodriguez and Canaan Heinrich playing extensive minutes and producing on both ends of the floor.

The Eagles next hit the floor on Dec. 18 at home against Wellman-Union.

The Eagles are off until Jan. 11 when they travel to Meadow.

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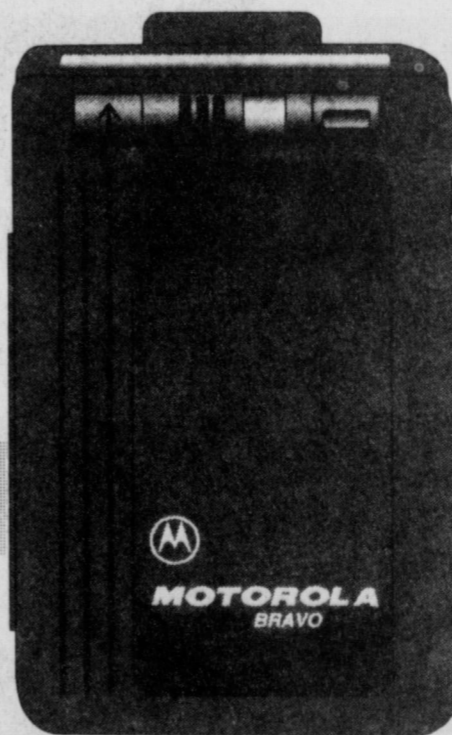
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## Muleshoe JV sweeps Slaton

Megan Tipps pumped in a season-high 17 points and Kala Johnson added 11 points Tuesday in a 48-21 romp against Slaton in a junior varsity girls game.

Tipps scored six points in the third quarter, helping Muleshoe stretch a 10-point halftime lead to 35-16.

Johnson and Stacy Locker each had a 3-pointer for the Lady Mules, who also converted 18 of 30 free throws.

**Slaton (21)** — Alspaugh 0 2-2 2, Rodgers 1 0-2 3, Inman 1 3-4 5, Trotin 0 1- 5 1, Krajcovic 4 0-2 8, Angerer 0 0-4 0, King 0 2-2 2. Totals 6 8-21 21.

**Muleshoe (48)** — Flores 0 0-0 0, Johnson 4 2-2 11, Benham 1 2-5 4, Robertson 0 2-2 2, Gonzales 0 0-0 0, Locker 1 2-2 5, Garcia 0 1-2 1, Tipps 6 5-7 17, Scott 0 0-2 0, Toscano 1 1-2 3, Hernandez 1 3-6 5. Totals 14 18-30 48.

Slaton	5	7	4	5	21
Muleshoe	13	9	13	13	48

3-pointers: Slaton 1 (Inman); Muleshoe 2 (Johnson, Locker).

## Mules cruise 65-35

Darrell Lewis led three Muleshoe players in double figures

in a 65-38 win against Slaton Tuesday in a boys junior varsity game.

Clint Black (three 3-pointers) and Jeff Shelburne added 10 points each for the Mules, who ended a two-game losing streak.

Muleshoe (4-5) outscored Slaton 23-7 in the third quarter to put the game out of reach. Lewis scored six points and Eric Posadas and Delwyn Latham drilled 3-pointers in the quarter.

**Slaton (35)** — Rodriguez 2 0-0 4, Olivarez 2 0-0 4, Trotty 2 0-0 5, Perez 1 0-0 2, Roberts 2 0-0 4, Murphy 1 0-0 3, Russell 4 0-0 8, Maldonado 1 0-0 2, Montgomery 1 0-0 3. Totals 16 0-0 35.

**Muleshoe (65)** — Williams 1 0-1 3, Posadas 1 2-2 5, Baeza 1 0-0 3, Latham 2 0-2 5, Black 3 1-2 10, Garcia 2 0-0 4, Vaughn 0 0-0 0, Vela 1 0-0 2, Lewis 5 1-4 11, McClanahan 4 0-0 8, Shelburne 4 2-4 10, Chavez 2 0-0 4. Totals 26 6-15 65.

Slaton	9	11	7	8	35
Muleshoe	17	7	23	18	65

3-pointers: Slaton 3 (Trotty, Murphy, Montgomery); Muleshoe 7 (Black 3, Williams, Posadas, Baeza, Latham). Records: Muleshoe 4-5.

## Eagles stuff Cotton Center

COTTON CENTER — Strong defense and bench play propelled Three Way past Cotton Center 48-44 Tuesday in a non-district game.

Daniel Reeves and Alberto Valderas led a balanced Eagle attack with 12 and 10 points respectively.

Three Way (5-8) also received nine points and eight rebounds from Jonathan Kindle and solid efforts off the bench by Marvin McCaul (six points) and Monty Kirby (five points).

Jevon Reyes and Victor Saenz

led Cotton Center (8-5) with 13 and 11 points respectively.

**Three Way (48)** — Perez 3 0-0 6, Kindle 2 5-8 9, Valderas 2 5-5 10, Reeves 5 0-0 12, Pollard 0 0-0 0, Davis 0 0-0 0, Kirby 2 0-0 5, Weekes 0 0-0 0, Soliz 0 0-0 0, McCaul 2 2-7 6. Totals 16 11-19 48.

**Cotton Center (44)** — Reyes 6 1-1 13, Saenz 4 1-2 11, Ureste 0 2-2 2, Garcia 1 2-2 4, J. Land 1 0-2 2, McFerrin 3 1-4 7, Rodriguez 1 0-0 2, Z. Land 1 1-4 3. Totals 17 8-17 44.

Three Way	12	14	6	16	48
Cotton Center	15	8	9	12	44

3-pointers: Three Way 5 (Valderas 2, Reeves 2, Kirby); Cotton Center (Saenz 2). Records: Three Way 5-8, Cotton Center 8-5.

## 1998 CLASS 3A ALL-STATE FOOTBALL TEAM

DALLAS (AP) — The Class 3A All-State high school football team, released Monday, as voted on by The Associated Press Sports Editors based on regular-season performance:

### FIRST TEAM OFFENSE

**Player of the Year** — Mario Kinsey, Waco La Vega.

### Linemen

Josh Arrington, Iowa Park, Sr., 6-1, 255 - 3-yr starter, 88 percent grade for offense the avg. 327 ypg, had 13 TD blocks, 95 knockdown blocks, avg. 16 excellent blocks per game.

Adam Fetsch, Waco La Vega, Sr., 6-7, 305 - offense averaged 455.9 ypg  
Josh Power, Breckenridge, Sr., 6-2, 215 - 101 cuts, 50 pancakes, top blocker for offense that avg. 271 rushing and 388 ypg.

Michael Reynan, Cuero, Sr., 6-4, 260 - avg. 12 pancake blocks for offense that averaged 31 points, 320 yards. Avg. 7 yard per run on his side.

Chris Thompson, Corrigan-Camden, Sr., 6-3, 285 - three-year starter at center; first-team all-district all three years; top blocker for a 9-1 team that had 3,278 yards rushing

### Ends

Doug Evans, Bowie, Sr., 5-11, 170 - 48-867, 9 TDs  
Garvin Graves, Waco La Vega, Sr., 6-0, 195 - 61-1,282, 13 TDs

**Quarterback**  
Mario Kinsey, Waco La Vega, Jr., 6-1, 185 - 135-237-2,553, 24 TDs, 8 INTs; had 503 yards vs. Waco Connally

### Running Backs

Bryson Carter, Bridgeport, Sr., 5-0, 190 - 211-1,777, 21 TDs; 23-230 receiving; Jerry Dimerson, Waco Connally, Sr., 6-0, 195 - 174-1,581, 22 TDs; Giovanni Gonzalez, Carrizo Springs, Sr., 6-0, 190 - 1,600 yards rushing through 11 games, 24 TDs; 4,300 yards rushing for career; three-time all-district, all-South Texas

### Kicker

Whitney Keilberg, Giddings, Sr., 5-10, 165 - 25-26 PATs; 7-10 FGs, long 58

### DEFENSE

**Player of the Year** — Josh Harrell, Newton.

### Lineman

Derrick Buchanan, Cuero, Sr., 6-1, 220 - 40 solo tackles, 60 assists, 14 tackles for losses, 10 sacks, 4 forced fumbles, one blocked kick, 11 QB pressures  
Shaun Eckhardt, Perryton, Sr., 6-0, 205 - 21 solo, 74 assisted tackles, 34 tackles

for loss, 14 sacks, 15 qb pressures  
Jamin Phipps Crane, Sr., 6-4, 200 - 42 tackles, 11 sacks, 7 tackles for loss  
Ray Williams, Coldspring, Sr., 6-2, 200 - 78 tackles, 16 sacks, six fumble recoveries, five caused fumbles, one INT

### Linebackers

Neal Aufflerdach, Lorena, Sr., 6-2, 205 - 166 tackles, defense allowed 209 yards per game

Zeb Ferris, Brady, Sr., 5-11, 192 - 128 tackles, 25 for loss, 3 caused fumbles, all-state last year at defensive back, key player on defense that allowed 13 pts

Josh Harrell, Newton, Sr., 5-10, 190 - leading defensive player on No. 2 team in the state; 84 tackles, two fumble recoveries and five sacks in nine games

### Defensive Backs

Ed Cherry, Vernon, Sr., 5-11, 160 - 16 solo and 42.5 assisted tackles, 5 INTs, 12 PBU, 2 caused fumbles, 2 recoveries, one blocked punt

Rod Gullely, Newton, Sr., 6-3, 180 - top secondary player on state's No. 2-ranked team; had 38 tackles and 3 INTs  
Kenneth Harper, Hallettsville, Jr., 6-0, 180 - 9 INTs, 93 yards, 7 KO returns for 25.9 avg., 5 punt returns for 10.4 avg.

Brent Raybion, Brady, Sr., 5-10, 155 - 8 INTs, 68 tackles

### Punter

Brandon Karl, Vanderbilt Industrial, Sr., 6-3, 190 - 46.4 avg on 24 punts, long 77, nine punts downed inside the 10-yard line

### SECOND TEAM OFFENSE

**Line** — John Guld, Waco Robinson, Sr., 6-7, 310; Brandon Green, Vanderbilt Industrial, Sr., 6-3, 230; Thomas Pack, Madisonville, Jr., 5-11, 200; Ben Rhodes, Childress, Jr., 6-4, 255; Blake West, Sour Lake Hardin-Jefferson, Sr., 6-2, 265

**Receivers** — Justin Groban, Abilene Wylie, Sr., 6-0, 155; James McCray, Gonzales, Sr., 6-0, 175; Corey Seeton, Alvarado, Sr., 6-1, 170

**Quarterback** — Cliff Watkins, Breckenridge, Sr., 6-4, 195

**Running backs** — Beaux Daville, Orangefield, Sr., 5-11, 185; Chris Nelms, Teague, Sr., 5-10, 220; Chedrick Ricks, Vernon, Sr., 5-10, 190

**Kicker** — Keith Boggess, Ballinger, Jr., 5-10, 140

### DEFENSE

**Line** — Keith Bush, Industrial, Sr., 6-1, 260; Roy Lewis, Buna, Jr., 6-1, 185; Ben Rhodes, Childress, Jr., 6-4, 255; Robert Taylor, Breckenridge, Sr., 6-2, 190

**Linebackers** — Juan Sierra, Childress,

Sr., 5-9, 165; Cassius Johnson, Marlin, Sr., 6-3, 215 (tie); Josh Shields, Pottsboro, Sr., 5-10, 180; Tommy Vines, Splendora, Sr., 6-0, 192

**Defensive backs** — Trey Behn, Sour Lake Hardin-Jefferson, Sr., 6-1, 165; Donny Bishop, Crane, Sr., 5-11, 185; Justin Knight, Bandera, Sr., 6-3, 185; Anthony Merchant, Madisonville, Sr., 6-0, 175

**Punter** — Randy Byington, Colorado City, Sr., 6-2, 180

### Honorable mention OFFENSE

**Linemen** — Matthew Graves, Seminole; Josh Logsdon, Perryton; Matt Thurston, Sanford-Fritch; **Matt Turney, Muleshoe.**

**Ends** — Randy Byington, Colorado City; Kaleb Clay, Seminole; David Ferril; Amarillo River Road.

**Quarterbacks** — Adam King, Amarillo River Road; Clay McGuire, Crane;

**Running backs** — Travey Brown, Childress; T.J. Clark, Sanford-Fritch; Bobby Dale, Seminole; Noel Grageda, Friona; Trenton Mills, Amarillo River Road.

