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Have a joyous holiday!



HE SEES YOU WHEN YOU'RE SLEEPING, HE KNOWS WHEN YOU'RE AWAKE—Meredith and Spencer Schacht just think that Santa can't see them peeking from behind a wall, but Santa Claus knows they are there. The excitement has been building for too long and Santa Claus knows

there will probably be lots of children and adults trying real hard to stay awake and catch him in the act as he makes his annual rounds. Children everywhere learn at a very early age, that the sooner they go to sleep, the sooner Santa Claus will come. —Staff Photo

## Winners announced in annual Chamber sponsored lighting contest

Winners in the chamber sponsored lighting contest in Floydada, were chosen Monday night after a thorough sweep of the city by out-of-town judges. Accompanied by a chamber representative, the judges were driven up and down the colorful and decorative streets of Floydada and given the difficult chore of picking what they considered the best decorated.

The 900 Block of Georgia Street will be dividing up the first place prize money of \$25,000, in the residential division. The block has the participation of everyone living there. The theme of the decoration was the song, *Silent Night, Holy Night*.

The front yard of each home displays a lighted board with parts of the religious

song lighted up on them. Beside each sign stands a wooden reindeer. For instance, the sign in the first yard reads, "Silent Night"; the second sign reads, "Holy Night", and so forth until the song's lyrics are told.

"They have team effort and block participation," said the judges about the block effort. It was an appropriated theme for the season and was tactfully carried out. It was very special."

Second place winnings of \$15,000 goes to the Gray's residence at 800 W. Georgia. The beautiful manger scene, set amongst a cactus garden and highlighted by a star was described by the judges as, "sentimental, warm and dignified."

L.V. Assiter's home, at 900 W. Mississippi, has won the \$10,000 third prize. The yard, a yearly favorite of all judges, is surrounded by homemade candy canes and enjoyed by reindeer grazing under a tree and Santa and his sleigh parked beside a beautifully lighted tree.

Jon J. La Baume, District Conservationist for the Floyd County Soil Conservation Service stated that producers only have until the end of this year to develop a conservation plan if they are farming highly erodible land to stay eligible for government programs. Most producers during the past three years

"The Assiter's home was very coordinated and appealing to younger people," said the judges.

Honorable mention in the residential area, went to: Bud Edward's home, at 131 W. Ollie; Jerry McGuire's home, at 902 W. Crockett and the home of Con-

nie Galloway, at 706 W. Lee.

"Bud Edwards home was very innovative," commented the judges. "The McGuire home was simple and effective and the Galloways used their lights very effectively."

Floydada's City Hall was once again

chosen the first place winner of the downtown businesses participants.

Second place was awarded to The Floyd County Hesperian and Bishop Ramsey Pharmacy's window carolers won third place.

## Plans needed now for eligibility in government programs

have signed a 1026 form at the ASCS office and the Soil Conservation Service has already determined if their cropland was highly erodible or not, and if it was, the SCS and the producer have already developed a plan to protect the highly erodible land.

La Baume points out however very

few non-participating farms have signed 1026 forms or developed a plan. A non-participating farm may wish to participate in future government programs and would be ineligible if they were farming highly erodible land and would continue to be ineligible until a plan is developed and the plan carried

out in full. La Baume stated if non-participates still wished to sign up and even though SCS may not be able to complete all the plans before the first of the year, these producers would be eligible to develop a

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## Council okays backhoe

West Texas Equipment Company of Lubbock was the successful bidder for the city's purchase of a new backhoe. Floydada city council members awarded the firm the bid following a week of consideration. A special noon session was held on December 19, to award the bid.

West Texas Equipment will furnish a new Caterpillar 426 machine. The city agreed to pay \$43,777 less \$9,200 (trade in of JD 310 loader/back hoe) for the machine. Motion for the purchase was made by councilman Leroy Burns and seconded by councilman Amado Morales. The vote was unanimous.

Other bidders were Yellowhouse Machinery (42,000 less \$12,200 trade in) and Case Power and Equipment (\$33,120 less \$8,000 trade in).

## SPC livestock team wins at Beef Expo

For the second year in a row, the South Plains College livestock judging team won the championship this past weekend at the Texas Beef Exposition in Waco.

The team was first high point team in cattle, oral reasons and sheep and third highpoint team in swine.

Team members are Chad Edwards of Floydada, Chris Edens of El Paso, Billy Copeland of Melrose, N.M., Cody Hill of Littlefield, Doug Washam of Lubbock and Glenn Alan Phillips of Seagraves.

Their next meet will be the Grand National Livestock Exposition Dec. 31 in Phoenix, Ariz.

The team is coached by Jim Jenkins, SPC associate professor of agriculture.

The three machinery dealers had provided equipment for a test period and city employees were given a forum for voicing their comments and opinions concerning the three brands.

The Case 580K was termed, "unstable not as powerful and obscured vision." Comment on the John Deere 410C was, "Won't dig as well as it should". The Caterpillar 426 was praised as "smoother operating, more working power, more stable, good visibility and more stoutly built."

Warranties were also considered before a decision was reached.

The purchase will be financed at 8% interest with the right of early payment reserved.

Attending the session were: Mayor Parnell Powell; city secretary, Jimmie Lou Stewart; city attorney, Randy Hollums; city manager, Gary Brown; council members Wayne Russell, Ruben Barrientos, Amado Morales, Wayne Tipton and Leroy Burns. Also present were city employees Bobby Welborn, Jim Green and Sharon Quisenberry as well as the Hesperian reporter. Councilman Frank Breed was not present.

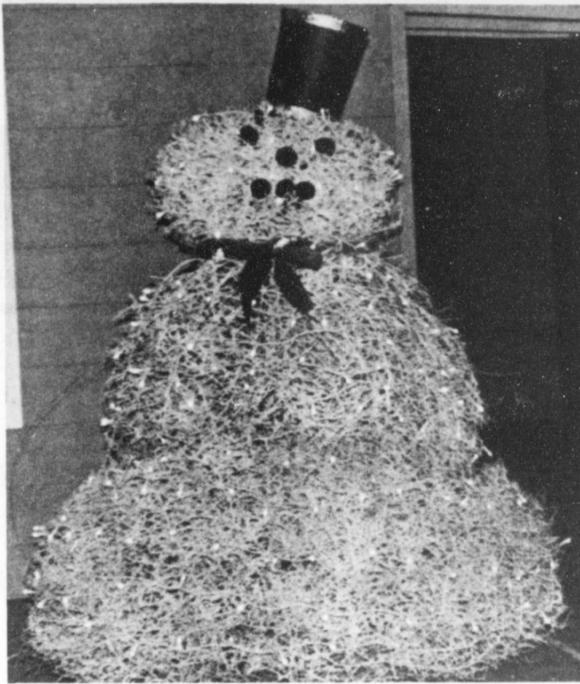
## Girl Scout Troop 299 sings for residents

Gathered around the piano in the lobby of the Floydada Nursing Home, Girl Scouts of Troop 299 sang Christmas songs for the home's residents Tuesday, Dec. 13. Ashleigh Williams, of the troop, accompanied them at the piano.

Carolers included Heather and Amber Arney, Jamie McGuire, Erin Abs-hire, Shonda and Stephanie Emert, Lacy Christian, and Shannon Ware. The girls were led by Debbie Arney, Tonja Gooch, Glynd Willson and Joyce Williams.

Recently the troop visited Kathy's Kanine Klippers in preparation for earning their pet care patch.

A Christmas party is scheduled for the troop on Tuesday, Dec. 19, at the Arney home.



WEST TEXAS SNOWMAN--When you don't have snow on the plains of West Texas you can always make a Snowman out of Tumbleweeds like the Gooch's did at 615 Missouri Street. Staff Photo

## Police Report

On December 13, at 12:45 p.m. police received a report from a woman that she had been assaulted at her residence in the labor camp. In a statement given to police the woman reported the assault occurred on Dec. 12 at 11:00 p.m. The complainant did not wish to file charges at this time, but told police she would do so if the man did not leave her alone.

Another assault was reported to police on December 16 in the 100 block of E. Hallie, around 6:40 p.m. According to police reports a woman reported a man (relative) assaulted her by pushing her and hitting her. He also reportedly pushed her two-year old son against a window. The woman later dropped charges against the man.

A criminal mischief, which occurred in the 500 block of W. Kentucky, was reported to police on December 16. A 1989 Chevrolet was damaged when someone threw a butane carburetor at the car. The left door mirror was knocked off and several scratches were left on the door.

A theft of firewood was reported to police on December 17. The theft occurred on December 14 around 10:00 p.m.. Stolen was a 2 ft. X 16 ft. Rick of firewood, valued at \$25.00.

Also on December 17, police received a report of another theft that occurred sometime after December 1. A Champion Rocking Horse, light orange in color, was stolen from the back porch of the home.

On December 18, police received a report of a burglary at Eakin Car Lot on the night of December 17. Stolen from the office was approximately \$188.00 in merchandise.

**ACCIDENTS**  
Only one accident was investigated by police last week. On December 17 at 5:33 p.m., a '65 Ford Mustang which was traveling north on 14th Street was hit by a Chevrolet S-10 Pickup, which

was traveling east on Grover. The pickup tried to turn south on 14th and in doing so turned wide, slid on the gravel on the road, and into the Mustang. The pickup hit the Mustang in the left rear quarter panel.

## Plans needed now

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plan by registering at the SCS Office. The SCS office is located in the USDA building on US Highway 70 East in Floydada.

Again the deadline is the last full working day of the year which will be December 29, 1989.

If anyone has questions, please come by the SCS office or call 983-2352.

## Extension Homemakers look back on Floyd County history with reception

The Floyd County Extension Homemakers are sponsoring a Centennial Reception on Thursday, January 4th from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the First National Bank in Floydada. As one of the oldest clubs in the county, they are hosting this reception to help people start the 100th Birthday of Floyd County by looking back at the history of the county and the way things used to be.

Floyd County Home Demonstration Clubs were formed in 1926 and have since changed their names to Extension Homemaker Clubs. Through the years, they have done service projects, such as furnish a room at the People's Hospital, serve meals at Rotary, worked with the highway department to get a roadside park in the canyon south of Floydada, set out roses at the nursing homes and much, much more.

They have had programs varying from how to make candles, to gardening to nutrition, to insurance and much more. They continue today to learn about many issues affecting them and their futures. They are open to everyone regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, handicap or national origin.

They have made many plans for the

reception. They are setting up a number of displays that will be interesting for residents of all ages. They plan to have antique household equipment with its history and uses, display of old quilts and quilt squares, a collection of year-books, and even clothing dating back to about 100 years ago.

Plan now to attend the Centennial Reception and all other Centennial events that will be held in 1990!

## Karate students compete in tournament

Floydada karate students competed in an inter-school tournament Saturday, Dec. 19, in Lubbock.

Those placing in the tournament were:

Shane Derryberry, 4th forms, and 2nd sparring, 11 year old advanced.

Rowdy Derryberry, 1st forms, and 3rd sparring, 6 year old beginner.

Dustin Hamilton, 2nd forms, and 1st sparring, 11 year old beginner.

## OPEN HOUSE

Friday, Dec. 22nd  
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

First National Bank,  
Floydada  
Community Room

Everyone Welcome!



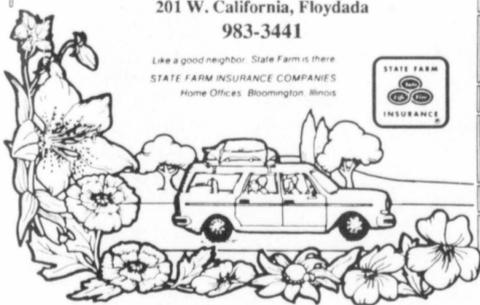
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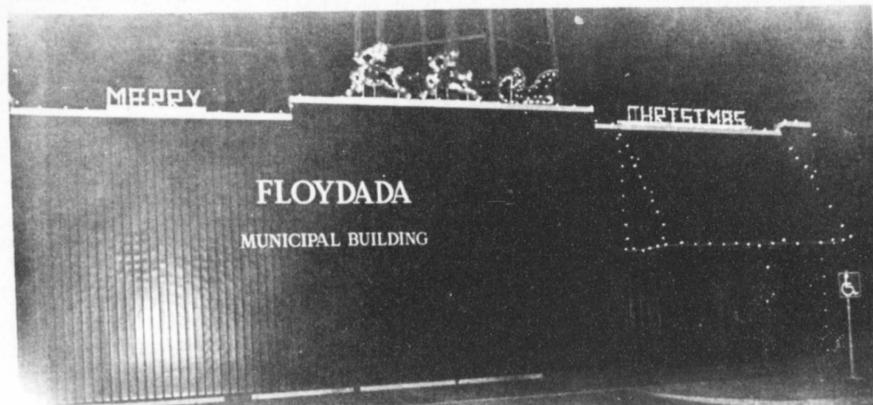
# Annual Christmas decorating contest winners named



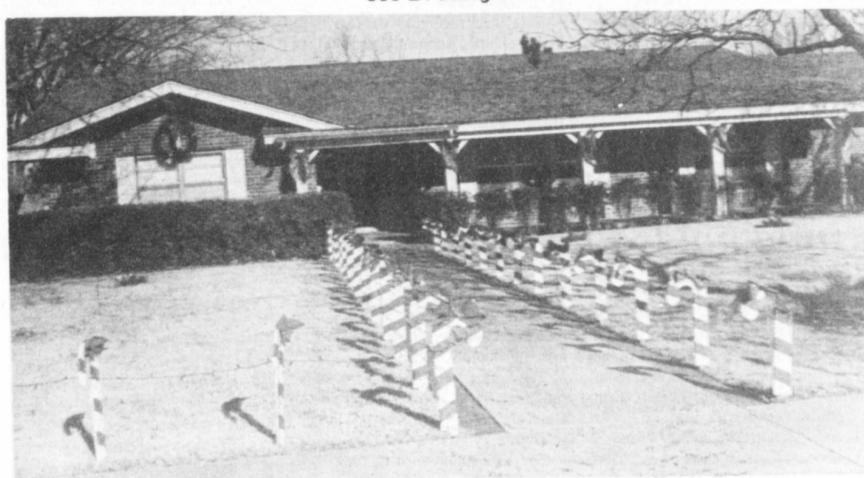
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(Only one home is pictured)



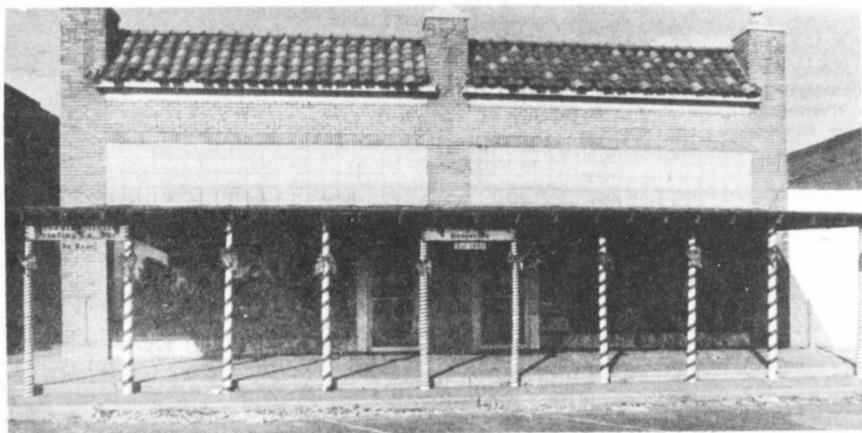
2nd Place Residential - Mr. and Mrs. Bill Gray  
800 W. Georgia



1st Place Business - City of Floydada



3rd Place Residential - Mr. and Mrs. L.U. Assiter  
900 W. Mississippi



2nd Place Business - The Hesperian



3rd Place Business - Bishop-Ramsey Pharmacy

*Hoping good tidings  
come your way.*



## This Weeks

**BANK OPEN HOUSE**  
Floydada's First National Bank will host an open house on Friday, Dec. 22, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the community room. Everyone is welcome.

**CENTENNIAL RECEPTION**  
All Floyd County residents are invited to and encouraged to attend a reception on Thursday, Jan. 4, from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the First National Bank Community Room in Floydada. The reception is being sponsored by the Floyd County Extension Homemakers. They will have a number of momentos of long ago on display and will have refreshments for everyone. Plan now to come by to visit and take a look at the past of Floyd County.

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Courtesy of Energas

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## Floydada Nursing Home Happenings

By Jo Bryant

Hello, once again on this cold morning, from the Floydada Nursing Home residents and staff, a lot of action has been going on around here. It's a wonderful time of year for joy and celebrating the season.

We had our annual Christmas staff party on Monday night. We had plenty of good fun, and exchanged gifts and received door prizes. Each employee received a turkey from Untied Healed, Unicore Corp. Myra Ledbetter was selected employee of the month and received a gift certificate to eat at The Golden Corral in Plainview. Congratulations to her, she has been a nurses assistant for 7 months. She was born in Floydada to a family of seven sisters and one brother. She graduated from high school in 1983. She has two girls and one boy. She likes to work and spend time with her family. She likes working at the Nursing Home and it is a challenge meeting the needs of the elderly.