**Kickers** — Randy Byington, Colorado City

### DEFENSE

**Linemen** — Steven Beck, Amarillo River Road; Patrick Boyd, Denver City; **Dustin Cleavinger, Muleshoe;** Steve Nelson, Crane; Jonathan Phillips, Crane; Matt Turney, Muleshoe.

**Linebackers** — Justin Holland, Sanford-Fritch; **Greg Pena, Muleshoe;** Hugo Rivera, Friona.

**Defensive backs** — Kaleb Clay, Seminole; **B.J. Gonzales, Muleshoe.**

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108 yards rushing and 172 yards a game.

Turney was the Mules' immovable object as nose guard in their 50 defense, recording 73 tackles, including 14 for losses. He added five sacks and recovered a team-high four fumbles.

Cleavinger had 57 tackles, five sacks, three fumble recoveries and returned an interception for a touchdown as the strongside end.

Pena played weakside linebacker, were he was often used as a blitz. He was second on the team with 105 tackles, had 7 1/2 sacks and caused three fumbles.

Gonzales was the Mules' leading tackler in the secondary with 62 tackles. He also caused three fumbles and intercepted a pass.

On offense, Turney helped clear the way for a Muleshoe team that averaged 237 yards rushing and 312 yards a game.

## BOX SCORES

### GIRLS

#### Freshman

**MULESHOE50, DIMMITT 24**  
**Dimmitt (24)** — Odom 2, Proffit 4, Cartwright 8, Stahl 6, Brehends 1, Reyes 1, Pedrosa 2.

**Muleshoe (50)** — Hodge 11, Hutto 6, Barrett 3, Glover 1, Carpenter 6, Felan 4, Remppe 6, Wood 3, Magby 1, Bell 7, Messenger 2, Herington.

Dimmitt	7	8	2	7	24
Muleshoe	10	15	15	10	50

3-pointers: Dimmitt 3 (Cartwright 2, Proffit); Muleshoe 1 (Barrett). Records: Muleshoe 6-1. Next game: Jan. 7 at Friona.

#### 8th grade

#### WJHS 29, DIMMITT 23

**WJHS (29)** — Pylant 4, Rasco 3, Hawkins 2, Flores 12, Locker 2, Henderson 2, Adrian 4, Kitchens, Allison, Cleavinger, Barrier, Bailey.

Dimmitt	5	3	5	10	23
WJHS	8	5	4	12	29

3-pointers: none. Records: WJHS 5-3. Next game: Jan. 7 at Friona.

#### 7th grade

#### DIMMITT 28, WJHS 15

**Dimmitt (28)** — Kenworthy 8, Sanders 4, Otho 3, Hargrove 2, Martinez 5, Laurel 6.

**WJHS (15)** — Mason 1, Benham 2, Perez 8, Lopez 4, Obenhaus, Hancock, Black, Whalin, Hamilton, Hernandez, Rudd, Morgan.

Dimmitt	10	7	0	11	28
WJHS	6	1	4	4	15

3-pointers: none. Records: WJHS 3-5. Next game: Jan. 7 at Friona.

### BOYS

#### Freshman

**DIMMITT 43, MULESHOE 28**  
**Muleshoe (28)** — Atwood 1, Riley 12, Spradling 2, Kerby 2, Norman 4, Johnson 7, Lopez, Mount, Buhman, Luna, Shelburne, Dominguez, Hancock, Turney.

**Dimmitt (43)** — Oltivero 11, Wright 3, Laurent 4, Josselet 11, Rivers 4, Weaver 10.

Muleshoe	8	4	10	6	28
Dimmitt	13	9	12	9	43

3-pointers: Dimmitt 3 (Josselet 2, Wright). Next game: Hosts Friona Jan. 7.

#### 8th grade

#### Dimmitt 53, WJHS 37

**WJHS (37)** — Sanchez 1, Broyles 6, Powell 15, Dale 5, Colunga 1, Field 9.

**Dimmitt (53)** — Furr 4, Brown 11, Soler 2, Martinez 4, Rodriguez 4, Melendez 21, Gauna 3, Hunter 2, Ontiveros 4.

WJHS	5	8	13	11	37
Dimmitt	11	21	15	7	53

3-pointers: WJHS 1 (Powell), Dimmitt 3 (Brown, Melendez, Guana). Records: WJHS 1-4. Next game: Hosts Friona Jan. 7.

#### 7th grade

#### DIMMITT 50, WJHS 15

**WJHS (15)** — Agundus 2, Zapata 2, King 5, Heathington 4, Gear 2, Altman, Campolla, Pacheco, Castorena.

WJHS	4	0	4	7	15
Dimmitt	15	16	8	9	50

0-04, Meador 0 0-0 0, Robinson 1 0-0 2. Totals 14 5-9 35.

**Muleshoe (38)** — Black 0 0-0 2, Field 2 0-4 4, Torres 1 0-2 3, Copley 0 0-0 0, Morris 0 2-2 2, Heathington 3 1 0-1 9, Gartin 1 1-1 3, Williams 2 0-0 4, Wood 1 1-1 3, Wilhite 4 2-5 10. Totals 15 6-18 38.

Slaton	3	3	16	13	35
Muleshoe	11	6	10	11	38

3-pointers: Slaton 2 (Caldwell, Lewis); Muleshoe 2 (Torres, Heathington).

## LADY MULES

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the game in the final 34 seconds, but Lewis missed a 3-pointer from the corner and the Lady Tigers turned the ball over with three seconds left.

Huddleston led Slaton with 11 points.

**Slaton (35)** — Caldwell 2 0-0 5, Huddleston 5 1-2 11, Boyd 0 0-0 0, Taylor 0 0-0 0, Lewis 1 2-2 5, Smith 1 1-3 3, Krajcovic 2 1-2 5, Milliken 2

Support the Mules & Lady Mules

# Letters to Santa

## North Pole Express



**Dear Santa,**  
Santa my name is Karen torres. For dear this christmas I wold like bike and 1 doll This is what always wanted and I hope that my wish could true Thank you so much! my birthday is January-6-96 my phone number is 806-272-3619  
**Karen Torres**

**Dear Santa,**  
Happy Birthday. Please braing a baby and a Barbie to my house. Bring Sarah a baby too. Bring daddy a package and chips and a Mr. Owl. Bring mommy a coke.  
**Love,**  
**Gabrielle Bechyne, age 2 1/2 Amarillo**

**Dear Santa,**  
I am Britney Crandell. I want a doll that crawls and her name is Oopsie Daisy. I want a vest that is for rodeos. I want a makeup set. I would like a jewelery box. I also want a stroller with a baby that opens and closes. I will leave cookies and milk on the coffee table.  
**Signed,**  
**Britney**

**Dear Santa,**  
My name is Dominic Flores. I would like you to bring me a computer. I also want an airplane that I can play with. I will leave cookies and milk on the kitchen table.  
**Signed,**  
**Dominic**

**Dear Santa,**  
My name is Ryan Hall. This is what I want for Christmas. I want four remote control cars, and a go-cart. I will leave some cookies out for you and milk.  
**Signed,**  
**Ryan**

**Dear Santa,**  
This is Natalie Head. I want a new pet goldfish. My brother wants a new BB gun. Bring my mom a brand new Christmas tree that is really real. My dad wants a new 220 gun. Get my biggest brother a brand new water bed cause his old one has a hole in it.  
**Signed,**  
**Natalie**

**Dear Santa,**  
My name is Tori Lampkin. I want a computer. I want my own radio and my own bike and my own t.v.. I want some roller blades and one of those angel barbies. I want a barbie. I want a barbie. I'm gonna leave cookies and milk on the table.  
**Signed,**  
**Tori**

**Dear Santa,**  
I am Jay. I want a computer and a toy drum. I want another toy train I want a soilder. I want a teddy bear. I am going to leave you cookies and milk beside the Christmas tree.  
**Signed,**  
**Jay**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a car for Christmas. Can you find something to give us?

You are nice. I love you. Can you go find my sister a doll?  
**Signed,**  
**Brittany**

my bedroom by the little tree.  
**Signed,**  
**Joshua**



Santa (Roper Smith) checks his list during the Lazbud-die 4th-5th grade Christmas program "The North Pole Goes Rock N' Roll" held Thursday.

**Dear Santa,**  
I am going to leave you milk and cookies in the kitchen. I want a barbie doll with a car. I would like some skates.  
**Signed,**  
**Valeria**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a computer and power ranger and a space war. I love you.  
**Signed,**  
**Ricky**

**Dear Santa,**  
I am Joey. I want a batman. I want a Nintendo 64. I'd like a game for play station. I'll leave you some turkey at grandma's house.  
**Signed,**  
**Joey**

**Dear Santa,**  
Please bring me some presents. I want a power ranger robot that changes into a rocket. I'll leave some cookies on the table.  
**Signed,**  
**Keifer**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a spiderman and batman and x-man and a computer. I also want superman. You can also bring me tickle-me-Elmo. Please bring me some little cars. I'll leave you some cookies and bread on the table.  
**Signed,**  
**Sebastian**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want for Christmas a real dog from the pet shop, and a pocket game boy. I want a Nintendo 64. I also want a remote control car that does the 360 spins. I will leave milk and cookies in

**Dear Santa,**  
My name is Zachary. I want one of those airplanes on the commercial. I would also liek a black puppy. I'll leave you a gingerbread man in the living room.  
**Signed,**  
**Zachary**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a BB gun. I would also like W's. Please bring me some cars. I need another Beetle Borg. I leave you some cookies and milk in my house. I don't have a chimney so you'll have to come through the door. Use your magic key.  
**Signed,**  
**Jeffrey**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want an angel doll with an extra suit. I will leave you some cookies in the living room on top of the TV. I also want a doll that rides her bike.  
**Signed,**  
**Raenee**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a toy godzilla. I would like a power ranger in space and I would really like to talk to you in perso. I will leave you some cookies and milk on the TV.  
**Signed,**  
**Ryan**

**Dear Santa,**  
Hi! I love you. I like Santa Claus. Please bring me a doll. Please bring me a boat and please bring me a bear. Please bring me a drum.  
**Signed,**  
**Samantha V.**

**Dear Santa,**  
I Love You! Please bring me a Splash and Shiver baby doll. How are your reindeers? How are your elfs? Please bring my mom a necklace and my baby brother toys. My dad needs a ring and my brother Eric a game. My grandma needs a new bed. Thank you!  
**Signed,**  
**Melissa**

**Dear Santa,**  
Please bring me a gun. I love you Santa. I Love your reindeers. Is it cold up there? is there snow up there? Bring my mom a doll, my brother a batman, and my sisters a teddy bear. I'll put cookies our for you.  
**Signed,**  
**Cotton**

**Dear Santa,**  
Please bring me a back pack and a doll. Also a Winnie the Pooh purse. How are your reindeers? Please bring my mom and sister a new ring and my brother a car. Be careful Santa Claus.  
**Signed,**  
**Cheshire**

**Dear Santa,**  
Please bring me a computer and a toy. I love yoy! Please bring my little brother a tri-cycle and my big brother a bunch of toys. I've been good. Be careful Santa.  
**Signed,**  
**Mark**

**Dear Santa,**  
Please bring me a Barbie, a house, and a bear. Also a ball, a car and rein deer. I'll put out milk and cookies for you.  
**Signed,**  
**Sabrina**

**Dear Santa,**  
I love you! I wouldlike a yellow bear because I lost my other one. I want a shell Polly Pocket, a horse, and a farm. A horse for my mom, dad and little sister. Also a realk reindeer with ated nose to keep in my backyard. I'll leave you cookies with milk.  
**Signed,**  
**Adrianna**

**Dear Santa,**  
I love you! I want something for Christmas I would like some toys and cars. Please bring my brothers clothes. I always play with my toys. I love my dog. I'll leave coolies out for you.  
**Love,**  
**Leonard**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a lue power ranger and a hot wheel. Bring my mom a computer and my dad a hat. Bring Caitlyn a doll house. I live at 112 W. 7th by the grocery store way down there. I will leave you a teddy bear and clocks.  
**Love,**  
**Steven Durben**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a real car like a go cart. Bring my mom come perfume

and my dad a new car. Bring Melissa a dintist doll. Brong my brother a Winnie the Pooh toy. I live in that house past the orange house. I'll leave you some cookies and milk.  
**Love,**  
**Eric Martinez**  
P.S. I don't have a chimney.

**Dear Santa,**  
Bring me a baby with clothes. Also, I would like a Barbie. Bring my mom a glas thing you shake with a Santa Claus and water. I live in Muleshoe. I will lwave you some pizza.  
**Love,**  
**Yvonne Gardea**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a module builder and a stripper and bole buggy. I also want two tractors. Bring my mom flowers and my dad a toy catepillar combine. I will leave you some cookies. I live in the country.  
**Love,**  
**Chance O'Hare**

**Dear Santa,**  
Bring me a box of pennies and candies. So that I can get a Sunny Delight. When I grow up Santa Claus, bring me a real B.B gun. Bring my mom a present with necklaces so she can be pretty, even a brand new dress. Bring my dad on ehundred moneys so he can give me some. I live in Mulehshe Ieill leave you some cookies and chocolate milk.  
**Love,**  
**Isaias Guerra**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a new bike and a little doll. Bring my mom a new car and my dad a new house. Bring my sister, Jessica a new attress. I live at Muleshoe. I will leave you some cookies and milk.  
**Love,**  
**Amy Howard**

**Dear Santa,**  
Bring me a bouncy Tigger. Also bring me a Winnie the Pooh, and a Santa Claus movie. Bring my mom some medicine. I live far away. Bring my brother a Winnie the Pooh. I will leave you a cookie.  
**Love,**  
**Christian Catstorena**

**Dear Santa,**  
Bring me a video game and a bike., Bring my mom a neck-lace. Bring my sister a Barbie. I live way over there where you turn and go that way. I will leave you some cookies and a glass of milk.  
**Love,**  
**Jimmy Lopez**

**Dear Santa,**  
Bring me at.v. and some books. Bring my mama some Coca-Cola stuff. Bring my dad some football stuff. Bring my brother a Batman/Robin toy. I live on West Ave. C. I will leave you some cookies.  
**Love,**  
**Heather Guterrez**

**Dear Santa,**  
Bring me a skateboard. I would

like some new boots too. Bring my mom a glass bear and my dad some more work clothes. I live in the country. I'll leave you some cookies and milk and a toy rabbit!  
**I love you!**  
**A.J Martin**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a toy train and a doll and candy canes. Bring my mom some jewelery and my dad some clothes. I live in Mule-shoe. I will leave yiou some cookies. Also, bring my sister some shoes and ponytails and socks.  
**Love,**  
**Hannah Ransear**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a remote control car and power ranger. I want an angel too. Bring may mom another present and my dad another pillow. Bring my sister a new bottle of glue. I live in a light brown house. I'll leave you a little present that you can open at teh North Pole.  
**Love,**  
**Marshall Lewis**

**Dear Santa,**  
Bring me a Nintendo and a Buzz Light Year, Power Ranger, and Woody. Bring my mom a Tweety Bird Tadoo. Bring my Grandma Shorty, a christmas tree. I live at 217 W. Ave. E. I will leave you 2 christmas tree cookies, santa and bell cookies.  
**Love,**  
**Thomas Flores**

**Dear Santa,**  
Bring me some cookies and a Barbie and a doll. Bring Marisela a computer. Nring my mom a bed, and my dad some tools. I live close to Muleshoe. I will leave you some cookies.  
**Love,**  
**Melissa Casanova**

**Dear Santa,**  
Bring me a new doll and some new blankets. Bring my mom some new shirts and my dad a box. Bring my brother some new cards. Bring Amanda and Jessica a new room. I live you a glass of water.  
**Love,**  
**Taylor Hardt**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a Walkie Talkie and twin baby dolls. Bring my mom a puppy to play with my other puppy. Bring my dad another phone. Bring Cade a kitty. I live in Muleshoe. I will leave you some cookies and milk.  
**Love,**  
**Skyler Smith**



**Dear Santa,**  
Bring me semi with a remote control and a computer. Bring my mom a calendar. Bring my dad some sologne. I live close to Lubbock by the elevators. I will leave you some cookies and milk.  
**Love,**  
**Brandon Ellis**

**Dear Santa,**  
I would like a jeep with Barbies on it (that you drive). Bring my mom a shirt and my dad some pants. I live close to Tessa's grandma's house. I will leave you a present. Bring a Barbie for my sister and a tractor for my brother.  
**Love,**  
**Anna Christina Spencer**

**Dear Santa,**  
Bring me some shoes and a jacker and some shirts. Bring my mom some toys and my dad some poencils. I live at Muleshoe. I'll leave you some cookies and milk.  
**Love,**  
**Erika Rodriguez**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a ninja toy with a red button that makes him walk.  
**Signed,**  
**Roper Kirby**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a present and I want it to bea dolly and a Barbie. Barbie house, a play back for my Barbie. Rocking Horse a fake octopus just for me. A Bear. I like lots of candy for my stocking. Amommy Bear. Santa clause please bring me everything.  
**Signed,**  
**Luz Sital**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want watch and a Barbie doll and a hose for my Barbie. And a Teddy Bear, but not a real one and another watch. And that is it.  
**Signed,**  
**Amy Regalado**

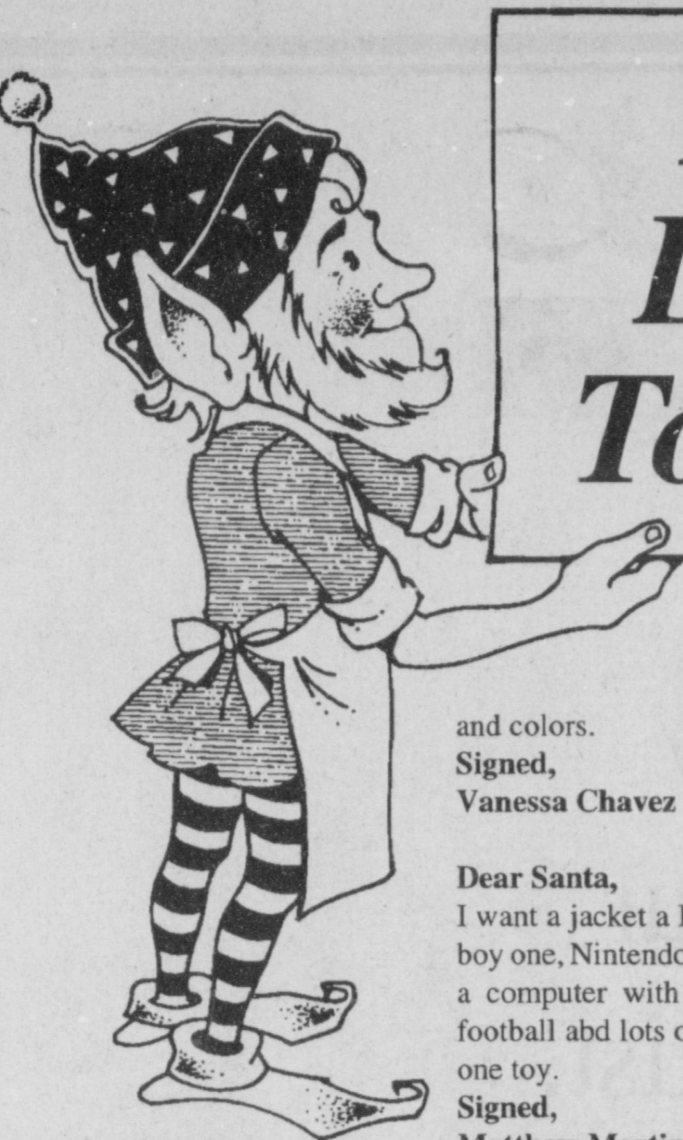
**Dear Santa,**  
I want a dolly, baby Happy Meal and Barbie. And a bigplayhouse and play bunny tree house a choo-choo train and a car so that I can drive and a toy boat a stuffed baby tiger when I think of more stuff I let you know.  
**Signed,**  
**Jenna Witworth**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want Handguns. Some more gum for mu gum machine. I want a bell for a reindeer. and I want the elf to give it to me. I want a boa constrictor for my boat. And a per rattle snake. and a flute for Mrs. Walker. I want a pet snake that chokes you and a horned toad to pet it. My own fly water.  
**Signed,**  
**Sterling Lepard**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a little motorcycle, and I also want a choking snake. A basketball. A Baseball Bat and Ball.  
**Signed,**  
**Roberto Corral**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want abike and some skates and lots of barbies.  
**Signed,**  
**Pamela Cisneros**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a computer that prints out the paper and print pictures and some other pictures. I want a Barbie Bike and Barbie



# More Letters To Santa

and colors.  
**Signed,**  
**Vanessa Chavez**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a jacket a Dallas Cowboy one, Nintendo Game, And a computer with a printer a football abd lots of books and one toy.  
**Signed,**  
**Matthew Martinez**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a Barbie House ands a Flashlight. That funny stuff for my fingernails. Puzzle, a Barbie and a Barbie Jeep. And a play kitchen, and a computer a

want a furby.  
**Your friend,**  
**Brittany Sexton**

**Dear Santa,**  
I hope you are good Santa. I want a bike for christmas and a Playstation and a go-cart.  
**Your friend,**  
**Michael Vega**

**Dear Santa,**  
I hope you have a nive Merry Christmas. Tell your elfs that I said Merry Christmas. And will you bring me some shoes.  
**Your friend,**  
**Jovanne Lopez**

skates. My own Homework papers a marker Board, Barbie Books, EVERYthing Barbie, My own play kitchen, and 2 more dogies.  
**Signed,**  
**Ivon Mendoza**



Cast members in the Lazbuddie 3rd and 4th grade Christmas program, "A Teddy Bear Christmas," gather for a song.