Just a reminder that we will have our family resident party on Thursday evening, at 7 p.m. Be prepared for a good time with old Santa Claus, music and food. So we hope to see you there.

Last Tuesday, I, Jo Bryant, attended a activity directors meeting along with Faye Steen from Crosbyton in Lubbock. We had a guest speaker to share about Understanding the Aging. About their quality of life and how much they can

give, to society, and to help them to use and develop their talents. Life isn't over, just a change, and a challenge to them to share. We receive six hours of continuing education. We enjoyed a good meal and exchanged gifts. The next meeting will be in May.

Tuesday, the childrens choir from the First Baptist Church came and sang for the residents. They enjoyed the children very much. We want to thank the third grade class at Duncan School, Donna Harmon for the door decorations. Also want to thank the sixth grade art class for the rope wreaths which they made for the residents doors. Thanks go out to Letha Mulder for the candy canes which she brought Friday. She also shared a poem about "The Color of Christmas" which is red, meaning love and joy. Evelyn played the piano for us, and we sang some carols.

We had four to celebrate their birthdays, they were: Mamie Bradshaw, Ova McPherson, Gertrude Fuerebacher, and Mary Campbell.

We had our usual bingo on Wednesday, and on Tuesday, the residents had arts and crafts, they made a poinsettia to put in their rooms.

This weeks visitors were: Phillip Wilson, Patricia Runnels, Doug and Tina Woolford, Jettie Moss, Artie Webb, Lisa Crader, Mel and Marjorie Holcomb, Irene Wexler, Juanita Bradford and Frances Barnett.



MR. AND MRS. FOSTER AMBURN

## Amburns observe 65th

Mr. and Mrs. Foster Amburn of Canyon celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary recently with a family luncheon at Luby's Cafeteria in Amarillo.

Amburn and the former Mariah Warren were wed on December 7, 1924 in Floydada, where they resided until 1972 when they moved to Canyon.

Amburn is a retired deputy sheriff of Floyd County and since moving to Canyon has been employed part-time at B.C. Taylor's Service Station. Amburn is a member of First Baptist Church in Canyon and his wife, a homemaker, is a member of Second Avenue Church of

Christ. The Amburns raised three children: Glen Amburn, Tommy Amburn and Juanelle (Amburn) Taylor.

Hosting the anniversary fete were their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Attending the event were Glen and Elizabeth Amburn, Jay and Terri Amburn and sons, Terrill and Tyler of Tulsa; Tommy and Betty Amburn, Greg and Denise Amburn, Terry and Nancy Amburn and sons, Cole and Rhett and Larry and Moirae Taylor, all of Amarillo; Juanelle and B.C. Taylor and Chad Bonds, all of Canyon.

## Keep You in Stitches Quilting Guild holds first get-together

The first meeting of the Keep You in Stitches Quilting Guild met Tuesday, December 12 in the home of Kay Brock.

Charter members are: Shelly Brock, Kay Brock, Sidney Jackson, Ann Jones, Dara Ware, Shawnda Foster, Tami Wofford, Gay Terrell, Dar Lee Foster, Brenda Heflin and Terrisu Mann of Lubbock. Members absent were: Cindi Belt and Debbie Kirk.

The ladies quilted on a top owned by Shawnda Foster, the pattern was the Tree of Life in green, blues and muslin on a domestic muslin backing.

After a morning of quilting, the ladies took time for a quick lunch and a brief

business meeting. Officers elected, rules of membership discussed, and members decided on order of who will host the monthly meetings.

The officers are: Sidney Jackson, president; Shelly Brock, vice president; Gay Terrell, secretary; Shawnda Foster, treasurer.

The ladies continued quilting until about 5:00.

We will meet the second Tuesday of each month. The next meeting will be at Gay Terrell's home. We will quilt a double wedding ring pieced by Terrisu Mann of Lubbock.

## Harmony Extension Club holds last meeting of year

The Harmony Extension Club had their last meeting of 1989 at the club room December 11, at 12 noon, with a luncheon of turkey and all the good food that goes with it. The hostess committee was Juanita Pool, Bess Carr and Karen Miller. Karen had made plate favors using baby food jars with a Christmas scene, glitter and water.

After the bountiful meal, the recreation committee had charge of games. Maye Williams read a Christmas poem and led a matching game of Happy Birthday Jesus as said in different languages. Arvie Schulz conducted a game

of finding normal size articles in a picture. Ruth Scott had a game where the contestants tried to remember the first line of a Christmas song after she gave the second line. Blanche Williams kept score.

Then it was time for the gift exchange, where secret pals had to go to the Christmas tree and get the gift she had brought

as the person guessed who she thought her secret pal was

Names were drawn for secret pals for 1990. All twelve members were present and the agent Mary True.

## Jones gather for reunion

A fun day was enjoyed by 31 descendants of Jim and Ada Lee Jones Sunday, Dec. 17, in the home of Dorothy Anderson.

Exchanging gifts, a bountiful lunch, visiting and playing games was enjoyed by those attending.

Attending were: Ray and Billie Crawford, Lubbock; Rusty Galloway, Lubbock; Kristi Smith Brooks and Britany, Lubbock; Jay and Diana Smith and Christen, Idalou; Brownie and Margie Smith, Crosbyton; Mark and Sandra

Smith and Kory, Crosbyton; Jody and Jacque James, Jonathan and Jacob, Crosbyton; David and Connie McCulley, Jim and Joe, Lubbock; Jimmy Jones, Dallas; Billie Jones and Jonny, Floydada; Jim and Sandra Crawford, Floydada; Doug and Elaine Galloway and Robin, Floydada; and Guy Galloway, Floydada.

Three guests were also present: Suzy Montgomery, Crosbyton, D'Nae Dubree, Levelland, and Jim Bob Hambricht, Levelland.

## Sunbelt Santas Toy Drive continues with success

Already in its fourth week, Sunbelt Savings' Sunbelt Santas Toy Drive has collected over 10,000 toys for needy children throughout Texas.

At the local Sunbelt Savings Branch in Floydada, approximately 65 toys have been collected for what they hope will be the largest Sunbelt Santas Toy Drive.

"This year the support of this community has been amazing," said Tom Wageman, Sunbelt Savings president and Sunbelt Santas spokesman. "We set an enthusiastic goal of 20,000 toys for this year, but with everyone's generosity, I know we'll make it!"

This year, toys collected at the

Floydada branch have been designated for the children at Floydada I.S.D.

Sunbelt branch manager, Joy Assiter, commented, "This year's drive is going wonderfully, but we still need more toys in order to make sure we have at least one toy for every child on our list."

"This is such a special time of year for our children and we want them all to have a happy Christmas. Because of Sunbelt Santas' help, we are able to make their Holiday wishes come true," charity spokesperson said.

The toy drive lasts until Friday, December 22. In 1988, over 15,000 toys were collected and distributed to children through 90 charities.

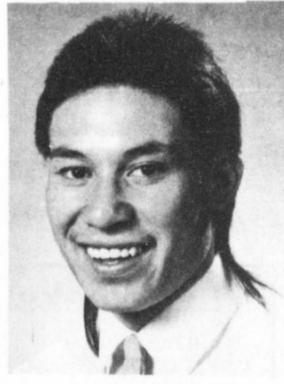
## Morales awarded scholarship

Armando Morales, son of Gloria Morales of Floydada, has been awarded an Ethnic Missions Scholarship by the Baptist General Convention of Texas in Dallas.

Armando will attend Wayland Baptist University this fall.

More than 1,339 ethnic students have been helped to attend eight Texas Baptist Universities and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, through the program.

The scholarships are funded through the annual Mary Hill Davis Offering for State Missions observed each fall in Texas Baptist churches. More than \$1.9 million has been invested in the scholarship program since 1956.



ARMANDO MORALES

## Floyd Data

Mrs. Claude Fawver and Mrs. Floyd Bradford spent a week in Honolulu, Hawaii, visiting with Lt. Col. Conley Bradford and family recently. They attended the wedding of Paige and Gene Whitney. Paige is the great-granddaughter of Mrs. Fawver and granddaughter of Mrs. Bradford.



## Happenings at Caprock Hospital

By Michelle Bearden

Our three graduate nurses, Tammie Logan Shuping, Mary Perez and Margie Cisneros were officially awarded their LVN licenses on December 14. Congratulations Ladies! Two of these young nurses are making plans to continue their education and become R.N.'s. Mary and Margie are starting classes soon.

The nursing staff had an enjoyable evening together on December 13. All three shifts came together for a dinner, singing of carols and exchanging of gifts. This party was a most successful in re-establishing a feeling of comradeship between the nurses. Sometimes it's difficult for large groups to work together in harmony for long periods of time. It takes concerted efforts on everyone's part to perpetuate a team spirit.

Lydia Garza, receptionist, is planning to spend Christmas in Old Mexico this year. Linda Brewer, LVN is excited about son David's plans to spend Christmas in Floydada. David lives in Key Biscayne, Florida now.

Director of Nursing, Molly Stringer and husband, Bill plan to spend Christmas in Ruidoso with their children.

Administrator, Leroy Schaffner and his family will be spending the holiday in Colorado with their families.

LVN, Frances Miller and Doyle will be going to Lubbock to spend Christmas weekend with their son.

LVN, Joyce Smith will be hosting their daughters and families during the holidays at various times.

LVN, Willie Mae Gregg and family will be spending some time during the holidays with Gail's mother.

The Nurse's Fund recently purchased mini-blinds for the new emergency room near the nurses station. This fund's next project will be the purchase of an x-ray view box for this ER. This ongoing fund is generated by the nurses annual bake sale on Old Settlers, they also collect and sell aluminium cans and receive donations and occasionally memorials from interested members of the community. This project was begun in 1987 when the nurses raised funds to redecorate the nurses station area. Other items purchased are fans for patient rooms, help in providing a deep fryer for the kitchen and a cassette player and radio for the nurses station. This fund will also provide awards periodically for nursing staff who offer work and time saving ideas. The first award was presented to Mary Vickers at the Annual Hospital Christmas party for her idea of converting the unused nursery near the

nurses stain as a minor emergency room.

Many of the employees and hospital associates enjoyed the hospital Christmas Party at the Massie Activity Center on December 18. We had a delicious chicken fried steak dinner. Recognized for their voluntary service to Caprock Hospital were: John Key West, Orville Newberry, Ray Lloyd and William Bertrand. The group then enjoyed playing bingo and several won nice gifts.

Mammograms will be done on January 9 at Caprock Hospital. The cost is \$70.00 for Valu-Care members and \$75.00 for others. Call 983-2875 for an appointment.

Thought: The most difficult thing in the world is to know how to do a thing and to watch someone else doing it wrong without comment.

## We Salute

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Monday, Dec. 18: Maria Briones

Thursday, Dec. 21: Valorie Hartline, Bill Lamb, Joey Cisneros

Friday, Dec. 22: Brian Emert

Saturday, Dec. 23: Jr. Cuevas, Jacqueline Rendon, Lupe Stewart, Rachel Mendoza, Louise Turner, Irvin Seymour, Elayne Reid

Sunday, Dec. 24: Frank Maldonado, Misti Orman, Roy Turnbow, Susan Hernandez

Monday, Dec. 25: Penny Golightly, C.J. Duran

Tuesday, Dec. 26: Stephanie Flores

Wednesday, Dec. 27: Penny Wilson, Juan Mendoza, Rachel Lerma

Thursday, Dec. 28: Stephanie Flores

Friday, Dec. 29: Stephanie Flores

Saturday, Dec. 30: Stephanie Flores

Sunday, Dec. 31: Stephanie Flores

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Thursday, Dec. 21: Ozell and Juanita Chappell

Friday, Dec. 22: Mr. and Mrs. Don Daniel, Johnny and Penny Gourdon

Saturday, Dec. 23: Lucio and Irma Vasquez

Sunday, Dec. 24: C.O. and Rilla Sue Woody

Tuesday, Dec. 26: Mr. and Mrs. Connie Bearden, Harold and Carol Reese, Bob and Charlene Alldredge

Wednesday, Dec. 27: Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Enriquez

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## SEASONS GREETINGS Plainview Optical & Lab

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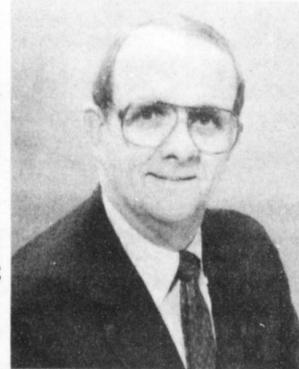
We Would Like To Personally Thank Each One Of You For A Great Year. May God Keep & Bless Until We Meet Again. Our Office Will Close Monday, December 25<sup>TH</sup> And Re-Open Tuesday, January 2<sup>ND</sup>.

Best Wishes,  
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## Carl Lemons News and Views from Cedar Hill

### WEATHER

Cold and dry sums up the week's weather. There were two days when sixty degree temperatures could be seen if you had your thermometer out of the wind and in a sunny place. The week's low was two above, matching the low of a week ago. Weather forecasters continually promised us snow and we did have a light flurry or two, but, here at the listening post, the ground was always visible beneath it's thin coat; hardly amounting to more than a heavy frost usually evaporating the day it fell.

Back on September 24, when our fall was only 24 hours old, this whole area experienced the unusual phenomenon of a "warm frost." It was one of those rare occasions when frost will form at a temperature seemingly several degrees above the freezing point, and that time the weather man really laid it on. The Hesperian quoted the low that night to be 42 degrees while 38 was seen at several Cedar Hill locations. Damage was very slight, and warm days followed immediately. The KILLER, a harsh 26, came on October 18, and even then unusual warmth quickly followed, giving us an ideal "indian summer" in which to harvest.

The point is, cold, like a skillful boxer, hit us early this year, hit us hard, twice, then danced away leaving warm days to establish the illusion of a lovely, warm fall. But his early punches were telling ones, harsh and deadly to our maturing crops. Then, when December arrived, the strategy changed, gone was the fancy boxing exhibition, cold chose to move in, clinch, and sent Warmth reeling to the ropes with a series of near zero hammer blows.

It would seem appropriate to modify an old saying and describe this fall with the words, "It came in like a bobcat, and went out like a lion!" Since this issue will reach it's readers on Dec. 21st, the first day of winter, take note! Was it a lamb or lion?

Truly, this year's early December weather, always the closing days of fall, seems to promise a winter of unusual severity.

### PEOPLE

John D. VanHoose, husband of Pauline Fortenberry and lastly residing in Floydada, and for many years a resident of Cedar Hill, passed away in the Methodist Hospital in Lubbock on Wednesday, December 13, and was buried in Floydada, Saturday, December 16th. He first came to Cedar Hill as a newlywed in the late thirties. He and Pauline have moved away from the community and returned several times. All of their children were either born here or have lived at Cedar at some point in their lives. John was always upright in his actions, energetic, and a faithful church member. His passing leaves a lonesome void among us.

Gene and Darla Hammit, from Holey, Colorado, picked up his mother, Gertrude Gilly Hammit, of Plainview, and came to Edna Gilly's for a Saturday supper and a visit.

The Assembly of God Church at Cedar Hill wishes to remind the community, and all others interested in good wholesome fellowship, that their annual Mexican supper and American Christmas tree will be held at 6:30 p.m. Friday, December 22. There will be a bag of

goodies for each child present, and it is suggested that adults bring one covered dish per family. Also bring open hearts and receptive minds for Pastor Willis Dewey plans to speak briefly during the gathering.

The beginning of a chilling week for Trudy Gilly and daughters, Amy and Tara, started Sunday night when they cruised round and about through Lockney riding a flatbed trailer, at 20 degrees with a church group singing Christmas carols. As often as the cold became unbearable, mention would be made of hot chocolate and coffee waiting back at fellowship hall, then they would feel like making one more block. Later in the week, the day Craig went along to Lubbock as Clint Ware's shopping advisor, cold moved right into her home when the thermocouple on her central heating system went out. A penchant for being neighborly, coupled with Trudy's judicious application of more hot chocolate and more coffee brought in local assistance to solve the problem. Craig came home to a house as warm as toast that night, and a wife filled with domestic pride; she had met the enemy and kept the home fires burning.

Production moves on at Durrell Fortenberry's Excel Co. the extreme cold has not resulted in any slow-down nor absenteeism. In fact orders and production are maintaining a wonderful balance.

Beaters are whirring, aromas fill the air, and Charlene Langley has flour on her nose at Liberty's Cottage Bakery. No inventory there either. It is a "bake by order" business, a business active enough that Charlene has taken on a part-time employee. A major crisis was a water freeze-up in the bake-house last Friday afternoon. A few minutes later in walks her construction worker husband loaded with know-how and anxious to do his daily good deed. In a matter of minutes the beaters were whirring and Charlene had "make-up" on her nose again.

It finally happened! Everyone has known that eventually one of those UPS workers that you see dashing in and out of city stores and flying up the steps of rural residences would fall and break a leg or something. Well it was Randy Ford who grew up in Liberty, on the east side of Hwy 207, and he turned an ankle so far a bone snapped. Missed a few days work, wears a cast now, but back on the job, pushing UPS deliveries again.