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a dolly and candy for my stocking. And please bring me a computer to do my Home-work. And I want some ear-rings. And a stuffed Bear. and lots and lots of toys. And some Horses.  
**Signed,**  
**Maricruz Quintanilla**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want some cars, make them play toys & Godzilla a Fake one Superman and Batman, and a bike.  
**Signed,**  
**Andre Villegas**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a Barbie and a computer and some shoes. And lots of toys to play with and some clothes, and a Barbie Bike.  
**Signed,**  
**Denys Arreola**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a rope. And a Frog. And a play car. And a stocking full of candy canes. And come in your sleigh with your reindeer, CD's and a playstation.  
**Signed,**  
**Sylvester Daniel**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a computer so that I can do my homework. And I want a Barbie doll and a play house, and Gigga-pet Coloring Book

bunny puppet, a toy story.  
**Signed,**  
**Devine Orozco**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a Big Trampoline amd a Swing Set and a Bike and a Big Rope.  
**Signed,**  
**Aaron Pope**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a poodle dog, a real one.  
**Signed,**  
**Cassidy Lowe**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a barbie, a trainm and a car for Christmas.  
**Signed,**  
**Vanessa Velazquez**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a remote truck and Fake dog that won't bite. A computer. A Playstation game. And a Cowboy hat. A Baseball Bat and Ball, and a new glove. A guitar to play and sing.  
**Signed,**  
**Brandon Acevedo**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a little monster truck and a little pool table. And a very big beg just for me. A Computer, a toy, and a C.D.  
**Signed,**  
**Steven Jaramillo**

**Dear Santa,**  
I hope you have a good year. I

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a 3-wheeler and a gold car.  
**Your friend,**  
**Roman Martinez**

**Dear Santa,**  
I hope you have a good year. I want a wrestler.  
**Your friend,**  
**Miguel Vargas**

**Dear Santa,**  
I hope you had a good year. I hope Rudolph is fine. I want a doll with a orange clothes sand shoes like mine, a soft pillow and blanket, one hubndred dollars and clothes.  
**Your friend,**  
**Samantha Campos**

**Dear Santa,**  
I hope you have had a good year. I wnat a go-cart and a motorcycle.  
**Your friend,**  
**Marshall Head**

**Dear Santa,**  
I hope you don't eat to much cookies and milk. I want an Easy Bake Oven for Christmas and aother thing I want all the money in the world.  
**Your friend,**  
**Ashley Johnson**

**Dear Santa,**  
I hope you get some cookies and milk.  
I want a new \$30,000 pickup and a John Deere Factory set

and a combine made out of blocks.  
**Your friend,**  
**Blake O'Hare**

**Dear Santa,**  
I hope you have my toys ready. What I want is football pads, some money and some new pajamas, some new lego sets and a go-cart, a Green Bay Packer jersey, and for some really silly wigs.  
**Your friend,**  
**Micah Scott Pace**

**Dear Santa,**  
I hope Rudolph and the other reindeer are friends. I want a Nintendo and 100 dollars and a computer and one bell off your sleigh.  
**Your friend,**  
**Isabel Ramirez**

**Dear Santa,**  
I hope Mrs. Santa is fine. I want a train and a computer and a Flick Guard toy room.  
**Your friend,**  
**Roger Lira**

**Dear Santa,**  
I hope you have a Merry Christmas. I want three remote control trucks and a remote control fire truck.  
**Your friend,**  
**Travis Free**

**Dear Santa,**  
I hope you had a good year. I want a toy wooden guitar and 3 pairs of roping gluve and My two front teeth. Merry Christmas!!!  
**Your friend,**  
**Jackson Myers**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a stereo and a batman car, WWR ring match, a basket ball courtard a remote control race car tha flips and drives on the other side. I hope you have a happy Christmas.  
**Your friend,**  
**Mario Rodriguez**

**Dear Santa,**  
I hope you have had a good year. I want a dog for Chritsmas.  
**Your friend,**  
**April Apodaca**

**Dear Santa,**  
I have been a good little girl this year. I want a million dollars, the rugrats pants and shirt suit, a mushy Angelica, the Christmas Barbie Family, the doll that rides a tricycle, the gymnastics doll and the McDonalds eating doll.  
**Your friend,**  
**Janae Pyle**

**Dear Santa,**  
Hi! I want a grey bear, a book about Franlin a Batman toy, and chocolate candies and red candies.  
**Merry Christmas**  
**Jose Tafolla**

**Dear Santa,**  
Have you been busy? I would like toy by the christmas tree, a truck, tractos, and remote controls. I like Santa Clause.  
**Good by**  
**Alex Mendoza**

**Dear Santa,**  
Hello, Please bring me a car of Batman anmd Robin, a purple race car, and a blue tractor. For my famiuly bring chocolate and candy canes., I will leave you cookies and milk.  
**Good by**  
**Cristian Godinez**

**Dear Santa,**  
How are you? I want a big, pink ball. I want a little green bear. For my brother bring him a blue truck. I want a doll.  
**Good by**  
**Gladis Ramos**

**Dear Santa,**  
Good Morning. Please bring me some new clothes and a red drum. I wan5t some new books about animals. I hope you come to my house.  
**Good by**  
**Sergio Vasquez**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a Barbie doll, stickers, a pink bed for me, and new clothes. For my sister brong a Barbie. For my brother bring him little toys and a Super-man.  
**Good by**  
**Vivian Ronquillo**

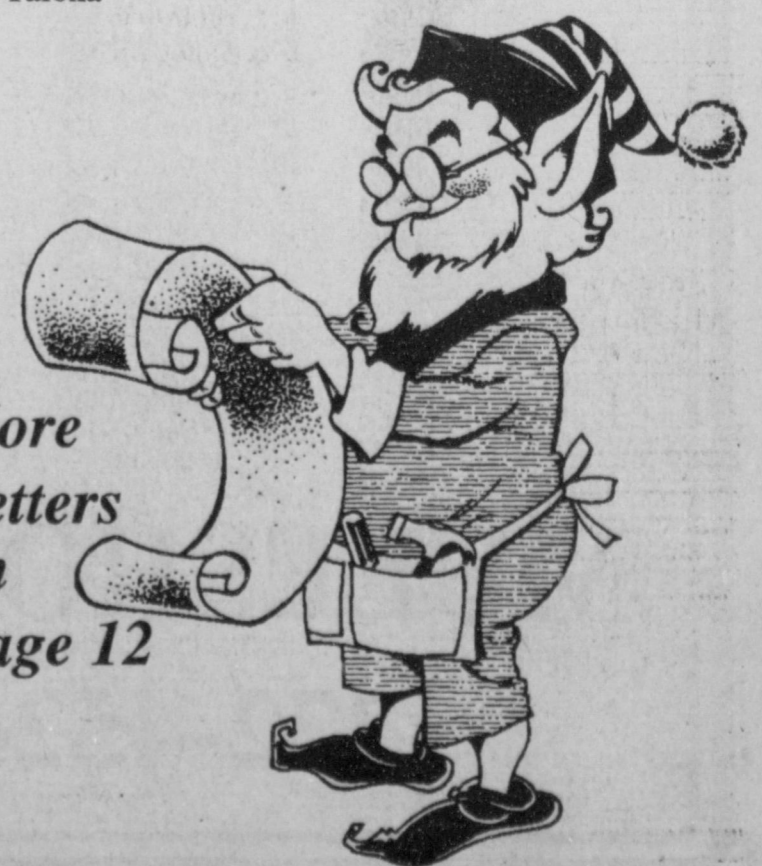
**Dear Santa,**  
Hello, Please bring me a white and brown dog and some brown candies. For my brother bring toys. For my little, sister bring a white and yellow little dog.  
**Good by**  
**Erik Salcido**

**Dear Santa,**  
Hi! Pleese bring me a toy car for my Barbie, a train for my brother, and a green bear for me. Please brong candies for my mother, my father, my brother and me. Come and have Chritmas.  
**Yagaira Rodriguez**

**Dear Santa,**  
My siser wants candies. My sister wants toys like a toy santa claus. I want a brown bear to play with and a ball.  
**Good by Santa**  
**Gerardo Salazar**

**Dear Santa,**  
Hello, how are you? I want you to bring me a car, boat. And a doll for my sister. And a horse for me, and also a train and a ball.  
**Good bye**  
**Josue Diaz**

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We're  
probably  
not on your  
Christmas list.

Most people might  
prefer not to think of  
a hospital over the holidays.

But some will have to. There  
will be injuries and illnesses...and  
babies will be born. And at this

hospital, over the 24 hours of Christmas  
Day, some people will be doing just what  
we do every day, in case you need us. Some  
will celebrate Christmas with our own families  
early, some late, so we will be here if you need us.

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**OBITUARIES**

**JANICE ANDERSON CROWLEY** — Janice Jordan Anderson, 65, died Thursday, Dec. 10, 1998 following a car accident in Fort Worth.

Funeral services were held on Dec. 14 at Greenwood Funeral Home in Fort Worth. Burial followed in Greenwood Memorial Park.

Mrs. Anderson was born on Oct. 25, 1933 in Clovis, N.M. to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Jordan.

She retired in 1997 after 46 years of working in banks in Muleshoe, Breckenridge and Fort Worth.

Family and friends will always remember her quick smile and love for life.

She is survived by her husband, Jim Anderson; one son, Michael Anderson; two daughters, Sharon Glass and Kathi Spiewak, all of the Forth Worth area; two sisters, Betty Jo Beatty and Mary Pool, both of Muleshoe; one niece, Marilyn Riley of Muleshoe; and one nephew, Marshall Pool of Muleshoe.

**PEGGY DODD**

Peggy Dodd, 65, of Muleshoe died Wednesday, Dec. 16, 1998 at Lynwood Manor in Levelland.

A church service was held Dec. 18 at First Baptist Church

of Muleshoe with Dr. Stacy Conner, pastor of First Baptist Church, and Rev. Bill Dodd, brother-in-law, of Brownwood officiating. Burial was held in Muleshoe Memorial Park under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home of Muleshoe.

She was born on Aug. 19, 1933 in Aquilla, Texas and married Bobby Ray Dodd, Sr. on Aug. 25, 1951 in Lubbock. He died Aug. 31, 1997.

Mrs. Dodd moved to Muleshoe from Lubbock in 1962. She was a homemaker and a member of the First Baptist Church of Muleshoe. She had been a bookkeeper for the Muleshoe Gin Co. and an insurance agent for Germania Farm Mutual Insurance Co.

She was preceded in death by one son, Bobby Ray Dodd on Nov. 26, 1990.

She is survived by three daughters, Judy Puckett, Cindy Barnes and Brenda Hawkins, all of Muleshoe; her mother, Ina Dennis of Levelland; two sisters, Juanez Cheek of Lubbock and Linda Knowlton of Fort Worth; two brothers, Leo Wills of Ennis, Texas and Ronnie Wills of Lubbock; and nine grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be made to South Plains

Chapter of the Alzheimer Association, TTU-HSC, 3601 4th St., Room 3A 116, Lubbock, TX 79430.

**ALEJANDRO SISNEROS**

Alejandro Sisneros, 93, of Needmore died Thursday, Dec. 17, 1998 at Muleshoe Area Healthcare Center.

A church service was held Dec. 19 at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Muleshoe with Father Joseph Augustine officiating. Burial was in Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery.

He was born on Dec. 12, 1905 in Dahlia, N.M. He married Aurelia Ulibarri on Feb. 5, 1930 in Anton Chico, N.M. She died on Dec. 21, 1983.

Mr. Sisneros moved to the Needmore area in 1957 from Santa Rosa, N.M. He was a farmer, rancher and worked at Needmore Coop Gin. He was a member of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church.

In his passing, we have said goodbye to our beloved father, grandfather, great-grandfather and friend.

He is survived by one son, Tony A. Sisneros and wife Jean of Amarillo; three daughters, Sinny Herrera and her husband Julio of Roswell, N.M., Mary Devinyne and her husband

Sonny of Clarksville, Texas, and Frances L. Ramos and her husband Fernando of Needmore; three brothers, Jose V. Sisneros of Santa Rosa, Reynaldo Sisneros and Leana

Duran, both of Pueblo, Colo.; and 25 grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one son, Joseph O. Sisneros in 1972.

The family suggests memo-

rials be made to Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Rt. 3 Box 247, Muleshoe, TX 79347 or Muleshoe Area Healthcare Center, 106 W. Ave. H, Muleshoe, TX 79347.

**1998 Medicare Update**

January 1<sup>st</sup> many Medicare Supplement Insurers increased their rates up to 30% on Medicare Supplement coverage.

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**BIRTHS**

**SARAH RICHARDS**

Dean and Pam Richards of Sudan announce the birth of a daughter, Sarah Anne Paige Richards.

Sarah was born at 5:14 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 8, 1998 at Lamb Healthcare Center in Littlefield. She weighed 7 pounds, 5 ounces and was 20

inches long.

She has two brothers, Zachary, age 5, and Christopher, age 2.

Grandparents are Kenneth and Mamie Richards of Sudan, Jerry and Sharri Hodges of Lubbock and Chester and Phylis McLain of Forth Worth.

**TOPS NEWS**

Fourteen members attended the TOPS #34 meeting on Dec. 10 at the Church of Christ on American Boulevard.

The best loser was Lucille Harp and Alene Bryant was the first runner up. The second runner up was Molly Davis.

A Christmas party followed the meeting. The next meeting is scheduled on Dec. 17 at the same location.

**Christmas Is Only As Strong As Its Weakest Link**

I don't usually think of Christmas and chains as going together, unless I'm reading about the ponderously-chained Ghost of Christmas Past who so terrorized old Ebenezer Scrooge! But I believe this to be true: Christmas is a "chain" which is only as strong as its weakest link.

If Christmas deals only with

do with hope at a graveside . . . If Christmas has to do only with sales and not souls, presents and not His Presence, holiday cheer but not lifelong Joy . . .

If Christmas has to do only with Jingle Bells and nothing to do with "God with us," well, then, Christmas is not up to the task of making a real difference in our lives, and it's just one more momentary diversion for the despairing, one more false hope for people who know no hope, and it certainly won't make much difference in life, or in death, or in anything at all very real or substantial.

But if Christmas, and all that is best about this good season, points to real light and hope, glimmering reflections from the Father of Lights, the Giver of Joy, the Sender of the very best Gift, then the Christ of Christmas can use this time of celebration to point us to light that truly is stronger than darkness, hope that is genuinely stronger than despair, and life that is ultimately and infinitely stronger than death.

Then we discover that the Light of Christmas is real indeed because He is real, and life is far more substantial than death.

Then Christmas means something beautiful and wonderful and real. And Christmas joy can and will last forever.

*Curtis Shelburne is minister of the 16th & D Church of Christ in Muleshoe.*



**Focus On Faith**  
Curtis Shelburne

lights and tinsel, egg nog and poinsettias (all of which I enjoy very much, I hope you understand), and the Yuletide joy and peace, love and good will, we sing about are just artificial twinkles and largely illusory light, then Christmas is a weak and pathetic thing which can't possibly stand the test of life and time and which will fade a long time before the January sales (and credit card bills) end.

If Christmas has to do only with parties and good times, but nothing to do with hospital rooms and disgusting diagnoses . . .

If Christmas has to do only with smiles and "Merry Christmases" and nothing to

**Get Santa a new sleigh!**


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## Christmas greetings

BY PAT WATSON

Only two weeks till Christmas, and all through the halls

We see signs of the season, on doors and on walls. While each of us waits in our own special way,

Reflecting on memories of past Christmas days.

And yet, while we're thinking and planning ahead,

We keep busy as usual from "get up" till bed.

I see Aline still working on beautiful quilts,

While Pearl's crocheting, making her special gifts. Jeff and Webb take time just to talk;

Kathryn R. takes her chair and goes for a walk.

Nettie and Mattie entertain guests in their room,

While Zaoda waits for Boyd, who is coming soon.

Grace, dear friend, you brighten my heart;

I'm thankful in your life to have a part.

Jackie may soon have a trip coming nigh,

And Bootie smiles and waits for Kay to drop by.

When we sing, William adds such a fine voice,

And Ruth's sweet smile makes our hearts rejoice.

Florence knows all the old songs that we sing;

Lillian's face lights up when she hears voices ring.

Roma's smile crinkles her eyes and lights her face;

Birdie waits for Tuesdays: hair-do days!

Helen sits and watches in our own regal style,

While Geneva rests in her room for a while.

Guy greets everyone in his own friendly way,

And Leonard watches for his wife, who comes every day.

Some have a special way, like Elzie and Mollie,

Who spread smiles around, making everyone jolly.

Lora and Winnie are back after being ill,

And Travis knows he'll soon have a visit from Bill.

Dee and Kenneth enjoy a game of dominoes;

Kathryn H., looking lovely, still strikes quite a pose.

Irene's working crossword puzzles; Mary and Clyde take a nap;

John M.'s getting stronger - he may soon run a lap!

Some wait quietly, like Jeanetta and Otilie,

While Edd offers someone a share of his candy.

John B. and Dovie and Minnie are newcomers; we all welcome them.

Andy's friendly spirit makes him fit right in.

Surely God's blessings rest on our "quiet" few:

Altha, Oneita, Gladys, Erald, Leta, Ruby - we care about you.

I must not leave out Joy, for she is your friend;

She's there when you need her as lives you must blend.

(Pat Watson is a former Muleshoe school teacher and a volunteer at Muleshoe Area Healthcare Center.



### Miss Caprock Scholarship Pageant

Melissa Mata of Muleshoe (left) was a finalist in South Plains College's 41st annual Miss Caprock Scholarship Pageant held on Dec. 11. Also pictured are (l-r) first runner-up Amy McFerrin of Levelland, Miss Caprock 1999 Tiffany Banks of Dumas, Mitsy Broadus of New Deal and Tana Haase of Tucumcari, N.M. Mata is the daughter of Joe and Patricia Mata.

### NURSING HOME NEWS

by Joy Stancell

The Brownies and Daisies and their troop leaders came caroling and passed Christmas cards to the residents Thursday afternoon. Linda Huckaby and Gail Gladden assisted the 4-H Club in distributing the Christmas sacks of fruits, nuts and candy on Thursday afternoon that they had made for the residents.

Friday morning, Pat Watson filled "our home" and our hearts with music, song and good memories. Pat wrote a poem that included all of the residents and she read it during the music session. Pat accompanied Karen Cook on the piano as she sang "O Holy Nite".

The gals from the First Baptist Church made placemats for each of the residents. The mats look lovely on the dining room tables and add a special touch to the holiday decor.

Friday afternoon, ladies from the American Blvd. Church of Christ baked pies

for the residents. Jewel Darling and Freida visited and served the pies. Volunteers Plus recently helped with purchasing a new geri-chair. This equipment was very much needed.

Sunday morning, Loyce Killingsworth taught the Bible study. Melvin and Wanda Griffin, and Harold and Mary Jo Burge directed the bingo games Saturday afternoon. Sunday afternoon, the Muleshoe Singers came to sing and play gospel music.

Alex Sisneros' church family came to sing and play for him and for the residents on Saturday morning, which was Mr. Sisneros' birthday.

Santa and the Lazbuddie 4-H club visited us Tuesday afternoon. Santa distributed gifts that the young people had made.

Beverly Wagnon, Nellie Wausen, Lanell Stancell, and Pat Watson came Tuesday to

shampoo and set the ladies hair.

Mrs. Bigam directed the Jr. High students project of decorating the residents doors.

Wednesday morning, Rickie Kelly brought her little tumblers to perform for the residents, the Muleshoe Choir came to sing for the residents.

Buster and Wanda Kittrell, Loyce Killingsworth and Harold and Mary Jo Burge served coffee and donuts to the residents. David Downum brought his Jr. High Choir to sing Christmas carols, and the Lazbuddie grade school presented Christmas plays for us.

Christmas is a time of favorite things both past and present. It's funny how a sight, or a sound, or even a smell can trigger a memory. Your visits, gifts and music have brought us good memories.

### HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS

Muleshoe Area Medical Center reported admitting the following patients:

**Dec. 10** — Miguel Acevedo, Francisco Cruz, Joe Jennings, John Maddox, Felix Reyes, Elvira Trevino.

**Dec. 11** — Miguel Acevedo, Francisco Cruz, Joe Jennings, John Maddox, John Puckett, Felix Reyes, Elvira Trevino.

**Dec. 12** — Rhett Green, Joe Jennings, John Maddox, Sharon Menning, Carmen Porras, Clarence Taylor, Elvira Trevino, Roman Villegas.

**Dec. 13** — Rhett Green, Amaryllis Jones, John Maddox,

Sharon Menning, Carmen Porras, Clarence Taylor, Roman Villegas.

**Dec. 14** — Rhett Green, Amaryllis Jones, John Maddox, Sharon Menning, Carmen Porras, Clarence Taylor, Roman Villegas.

**Dec. 15** — Rodney Baker, Rhett Green, Amaryllis Jones, John Purdy, Joel Sigala, Clarence Taylor, Roman Villegas.

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The undraping of the Charter was done by Mary Ann Ramirez, Alene Bryant, Doris Lambert and Thursie Reid for Brother Bruce Weeks.

We will have our Christmas

party Tuesday Dec. 22 at the same time as our meeting. Members should bring a white elephant gift and bring an extra can of food for our baskets.

We miss those that weren't able to make it to lodge this week. Hope to see you next week. No further business, the lodge was closed by Acting Doris Lambert Chaplain with love to all.

**CONGRATULATIONS**  
**Sylvia Norman**

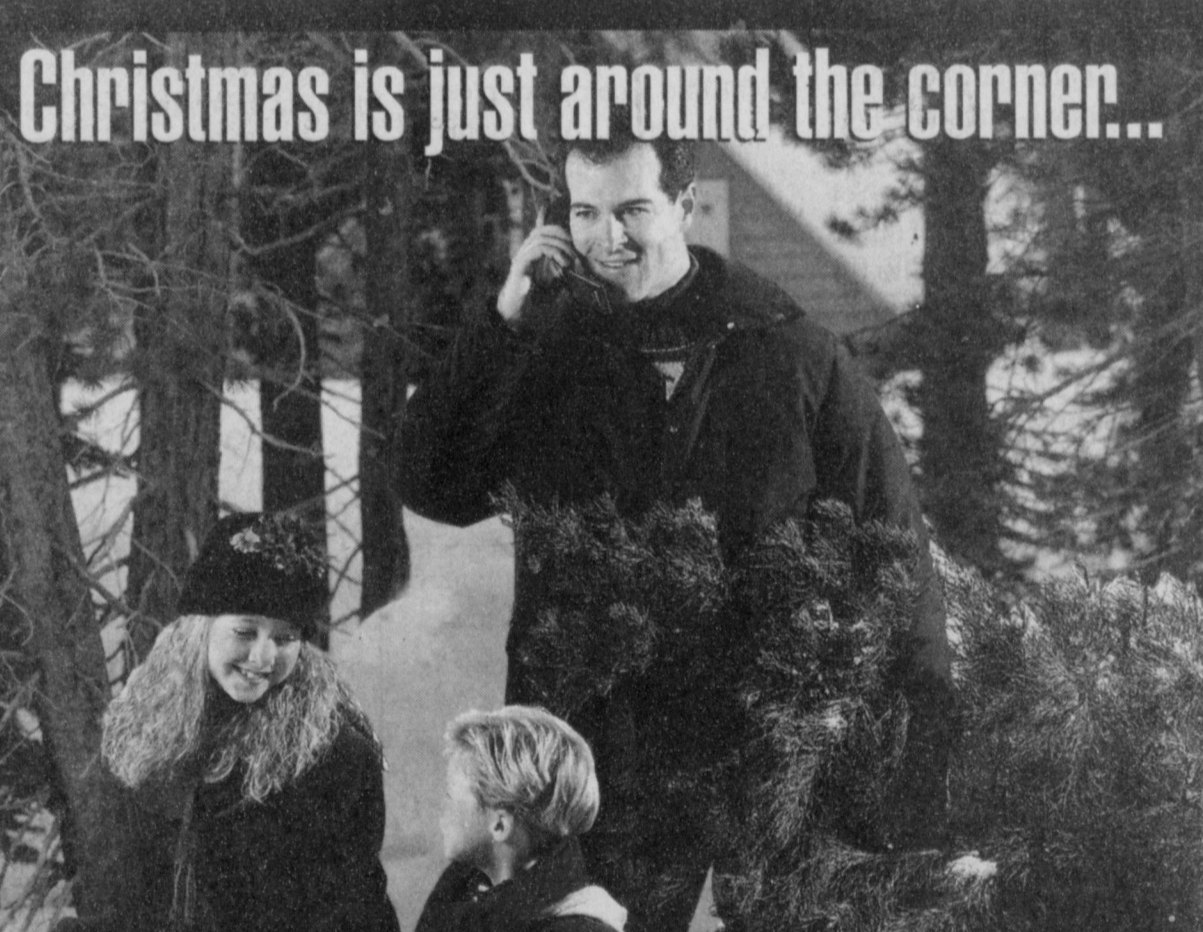


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**Ryan Bonney**

**Dear Santa,**  
I whant nintendo 64 and a buch of game and bord game and a game that is cale operation.  
**Your friend,**  
**Jose Sital**