Clint, Dara and their two little Wares went to Lubbock last Sunday to celebrate an early Christmas with his grandmother, May Ross, and other family members.

Mid-December in years past: Dec. 14, '88, the Jim and Viola Conner house burned, and flames swept across CRP grass on the Sid Brown Estate; Dec. 22, '82, James Edward Lemons killed in truck rollover; Dec. 14, '58, C.V. Lemons passed away; Dec. 18, '42, Aunt Ann Fortenberry passed away and buried.

A good example has twice the value of good advice.



DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS--Floydada Nursing Home celebrated the December Birthdays of (left-right) Ova McPherson and Gertrude Feuerbacher. Not pictured but also celebrating birthdays this month are Mary Campbell and Mamie Bradshaw.  
Staff Photo

## Courtroom Activities

In district court on December 19, the probation of Billy Joe DeBusk, 22, of Plainview, was revoked. DeBusk was on probation for burglary of a habitation which occurred on March 16, 1986.

The probation was revoked because he had burglarized a building in Briscoe County and had failed to pay court costs and probation fees in Floyd County.

DeBusk was sent to TDC for 10 years and will also have to serve concurrent sentences from Hale and Briscoe County.

In county court on December 14, the following cases were heard:

Mike Bueno pled guilty to theft. He received six months in jail which was probated for one year. He was also fined \$250.00 and ordered to pay restitution in the amount of \$125.00.

Demetrio Cruz, pled guilty to driving while his license was suspended. He was fined \$250.00 plus court costs of \$142.50.

Jose E. DeLuna, 23, of San Antonio, pled guilty to his December 5 charge of DWI and driving while his license was suspended. He was fined \$400.00 for the DWI charge, plus court costs of \$152.50 and sentenced to one year in jail, which was probated for two years.

DeLuna was fined \$200.00 for the driving with license suspended charge.

He was also charged with court costs of \$152.50.

Elva Fonseca pled not guilty to the December 13 charge of assault with bodily injury.

Richard D. Fuller filed a speeding appeal.

Blanca Rodriguez pled not guilty to a December 13 charge of assault with bodily injury.

John C. Rose Jr. filed a speeding appeal with the county court.

In J.P. court, November 28 through December 19, there were 104 misdemeanor cases filed, ten of which were bad checks.

Of those 104, there were three public intoxication charges and one disorderly conduct, and one assault charge.

On December 1, Phillip Flores Garza was charged with simple assault. He was fined \$150.00.

Arturo Martinez was charged with public intoxication and disorderly conduct on December 10, and fined \$172.50 on each charge.

Eloy Henry Ochoa was charged with public intoxication on December 10 and fined \$172.50.

Francisco Luna, was charged with public intoxication on December 16 and fined \$122.50.

## Senior Citizens Menu

December 25-29

Monday: Closed, Merry Christmas.

Tuesday: Red beans and beef, baked onion halves, spinach, cornbread, margarine or butter, apricot cobbler, milk, beverage choice

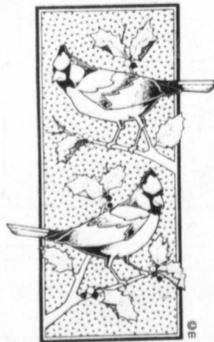
Wednesday: Chicken fried steak, cream gravy, mashed potatoes/milk, stewed tomatoes and okra, whole wheat roll, margarine or butter, carrot cake/orange icing, milk, beverage choice

Thursday: Chicken or turkey a la king on biscuit or toast or noodles, peas, carrot and raisin salad, cranberry sauce, apple crisp, milk, beverage choice

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## Residents celebrate birthdays

By Lorilla Bradley

December is so merry  
With many things to do  
And while we're celebrating  
We'll add some birthdays, too.

Mrs. Mamie Bradshaw  
Counts back to '94...  
And now with all good wishers  
We hope for many more!

We greet our Mrs. McPherson  
...Her years are 83...  
May all that's in the future  
Be happy as can be.

To Mrs. Gertrude Feuerbacher  
Who came on "Santa's sleigh"...  
And just in time, you guessed it...  
To celebrate Christmas day!

Our Mrs. Mary Campbell  
...Whose years are 91...  
Has slowed her pace a little  
But still likes having fun.

Let's serenade these ladies  
With the same old Birthday Song...  
So join us in the singing  
And come out good and strong!

Thursday, December 14, was party time at the Rest Home with ladies of the City Park Church of Christ hosting. The Hesperian photographer came for the "picture taking" after which everyone was ushered into the dining room.

The honorees were seated at the "honor" table which was covered with an aqua cloth and centered with a vase of silk poinsettias. Each honoree wore a holiday corsage compliments of Williams Flower and Card Shop.

Jo Bryant read a short history of the life of each of honorees after which the poem was read and all joined in singing the Happy Birthday song.

Mrs. Feuerbacher had as her guest her son, Bill.

A delicious refreshment plate of coconut-pineapple and angel food cake and a tasty fruit punch was served to the honorees, guest, home residents and the employees.

The next party will be Thursday, January 18, 1990. You are invited.

Merry Christmas

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# Varsity boys 3-5 for the season

The Floydada High School Varsity Boys basketball held a 3-5 season record following the Abernathy Tournament and a match against Hale Center.

Competing in the tournament on December 8 and 9, the Whirlwind team defeated the Ralls varsity 70 to 64. Suarez was the leading scorer for the game, topping 26 points. Collins made 18 and Stovall had 9. Cisneros netted 8 points, Burns had 6 and Aleman made 3. Williams also played.

### LUBBOCK CHRISTIAN TAKES WINDS

Lubbock Christian bested the 'Winds 61-55 in their meeting at the Abernathy Tournament. Leading scorer for the FHS eagers was Collins with 26 points. Stovall netted 15, Aleman had 7, Burns made 6 and Suarez edged in a single. Burns and Williams rounded out the roster.

#### Score by Quarters

Floydada.....18.....31.....43.....55  
Lub. Christian.....12.....23.....40.....61

### ABERNATHY DEFEATS FHS, 81-73

The Floydada varsity made it's last appearance at the tournament against the host team, Abernathy. A home court advantage paid off for the Antelopes as they out scored Floydada 81 to 73. Floydada lagged behind during the first three quarters, ending the fourth in a 71-71 tie. The overtime period produced an additional three points for Floydada and ten for Abernathy.

Suarez netted the most points of the game, making a total of 24. Collins was nearly equal with 23 points. Stovall made 12, Aleman had 8 and Burns netted 6. Cisneros and Williams contributed to the team's efforts.

#### Score by Quarters

Floydada.....14.....35.....55.....71.....73  
Abernathy.....22.....40.....52.....71.....81

Coach Cocanougher commented, "The boys played real hard the entire tourney. They gave a great effort. We

played three good teams and we were in all three games till the very end. The boys are getting better each game. My two boys that come off the bench and help, Ryan Burns and Chad Williams, are doing a great job."

### FHS BEATS HALE CENTER

December 12 found the Whirlwinds facing Hale Center. Floydada lead each quarter of play, eventually defeating their opponent 58 to 43.

Collins tipped the scales in Floydada's favor with 22 total points. Stovall added an additional 11. Cisneros made 10 and Suarez had 8. Aleman rounded out the score with 7 points. Burns and Williams provided support throughout the game.

#### Score by Quarters

Floydada.....11.....28.....47.....58  
Hale Center.....9.....17.....33.....43



MORNING FASHION SHOW--Joyce Williams Home Ec CVAE morning class, modeled the fashions on Friday that they made this semester. The designers are (left-right): Noelia Huerta, Gail Ledbetter, Mary Segura and Elvia Huerta.

Staff Photo

# Freshmen win two in tourney

Floydada High School freshmen met and defeated two junior varsity teams in the Motley County Junior Varsity Tournament on December 16.

The first game of the series found the Floydada ninth grade boys pitted against the Motley County junior varsity. FHS players made it look easy with a 48-34 win over the Motley County crew.

Jammie Davis was the leading scorer with 11 points. Dirk Rainer, Gabino Suarez and Michael Henderson each had 9 and Michael Gilliland made 6. Jason Pyle and Johnny Equia each scored 2.

#### Score by Quarters

Floydada 9th.....14.....23.....39.....48  
Motley Co. JV.....7.....19.....25.....34

### VALLEY FALLS

The second round pitted the FHS freshmen against Valley JV. Floydada walked away with a 67 to 37 victory. Rainer was the leading scorer, bucketing 24 points. Henderson made 14. Davis and Suarez each had 10. Gilliland

made 4, Equia had 3 and Casey Criswell scored 2.

#### Score by Quarters

Floydada 9th.....18.....37.....52.....67  
Valley JV.....9.....16.....29.....37

### FROSH BEAT MULES

Playing the Muleshoe freshman team

on December 18, the Floydada ninth graders earned a 62-56 victory. Henderson lead the scoring with 19 points. Rainer made 13, Davis had 11 and Suarez made 7. Equia had 6, Gilliland made 5 and Josh Thayer made 1.

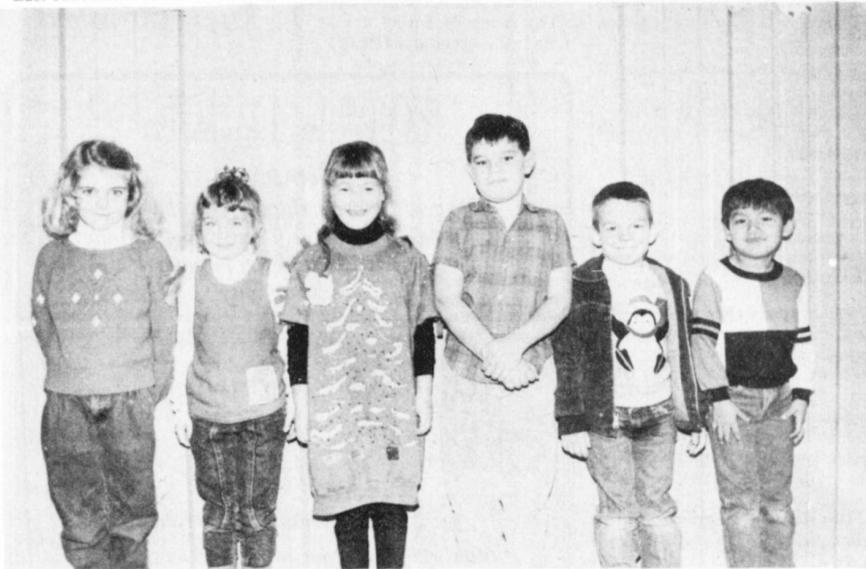
#### Score by Quarters

Floydada 9th.....8.....22.....32.....62  
Muleshoe 9th.....7.....26.....42.....56



TOP JUMPERS--Clinton Fyffe (left) and Meredith Schacht (right) were the two top jumpers at Duncan Elementary, during the annual Jump Rope For Heart campaign. Fyffe raised a total of \$85.00 and Schacht raised \$81.00 in donations. This is the 10th anniversary of Jump Rope for Heart projects and Duncan has participated every year.

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JUMP ROPE FOR HEART--The 1st place team at A.B. Duncan that raised the most money for the American Heart Association, during the annual Jump Rope For Heart campaign are: (left-right) Amanda Barnett, Tasha

Clemmons, Cienna Carthel, Jonathan Smith, Rowdy Derby and Brad Cruz. The team raised a total of \$145.09 in donations. The class as a whole contributed \$2,000.87 in donations, the most the class has ever collected.

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FASHION IN THE AFTERNOON--The afternoon Home Ec Class of Joyce William's modeled the clothes they made this semester. The models are: (left-right) Gracie Gonzalez, Rosemary Arrendondo, Yolanda Barrientos,

Mary Lou Herrera, JoAnne Mendez, Monica Garza, Annette Gutierrez, Yolanda Ledbetter and Ronnie Hernandez. Guests were served refreshments at the style show on Friday.

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# Chain-Diker is new development

A promising new tool that could increase wheat production by 11 percent and seeded grass stand establishment threefold is now in commercial production.

The chain-diker was developed by an agricultural engineer, H. T. Wiedemann of Vernon, with the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station (TAES), in cooperation with an Australian inventor.

The concept of modifying an anchor chain with paddles originated with its inventor, Bruce Smallacombe, Capella, Queensland, Australia. He patented it in Australia, Canada and the United States. Smallacombe received the Inventor of the Year Award for Australia in 1985 for this water conservation device.

The concept of utilizing small dikes between rows to trap rainfall for enhanced dryland row crop production (also called basin tillage) was tested in the 1930s, but lack of adequate equipment and poor weed control delayed its commercial use.

But modern machinery has solved much of the hardware problem. Currently, furrow diking has increased dryland cotton and grain sorghum production about 20 percent at the TAES Research Center near Vernon, during a four year period.

However, there had been no feasible method previously to dike wheatland to reduce runoff and conserve moisture for wheat production. Basin tillage (pitting) has also enhanced seeded grass establishment on rangeland, but again, the equipment developed in the past has not been satisfactory, Wiedemann said.

The broadcast diker uses specially shaped blades welded to a large anchor chain. As it is pulled over flat-tilled land, the chain rotates and the blades leave a broadcast pattern of diamond-shaped basins about 4 inches deep. These basins do not hinder subsequent farming operations.

Units can be built up to 90 feet wide and require little maintenance or pulling power. They are designed to be operated behind a chisel, disk or drill at 5 to 5.5 miles per hour and fold to be easily towed between fields, Wiedemann said.

The chain-diker also is well suited to being pulled behind a disk-chain for rangeland seedbed preparation. The disk-chain is a unique tool to disk rough land. Combined, they provide tillage, land smoothing, and basin formation even on debris-littered sites, Wiedemann said.

Commercial units were designed for simplicity and trouble free

operation. Anchor chain that is 2.75 inches in diameter was selected, based on experience of Smallacombe. Two steel plates, that are .5 inch thick, 4 inches wide by 11 inches long, were bent slightly and welded lengthwise on opposite sides of each link to form paddles.

The chains were attached to a 10-inch by 10-inch toolbar by flexing arms. Large swivels with heavy-duty roller bearings allow the chain to rotate when pulled. Toolbar mobility is accomplished by support wheels attached to the outer ends of the toolbar and the rear of the towing frame.

To raise the chain above the ground, the toolbar is rotated by extending a hydraulic cylinder mounted on the towing frame. Rotating the toolbar also lifts the attached support wheels and lowers the transport wheels. Two universal joints built into the toolbar allow it to be folded.

Because the transport wheels are mounted at a slight angle, the toolbar folds to the rear as it is towed forward. Backing the unit unfolds the toolbar. A cable brace is used to prevent the toolbar from folding rearward during normal operation.

Folding the toolbar to the rear for transporting safely places the chains and blades inward and prevents accidental contact from outside of the equipment. The equipment, when folded, is suitable for trailing behind other implements.

Units measuring 26-, 45-, and 60-foot wide have been built in the U.S. Retail cost of the units average about \$325 per foot of width, Wiedemann said. In comparison, chisels and disks retail for \$600 to \$850 per foot of width.

Basin size and number were measured in a clay loam soil near Vernon, during operation of the commercial-sized units. In a soil tilled by chiseling and disking, basins were 15.5- x 10.2- x 4.1-inches deep. There were about 18,000 basins per acre.

Power required to pull the various diking units was measured in very fine sandy loam and clay loam soils. Chain diking was done immediately after plowing. Units tested were the 26-, 45-, and 60-foot models.

Preliminary figures indicate that a drawbar power of 0.8 to 0.9 horsepower per foot of width was required to pull the chain-diker at 5 miles per hour in plowed wheat stubble. That would figure out, on the above models (if you use 0.85 hp/ft) as 22 hp for the 26-foot model, 38 hp for the 45-ft unit, and 51 hp for the 60-ft unit. Under many conditions, Wiedemann said, the same plowing gear can be used when towing the chain-diker behind a primary tillage implement, while other conditions

will require a reduction of one gear.

As mentioned earlier, wheat yields in 1989 were increased by 11 percent from chain diking (42.9 bu/ac versus 38.8). Establishment of seeded grass was determined on a clay loam site.

Seedbed preparation treatments included 1) chain diking following disk chaining, 2) disk chaining, or 3) smooth chaining three times. Grass densities were significantly better in the disk-chain-diker treatment (11.0 plants/m<sup>2</sup>) than either the disk-chain alone (3.7 plants/m<sup>2</sup>) or the smooth chaining (2.4 plants/m<sup>2</sup>).

Chain diking accounted for a 3-fold increase in grass density and raised the stand count above the level needed for it to be accounted a success.

*Editor's Note: Any question regarding this column should be addressed to Science Writer, Department of Agricultural Communications, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas 77843.*

Conservation time limit nears. See story on Page 1 of the Hesperian. Contact Jon J. LaBaume at 983-2352

## COWPOKES By Ace Reid



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## Pesticide regulations need study

Almost all cotton producers will be affected by significant changes in the Texas Agricultural Code coming up for adoption in the new year. The new rules and regulations for pesticide application include new recertification requirements for private applicators, the category which covers over 160,000 Texas farmers.

"We would encourage all producers to familiarize themselves with how these changes will affect them," commented Donald Johnson, Executive Vice President of Lubbock-based Plains Cotton Growers, Inc.