**Dear Santa,**  
I wish that Barbie that has a van aed a barbie set with a barbie in teh set aed a new dress aed my dress is pink.  
**Your friend,**  
**Alyssa Lozano**

**Dear Santa,**  
Will you please give me a angelica doll thank you please git my brother a lazer thank you. Can you git my sister a box of candy cans can you git mom a dress whith snow on it. Will pleas git me a puppy will you pleas git me a kitten.  
**Your friend,**  
**Gabby Agunis**

**Dear Santa,**  
I would like a for weler and anintindo 64 and a nintendo 64 games. Bagocazooy and a lazer and a slay bell and a microchip computer and a tellascope Please.  
**You friend,**  
**Hayden Saylor**

**Dear Santa,**  
I will like a computer please. For Christmas. And probly I will leave you some cookies a milk for you to eat.  
**Your Friend,**  
**Hilda Rascon**

**Dear Santa,**  
I would want a talking Angelica for christmas pleas santa. I will give you some milk and cookies if you come. I would like a Lil for Christmas to please Santa. I would want a puppy for Christmas please Santa.  
**Your friend,**  
**Ginger Garza**

**Dear Santa,**  
My name is Trenton Fuqua. I want a remote control fire truck and a cat and a truck and a Ninetindo 64 and a swemen pool. Thank you for the stuff from last year.  
**Your friend,**  
**Trenton Fuqua**

**Dear Santa,**  
My name is Carlos Torres I wot a robot and bull dog and puppy and a cat. thank you for the wat.  
**Your friend,**  
**Carlos Torres**

**Dear Santa,**  
I am glad that you brought me the Bear santa I want a puppy and a rabbit and a watch I want to be friendly My name is Natalie I hope come to my hose santa how are you please bring me my toys than you for the oty last year and than you for the the toys.  
**Your friend,**  
**Natalie Regalado**

**Dear Santa,**  
How are you? Please brong me a white shirt, a computer, and a car for Barbie. For my brother bring a Christmas tree with lights and candies. and a dinasaur book. For my sister bring a big Mickey Mouse toy. I hope you come to my house.  
**Good by,**  
**Alejandra Gomez**

**Dear Santa,**  
I would like a puppy dog a play won pleas. and can you bring my a nutidoe 64# may mom have a cadle pleas and may I have a barbae pleas may I a lesh if i git a dog and may I have a pink Barbae that flies and may my Dad a micky shrt and thank you.  
**Your friend,**  
**Taylor Bell**

**Dear Santa,**  
I walt a cd player with a big speakts and a clock and a lite and a cat Wilag pans shoes pans boots.  
**Your friend,**  
**Cody Gonzales**

**Der Santa,**  
May I have a bike. And a Laser pen. And a play station game called medevil. And some 49er stuff. And a beebee gun. Santa when you come to Muleshoe putt on you cout it's little nippy outside. My address 222 E. fir. O and I want a skyflyer to. thank you  
**Your friend,**  
**Dillon Gallman**

**Dear Santa,**  
I wont a nintendo 64 if you come I will give you cookies and milk it will be in the dineing room ples can you com.  
**Your friend,**  
**Mikey Flores**

**Dear Santa,**  
Wold you please bring me a puppy and a kitty.  
**Your friend,**  
**Stephanie Garcia**

**Dear Santa,**  
I would like a plastation and instead of the regular game the playstation comes with I would like you to give me the game the rugrat's search for reptar game and a pok'e mon pikachu. Dear Santa Claus come to my house I will leav you some cookies and milk. I would like to see you in person.  
**Your friend,**  
**John Michael Salinas**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a saddle and a bike with a boll and a Santa toy and a sakkle pad. and I ate ol my food.  
**Your friend,**  
**Larry Diaz**

**Dear Santa,**  
I hope you liked the milk and cookies and I want a puppy and acat and jewelry and I want some make-up and them things that you pur your makup on with a meara on it a desk on it and some fake nails and alot of them I want 1029 of htem nails and I want some tweety stuff and and school stuff and them mule sines plastic ones.  
**Your Friend,**  
**Whittney Rose Villalobos**

**Dear Santa,**  
last year thank you for the fri Sinst furry puppie. play station swimming pull. tommy stamper. a bugsbunny Bear. a tazz doll. and a chukea , and a tommy's famaly. and a bear. and a gpdzilla monie. a ninetendo sixty for. a casper meets wendy set.  
**Your friend,**  
**Matthew Garza**

**Dear Santa,**  
I liked what you brought last year. your friend Ryan. I want merers for my bike. I want bop it. I want a moutain bike. How are you and how are your elves? super nintendo games. I want a tommyf and cucky ball from the rugrats.  
**Your friend,**  
**Ryan Telles-Hinch**

**Dear Santa,**  
Thank you santa for the last thank that you bot me. Dear santa I want a baby puupy and a kitten I weant a baby doll and a book and a ajer Bear a Titanc pusul a play stein and a tomegchey a doll home and a ajol Barbe a swimpool and a ckrapleing I want a bike and a box on cronds and a Santa Bear and a tommy doll.  
**Your friend,**  
**Ester Estrada**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a ostrich and a puppy and Tyco Rebounder and a watch and a cat. How are you doing at the north pole? Thank you for the present last year. How are your elves doing? How do you make the toys? Is it cold

up there? Santa If it is you must be glade.  
**Your friend,**  
**Eddie Ellis**

**Dear Santa,**  
I wot a 2 furry puppys end a furry duck tat is all how ro you santa how is teh deers i hop I am fid wodt you Dear santas.  
**Your friend,**  
**Laura Lopez**

**Dear Santa,**  
Thank you for the bass nol and the bat bear santa I wont a play station and a lego mania and racecars with a truck. Howe or you and yor elves.  
**Your friend,**  
**Victor Hernandez**

**Dear Santa,**  
How are your elves and how are you? and i want a tv and a puppy and a batman.  
**Your friend,**  
**Ray Ramirez**

**Dear Santa,**  
Thank you Santa for what you gave me last year how come you were in a hurry last year? I want a tomigotchy.  
**Your friend,**  
**Jacie Anstead**

**Dear Santa,**  
My name is Gizell Vasquez. I hope you like the cookies I em gowing to leave some cookie on the table I hope you like the santa I hope you can give me a perret and a babie pupie and a swimming pool I wnat it to be 3 feet deep and thats all and I Love You.  
**Your friend,**  
**Gizell Vasquez**

**More Letters on Page 13**

**Dear Santa,**  
Thank you for the dolls from lost yir and I hop you lickte the cookes. Don't you no That I love you and I want a ril dog and a glas doll. I hop you hav a hapy noo year.  
**Your friend,**  
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<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>					
Current:					
0010	Instruction & Instructional Related Services	\$682,955	\$151,455	\$834,410	\$667,567
0020	Instructional and School Leadership	47,416	—	47,416	55,527
0030	Support Services-Student (Pupil)	111,275	83,006	194,281	191,125
0040	Administrative Support Services	121,610	—	121,610	128,256
0050	Support Services-Nonstudent Based	284,957	2,751	287,708	243,429
0080	Capital Outlay	73,035	—	73,035	2,511
0090	Intergovernmental Charges	9,770	—	9,770	9,350
6030	Total Expenditures	<u>\$1,331,018</u>	<u>237,212</u>	<u>1,568,230</u>	<u>1,297,765</u>
1100	Excess (Deficiency) Revenue Over (Under) Expenditures	\$47,724	(85,432)	(37,708)	77,911
7020	Other Resources	2,645	87,738	90,383	44,698
8030	Other (Uses)	(87,738)	(2,645)	(90,383)	(44,698)
1200	Excess (Deficiency) of Revenue and Other Resources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Uses	<u>\$(37,369)</u>	<u>\$(339)</u>	<u>\$(37,708)</u>	<u>\$77,911</u>
0100	Fund Balance-Sept. 1 (Beginning)	539,633	952	540,585	462,866
1300	Cumulative Effect of a Change in Acctg. Principle	—	—	—	(192)
3000	Fund Balance-August 31 (Ending)	<u>\$502,264</u>	<u>\$613</u>	<u>\$502,877</u>	<u>\$540,585</u>



## More Letters To Santa

to bring me one of your reindeer. I have been very good this year.

Love,  
Jonessa Carrisales

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a Barbie, a bike and a doll. I have been very good this year.

Love,  
Ariel Castorena

Dear Santa,  
Please bring a bike and a Barbie, a reindeer-(Rudolph). Also bring me a toy Santa Claus with lights I can put on it. A toy flower and a hat for the toy Santa Claus and a nose. I have been very good this year.

Love,  
Desiny Delgado

Dear Santa,  
I want a Astro Mega Ship and a small soldier. I would also like a power ranger. I have been very good this year,

Love,  
James Dunn

Dear Santa,  
I want a skateboard. I also want

a new bike without training wheels and big truck that loads cows with a remote control. And I want a t.v. cor my room. And I want a Walker Texas Ranger Suit. I have been good this year. I want a Santa for my Mom to put on my door. And some new spurs.

Love,  
Gage Edwards

Dear Santa,  
I want a watch. I also want a bike and a dog. I have been good this year.

Love,  
Benny Martinez

Der Santa,  
I want a Barbie House, a Barbie jeep, a McDonald's baby doll, earrings, necklace, a ring and some new clothes and some new Nike shoes. And I want a Barbie with a car and a Nail Designer nail kit. And a Baby Newborn Baby doll. I also want a Tickle Me Elmo. And a Nike shirt and socks. I have been good this year.

Love,  
Jasmine Mask

Dear Santa,  
I want a Teddy Bear with a happy face. I also want a game and a little house for my sister. I want some new shoes and a new dress. I have been good.

Love,  
Sandy Mojica

Dear Santa,  
Hi, how are you? I would like a play car, and Barbie dolls, a

Santa Claus hat, some school stuff. For my brother play cars, some school stuff. For my Mom, could you bring her a car. Good-bye I Love You!

Love,  
Megan Mumau

Dear Santa,  
I would like a Godzilla toy, and a bike and a reindeer toy. A monkey toy, dog, gloves, hat and spiderman toy. A Batman suit. A power ranger suit. A spiderman suit. I Love You Santa Claus I think that's all.

Love,  
Ismael Ramirez

Dear Santa,  
I want a new Batman toy, a small soldier toy and some roller blades and some Power Ranger toys, a new sled, a

Rudolph movie, some new pencils, a T-Rex toy. I have been good this year.

Love,  
Sergio Montejano

Put Some "Jingle" In Your Pockets For Christmas!

# Continental Credit

## Loans from \$100 to \$446

Let Jackie or Norma Play Santa For You!

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Open:  
Monday—Thursday  
9 am to 5 pm  
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206 South Main Street • Muleshoe

## Happy 60th Wedding Anniversary



Jackie, Bennie, Maudie, their spouses, children & grandchildren cordially invite you to a 60th Wedding Anniversary reception honoring their parents

Jessie & Lois Stancell  
on December 26, 1998  
from 2 pm to 4 pm  
at the Muleshoe Church of Christ Fellowship Room

No Gifts Please.

# Journal Classifieds

## STOP & SHOP

Deadlines are 5 p.m. Monday and Thursday

Call 272-4536

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### HELP WANTED

THE CITY OF MULESHOE IS TAKING APPLICATIONS FOR AN EQUIPMENT OPERATOR FOR THE STREET DEPARTMENT. LOADER AND GRADER EXPERIENCE DEFINITE PLUS. APPLICANTS SHOULD HAVE A GOOD DRIVING RECORD AND SHOULD HAVE CDL. HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE/GED REQUIRED. UPON EMPLOYMENT, SUBJECT MAY BE REQUIRED TO PASS A DRUG TEST. APPLICATIONS MAY BE PICKED UP AT CITY HALL, 215 SOUTH FIRST STREET, MULESHOE, TEXAS. THE CITY OF MULESHOE IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER. 52-s-3tch

Pizza Hut is now hiring for waitstaff and delivery drivers. Apply on Mondays from 1 to 5 pm. 37t-1fc

AVON Representatives Needed in this area! For an exciting opportunity call Misty 272-3713. 49s-tfc

### FOR LEASE

Large, 3 bdrm 2 bath home. In nice area. \$425 per month. 272-4480 or (602) 816-4003. 45s-tfc

### FOR SALE

#### BEANIE BABY HOLIDAY SALE

Unbelievable prices on all Beanie Babies. Free gift, grab bags (each) with 1 bear, 2 retired & 1 current. For only \$24.95! Here 1998 Teddy and Halo. Vendor V-350

At Treasures from the Heart  
Muleshoe, Tx.