Federal law requires the Environmental Protection Agency to classify each use of a pesticide as either re-

stricted or general. The state may impose further restrictions classifying a pesticide as state-limited use.

Anyone can purchase or apply a general use pesticide. A certified applicator license is required for a person to purchase or apply a restricted-use or a state-limited-use pesticide. Examples of pesticides commonly used by producers that require the user to be licensed are Timek, Counter, Thimet, 2,4-D, arsenic acid, Paraquat to name but a few.

The old Texas pesticide laws allowed private applicators to be certified for life with no continuing education requirements. However, the 1989 Legislature made several changes in the private applicator laws.

Proposed amendments to chapter 7 of the T.A.C. published in the Texas Register provides that private applicators, as well as commercial and non-commercial applicators, must meet certain recertification requirements including continuing education.

Initial tests for issuance of a private applicator's license include general pesticide application, laws and regulations, and license-use categories. The Texas Agricultural Extension Service runs a private applicator training program to help in preparing for these tests.

To recertify, a private applicator must obtain 20 continuing education credits including at least two credits in laws and regulations and one credit in integrated pest management. A minimum of four credits must be obtained in the last full calendar year of the recertification period.

How this applies to individual producers already holding certificates depends on whether that certificate was issued before or after January 10, 1989. In any event, anyone wishing to continue to use restricted-use or state-limited-use pesticides will need to comply with the new rules and be prepared for a little ongoing education.

Education activity will be organized or supported by the Texas Department of Agriculture. Enforcement of pesticide laws both at the dealer and applicator levels will be handled by TDA.

Another proposed amendment adds

five herbicides to the state-limited-use pesticide list so that only licensed applicators will be allowed to apply these products. The five are hexazinone, triclopyr, bromacil, prometon, diuron, and are marketed under the names Velpar, Grazon, Hyvar, Pramitol, and Karmex, respectively.

Merry Christmas Y'all



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**LINCOLN SCHOLARS**—Recipients of the Lincoln Scholarships at South Plains College were recently honored along with Mrs. Retha Lincoln of Levelland (seated center) during the annual Scholarship Donor Appreciation Dinner hosted by the South Plains College Foundation. Pictured with Mrs. Lincoln are (left to right) Beatrice Perez of Levelland, recipient of the Eleanor Lincoln Dryden Fine Arts Scholarship; Ghassan Abdallah of Lubbock, recipient of the Z.O. Lincoln History-Government

Scholarship; Leona Lincoln Goyette, Mrs. Lincoln's daughter who resides in Lubbock; Ronnie Watkins of Levelland, recipient of the Martha Lincoln Harris Petroleum Scholarship; and Chad Edwards of Floydada, recipient of the Kay Lincoln Hukeby Agriculture Scholarship. Through her generosity, Mrs. Lincoln has made seven Scholars programs available for students at South Plains College.

(SPC Photo)



**SPC LIVESTOCK JUDGING TEAM SWEEPS** WTSU—The South Plains College livestock judging team won the championship and four first place team honors at the West Texas State University livestock judging meet last weekend in Canyon. From left are team members Glen Alan Phillips of Seagraves, who was third high point individual overall among several other honors; Billy

Copeland of Melrose, N.M., second in horses and fourth overall; Chris Edens of El Paso, first high point man in horses; Cody Hill of Littlefield, fifth in swine and seventh in horses and reasons; Chad Edwards of Floydada, first high point man overall among numerous other honors; and Doug Washam of Lubbock, eighth high point man in questions.

## Obituaries

### EUNICE BREWER

Services for Eunice Brewer, 84, of Floydada were at 2 p.m. Tuesday, December 19, 1989, in First Baptist Church with the Rev. Lester B. Griffin, pastor, and the Rev. Hank Smith, pastor of Lubbock's Bacon Heights Baptist Church, officiating.

Burial was in Crosbyton Cemetery under direction of Adams Funeral Home.

She died at 12:04 a.m. Monday, December 18, 1989, in Lubbock's Methodist Hospital after a lengthy illness.

She was born in Texas and had lived in Wichita Falls, Anton and Crosbyton before moving to Floydada in 1962. She married Henry J. Brewer on August 5, 1921, in Clay County. He died in 1989. She was a homemaker and a member of Pansy Baptist Church. A son, Shirley Jo, died in 1935.

Survivors include four sons, Ervin and Harry, both of Lubbock, Duwayne of Irving and Darwynne of Floydada; three daughters, Glenna Watson of Floydada, Dorothy McDougale of Crosbyton and Peggy Ayers of Lubbock; two brothers, Herbert Foreman of

Decatur and Gene Foreman of New Orleans, La.; 16 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

Grandsons will be pallbearers.

### JOSEPH DELGADO

Services for Joseph Garcia Delgado, 85, were at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 17, in St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church with the Rev. Adolfo Valenzuela officiating.

Burial was in Floydada Cemetery under direction of Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home.

Delgado died Friday, Dec. 15, 1989, in Caprock Hospital after a brief illness.

He was born in Martindale and moved to Floydada in 1948. He was a retired farm worker and a member of St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church.

Survivors include a brother, John Delgado of Floydada; and two sisters, Maria Murillo and Porfeia Duran, both of Floydada.

### EARL LAMB

Services for Earl Lamb, 37, of Seminole were at 4 p.m. Wednesday, December 20, 1989, in South Seminole Baptist Church with the Rev. Bobby Phillips, pastor of Odessa's Vine Avenue Baptist Church, officiating.

Burial was in Gaines County Cemetery under direction of Singleton Funeral Home.

He died Monday, December 18, 1989, at 10 a.m. at his residence from a gunshot wound.

He was born in Quanah and moved from Cone to Seminole in 1978. He owned Big L Electric and Plumbing. He married Peggy Ruthart March 27, 1982, in Seminole.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Shannon of Seminole; two daughters, Tonya of Seminole and Mindy of Wolforth; his parents, Gertrude of Dallas and A.J. of Bowie; four brothers, Joe of Lubbock, Murl of Midland and Bill and Ed, both of Floydada; and a sister, Wanda Fay of Dallas.

### B.F. McINTOSH

Services for B.F. McIntosh, 90, of Lubbock were at 10:30 a.m. Monday, Dec. 18, in Moore-Rose-White Chapel with the Rev. Bill Wright, pastor of First United Methodist Church, officiating.

Masonic graveside rites and burial was in Floyd County Memorial Park under direction of Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home.

He died Saturday, Dec. 16, 1989 in Caprock Hospital after a brief illness.

He was born in Tanglewood and lived in Floydada and Plainview before moving to Lubbock in 1959. He was a retired printer and a veteran of World War I. He was a Mason and a member of Woodmen of the World, Communication Workers of America and First United Methodist Church.

Survivors include two daughters,

Hope Norman of Lubbock and Joy Jordan of Eastland; a son, O.R. of Floydada; 11 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

### JOHN D. VANHOOSE

Funeral services for John D. VanHoose, 72, were at 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 16, at Trinity Church with the Rev. Ralph Staggs, former pastor, officiating, assisted by the Rev. Jackie Thompson. Burial was in Floyd County Memorial Park by Moore-Rose Funeral Home.

He died at 1:35 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 13, 1989, at Lubbock Methodist Hospital following a lengthy illness.

Born July 2, 1918, in Bridgeport, he moved to Floydada in 1938. He married Othella Pauline Fortenberry on Oct. 4, 1937, in Plainview.

He was a member of Trinity Church. Survivors include his wife; two sons, John Alfred of Lubbock and Cecil Wayne of Kingsland; a daughter, Leola Frances Hensley of Denton; four sisters, Ora Mae Brewer of Grandbury, Mary Odessa Walker of Marshall, Ark., Ollie Frances Dunlap of Chico and Jewel Laverene Cox of Purcell, Okla.; 10 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.



P.L. HART

### P.L. HART

Services for P.L. "Fay" Hart, 89, of Floydada were at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 19, in First Baptist Church with the Rev. Howell Farnsworth, pastor, officiating.

Masonic graveside services and burial were in Floydada Cemetery under direction of Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home.

He died at 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 16, in Floydada Nursing Home after a lengthy illness.

Mr. Hart was born in Limestone County and was former school bus driver and Floyd County commissioner.

He married Amanda Stephens March 21, 1937.

He was a singer and had sung in the Floydada Quartet for many years.

He was a Mason, a member of the Eastern Star and First Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Amanda; a son, David of Floydada; four grandchildren; and another grandchild on the way.

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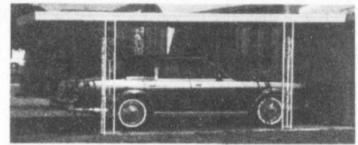
The This 'n' That Hobby Club had their annual Christmas party Dec. 12 at the Lighthouse Electric party room.

Turkey and dressing and all the trimmings were served to the following members and husbands: Mr. and Mrs. Glenn White, Son Jackson, Bill Beedy,

Earl Crawford, Floyd Lawson, C.O. Lyles, J.B. Sue, T.L. Holland, Johnny Cates and Ms. Mamie Burch.

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Girle Miller  
Gaynell Leatherman  
12-21p

The family of Alta Burgett, extends our thanks and appreciation to those who came to the funeral home and graveside service of our mother. We are also thankful for the beautiful flowers, prayers, letters, cards, visits and all other acts of kindness. May God Bless each of you.

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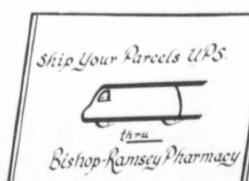
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Bids shall be submitted in sealed envelopes upon the blank form of the proposal attached hereto and marked in the upper left hand corner.

All proposals shall be accompanied by a cashier's check or certified check upon a national or state bank in the amount of five (5%) percent of the total maximum bid price payable without recourse to the City, or a bid bond in the same amount from a reliable surety company, as a guarantee that bidder will enter into a contract and execute any bonds that may be required within ten days after notice of award of contract to him. The bid security must be enclosed in the same envelope with the bid. Bids without check or bid bond will not be considered. Contract is expected to be awarded at the January 9, 1990 meeting.

If contract is over \$25,000 the successful bidder must furnish performance and payment bonds upon the forms which are attached hereto in the amount of 100% of the contract price from an approved surety company holding a permit from the State of Texas to act as surety or other surety or sureties acceptable to the Owner.

The right is reserved to reject any and all bids and to waive any informality in bids received.

Plans, specifications, and bidding documents may be obtained from McMorries & Associates, Inc., 6300 Canyon Dr., Amarillo, Texas 79109, by qualified general contractors on deposit of \$50.00 per set.

CITY OF FLOYDADA  
By: Parnell Powell, Mayor  
12-21, 28c

### INVITATION FOR BIDS

The City of Floydada, Texas will receive bids for Street Paving until 4:00 PM, on January 9, 1990 at City Hall. (1) This project is being financed with \$225,650 of Federal funds equal to 93% of the total cost of the project from a grant received from the Texas Department of Commerce, Community Development Program. The bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at 4:00 PM on January 9, 1990 at City Hall.

Bid/Contract Documents, including Drawings and Technical Specifications are on file at McMorries & Associates, 6300 Canyon Drive, Amarillo, TX 79109.

Copies of the Bid/Contract Documents may be obtained by depositing \$50.00 with Bill R. McMorries & Associates for each set of documents obtained. The deposit will be refunded if the documents and drawings are returned in good condition within 10 days following the bid opening.

A bid bond in the amount of 5% of the bid issued by an acceptable surety shall be submitted with each bid. A certified check or bank draft payable to the City of Floydada or negotiable U.S. Government Bonds (as par value) may be submitted in lieu of the Bid Bond.

Attention is called to the fact that not less than the federally determined prevailing (Davis-Bacon) wage rate, as issued by the Texas Department of Commerce and contained in the contract documents must be paid on this project. In addition, the successful bidder must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, color, religion, sex or national origin.

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The City of Floydada reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any informalities in the bidding.

Bids may be held by the City of Floydada for a period not to exceed 30 days from the date of the bid opening for the purpose of reviewing the bids and investigating the bidders qualifications prior to the contract award.

CITY OF FLOYDADA, TEXAS  
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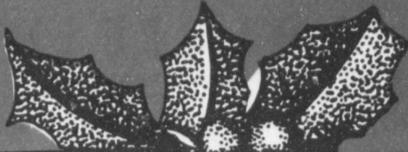
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## A Toymaker Emerges

There is a little story about how "Santa" became a toymaker. It seems when Santa was a little boy he had a crippled sister named Santella whom he loved so very much. Santella also loved her brother dearly.

Santa used to go out every day and bring back pretty stones and flowers for his sister to play with; then, in the evening Santa would tell her stories and do all kinds of tricks to make his sister laugh and be happy.

But as Christmas time drew near, Santa became sad because the Clausess were too poor to buy Santella real toys.

One day when Santa was nine years old he asked the old toymaker, who made toys for the sick children, if he could possibly have some cheap left-over toys for his crippled sister. The toymaker became very cross and sent Santa away.

Santa vowed right then and there that he would see to it that all poor children had toys.

Nobody knew what Santa was doing in his basement as they heard his hammering and sawing every day. At last, one day he brought up a doll house for Santella—it was even big enough for her to sit in. He also made some jack-in-the-boxes and jumping jacks. Santella was so excited that she cried. The Clausess had the happiest Christmas of all!

Then, right after Christmas, Santa started making toys for all the poor children in town for next Christmas. Still he had toys left over which he sold to the rich children. Everyone liked Santa's toys so much that they didn't buy toys from the cross old toymaker any more.

## Champion Card Painter

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## A December Memorial

If was decided that December 25 was probably the most correct date for Jesus' birth after St. Cyril made an investigation around A.D. 340. Then, Pope Julius accepted this date and established a festival in Rome which was also accepted by every nation in Christendom.

Many Bible scholars believe that December is not the season the shepherds would be on the hillsides of Israel, etc. and feel it is almost certain not to be December 25; nevertheless, this is the day set aside to remember our Redeemer's birth.

## Strength in Footprints

One of the Christmas legends tells that St. Wenceslaus went out one cold winter night to carry food and fuel to the poor. His aged servant accompanying him grew so cold that it seemed he could go no farther. St. Wenceslaus told him to

walk in the footprints that he made before him. When the servant walked in St. Wenceslaus' footprints, warmth came to him and new life; as a result he could help St. Wenceslaus in his good work without being in danger from the cold.

## Gift Giving Origins Examined

By Judy Luce  
Abernathy Weekly Review  
A Birthday Gift

"What can I give Him,  
Poor as I am?  
If I were a shepherd  
I would bring a lamb,  
If I were a Wise Man,  
I would do my part,  
Yet what I can I give Him,  
—Give my heart."

By Christina Rossetti  
Three Wise Men

Three Wise Men bowed before the Baby Jesus and presented him with gifts. They brought gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

We are familiar with gold and how precious it is but few of us today know why these men would bring frankincense or myrrh.

Frankincense is a gum resin from the Boswellia tree. When the substance hardens, it is sometimes used as incense. For centuries people burned it for its sweet smell.

It was used in services of worship for it was believed the fragrant vapors would carry the prayers of the congregation into the nostrils of God.

In the Bible frankincense is referred to as a sacred anointing oil and was used in the sacrificial offerings of animals.

Myrrh comes from a tree that grows low to the ground. The tree exudes a yellowish gum from its wood. This gum turns oily and drops to the ground. It was used as a holy anointing oil.

Gift Giving

The custom of giving gifts to relatives and friends probably originated in ancient Rome and northern Europe.

People gave each other small presents as part of a year-end celebration.

We have developed our customs of gift giving from our ancestors. Founding fathers from many countries; such as Holland, Germany, and Sweden; are responsible for how we celebrate Christmas today.

Boxing Day, while no longer observed by many, has had an influence on our gift giving. Centuries ago in England it was customary on Dec. 26 to give Christmas boxes to those who performed public services—mailmen, police, servants. In some countries these gifts were given in the form of cash. Quite possibly this is where the custom of an employer giving a Christmas bonus originated.

Christmas Stockings

Hanging stockings near the fireplace to be filled by Santa is a common custom in the United States. There is a legend

which might explain how this came to be.

Bishop Nicholas was providing dowries for the three daughters of a nobleman who had lost his fortune. The saint threw each daughter a bag of gold into the house. When he did this, the bags fell into a stocking that had been hung near the chimney to dry.

In other countries the custom is to fill shoes rather than stockings. Sometimes these shoes are filled with hay or straw for Santa's reindeer and then the food is replaced by gifts.

The exchange of presents has many origins, but the idea behind each one is the same—sharing.

Information for the preceding story was obtained from *Christmas Customs Around the World*, the *World Book Encyclopedia*, *Christmas in America*, *The Miracle of Christmas*, and Pastor Dennis Teeters.

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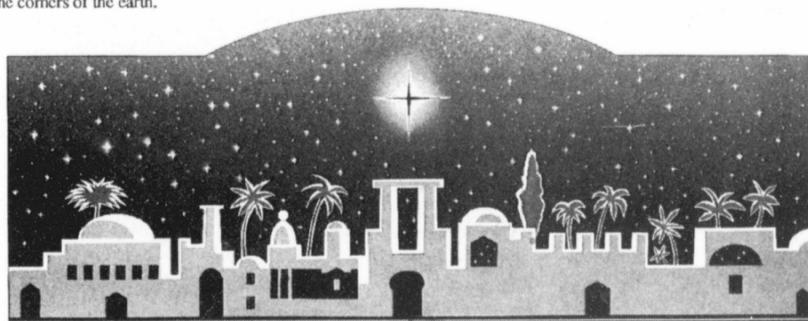
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## Silent Night

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The eve of a glorious morn,  
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Exalted when Christ was born.  
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# Yes, Virginia, There is a Santa Claus!

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** The following is a reprint of a letter that was sent to the Editor of *The Sun*, a New York newspaper. Virginia O'Hanlon wrote the original letter in the fall of 1897. The letter and reply was printed Tuesday, September 21, 1897. The editorial reply was by Francis Pharcellus Church.

**The Editorial read:**

We take pleasure in answering at once and thus prominently the communication below, expressing at the same time our great gratification that its faithful author is numbered among the friends of *The Sun*.

Dear Editor:

I am 8 years old. Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus. Papa says "If you see it in *The Sun* it's so." Please tell me the truth; is there a Santa Claus?

VIRGINIA, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They do not believe except they see. They think that nothing can be that is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, VIRGINIA, whether they be men's or children's, are little. In this great universe of ours, man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole truth and knowledge.

Yes, VIRGINIA, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and

## One Solitary Life

He was born in an obscure village. He worked in a carpenter shop until He was 30. He then became an itinerant preacher. He never held an office. He never had a family or owned a house. He didn't go to college. He had no credentials but Himself. He was only 33 when the public turned against Him. His friends ran away. He was turned over to His enemies and went through the mockery of a trial. He was nailed to a cross between two thieves.

While He was dying, His executioners gambled for His clothing, the only property He had on earth. He was laid in a borrowed grave. Almost 20 centuries have come and gone, and today He is a central figure of the human race.

All the armies that ever marched, all the navies that ever sailed, all the parliaments that ever set, and all the kings that ever reigned have not affected the life of man on this earth as much as that One Solitary Life.

generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! How dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus. It would be as dreary as if there were no VIRGINIA'S. There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We would have no enjoyment, except in the sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies! You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys to catch Santa Claus on Christmas Eve, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn. Of course not, but that's not proof that they are not there.

Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders that are unseen and unseeable in the world. The most real things in the world are those neither children nor men can see.

You may tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, nor even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside that curtain and view and picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ah, VIRGINIA, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

No Santa Claus! Thank God! He lives, and he lives forever. A thousand years from now, VIRGINIA, nay ten times ten thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood.

## PEACE & JOY

# The Story of Jesus

The birth of Jesus; this momentous event in history is so important to us that we measure all other events in time in relation to that date.

God could have come to us in any way He chose. Why did He choose to be born to a humble Judean couple in a lowly stable?

The Gospel according to St. Matthew tells us "Now the birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as His Mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came together she was found with child of the Holy Ghost.

"Then Joseph her husband, being a just man, and not willing to make her a public example, was minded to put her away privily.

"But while he thought on these things, behold, the Angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream saying, Joseph, thou son of David fear not to make unto thee Mary thy wife; for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost.

"And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call His name Jesus for He shall save His people from their sins.

"Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying,

"Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us."

The prophet referred to by Matthew is Isaiah, who prophesized several

hundred years before the birth of Christ, "Therefore the Lord Himself shall give you a sign: Behold a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call His name Emmanuel."

St. Luke tells us "And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed...And all went to be taxed, everyone into his own city.

"And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; because he was of the house of lineage of David.

"To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child."

It was part of God's plan that His son should be born to the wife of Joseph, a son of Abraham.

For the birth of Jesus fulfilled a promise by God to Abraham, who was called to be the father of many nations.

It was to Abraham that the One God first revealed Himself. It was Abraham who was willing to leave his home and family to journey to a strange land in obedience to the Lord.

Because of Abraham's great faith, God rewarded him with a promise; "...I will bless thee, and in multiplying thy seed as the stars of the heaven, and as the sand which is upon the seashore..."

God also included other nations in His promise to Abraham: "And in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed; because thou hast obeyed My voice."

God kept His promise to Abraham; despite his old age, the patriarch begat a son, Isaac, who in turn begat Jacob. Jacob in turn begat twelve sons, the ancestors of the twelve tribes of Israel. One of these twelve, Juda, was destined to be the ancestor of David, the King. David in turn, became the ancestor of Joseph, the husband of Mary, who was to be the mother of Jesus.

The prophet Isaiah foretold that the Messiah was to come from the line of David, the son of Jesse; "And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a branch shall grow of his roots;



THE GREATEST GIFT--Figurines in the 800 block of W. Bryant, in Lockney, show Santa Claus giving thanks for the greatest gift ever received by mankind, Jesus Christ. Staff Photo

"And the spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord..."

"And in that day there shall be a root of Jesse, which shall stand for an ensign of the people; to it shall the Gentiles

seek; and His race shall be glorious."

It was because he was of the house of David that Joseph had to journey to Bethlehem while Mary was with child. In journeying to Bethlehem, Mary and Joseph were fulfilling the prophecy of Micah: "But thou Bethlehem, Ephratah, though thou be little among the thousands of Juda, yet out of thee shall He

come forth unto me that is to be ruler in Israel; whose goings forth have been from of old from everlasting."

Studying the history of salvation shows us that the birth of Jesus to the young spouse of a descendant of Abraham recalls God's promise to one man who was faithful in answering God's call.

## The Nutcracker -- A Colorful Christmas Hero

By Liese Cochran  
PM Editorial Services

The nutcracker might be a fierce, brightly decorated soldier peering down from a mantel, standing guard over his stockpile of walnuts. He also might appear as little Clara's gallant hero in Tchaikovsky's Christmas ballet, "The Nutcracker Suite."

Either way, the nutcracker represents more than 250 years of folklore and history. And he really does crack nuts. But "the real joy of the nutcracker is his colorful presence at the holiday season," says Ken Althoff, author of *The Legend of the Nutcracker*.

It all began in the Erzgebirge, region of the German Democratic Republic, a mountain range in the Province of Saxony, just north of the Czechoslovakian border.

During the 13th century, the mountains, rich in deposits of silver and iron, were a lively mining center. Over several centuries, the metals were depleted, and people took up other vocations. Because the mountains had abundant forests, woodworking became popular, and by the 17th century, simple toys and other handmade articles began to appear.

As early as 1725, there were nutcracker figures in the homes of Erzgebirge, but no one is certain exactly how they evolved. Legend has it a wealthy farmer whose heart was as hard as the walnuts on his property offered a reward for the easiest method for crack-

ing the walnuts. Some suggestions included shooting the nut or sawing it in half. A veterinarian thought if he put the nut under a chicken, it would hatch.

A puppet carver from the village of Seiffen solved the dilemma. He presented to the old man a brightly colored puppet with a large mouth and jaws strong enough to crack the hard walnuts. It also cracked the old man's misery. He rewarded the entire town with gifts and gave the puppet carver his own special workshop.

Traditional nutcrackers depict an authoritarian figure with a somewhat grim, fierce face modeled after the kings, policemen, foresters and military officers who often represented oppression for the villagers. In Germany it is said that one has "a hard nut to crack" when facing a difficult problem. This especially held true for the miners in Erzgebirge. So the toymakers decided to turn the tables and make these unpopular figures work cracking nuts for the miners.

Other popular figures that evolved during this time were the "smoking

men." These hollow figures, with pipe or cigar in hand, held burning incense and appeared as several different characters, including a forester, town crier and Father Christmas.

As the nutcracker and the smoking men have increased in popularity, especially as Christmas gifts, other characters have been introduced, including the night watchman, chimney sweep and a golfer.

Making a nutcracker can be very tedious, requiring as many as 130 separate procedures. After the wood is selected and cured, the figure is carved on a lathe, assembled and painted. Some modern technology has been applied to the process, but it remains much the same as it was over 200 years ago. In fact, past attempts to produce nutcrackers in the United States have failed because manufacturers tried to mechanize the process.

Says Althoff, "The tradition of the Erzgebirge has been preserved in each product, and for decades to come, the German nutcracker will enhance homes all around the world at Christmastime."



ANGELS WATCHING OVER ME--These small angels in the 300 block of Sixth Street seem to be praying for the children everywhere that are special in God's eye.

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# "Christmas Around The World"

## Christmas Turte

In Romania a special kind of cake called turte is made for Christmas Day. It is made of layers of thin dough and melted sugar or honey, walnuts, and sometimes hemp seeds.

The housewife prepares the cake on the day before Christmas. The custom is that while she is kneading the dough she is to go out into the yard as her husband follows, axe in hand. As they come to a tree, the husband threatens to cut it down, saying that it has yielded no fruit and is no good. The wife defends the tree proclaiming that next year the tree will be as full of fruit as her fingers are full of dough. They go from tree to tree in this manner, but none are cut down. The dough is supposed to represent the swaddling clothes of the Christmas baby.

Boys go from house to house reciting verses and telling fanciful and legendary stories. They carry a bag for any gifts given to them.

The Rumanians have another custom called the Blessing of the Danube. They dress in colorful costumes representing Herod, Pontius Pilate, and other Biblical characters. Gathering on a river bank they sing carols. The ice on the river is broken and a wooden cross is thrown in the water. A mad scramble takes place to see who can rescue the cross. The one who rescues it is believed to have an extra portion of good luck in store.

## Sharing Christmas in Lithuania

A layer of hay is placed under the table cloth on Christmas Eve in the homes of Lithuania. This is in memory of the humble stable where Jesus was born in Bethlehem. During this meal an unconsecrated wafer is shared by all that are present to symbolize the sharing of love and harmony.

## The Blazing Wheel

In one area of Germany a great wheel is bound with straw and then taken up to the top of a hill near a river.

The wheel is then set on fire and rolled down the hill. If the wheel still burns and rolls into the river, it is said to be a good sign that Santa will come.

## A Tiny Camel Traveler

The Syrian children have no Santa Claus but they have a story about a tiny camel that came on the long trip with the Wise Men. The little camel grew very tired and hungry. So it is that on Christmas Eve if you should see bowls of water and grain outside the doors you will know that the children placed them there for this tired little traveler. When Christmas morning comes, the good children find gifts but the bad children supposedly get black marks on their wrists.

## An Irish Welcome to Strangers

On a great percentage of our American homes, lights are placed in windows. This custom originated from an Irish custom.

On Christmas Eve a Candle light  
To shine abroad through Christmas  
night.

That those who pass may see its  
glow

And walk with Christ a mile or so.  
Candles were placed in windows on  
Christmas Eve to guide the way and as  
an invitation to any who might be wan-  
dering around, as did Mary and Joseph,  
trying to find a place to stay for the night.

Poor wanderers and tramps are wel-  
comed everywhere in Ireland. These  
wanderers are given a good meal, a  
comfortable bed to sleep upon and then  
sent on their way in the morning after  
being given a bit of money.

## Santa Claus Town

Over a hundred years ago a town in Indiana applied for a post office. They wanted their town to be called Santa Fe, but there already was a town in Indiana by that name. Since it was almost Christmas the people of the town decided to call it Santaclause in 1928. Since that time letters have been streaming in from all over the world. The number of post office workers have grown by leaps and bounds. In fact, a Santa Claus headquarters has long been maintained where thousands of visitors come to buy gifts and cards. You can well imagine that Santa Claus is in full uniform through-

out the holidays for this is his own town.

## Garden of Balm

Tradition says that as Mary and Joseph fled to Egypt when King Herod sought to kill the newborn king, that the family finally rested after their long journey in the village of Matarea beyond the city of Heliopolis and six miles from Cairo, and there dwelt in a grove of sycamore trees where a miraculous fountain sprang up.

This fountain, called the *Fountain of Mary* by the Arabs, still exists. The district became known as the *Garden of Balm*, as Mary washed the swaddling clothes in the water of this fountain, the perspiration of the Baby Jesus, so it is told, became the balm of the vicinity.

## Russia Celebrates Christmas

No meat was ready for 40 days prior to Christmas, by the Russians in the 19th Century.

Then on the day before Christmas no food was served at all until the first evening star appeared. After Mass they feasted on pastrami, geese, duck, quail, and pigs.

Tangerines and apples were strung up. Walnuts, dipped in egg white, and then rolled in sheets of gold foil were hung by thread. Dolls were made of candy and

dried fruits.

A frosty Christmas meant a rich grain harvest for next year, to many Russians. If the skies stayed dark, the cows would be productive, and starry skies promised a good crop of peas.

## Only Four Hours of Christmas

There are only four hours of daylight on Christmas Day in Iceland. These four hours are spent attending church services.

## Austria's Christmas Candles

Something special happens in Austria to remind the children that Christ was born as our Savior.

Great preparations are made for Christmas. Two huge loaves of bread are baked to represent the Old and New Testaments. Then three special wax candles are made. One of these candles is lit on Christmas Eve and the family sings a hymn. Before the family begins to eat, the father, with candle in hand, proclaims, "Christ is born." Each child takes the candle in turn, stands on a stool, and repeats three times, "Praised be the Lord! Christ is born."

On Christmas Day the second candle

is lit. At the end of the Christmas festivities on New Year's Day, the third candle is lit.

## Christmas of Lights

In the 19th Century Christmases in Western Europe glowed with light:

In Spain, children scattered through city streets carrying lamps on poles to light the way for the Three Kings who brought gifts.

In Italy the flames of candles lit ornate church crèches.

In Germany, halls were purposefully kept dark so that children would be dazzled as they burst into a room where bright candles burned on the Christmas tree.

In Sweden, young girls wore bonnets of candles as they brought music and hot drinks at 2 a.m. on St. Lucia's Day, December 13.

In France, windows blazed with light on Christmas night as the yule log was ceremoniously ignited.

## Holly Symbols

Holly is one evergreen that grows in practically all the countries of the world.

There are more than 150 varieties of holly. This evergreen has long been used in the Christmas festivities. In ancient times it was a symbol of immortality because it bore fruit even in the

wintertime.

In Denmark holly is called *Christ-thorn* and an old legend says that when the shepherds went to the cave to rest,

that one little lamb was scratched by the thorns of the holly bushes, and the red berries on the holly were blood drops that froze on the bushes.



## Season's Greetings

Here's to a magical night and a glorious holiday!  
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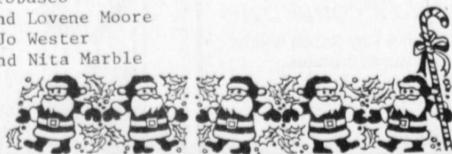
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 Keith and Nita Marble



# Duncan Elementary students make requests to Santa

Dear Santa,  
I want a Nintendo I Ben good. the teshar had not cold Me.  
Scotty Lopez, 2E

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a dog, and a doll. Bring my sister a doll, and my brother a car.  
Bring my mom some makeup, and my dad some boots.  
Love you,  
Brenda Saucedo, K-1

Dear Santa,  
I want a talking Goofy, a toy car, and a ball. I would also like some mix nuts. Peanuts, pecans, and walnuts. I have been a very good boy this year.  
Love,  
Tony Powell

Dear Santa clus  
I want a nintendo, video games, and a bed. I hope you've got the Spirit in you to make it. you are real special to me you are the best but I know you know that.  
I Love you  
Santa Claus  
Nick Garcia, 3D

Dear Santa  
I want a doll, rollerskates, a bed, computer, then for my sister I want a little bear, clay, a Kite, and a pair of blue sock. Fo my mom I want a diamond rind, and my dad a watch.  
Love,  
Amy Reyes, 3D

Dear Santa Claus,  
this letter is for you. and no one else. I like you a lot. a I would like a ten speed Bike for Christmas.  
thank you  
Martin Gomez, 3D

Dear Santa Claus,  
I wish that I would get a real bike.  
Thank you,  
Andy Mendoza

Dear Santa,  
I want a doll and a computer and a desk to play school and a new bed and a Lunchbox. Then I want some books, swings and a new diamond ring.  
Thank you!  
Dianna Romero

Dear Santa,  
I want a desk, stuffed animals, a bed, a stereo, a telephone, a some clothes.  
Love  
Jennifer

Santa Clos,  
Ilo quiero una grabadora. grande que se le meta caset Santa Clos. te pido una cosa mas es un telefono.  
Gracias,  
Jose Luis, 3D

Dear Santa Claus,  
I wish I could see you so I could tell you what I want for Christmas. You are the nicest Santa Claus in the whole wide world. Please can you buy me a Play Car and nothing else.  
Thank you!  
Sulema

Dear Santa  
I want a Miss Makeup, a stereo, telephone, a brow bear, TV and a picture of you.  
Love  
Melissa Irlas

Dear Santa,  
I Want games, Toys, and a Cat.  
Thank you  
ShonAnn, 3D

Dear Santa Claus,  
This is what I want for Christmas is. A remote control train track and a ring raider and a new bike and a flying fighter and a Nintendo game called Mike Tyson's Punch Out. And another Nintendo game called Ninja Gaiden  
Love,  
Justin Wayne McGuire, 2D