### LOST

Male Australian Shephard (Red Merle)  
One blue eye. Lost in YL-Pleasant Valley Community. Call 965-2917 or 965-2959

### REAL ESTATE

#### In Muleshoe Good Location

3 bedroom 1 bath home w/central heat & evaporative air 1 car attached garage and fenced backyard.

Call Deren Sudderth at JB Sudderth Realty (806) 481-3288 47t-1fc

Brick Home in Earth. 3 bdrm, 2 bath, double garage, storage house and cellar. 272-5009 or 257-3787. 50s-6tpd

House to be moved! 3 bedroom, 2 bath, call 272-3970 or leave message. 49s-9tpd

FOR ALL YOUR CLASSIFIED NEEDS CALL 272-4536!

### SERVICES

#### Sewing & Alterations All types.

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#### GRASSEED & DRILLING

#### Custom Farming

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#### Kem Eric Bales

(806) 272-5400  
Cell # 946-7255

#### Doug Bales

(806) 272-4419  
P.O. Box 104 • Muleshoe, TX

#### HENDERSON SERVICE CO.

#### Major Appliance & Minor Home Repairs

272-4450

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### AGRICULTURAL REAL ESTATE SERVICES

**SOLD**

- 320 Acres Northwest of Muleshoe. Lays good, good soil, 2 center pivot sprinklers.
- 320 Acres with exceptional 3 or 4 bedroom home. Large barn, 2 center pivot sprinklers adjacent to above farm. HOUSE, BARN & ACREAGE CAN BE SOLD SEPARATELY.
- 181 Acres, Bailey County. Center pivot, 2 wells, fronts U.S. Highway 84. Joins 320 acre tract above.

- 450 Acres - Arch, New Mexico area. C.P. sprinklers. Modest home.\*

- C.R.P. - 2069 Acres Deeded in Cochran County. 1992 Acres in C.R.P. 9 years remaining.

- 160 acres of Bailey County Grass on Pavement.

- 160 Acres - Southeastern Parmer County. Late Model Sprinkler, Good water, Lays good, Small house and barn.

\* In cooperation with a New Mexico Broker

#### Vic Coker, Agent

310 Main St. Suite 103 Muleshoe  
Office 272-3100 Home 965-2468  
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## Nieman Realty

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**RICHLAND HILLS — PARK RIDGE**

- We have several single and multi-family lots in this area!!!!
- NICE 3-2-2 Brick, Cent. A&H, built-ins, FP, cov. patio, fenced yd. \$50's!!
- NICE 3 bdrm. 2 bath w/3 car detached garage/workshop-storage, Elec. Heat Pump, built-ins, FP, 2,380' lv. area, auto. splkr., fenced yd., More!!! RH-2

#### HIGHLAND AREA

- Very Nice 3-2 Mobile Home 2 carport, Cent. Heat, Evap. Air, built-in workshop, storage, fenced yd., MORE!!!
- 3-2-2 Brick, Cent. A&H, built-ins, gas log FP, fenced yd., stor. bldg., MORE!!! Price Reduced! HL-5
- 2-1-1 carport home, wall furnace heat, evap. air, DW, 5 fans, cov. patio, gas grill, fenced yd., MAKE OFFER!!!
- 3-2-2 Brick Home, corner lot, wall furnace heat, Cent. Evap. Air, fenced yd., stor. bldgs., MORE!!! HL-4

#### LENAU - COUNTRY CLUB AREA

- 2-2-2 Brick Home, Cent. A&H, nice carpets, fenced yd. \$40's!!! L-4
- PRICE REDUCED 2-1-1 Carport Home, wall furnace, nice carpet, storm shelter, stor. bldg., fenced yd. \$19K!!! CC-3
- 2-1-1 Home, floor furnace, win. ref. air, fenced yd, stor. bldg., \$18,500 !! L-1

#### COMMERCIAL

- Six Unit Apartment Complex (4-2bdrm. & 2-1bdrm. units)!!!
- 100' x 140' tract, approx. 7,400' business & warehouse building on American Blvd., PRICED TO SELL!!!
- Established Business: Land, Bldg. & Equip., \$75K!!!
- 56' x 140' tract, approx. 4700' bldg., \$35K!!!
- NICE R.V. STORAGE, 14' x 40' metal bldg, 12 doors, 50X140 corner lot!
- SNACK SHACK - Lot, Buildings, furniture & fixtures!!!

**HIGH SCHOOL**

- Nice 3-2-2 Brick, built-ins, heat pump, 5 fans, nice carpet, stor. bldg., fenced yd., MORE!!! \$60's!!! HS-3
- 2-2-2 BRICK, Cent. A&H, built-ins, corner lot, approx. 1800' lv. area!!! PRICE REDUCED! MAKE OFFER!!! HS-4
- 3-1/2-1 Home on corner lot, fenced yd., storage bldg., MORE!!! \$20's!!! HS-9

- NEWLY REMODELED 3-1-1 Home, cent. A & H, new carpet & vinyl, fenced yd., MORE !! \$30's !!! HS-2
- VERY NICE 3-1-1 Brick, Heat pump, DW, nice carpets, fenced yd., MORE!!! \$30's !!! HS-1
- NICE 2-1-1 Brick, Heat Pump, nice carpets, well insulated, storm windows & doors. \$30's!!! HS6
- VERY NICE 3-1-1 Home, nice carpets and vinyl, heat pump, fans, fenced yd., stor. bldgs., MORE!!! \$30's!!! HS-5
- 3-2-1 Brick, Heat Pump, built-ins, fans, screened porch!!! \$30's!!! HS-7
- JUST LISTED- 2-1-2 CP Home, corner lot, metal siding, storm win. & doors, stor. bldg. \$20K!!! HS-8
- 1-14' x 60' and 1-12' x 40' Mobile Home on a 98' x 75' lot, both have cent. heat, evap. air, stove, & ref., cov. patios, fenced yd.!!! \$20k!!!

#### RURAL

- PRICE REDUCED- NICE 3-2 home, 40 acre tract, Geo. Heat Pump, built-ins, 5" irrig. well, Hi-Pres. lines, sprinkler pipe, barn, pens, tractor & equip!!! \$69K!!!
- W. of SUDAN-NICE 3-3-2 Brick Home, 5 acre tract on Hwy. 298, Cent. Air & Heat, built-ins, large Quonset Barn, MORE!!!! \$95K!!!
- 5 Acre tract on pavement close to town!
- LONGVIEW AREA - 160 acres (in C.R.P.) other 2 out of C.R.P.) PRICE TO SELL!!!!
- FOR BID: Approx. 4,870 acres (Bailey and Lamb Co.), water rights negotiable, 54 wells (only 2 pumps and motors), approx. 33 circles in center, 2nd pad, 2 well, 2 black barn, 40' x 100' Quonset barn w/elec., 20' x 30' shop, 3 sets pipe corrals, 2 sets wire corrals!! Bid ends 12-6-98
- LAZBUDDIE-PRICE REDUCED-NICE 3-2-2 Brick Home on pavement, 2200' Lv. area, Cent. A & H, built-ins. FP, large sunroom!!! \$70's!!!
- Approx. 108 acres on Hwy. 70, approx. 2100' office area, 16,900' of commercial bldg. w/loading dock, 3,400' warehouse!! 2,800' runway!!
- LARIAT-240 acres, 3 wells, underground tile, good productive land!!! PRICE REDUCED!!!

## CLASSIFIED DEADLINE!

DUE TO THE HOLIDAYS, WE ASK THAT ALL OF YOUR CLASSIFIED ADS BE BROUGHT IN AT 304 W 2ND CALLED IN AT 272-4536 OR FAXED AT 272-3567. THE DEADLINE FOR THE ADS IS TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22 AT 5 P.M. FOR THE DECEMBER 27 EDITION OF THE BAILEY COUNTY JOURNAL.

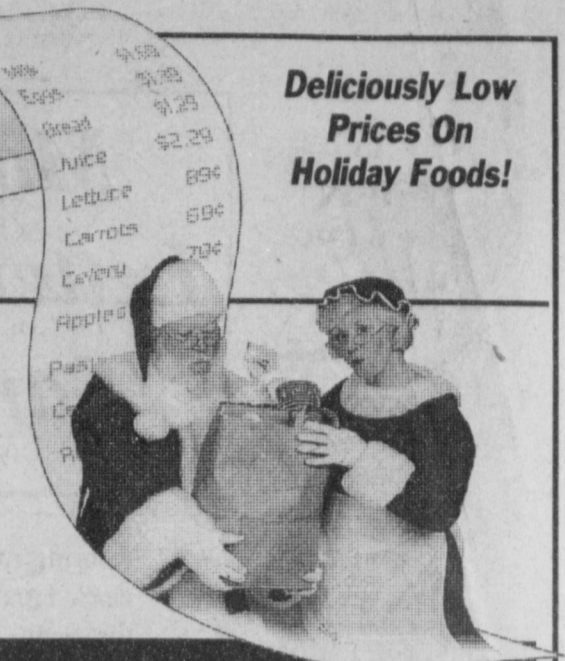
**Country Living at It's Best** - 6 miles west of Muleshoe on Highway 1760. Approx. 3500 sq. ft. Gorgeous 3-3-3 Brick home with lots of built-ins, fireplace, central heat, ref. air, sunroom with hot tub, lots of storage, large family room and utility room, every woman's dream. All on 2 1/2 acres. Also 30x50 metal barn with corrals. If you want it, this place has it! PRICE DROPPED \$5,000!!