Dear Santa Clous,  
How come you like red alot. Will you bring me a big doll. I have been so good. You know I have.  
Love  
Sarah Lopez, 2C

Dear Santa,  
I want a doll that looks real and a hotpink bike.  
Love,  
Heather Carr, 2B

Dear Santa,  
Can I please have a little tickes doll house with evry thing and a Ken and a Barbie. And a Barbie house. One more thing a barbie shop that has something that you can poor your coke in and it comes out.  
Love,  
Joni Hendrix, 2A

Dear Santa,  
I would like a keybord for Christmas and a few barby for Chrismus. I would like a jumprop to  
Love,  
Kathie Graves, 2F

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like you to bring me a paper doll book, 64 crayons, big coloring book and a Cherry Merry Doll. Please bring Laura a Disney Land castle and bring Rachel a Cabbage Patch Doll.  
Love,  
Erika Miller 2B

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have for Christmas is my own cat a baby cat I want a cat case I have three dogs and there my sisters.  
by, by,  
Love,  
Lindsey Owens, 2E

Dear,  
Santa Claus I have been super good this is my list a Croosfire game and a remotecotrolstomper and a dinousar modleing kit and a few surprizes and a air pumper for my football and a footballtee and all of the football cards. Thank you.  
Josh Tipton, 2D

Dear Santa,  
I want a dance club barbie. I want a bicycle, a bug, and bird. I want a see-monkey and two dollers.  
Amanda Williams, 2E

Dear Santa,  
I want a foot boll suit and a bicycle and a beg bag and a wat besh a wash.  
Todd Anderson, 2C

Dear Santa,  
I want a electrical drum and a wip. in my stocing I want a superis.  
Camron McCandless, 2B

Dear Santa,  
I won't unthing fo my moms by thea I won't acar.  
Love Santa from Christina, 3-E

Dear Santa,  
I wady lick to by oof my medicine.  
Love Scott Salazar, 3-E

Dear Santa,  
I want a cabich bach and chalks and a bike. And some to u's and a computer and a big table to put my computer.  
Love, Becky Briones, 3-E

Dear Santa,  
I want a Jem and barbie clothes. I need some sweats and tops to them. I want new bed spreads.  
Love, Roxanne Mercado, 3-E

Dear Santa,  
I have been very good this year i'm not tring to brag. There's lots of things I would love to have but I don't want to be greedy. I think I want a skate board and a glass bear to add to my colection. Have a Merry Christmas.  
love, Katie Sanders, 3-E

Dear Santa,  
I want a China doll and a kitten of my own. I want a Birth stone and a few bows a wash and a few nintendo games and a few cute pairs of cloths. I want a few Baby siter little sister books to and a bike and some new shoes. And thats about all.  
Love,  
Erin Dawdy, 2A

Dear Santa,  
I want a little miss dress up. And a radio. And a bounsen baby. And a bounsen baby baby bag.  
Love,  
Kember Everett, 2D

Dear Santa,  
I would like a little Miss. makeup and a little Miss dress up and a telephone in my room and if I could have a barbie with a car and a key board. Oh and Merry Christmas.  
Love,  
Maria Rangel, 2C

Dear Santa,  
I have been real good this year and this is what I won't a bow and arow, a cross fire game, a guitar, a pellet gun, a bike red and black or just black. I will leave you some cookies and milk.  
Love  
Dusty Anderson, 2A

Dear Santa,  
I tink you are real. For Christmas I don't won't enything.  
So bring me enything you won't. I am sorry I don't won't eney thing. I love you Santa. But bring me something neat. I am not living in Lubbock. I am living in Floydada. It is an hour away from Lubbock. At floydada we are called the Wirwinds. Please don't for get me.  
Love,  
Tiffany Henderson, 2B

Dear Santa,  
For christmas I want the neu little miss pretty. And a 3 sped bike. And a nue set of good set of markers and one of those crayon sets that have 143 crayons in than an that is all.  
From  
Mandy Emert, 2C

Dear Santa,  
I want a Eit. doll and a lettel miss make up and don't weroiy will have cookise and milk for you on Chismus nitgh.  
Yors truly Crystal Tierce, 3-E

Dear Santa,  
I want a computer, pool tabel, tiperider, nintendo, time clock, primey, n'con jacket, and lots of candy for me and my holl family car for my brother and anything else for my family.  
Love, Sanjui Gomez, 3-E

Dear Santa,  
I want Batsignle flashligh that can go to the clouds.  
your friend James Owens

Dear Santa,  
I want a Batman signle spotlight. I want a Batman costume. I want the Batmobile, Batcave, The Joker.  
Your friend, John Dunavant, 3-E

Dear Santa,  
I want a lost of thing ok and I want you to have a happy Merry Christmas!  
Love Carmela, 3-E

Dear Santa,  
I want a Hovercraft some nintendo games and a computer I do not want to ask for much. I will take anything you give me. I will take also a movie called Rad. Thats about all for this year.  
Good Luck!  
Dustin Jones, 2F

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a Cumputer for Christmas. I will put some cookies on the table. I will also put a note that will say please brush. I Will put a tooth brush and some tooth past and some dilishis aples I hope you finish diliverring stuff in time.  
Love,  
Shane Loyd, 2F

Dear Santa,  
I would like an Opsie Daisy. I would also like a Mac Donalds playset, keyboard, barbie car, stollar, puppy, some bottles, bigger skates, and a few other things. I would like a box of pampers.  
Love,  
Shannan Smith, 2E

Dear Santa,  
I want a glow yoyo for Christmas and a brand new bike.  
Jessica Cisneros, 2E

Dear Santa,  
I wish I had a doll for Christmas. I also want a kitten. They are good presents. I hope I get them. I will play with them all day.  
Jessica Coronado, 2C

Dear Santa,  
I wat a bik, and a toyclad, and a brabydoll, and a playhouse, and a bansonbaby, and a dog, and a cat, and clos, and a christmas.  
Deborah Ysasaga, 2F

Dear Santa,  
I want a bousey baby and I want bike and a baby.  
Daisy Charles, 2D

Dear Santa,  
Will yau plis giv me football suit, foowiler, computer, tipritr, BMX bike, and a gi jo set.  
Zach Logan, 2E

Dear Santa,  
I want a bouncy baby. I want a football. I want a truck. I want three beds. I want a two biks. I want a ducks. I want a flashlite. The end.  
Nancy Marmolejo, 2A

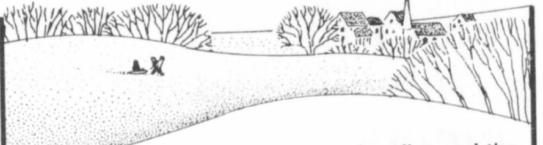
Dear Santa,  
I want a football suit or a car or a bike.  
Arnulfo J.R. Garcia, 2E

Dear Santa, I want a foot ball becuse I want to play it.  
Alex Hadderton, 2C

Dear Santa,  
Barbie Doll and a Baby hether. a new buggy for my baby and a house for the Barbie doll. and for the baby Hether you know the buggy.  
Kayla Davis, 2D

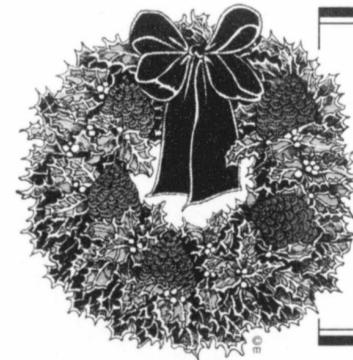
Dear Santa,  
I want p.j. spokol. And a playhosr. I want banson baby. I want a bires doll. I want some wegs And a big thee. To Santa  
From  
Angela Sweat, 2C

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# Santa, I have been really good!

Dear Santa,  
I want a baby bubble and barbie doll.  
I want a makeup set.

Love  
Brandi Gourdon, 2D

Dear Santa,  
Will you please git me a football sait  
and a boucin' baby. I want a helmet and  
a BMX bike.

John Turner, 2C

Dear Santa,  
I want a truck for my brother. I want  
a motorcycle for my nephew. I wont a  
byck for myself.

Michael Chavarria, 2B

Dear Santa,  
For christmas I wont a futball suit and  
futball and a heman sord, gocar.

Artemio Diaz, 2E

Dear Santa,  
I want a football suit. If you want to  
give me the football you can bring it to  
me at my house. My name is Daniel  
Cervera. I love you Santa thank you.

Daniel Cervera, 2D

Dear Santa,  
For christmas I wont a heman sword  
and A noowkids on the block and flon-  
ers.

B.J. Enriquez, 2D

Dear Santa,  
I want a football suit and a bickle and  
a big back to the future car.

J.R. Mercado, 2B

Dear Santa,  
I want a cumpaer and a little miss  
makup and a baby bubels. I wont a  
bowns in babys.

Francis Blair, 2F

Dear Santa,  
Bouancing Baby is my favorite dol.  
And a makeup doll.

Love Santa  
Andrea Rodriguez, 2D

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas Please bring me a  
Nitendo, jambox and to my mom to get  
better and a bike. I have been good this  
year. Thank you.

Love  
Sergio Vela, 2D

Dear Santa,  
for Christmas please bring me a jam  
box ples. I have been really good this  
year.

Isreal, 2A

Dear Santa,  
for Christmas please bring me gun.

Jessie Delgado

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas Please bring me cat. I  
have been really good this year. Thank  
you.

Ruth

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas please bring me jan-  
box, nitendo. I have been really good  
this year.

Thank you,  
Jose Salinas, 2A

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas Please bring me Radjo  
and Walkman. I have been really good  
this year. Thank you.

Gabriel, 2A

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas please bring me a bike,  
and a Doll With clothes. I have been  
really good this year. Thank you.

Love  
Yesenia Irlas, 2A

Dear Santa, For Christmas please  
bring Jam box and a nitendo. I have been  
really good this year.

Thank you,  
Joe Arredondo

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas please bring me a  
Nitendo and a Jambox and a Teenage  
Mutien ninyla turtle. I have been very  
good this year. Thank you.

Johnny M., 2D

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas please bring me a bike  
and a Barbie Darbie. I have been really  
good this year. Thank you.

Nora Lira, 2A

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas please bring me a  
jambox. and a nitendo I have been really  
Good this year. Thank you.

Noe, 2A

Dear Santa,  
For christmas Please bring me  
nitendo, jambox, Teenage mutien ni-  
nyia turtle bike. For Santa to read, I have  
been really good this year. Thank you  
Santa.

Patrick Hernandez, 2C

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas please bring me — I  
have been really good this year Santa, I  
wont a skateboard Santa, I wont a ni-  
tendo Santa, I wont a sword.

Jamie, 2A

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas please bring me jam-  
box and I wont to be a ninja. I have been  
really good this year. Thank you.

Brandon, 2E

Dear Santa,  
I want you to Bring me a dol and a  
BarBan. I want you to Bring my sisters  
a Ber and a Dres. I want you to Bring my  
Dad a car and a presint. I want you too  
Bring my Mom a presint and a hous. I  
want you too Bring my Brothers a Car  
and a Casol.

Love,  
Kandy Vitela, 2E

Dear Santa,  
I Want a nineto and a pretty girl and  
I Want for the nineto Mario Part 3 and  
for my sister I mite giv her a bike and a  
crodlie cup.

Love  
Cesar Garcia, 2F

Dear Santa,  
I would like a football soot this is the  
football team I wont is egales. I want a  
robocop soot with a gun, I wont a Gost-  
buster pac, I wont a football, I wont a  
scotbroad.

Love,  
Eric Reyes, 2B

Dear Santa,  
I would like a nintedo and a bike and  
a foot ball and a Fat Albert. and a Santa.

Love,  
Joe Cuba, 2A

Dear Santa,  
I would like a doll. but i want it white.

Love,  
Laura Garza, 2F

Dear Santa,  
I Would like a Nintendo and a bike  
and a trumpet so I ken be in the prade.

Love,  
Joshua Barrientos, 2E

Dear Santa,  
I want a Nintidano and a lochbox and  
a car for my baby, I want a little bere for  
my baby, I want a non pans for my mom,  
I want a truck for a lunchbox for my  
sister, my dad.

Love,  
Maribel Cuellar, 2A

Dear Santa,  
I Would like a perty doll or barbie for  
my sister and some cors for me and a  
perfum for me mom and a 4x4 car to my  
dad and all me brothers cars.

Love,  
Juan Gomez, 2A

Dear Santa,  
I would like a nintedo, fotuboo and a  
mario and a drum set and a pretty girl  
and guiter and a Robocop and a ras car  
and a modsickul and a run soote.

Love,  
J.R. Manuel Ochoa, 2A

Dear Santa,  
I would like a Mrs. Make up. and a  
pretty doll. and a teddy Bear. and a  
pretty boy.

Love,  
Dystahi Frausto, 2F

Dear Santa,  
I would like a sumrman, a airplane, a  
car, a nintedog, a bik.

Love,  
Leon Guzman, 2D

Dear Santa,  
I Would like a Toys for me brus and  
siser. I Will lev sum coke and milk. I  
Want to no How is Mrs. Santa. Have a  
good Christmas.

Love,  
Martha Torres, 2B

Dear Santa,  
I would like a Nintidondogame and a  
Punch box's and a car for My Mom and  
Dad and I Wont a toy ber for my baby I  
Want a bodl and for my sister I Want  
a colory book and a kandy kane and for  
my mom I Want a Christmas tree and  
for My Dad I Want a taruck.

Love,  
Griselda Lopez, 2F

Dear Santa,  
I Would like a Game boy And  
Robocop With the Helicopter And a  
game.

Love,  
Marcos Riojas, 2C

Dear Santa,  
I Would like a nintendo and a drum  
set and a candy cane and a Foot ball.

Love  
Mark Gutierrez, 2F

Dear Santa,  
I would like a ninten doll mario and a  
bike. and a tran for mi.

Love,  
Demetrio Garcia, 2A

Dear Santa,  
I would like a sum Gamse For My  
nintend I want Zaldu and, I wot a now  
skatre git my mom a pritte dres and I  
wot Hit Stix and git my dad a soot and  
my bruths toes.

Love,  
Jim Perales, 2E

Dear Santa,  
I would like a Nineto and A game of  
Mario broser And a game of Seldu And  
a game of Santa game And a girl of my  
own And a game of Batman.

Love,  
Albert De La Cruz, 2C

Dear Santa,  
I want a telescop and a backing oven  
and my two front teeth. My brother is a  
noty boy. So I don't think he should not  
get nothing.

Love,  
Ruth Vasquez, 2B

Dear Santa,  
I want a Nintindogame. I want a  
bike to. I want a Racecargame to. I will  
leave you some cookies and milk.

Love,  
Michael Alaniz, 2D

Dear Santa,  
I need a 64 box of colos and a Arkan-  
sas football suit and a 49ers football suit  
and Ninotido game. you can have candy.

Love,  
Jeffrey Lyles, 2A

Dear Santa,  
I want a glow in the dark race car  
track and some ski polls. Eric wants  
some toys. Denise wants Make It meal.  
I will leve you a snack after your long  
trip.

Love,  
David Rainwater, 2B

Dear Santa,  
I want a gold nekles for my mom and  
I want some pups

Shannon, 2F

Dear Santa,  
I wud like a Nintendo for Christmas.  
My broter Rusty wud like a some trucks  
and a Jonder Tracker.

Kalli Ann Hopper, 2E

Dear Santa,  
I would like a Cabbagepach. I would  
like a stockin with crayons. My sister  
would like a T.shirt.

Love,  
Tara, 2D

Dear Santa,  
I want a P.J. Sparklse and a Nintendo  
game, My Kid Sister, and my owne  
radio, and a bownsing baby, and a uopy  
daysey. I want a Jacket and a watch. I  
also want a Cabbige patch kid tow of  
them one with black hair and one with  
blawnd hair.

Love,  
Nichole Ann Hartline, 2D

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a bike. I have been  
good.

Yours truly,  
Robert

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a scooter and a mo-  
torcycle.

Yours truly,  
Mickey Verone



Dear Santa,  
I want a Nintindo for Christmas. I  
want to get my sister a kitty. My mom  
would like Typewriter.

Na'Lyn Simpson, 2C

Dear Santa,  
I want a cumputer and a typriter for  
Christmas and a Teddy ruxpin dressed  
up in Santa claus and the book.

Love,  
Ronni Morales, 2B

Dear Santa,  
Bren a bol and stereo and football.  
Thank you for everything.

Yours truly,  
Israel Martinez

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a big bear and pants  
a stuff. Thank you for everything.

Yours truly,  
Jason Reed

Dear Santa,  
I want a little teddy bear and a cute  
little dog. my sister loves the power  
glove, my mom would like jewelry to  
ware. my dad would like a typewriter.  
hae a nice christmas.

Laci Martinez, 2D

Dear Santa,  
I want a teddyruspin and little Miss  
makeup and little Miss dress up. I also  
want a coke moshin. My mom wants my  
little sister to be well.

Love,  
Gracie de la Fuente, 2B

Dear Santa,  
I would like Bouncing Baby or a  
Dolly Serprize. My Brother Danny  
woud like a Bike. My other Brother  
Aaron would like a Nintindo games. My  
other Brother David would like to win  
all the games.

love,  
Jess

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holiday  
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**Scott Gin**

# Dear Santa Claus, This year I want a...

Dear Santa,  
I would for Christmas is a P.J. Sparkle and a farmhouse. I will leav you some cookies and milk.  
Love,  
Kocrist Burks, 2D

Dear Santa, I want a brbey for Christmas to geve to my sister for christmas. And one for my brother to. And one for my mom and ad.  
Love,  
Jeannette Fabila, 2C

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a Little Mrs. Dress Up and a Gumball Machine, My sister wants P.J. spackles, I will leav you some cookies and milk.  
Love,  
Brandi Patterson, 2C

Dear Santa,  
I would like a cheraplolen and a Nitúndo and some stuf in my stoking and I will poot some cookie and milk.  
love,  
Lindsey Reddy, 2F

Dear Santa,  
I want a Nintindo with a game. I want a Typ writer. I want a horse for my sister. I want a G.I. Joe for my brother. I want a nekies for my mom. I want a calfe cup for my dad.  
Love  
Felicia Garcia, 2F

Dear Santa,  
I want P.J. Sparkles and Maka meal and a radio for Christmas. I want a Nintdo for my brother  
Love,  
April Lopez, 2D



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With fondest wishes for health and happiness, we send our friends and customers our sincere thanks.

**Garcia's  
OK Tire**

Dear Santa,  
What I would like for Christmas is a trampilene. A Bouncing Baby and a Nintindo. My sister Monica would like a Baby crocket. And some High Lighter. My brother would like a big play car.  
Veronica Galvan, 2F

Dear Santa,  
How are doing? Would you pretty please bring a goatcar and a stereo and a football? Would you bring my moma dress? Would you bring my Brother and my sister some Merry Christmas.  
Yours truly,  
Ticen Cooper

Dear Santa,  
Pleas bring me a bed and a desk to do my homework and stereo and stuffed animals. I Love you Santa and Jesus. Thank you for everything.  
Yours truly,  
Jennifer Trevino

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a bigfoot. bring me a Goat car. bring me a remot car. bring me a ball. bring me a basketball. bring me a radio. bring me a stuffed animals. bring me a color cars. bring me a football. I love you Santa, would you bring my mother a dress.  
Merry Christmas. Thank you for everything.  
Yours truly,  
Benny Mendez

Dear Santa,  
I want a Bic and I want a toy Frare and miy sistr wons a toy dol and Che wons a pilo and miy prathr wons a Bic and a toy pifut and miy papy prathr wons a tratr and a toy and miy mom wons a radyl and miy dad wons a truc and a campr.  
Yours truly,  
Ricardo

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a Baby Clous place, a Dress up.  
Yours truly,  
Martina

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a teddy bear for Christmas and a bounce and babby barne set and a Pony Set. Dress and dress and Dassel. Thank you very much. I love you!  
Yours truly,  
Crystal

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me Barbee House, my brothers want race cars. I have been a good girl. Thank you very much.  
Yours truly,  
Deanne Woods

Dear Santa,  
I ben good to he mi dad and my mom to clean the deshes. I wot a Santa cloz too play.  
Love,  
Ray G.

Dear Santa,  
I want a barbee car, a pink radio. brig mi gredmo sum flaws.  
Luvoc,  
Amber

Dear Santa,  
I want a bed, bear, bike.  
Doc

Dear Santa,  
I ben good for clinin the hows I want a lit dooky supris and Litl Miss Makeup I'm wirin to you becus I want a present. want a blak barbe and a boy barbie that is blak. I want a football and a big dog and a little dog. But it has to be a boy. I want a scooter. I want a play game. I want a bunk bed, a waterbed. I love you Santa.  
Alicia

Dear Santa,  
I been good bekus i pick up the papers.  
Love,  
Jesse Briones

Dear Santa,  
I want a criss cross.  
Love  
Luz Aguilar

Dear Santa,  
I do what my mom tells me. I love my mom and dad. I want a bike.  
Tamara

Dear Santa,  
I have bin good helpin my mom and dad. I want a radio and a nintendo. I love you.  
Joe

Dear Santa,  
I bin good. I want a dress. I want that dress becus I hlep baby sit. I want a barber doll. becus I bin good to my Grandma. I want a kin doll.  
Love,  
Cynthia

Dear Santa, I have been good cause I made my bother bed. And that's not all! I want my two front teeth! for cristmas! But thats all! And I want a bike!  
have a merry cristmas!  
Love,  
Kelsy

Dear Santa,  
I have been good because I help with my babe brother. What I want for crismis I want a babe doll bed and a bed for me and radeyo and a scoder and a babe doll.  
Love  
Nicole

Der Santa,  
I want a motorcycle.  
Manuel

Dear Santa,  
I want my cousin to come to my house.  
Yvette, 1B

Dear Santa,  
for Chiestmas I want to domat some food for the needy and I am sure thats want for Chirstmas a litl something els I wad lic it is a new remot car.  
I love you Santaclus, Hector

Dear Santa,  
I want a little miss makeup and little miss dressup and tj. sparckls oll dolls.  
Love Randi

Dear Santa,  
I want a remote control car and a keroty pog.  
J.J.

Dear Santa I love you I want this to be my best hol.  
From Adrian

Dear Santa,  
I want a nentendo and a four weeler and a skat bord and a foot ball and a power glave  
sind Rene

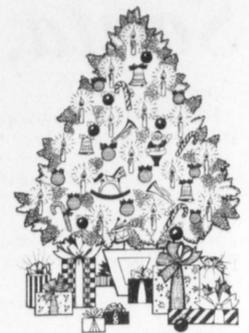
Dear Santa,  
I want a four wheeler, waik man remote cotroilcar gam boy  
Lonny Nelson

Dear Santa,  
I wont a computer and a borbe and a bike and a pupe and a friend for Christmas.  
Leslie

Dear Santa,  
I want a doll that tqlks and a computer and a ice cream machine and alot of toys I like them a lot and a lot I want lots and lots of toys I like Santa.  
by Jody Bueno

Dear Santa,  
I wat a niteo and a foot ball. apowe glav and a reilam bogin.  
love Robert

Dear Santa,  
I want a bikc and a scatbord and a peare of scats and you are a veare nies prasono to and I love you santa you are a verae sweet parson to I love you veare much and you are a peraoon to love.  
love Jamie



Dear Santa,  
I want for Christmas is a star stage and barbie doll they are so cute I love barbie dolls becu they are so pretty. I want one black boy girl. I have not had one.  
Love Resa

Dear Santa,  
I want a set of barby dall and I hope I get wot I want and I even want a crod fro my raetyo.  
Love Nancy

Dear Santa,  
Do you know what I want for Chistmas I want little miss makeup and oupsie Daisy and barbie and the rockers and a doll. The End  
Cynthia

Dear Santa,  
I want for Chicmas is a barbbie cole set lipstick. opsytdaiy.  
Veronica

Dear Santa,  
I wont a opsyidas and a dear and I wont a liktt careg fuor my opiydase I wont a Christmas dear  
Yolanda

Dear Santa,  
I want a bike and some cars and a football. I all so want a scatbord and some scaets. And a mockntroe car.  
Love Mark

Dear Santan.  
What I want is a tonka hiper driver and trans formir and candy.  
Scott



Endearing thoughts to all in our community for your friendship, loyalty and support.

**Russell's Equipment**



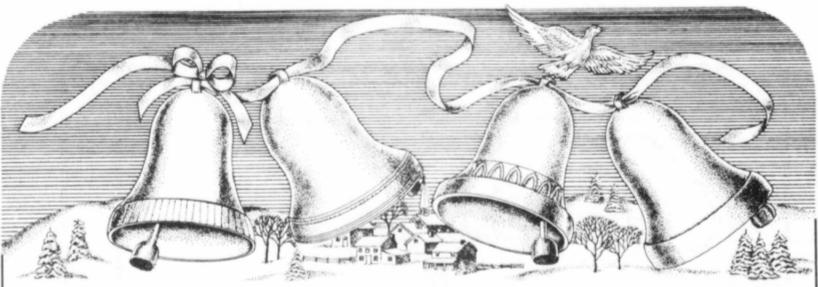
## MERRY CHRISTMAS

Goose or turkey, ham or roast,  
A table set by gracious host,  
And all the family gathered near  
To celebrate and spread good cheer!

We bow our heads with yours in thanks for the many blessings He has given us, not the least of which is an abundance of loving friends and neighbors like you.

**Pay-n-Save**

Johnny Summers, Manager



## JOYOUS TIDINGS

As the Yuletide bells resound, joy and laughter all around, Filling every heart and home with merriment and cheer. What better time for us to say, "Thanks to you in every way. May this Christmas holiday be the start of a great year."

**Floyd  
County Seed**

# And Santa, do you know what I want for Christmas?



Dear Santa,  
I wood like the batcave, and the bat-mobel and the ghost trap.  
Matt Fisher

Dear Santa,  
I wont a ten speed and a food maker with cale oh Santa I rembrda that I also Love You A Bush goodbye.  
Irna

Dear Santa,  
I want a little miss make up for Christmas and a little doll that her hair grows like magic and a little baby doll.  
love Christine

Dear Santa Claus,  
I wish I could have a bike and a Barbie collection. I'm going to leave you milk and cookies.  
Love Cayla Tierce, K-1

Dear Santa,  
I want a Barbie collection and a car for Barbie. Don't forget Mandy.  
I Love you, Meagan Breed, K-1

Dear Santa,  
I would like a Teddy Bear and a Micro Machines car. I'll leave you some candy.  
Love, Clemente Garcia, K-1

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me Misses Little Make-up and a Ken doll. I would like a little Mervaid doll. Merry Christmas.  
Love, Jessie Guzman, K-1

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a fishing pole and a scooter.  
Love Lee Roy Garza, K-1

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a dirt bike and a scooter. I want some Legos to make cars.  
Your friend, Chad Hinkle, K-1

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a firetruck, a pick-up, and a train set.  
I Love You, Allen Arvizu, K-1

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me P.J. Sparkles and a Barbie Soda Shop. I'll leave you a snack.  
I Love you, Ashley Hale, K-1

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me the Little Mermaid doll. My mom wants a new pair of houseshoes. My sister wants a new ring. My brother wants an emerald. My dad wants some new coveralls.  
I Love you, Rebecca Warren, K-1

Dear St. Nick,  
I want a soccer tee, a snow cone maker and walkie talkies. Please bring my sister some earrings.  
Love Corey Hurt, K-1

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a bike and a pretty purse, I also want a Barbie, and a bear. Bring my brother & sisters toys & clothes.  
Love Analicva Vitella, K-1

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a Barbie doll with different clothes. I also want a P.J. Sparkles. For my brother please bring him lots of cars. Bring my mom some pretty earrings, and for my dad bring him some shoes.  
Your friend Jessica Castaneda, K-1

Dear Santa,  
I want a Barbie and a Cabbage Patch, I also want a purse. For my sister, bring her the same things I want.  
Your friend, Sonia Delgado, K-1

Dear Santa,  
I want a Barbie, and I want a cabbage patch doll. Also I want a house for my Barbie. For my sister, bring her a Barbie like mine. Bring my mother a pretty picture, and bring my dad some boots.  
Thanks, Esmeralda Torres, K-1

Dear Santa,  
Bring me a bike and a Barbie. I also want some shirts & boots. For my sister, bring a baby ring. Bring my mom a pretty clock, and my dad a car.  
Love, Crystal Balboa, K-1

Dear Santa,  
I want a blue car, and a play gun. For my two brothers, bring them small cars. Bring my mother a ring & bracelet, and bring my daddy a watch.  
I Love You, Jose Ramos K-1

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me Nintendo, and a B.B. gun. I want a wrestling belt also Bring my brothers some books, and for my sisters bring them some cheerleaders dresses. Bring my mom a pretty dress, and for my dad some boots.  
Love Christopher Herrera, K-1

Dear Santa,  
I want a teddy bear, a play-mom cat and a daddy play cat. That's all.  
Love, Tara Williams, K-2

Dear Santa,  
I would like a jeep, a Barbie, a car and a bicycle, and real make-up.  
Love, Mandy Breed, K-2

Dear Santa,  
I would like a big bike, and a radio that you can listen in your ears.  
Love Tina Matinez, K-2

Dear Santa,  
I would like a barbie and a real dog if you can not get it get wat every you want met to get.  
your friend, Samantha Santos, K-2

Dear Santa,  
I would like a clown, a horse and a Barbie.  
Love Vanessa Villanuesa, K-2

Dear Santa,  
I want a truck with a man to it and a remote control car. If Jack-in the Box is for big people too I want one. Can I have a play gun. . . No-my mama won't let me.  
Thank-you, Nicholas Hadderton, K-2

Dear Santa,  
I would like Dress and Dazzle a Play-Food kitchen and a play cake. That's all.  
Love, Betsy Smith, K-2

Dear Santa,  
I want a Barbie and a little radio.  
Love, Joanna Johnston, K-2  
P.S. My sister wants Girl-Talk.

Dear Santa,  
I've got to get me a Ghost Buster trap and opener, a Freddy Kuger mask and fingernails and some Play-Doh.  
Love Benny Terrell, K-2

Dear Santa,  
I want a Barbie and the house that goes with Barbie. I want a table too.  
Love Angela Porter, K-2

Dear Santa,  
I want a Barbie car and a bicycle and nails with perfume. I want a doll and a coloring book with colors.  
Love, Starlia Frausto, K-2

Dear Santa,  
I want a big baseball bat for my Mommy a ball for my Daddy. I'd like a bicycle like a yellowone. A big ball to roll. I need some coloring paper at my house too. That's all.  
Love Chris Assiter, K-2

Dear Santa,  
I would like some boxing gloves a play gun and a chalkboard.  
Love, Eric Enriquez, K-2

Dear Santa,  
I would like an Nintendo. I want something else, a skateboard.  
Thank you, Van Jones, K-2

Dear Santa,  
I'd like a scooter bike and a Christmas tree, a picture of Santa and I want some clothes.  
Love, Amanda Redon, K-2  
P.S. and a horse too!

Dear Santa,  
I want a trick bike and an ninetndo and a power glove. Santa you are the richest man in the world I love you so much.  
Love, Jamie

Dear Santa,  
I want a ten speed bike with no bar on it and a McDonald play set.  
Love, to Santa, From Irma

Dear Santa,  
I want you to give me a Krite pugomus and a new football. I want you to give me a Transformer.  
Love, J.J.

Dear Santa,  
I want a doll that talks and a typewriter and a computer too and an ice cream mashine and a Barbie car and a toy.  
Love Jody

Dear Santa,  
I want a girl too. and another brother.  
Love Matt

Dear Santa,  
I want a set of Barbie doll and a icecream machine please and I hope I get that and I want a dress and a pretty dress o.k. santa.  
Love Nancy, 2-F

Dear Santa,  
I want a nintendo and a Bike with black and red, and a four wheeler with blue and red, and a gold car with red, and the power glove for the nintendo.  
Thank you, Rene Mendoza

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I want a remote control car that goes on water and land. It is black and white.  
Thank you Santa Clas, Hector

Dear Santa,  
I want a computer and a barbie doll and a new bike and a present for mom.  
Thank you, Leslie

Dear Santa,  
I want a Little Miss makeup and nintendo with the power pad. Also barbie and the rockers, baby bubbles little miss dress up, books to read and a doll, a boy barbie, a shirt that plays rudolph, furry coat, piano organ, and markers.  
Love Cynthia

Dear Santa,  
I want a ten speed bike with no bar on it and a McDonald play set.  
Love, to Santa, From Irma

Dear Santa,  
I want a Oopsy Daisy and a pj. sparkle and a barbie set. If my mom doesnt get a nenetendo out of K mart I want your elves to make one for me and my brother.  
Love Veronica

Dear Santa,  
I wont greetings for my fallmy for Chrismis I wont a ninetndo tape for my brother.  
Love Randi

Dear Santa Cluas,  
I want little doll that her hair grows like magic and a little miss dress up and a little miss make up for the Christmas tree! My mom needs a new purse. My dad needs a new car.  
Love, Christine

Dear Santa,  
I want a Oopsy daisy and I want a carrige for my Oopsy daisy. I want a dear and a pj. sparkle. I want a play dog and I want a doll. I want a barbie doll.  
Love, Yolanda, Avila

Dear Santa,  
I, want for Christmas is an Ninetendo and black Barbi man and a black Barbi woman and some barbi cloths and Oopsy daiy and, P.J. Sparkles Barbie Furniture and a icecream maker with a barbie. A real cake oven for kids and some ban new clous to were and o basket full of trets with a picher of Santa Clas in it and a real kitten in a basket with food and water and a cover orer it to, Oliva Mercado from Resa Mercado and man rob for Sam Mercado, and a Ninetendo wach for Mike Mercado 7095, Wall for Oliva, Sam, Mike and Resa.  
Love, Resa

Dear Santa,  
I want a go cart And I want a power glove and a joy stick and Nintendo cardrises and I want a bebe gun.  
from Adrian I love you Santa

Dear Santa,  
I want markers, an angel, a chocolate milk, a ghost buster, a santa, a reindeer, sticer, crayons, Christmas tree, star, happy faces, bear, rabbit. Thats all.  
Love, Timothy Bueno, K-4

Dear Santa,  
I want Nintendo, football, a motorcycle, a basketball goal, and that's it.  
Love, Amado Morales, K-4

Dear Santa,  
I want a football set, a Nintendo, a remote control jeep, I want a bike and a new fire truck.  
Love Scott Nixon, K-4

Dear Santa,  
I want a cattle truck to put cows in, a football, a dirt bike and thats all.  
Love Scotty Gilbert, K-4

## Hope Your Christmas Is Bountiful



Away  
In A  
Manger

Born the King of Angels, we celebrate His holy birth, God's most precious blessing to us all. Rejoice.