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# Christmas Sale

Deliciously Low  
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## MEAT

Cook's Bone-In  
**Butt Half Ham** ..... lb. **99¢**  
Limit 2-Additional purchases 89¢/lb.  
Cook's Bone-In  
**Shank Half Ham** ..... lb. **79¢**  
Small End  
**Prime Rib Roast** ..... lb. **\$3.98**  
Premium Select Beef Large End  
**Prime Rib Roast** ..... lb. **\$2.98**  
Bar S Boneless  
**Whole Hams** ..... 5 lb. **\$4.85**  
Limit 2-Additional purchases 88¢/lb.  
2 Pack Cry-O-Vac  
**Pork Butt Roast** ..... lb. **68¢**  
Boneless  
**Pork Butt Roast** ..... lb. **98¢**  
Hormel Cure 81 Boneless  
**Half Ham** ..... lb. **\$2.98**  
Hillshire Farm Brown Sugar or Smoked  
Spiral Sliced  
**Half Hams** ..... lb. **\$2.29**  
2 lb. Honey Chunk or  
1.5 lb. Sliced  
**Bar S Extra Lean Ham** ... ea. **\$5.69**  
Boneless  
**Pork Loin Roast or  
Pork Loin Chops** ..... lb. **\$2.69**  
Premium Select  
Your Choice  
**Beef Rump Roast  
or Top Sirloin Steaks** ..... lb. **\$1.98**  
Premium Select Beef  
**Boneless Ribeye Roast** .. lb. **\$4.88**  
Chuck Quality Value Pack  
**Preferred Ground Beef** ... lb. **\$1.59**  
Raw, Shell-On  
**Small Shrimp** ..... lb. **\$4.99**  
Great for Pork Asado!  
**Pork Stew Meat** ..... lb. **\$1.59**  
Self Basting 10-14 lb.  
**Shurfine Turkeys** ..... lb. **79¢**  
Self Basting 18+ lbs.  
**Shurfine Turkeys** ..... lb. **69¢**  
Lowe's  
**Brown 'N Serve Rolls** .. 12 ct. **2/\$1**  
Shurfine Small or Large  
**Pitted Ripe Olives** ..... 6 oz. **99¢**  
Assorted  
**Doritos Tortilla Chips** .. 14.5 oz. bags **2/\$4**  
Assorted  
**Ruffles®  
Potato Chips** ..... pre-priced \$2.99 **\$1.97**  
Panasonic AAA or AA  
**Batteries** ..... 6 pack-your choice **2/\$3**  
Natural Blend, Vegetable, Puritan or Corn  
**Crisco Oil** ..... 48 oz. btl **\$1.88**  
Chicken of the Sea in Oil or Water  
**Chunk Light Tuna** ..... 6 oz. can **58¢**  
Assorted or Designer  
**Brawny Paper Towels** ..... roll **84¢**  
Ellis Raw  
**Spanish Peanuts** ..... 16 oz. **2/\$3**  
Kraft  
**Easy Mac** ..... 12.9 oz. pkg **\$2.59**  
Regular or Mini Shurfine  
**Marshmallows** ... 10-10.5 oz. pkg **2/\$1**  
Regular or Light-Pre-priced \$4.19  
**Velveeta Cheese** ..... 32 oz. box **\$3.99**  
Assorted  
**Stove Top Stuffing** .... 6 oz. pkg **\$1.29**  
Corn-Kits or Yellow/White  
/Honey Cornbread  
**Morrison's Mixes** ..... 6 oz. pkgs **3/\$1**  
Shurfine  
In Natural Juice Crushed, Chunks or Sliced  
**Pineapple** ..... 15.2 oz. can **2/\$1**  
Peter Pan  
**Flour** ..... 25 lb. **\$3.29**  
Nabisco Assorted  
**Oreo Cookies** ..... 20 oz. pkgs **2/\$5**  
Ellis-Halves or Pieces  
**Pecans** ..... 6 oz. pkg **\$1.99**

All Sizes  
**Butterball Turkeys** ..... lb. **99¢**  
Grade A Frozen  
**Tip Top Baking Hens** ..... lb. **89¢**  
Marval Basted  
**Turkey Breast** ..... lb. **\$1.29**  
Sunday House Whole  
**Smoked Turkeys** ..... lb. **\$1.49**  
Bar S  
**Meat Bologna** ..... 12 oz. **99¢**  
Hillshire Assorted  
**Lit'l Smokies** ..... 1 lb. pkgs **2/\$5**  
Bar S Regular or Polish Skinless  
**Smoked Sausage** ..... 1 lb. **2/\$3**  
Bar S  
**Bacon** ..... 12 oz. **2/\$3**  
Hillshire Farm Assorted 14 oz.  
Lean & Hearty or 1 lb. Regular  
**Smoked Sausage** .... your choice **\$1.99**  
Bar S  
**Meat Franks** ..... 12 oz. **69¢**  
Assorted  
**Owens Sausage** ..... 1 lb. **\$1.79**  
Assorted  
**Owens Sausage** ..... 2 lb. **\$3.55**  
Owens Family Pack  
**Sausage Patties** ..... 3 lb. **\$5.99**  
Oscar Mayer Meat  
**Red Rind Thick Bologna  
or Cotto Salami** ..... 1 lb. pkg **\$1.59**  
Oscar Mayer  
**Chopped Ham or  
Ham & Cheese** ..... 1 lb. pkgs **2/\$5**  
Oscar Mayer  
**Cooked Ham** ..... 1 lb. pkg **\$3.99**  
Oscar Mayer  
**Honey, Smoked or  
Boiled Ham** ..... 6 oz. pkgs **2/\$3**  
Shurfine  
**Corn Syrup** ..... 32 oz. btl **99¢**  
Assorted  
**Kraft Cheez Whiz** ..... 16 oz. jar **\$2.99**  
Post Toasties  
**Corn Flakes** ..... 18 oz. box **2/\$3**  
Sweet Fancy Shurfine  
**Cut Yams** ..... 16 oz. cans **2/\$1**  
Kraft Assorted  
**100% Grated  
Parmesan Cheese** ..... 8 oz. can **\$3.19**  
Peter Pan  
**Flour** ..... 25 lb. **\$3.29**  
Shurfine  
**Mandarin Oranges** .. 11 oz. cans **2/\$1**  
General Mills Corn, Rice or Wheat  
**Chex Cereal** .... 12 to 16 oz. boxes **2/\$5**  
Shurfine  
**Pineapple Juice** ..... 46 oz. can **99¢**  
Lea & Perrins  
**Worcestershire Sauce** .. 10 oz. btl **2/\$3**  
Assorted Fruit Cocktail, Very Cherry  
Mixed, Chunky Peaches or Pears  
**Del Monte Fruits** ... 15 to 15.2 oz. can **69¢**  
Nabisco Assorted  
**Ritz Crackers** ..... 14.5 to 16 oz. **\$1.99**  
Best Maid Whole  
**Sweet Pickles** ..... 22 oz. jar **\$1.99**  
Shurfine Stuffed  
**Spanish Olives** ..... 5.75 oz. **88¢**  
Purple, Red or White  
**Welch's Grape Juice** ... 64 oz. **\$2.99**  
Shurfine Regular or Mini Marshmallow  
**Hot Cocoa Mix** ..... 10 ct. pkg **79¢**  
Keebler Deluxe Grahams, Crescents,  
Jingles or Gingerbread Elves  
**Holiday Cookies** ..... 12.5 to 13 oz. **\$1.99**  
Shurfine  
**Corn Flakes Cereal** ... 18 oz. box **79¢**  
Shurfine Honey Nut, Frosted  
or Apple Cinnamon  
**Toasted Oats Cereal** .. 14 to 15 oz. **2/\$3**

## PRODUCE

Green  
**Onions** ..... bunches **4/\$1**  
Large Stalk  
**Celery** ..... ea. **39¢**  
U.S. No. 1  
**Russet Potatoes** ..... 10 lb. bag **99¢**  
Washington Extra Fancy  
**Red Delicious Apples** ..... lb. **49¢**  
Sno-White  
**Cauliflower** ..... ea. **79¢**  
Dole Classic  
**Iceberg Salad Mix** ..... 1 lb. pkg **79¢**  
Texas  
**Sweet Potatoes** ..... lb. **59¢**  
Garden Fresh  
**Broccoli** ..... lb. **59¢**  
Mini Peeled  
**Carrots** ..... 1 lb. pkg **89¢**  
Large  
**Bell Peppers** ..... **3/\$1**  
Texas  
**Grapefruit** ..... 18 lb. box **\$8.19**  
Gift Boxes  
**Oranges** ..... 18 lb. box **\$8.99**  
D'Anjou  
**Pears** ..... lb. **53¢**  
California  
**Navel Oranges** ..... lb. **49¢**  
Assorted Ready to Spread  
**Duncan Hines  
Frosting** ..... 16 to 16.6 oz. can **99¢**  
Assorted Moist Deluxe  
**Duncan Hines  
Cake Mixes** ..... 18.25 oz. box **67¢**  
Shurfine White  
**Flaked Coconut** ..... 14 oz. bag **87¢**  
Shurfine Real  
**Chocolate Chips** ..... 12 oz. bag **69¢**  
Light Brown or Powdered  
**Imperial Sugar** ..... 2 lb. bag **98¢**  
Pure Cane  
**Imperial Sugar** ..... 4 lb. bag **\$1.37**  
Regular or Low Fat  
**Eagle Brand Milk** ..... 14 oz. can **\$1.78**  
Assorted  
**F.A.C. Maxwell  
House Coffee** ..... 11 to 13 oz. **\$2.09**  
Regular or Unbleached  
**Gold Medal Flour** ..... 5 lb. bag **87¢**  
Selected Varieties  
• Whole New Potatoes • Sliced Carrots  
• Asstd. Corn • Asstd. Sweet Peas  
• Asstd. Green Beans • Sliced Beets  
• Mixed Vegetables • Asstd. Spinach  
**Del Monte  
Vegetables** ... 11 to 15.2 oz. cans **5/\$1.95**  
2 Ply White Shursaving  
**Paper Towels** ..... rolls **3/\$1**  
Shurfine  
**White Napkins** ..... 60 ct. pkgs **3/\$1**  
20 ct.-16 oz. Cups or 15 ct.-9" Plates  
**Solo Party Cups  
or Plates** ..... your choice **99¢**  
Reynolds  
**Standard Foil** ..... 25 sq. ft. roll **89¢**  
Shurfine  
**Plastic Wrap** ..... 100 sq. ft. roll **99¢**  
Regular or Low Fat Celery,  
Mushroom or Chicken  
**Campbell's  
Cream Soups** ..... 10.7 oz. cans **5/\$4**

## FROZEN & DAIRY

Sara Lee Cherry, Peach,  
Pumpkin or 9" Apple  
**Homestyle Pies** ... 37-40 oz. pkgs **2/\$5**  
Golden Country  
**Sandwich Singles** ..... 10.7 oz **\$1.19**  
State Fair  
**Corn Dogs** ..... 18 ct. **\$4.99**  
Yogurt, Diet, Light or  
Brown/Gold/Silver Rim  
**Blue Bell  
Ice Cream** ..... 1/2 gal. round **2/\$6**  
Shurfine Regular or Lite-Excludes Fat Free  
**Whipped Topping** .... 8 oz. tub **2/\$1**  
Shurfine  
**Deep Dish Pie Shells** .. 12 oz. pkg **88¢**  
Kraft Mild Mexican, 2% Milk,  
American, Swiss or Pimento  
**Cheese Singles** ..... 12 oz. pkg **\$2.09**  
Kraft American Super  
**Cheese Singles** ..... 12 oz. pkg **\$2.09**  
Kraft Assorted  
**Cool Whip Topping** .... 8 oz. tub **\$1.19**  
Kraft Colby, Colby Jack or Longhorn Cheddar  
**Halfmoon Cheese** .... 10 oz. pkg **\$1.85**  
Sweet Peas, Niblets Corn or Mixed Vegetables  
**Green Giant  
Vegetables** ..... 16 oz. pkg **89¢**  
Assorted Tony's  
**Freschetta Pizza** .. 26.85 to 30.7 oz. pkg **\$3.99**  
Imperial  
**Margarine Quarters** ..... 16 oz **59¢**  
Assorted  
**Daisy Sour Cream** ..... 16 oz. **99¢**

Blue Bunny 1/2 gal.  
rnd. where Blue Bell  
not available

## HEALTH & BEAUTY

• Plus Cold • Plus Cold Cherry  
• Plus Cold Orange • Plus Sinus  
**Alka Seltzer** ..... 20 ct. pkg **\$2.88**  
Western Family • 150 ct. Peppermint  
• 96 ct. Asstd. Extra Strength • 150  
ct. Original • 72 ct. Ultra Original  
**Antacid Tablets** ..... your choice **\$1.99**  
Assorted Flex  
**Shampoo or  
Conditioner** ..... 15 oz. btl **\$1.28**  
Assorted  
**Suave Lotion** ..... 10 oz. btl **99¢**  
• 16 oz. Great Grains Raisin Date  
• 15 oz. Banana Nut Crunch  
• 13 oz. Cranberry Almond Crunch  
• 13.5 oz. Blueberry Morning  
**Post Cereal** ..... your choice **\$2.39**  
Del Monte  
**Tomato Sauce** ..... 8 oz. can **17¢**  
Polar  
**Smoked Oysters** ..... 3.7 oz. **\$1.69**  
All Types  
**Coca-Cola, Sprite  
or Dr. Pepper** ..... 6 pack-12 oz. cans **\$1.39**  
All Types  
**Coca-Cola, Sprite  
or Dr. Pepper** ..... 6 pack-5 liter **\$2.39**  
All Types  
**Coca-Cola, Sprite  
or Dr. Pepper** ..... 3 liter btl **\$1.39**

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