Phil's Electric



## Joyous Tidings

Experience all the delights that this holiday brings. You've been a delight to know and serve. Thanks, friends.

Caprock Motor Parts

& Hardware



J., Willie & Clara

AUTO PARTS STORES



We wish you a Christmas filled with love.  
Thank you.

Kathy's Kanine Klippers

Kathy Himes



To all our patrons far and near,  
We wish a Christmas filled with cheer;  
May God's love fill your home with light  
And joy on this most special night.

# Producers Cooperative Elevator & Fuel

Floydada and Dougherty

# Santa, I'll leave you some milk and cookies, OK!



May Your Dreams Be Merry And Bright.

Dear Santa,  
I want a bike, motorcycle, cars, some trucks, case of cokes, new clothes, new shoes, a Bible, a pencil sharpener, a box of crayons, a big box of glue and big box of scissors.

Love Albert Marmolijo, K-4

Dear Santa,  
I want toys, a santa, candles, cake, a ring for my baby sister, a Christmas tree, a Barbie for Criselda and a monito.

Love, Victor Lopez, K-4

Dear Santa,  
I want a jeep that works, some markers, a shirt with Santa on it and a Mickey Mouse baby and I want a school book and some bears that have a baby bear.

Love Christopher Hartline, K-4

Dear Santa,  
I want a motorcycle, a bike, a car, a Christmas tree to put presents, a little house to play, folders to put my papers, a truck, a chain for my neck and thats all.

Love Freddy Rodriguez, K-4

Dear Santa,  
All I want for Christmas is Oopsis Daisy, a Little Miss Make-up, and a Barbie Doll House, and a Barbie doll, and clothes for my doll, and a bracelet for my mother, and earrings for my sister, some earrings for my Grand-ma, and a hammer for my dad.

Love Renee Nichols, K-4

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I want a Barbie car, and a stamper, and a necklace, and a belt, a school box, and a teddy bear, a Santa Claus and reindeer.

Love Tina Turner, K-4

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I want a purse, and a Barbie doll, and a Barbie car, and a santa claus T-shirt, and a V.C.R., and a table and chairs set, and a play kitchen.

Love Stella Suarez, K-4

Dear Santa,  
I want a big Cabbage Patch and a little Cabbage Patch doll, and some play food, and thats all.

Love Crysta Ledbetter, K-4

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I want a stero, and, I want a Barbie doll, and I want a toy cat, earrings, necklace, a toy wreath, and a toothbrush, crayons, a pencil, and thats all.

Love Bambi Cockran, K-4

Dear Santa,  
What I want for Christmas is a lost and found, my ears peirced, a ring, a camera, and some markers, I want some more pictures for my billfold, that all I can think of, oh and a stamper.

Love Brenna Dawdy, K-4

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I want Micrco Machines, earrings, a necklace, thats all.

Love Heather Ware, K-4

Dear Santa,  
I want for Christmas a Micky Mouse, a coloring book, some colors, and a reindeer that walks, and a belt for my Dad, and a dress, and a little car, and a rabbit, and a cage, thats all.

Love Alicia Briones, K-4

Dear Santa,  
I want a shot gun. And boulets. So I can go hunting.

Love Erbey, 3-E

Dear Santa,  
I want for Christmas is a bike and 14000 dollar and some bribbedolls and a ring and Nintendo and babby corddo.

From Caroline, 3-E

Dear Santa,  
I hav pen gud and I wud lick to hav a prasent Miy prisint is garupe a Bick and Batman and the Batmobel and I wud lick to hav a teve.

Ricardo, 3-E

Dear Santa,  
I wold like a romot a trater. and a submerren.

Love Jaron, 3-E

Dear Santa,  
I want a red Micky or Minni watch. I also want an gold Idea baclet.

Love Meredith Schacht

Dear Santa,  
I want a Batlight and I want a Batman cotum and I want a Batmobel and I want a Batman toy and I want a Batsen.

Love Ticen, 3-E

Dear Santa,  
I wot a dirt bick and boxer.

from Joe, 3-E

Dear Santa,  
I want a brand new bike, oop si baby, and bible trivia. For my sister I want a barbie car, cooking set, and a play stroller. For my baby brother I want a cowboy hat, a play jeep, and a toy train that moves. For my mother I want a butiful suit case that says to the wonderful mother, a butiful suit for work, and a gold watch. For my father I want a cap, tool boxes, and some pair of jeans.

Love, Karen Resio, 3-E

Dear Santa,  
I whant a skateboard and a T.V. and the Bat Man set.

Love by Gilbert, 3-E

Dear Santa,  
I have been nice and this is what I want for Christmas. I would like a cross-fire game, watch, pelet gun, weight bench and weights. I also would like a T.V., 20 gauge shotgun, clay pigeon target thrower and a pitching machine. I am looking forward to Christmas.

P.S. I will leave you some cookies and milk.

Your Friend,  
Monty Anderson

Dear Santa,  
I want a power glove and a game boy. With a suprizeto.

Love, Dane Sanders

Dear Santa,  
May I have a jam box? And can I have four tapes? I want Milly Vinilly, The New Kids on the block, Tanya Tucker and Patti Loveless. And can I have a pocke Rocker. And may I have a skate board? May I really have these? I really what all these things.

Love, Jennifer VanHoose, 3-E

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy this year, so I want you to bring me a He-Man, GI Joe and Batmobile car.

Love,  
Peter Gonzales

## TMC students make Christmas lists

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl this year, so please bring me some candies and toys.

Love,  
Judy Torres

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy this year so please bring me some cars and trucks.

Love,  
George Sanchez

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl so please bring me some candies and a coat.

Love,  
Hazel Delgado

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl this year so please bring me two Barbie dolls and a train.

Love,  
Melissa Morales

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy this year, so please bring me some golf clubs, snow boots, a lite brite, a toy car wash, and other things. I will leave you some cookies and milk for you to eat.

Love,  
Jonathan Mark Martinez

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl this year so I would like some boots, a kid sister dollar, a tricycle, and play dishes.

Love,  
Cynthia Marie Martinez

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl I want this for Christmas: Barbie doll, gum, telephone.

Love,  
Olga Garcia

Dear Santa,  
I been a good girl and I want this for Christmas: a Barbie doll, toys.

Love,  
Sandra Sanchez

Dear Santa,  
I been a good boy and I want a saw, tools, toys, big truck.

Love,  
Andrew Medrano

Dear Santa,  
I been a good boy and I want this: a big truck, small animals farm, toys, trains.

Love,  
Esiquiel Sepulveda

Dear Santa,  
I been a good girl and I want: Christle doll, four cookies, Barbie.

Love,  
Julie Ann Villanueva

Dear Santa,  
I been a good boy and I want this for Christmas: a big car and truck, train set.

Love,  
Paul Anthony Perales

Dear Santa,  
I been a good little baby girl and I would like to have a Barbie doll, a stuffed animals, applles.

Love,  
Gracie Lee Torres

Dear Santa,  
I been a good boy and I would like to have a Nintendo and other toys.

Love,  
Orlando Perez

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy, for Christmas I want a Robo Cop, a Bigfoot truck, Batman and Superman toy.

Love,  
Jordan Martinez

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl, for Christmas I want a Barbie and a set of dishes.

Love,  
Senaida Gonzales

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl for Christmas I would like a Barbie doll with a Barbie car.

Love,  
Tracy Trevino

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl, for Christmas I would like a teddy bear and a set of dishes.

Love,  
Stephanie Rios

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl. For Christmas I want a Barbie boy and a Barbie, also I want a pair of boots.

Love,  
Cynthia Nichole Vasquez

Dear Santa,  
I have been a very good girl, for Christmas I want a scooter and a guitar.

Love,  
Crystal Medrano

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy, for Christmas I want a drum, a car and a guitar.

Love,  
Manuel Hernandez

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy, for Christmas I want a Robo Cop, a Batman and Joker.

Love,  
Johnny Joe Garcia

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy, for Christmas I want a Robo Cop and a scooter.

Love,  
Eric Garza

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy, for Christmas I want a Nintendo and two videos.

Love,  
Jason Morales

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy this year, so I want you to bring me a He-Man, GI Joe and Batmobile car.

Love,  
Peter Gonzales

Dear Santa,  
For the past year I have been a wonderful baby. So her I am asking you to please send me some toys from the North Pole. I want some dollies and candies. I also want love, peace and joy for everyone.

Love,  
Baby Mary Magdelen Medrano

Dear Santa,  
My brother, Bradley, and I have been good boys this year; so I think we deserve some neat stuff. I want a Batman bicycle, Batmobile, Lite Brite, My Buddy and a Nintendo game system. For Bradley please bring him a tricycle, blocks and his own Batmobile.

When you arrive at our house I will have cookies and a glass of milk waiting for you. Have a safe trip, but hurry I can't wait.

Love,  
Jeffrey Duran

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy this year; so please bring me a He-Man, GI Joe and Skeletor.

Love,  
Eric Robles

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl, so please bring me lots of dolls, clothes and candies.

Love,  
Andrea Martinez

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl this year, so please bring me a Barbie doll, Barbie car and Barbie dream house.

Love,  
Gloria Furros

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl this year, so please bring me a Barbie, Batman shirt, Barbie car and Baby Bubbles.

Love,  
Melissa Torrez

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy this year, so please bring me a Robo Cop, electric train, tractor with pedals, Batmobile and alot of Hot Wheel cars.

Love,  
Eric Morales

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy this year, so please bring me a Robin and Batman.

Love,  
Joel Sanchez

HOLIDAY GREETINGS

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good girl this year, so I want you to bring me a Barbie and a Cabbage Patch doll.

Love,  
Sandra Pina

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy this year, so please bring me a Batman, Robin and Robo Cop.

Love,  
Mateo Delgado

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy this year, so please bring me a motorcycle, Batman doll and shirt, Batmobile, electric train and a skateboard.

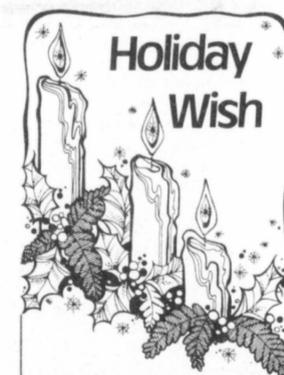
Love,  
Anthony Sanchez

Dear Santa,  
I have been a good boy. I want a football, a Nintendo, a drum set, and something for my brother, Elias. I live in 215 West Mississippi

P.S. I will leave some cookies and a glass of milk.

Love  
Mark

'Tis the season to be jolly.



May the warm glow of Christmas light up your life.

From the staff of  
**Floydada Nursing Home**  
'Merry Christmas'

### HAPPY HOLIDAYS

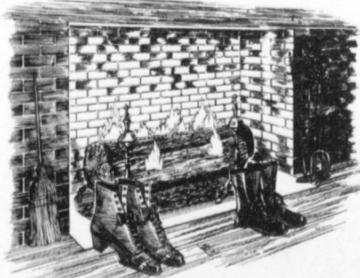
In the spirit of merry Christmas, we extend warmest wishes of cheer and thoughts of thanks for your kind support.

## Holmes Plumbing

Austin Holmes Steve Holmes

### Glad Tidings

As you take steps to enjoy this merry season of good cheer and good will, we'd like to express our best holiday wishes to all. Thanks so very much for your patronage.



## Jodi's

Shirley Green Barbara Jackson

**CHRISTMAS JOY TO ALL**  
With special thanks for your patronage and good will, we wish you a very happy holiday.

**SEARS CATALOG** Karrie Williams  
100 S. Main 983-2862 M - F 8:30 - 5:30  
Floydada Sat. 9:00 - 12:00

**MAY YOUR STOCKINGS BE FILLED WITH CHEER**  
Merry Christmas to all our friends and customers. Warmest wishes to you and yours.

**Nielson's Restaurant & Catering**  
Jon and Tami Nielson

# Residents express thoughts of Christmas through poetry

## A Special Christmas Gift

Forty-two years ago you see,  
I was anxiously awaiting with glee  
For something very special to appear  
Under my Christmas tree.  
Months before, with my parents I had began to plea,  
Please have Santa bring a baby sister for me.

My Grandmother Nena was on my side,  
She said, "A baby sister would be my pride."  
Upon my parents agreement, it made the vote all tied.  
So, I wrote 'Ole Santa and asked him to abide.

Christmas Eve came and I remember so well,  
Shortly after the ring of that midnight bell  
My Aunt Ima Jo had some good news to tell—  
My baby sister had been born and I began to jump up and yell.

We gave her the name of Nena Kay—  
Of which my grandmother did comply.  
She was always the "apple of my eye  
And to this day we still have a very special tie.

--Written by Elaine LaBaume

**BLESSINGS!**  
May you and your loved ones enjoy the gifts of the season.



## The Gift of God

Jesus - the tiny one - the gift of God His only Son  
He came to earth for mortal man -  
He came in love to fulfill God's plan  
His place in heaven the Son of a King,  
And at His birth the angels sang,  
But so lowly was His earthly birth,  
And then He hung on a cross while men cursed,  
But He was willing to pay the price  
The gentle lamb God's sacrifice

--By Lillie M. Cranford

## A Christmas In Heaven

A very special Christmas will happen in Heaven this year.  
'Cause Mommy and Daddy are spending it with Jesus, while I am still down here.  
It wasn't long ago, that we were all together.  
But one day a drunk driver took them away, now they are gone forever.  
Jesus said I shouldn't be too sad, for I will join them in time.  
For now I'll lay in this hospital bed, while they mend these broken bones of mine.  
But I believe in Jesus and I know He does not lie.  
He said I'll soon see my Mommy and Daddy; I guess that means I'll die.  
Somewhere, right now, there is a man, he knows what he has done.  
I wonder how he might have felt; if he had lost a daughter or a son.  
Mister, if you are listening, I have no hate for you.  
'Cause Jesus doesn't like me to hate, you see, He loves you too.  
He knows you have a problem, that only you can cure.  
And He will gladly help you, of this I'm really sure.  
Please get some help, before it's too late, so no one else will die.  
I know if you came by to see me lying here, it would probably make you cry.  
Mister, I know you're hurting, but there's a simple way out.  
Give your life to Jesus and know what happiness is all about.

--By Lucio Vasquez

## For The Kids In Heaven

Santa stops in Heaven, and talks to Jesus before Christmas day.  
Together they check their long list of gifts, before he heads his way.  
There's gifts he must deliver, in Heaven too, you know.  
For there is Christmas up in Heaven, but I doubt if there is snow.  
There's kids that died of child abuse, some from drugs or from a disease.  
There's those that died from an abortion and sick people killing for fun,  
I pray someday it will all seize.  
While we prepare for Christmas day, I hope we take time out to pray.  
For all our little children, who won't be with us this day.  
Be thankful to our God above for each day we are alive.  
Not taking life for granted, it's God's will that we survive.  
To all the little children and grown ups up above  
I pray a special prayer for you and send it with my love.  
Santa, if you're listening, please don't forget a special present for this someone.  
It's a box full of love and tears, for my nephew and his son.

--Lucio Vasquez

## The Gift of Love

This is for the people, who may have never been shown love.  
For those of you still on this earth, and those in heaven above.  
This is for the children abused, for the teenagers thinking of suicide.  
For the runaways, the drug users, the Satan worshippers, whose true feelings are trying to hide.  
This is love from Jesus, who offers you salvation.  
It's given freely to each person and spreads throughout this nation.  
This is love that brings you peace and a feeling you never felt before.  
This love takes away the hurt and bitterness and evil thoughts you had,  
so you won't feel them no more.  
This is for the drunk drivers who take a life each day.  
This love offers forgiveness and lets the guilt fade away.  
This love only works, if you accept His love and trust.  
It's free and comes only for you, when you give your heart to Jesus.  
This love's for me and it's for you, it's for all of us.  
There is no other greater gift, you'll receive this Christmas.

--By Lucio Vasquez

## Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,  
Here is my Christmas list. Please buy me a dress up dazzle gown so I can go like this (dances). Buy me a blue, pink and yellow one.  
Please buy me a big Nintendo and my sister a Nintendo too. I want a pink one and my sister wants a yellow one.  
Please buy me some candy for my stocking but not alot okay? I want 2 Mickey Mouse. Buy my daddy all the books and my mommy only 2...please take me to my grandpa, grandma and Tia Pa Pa's. First I want to go to grandma Gomez to see Erick. I will have you some cookies, coke and a towel under my tree in my house.

Love,  
Melissa Noel Garcia  
C/S, Colorado  
age 2-1/2 years

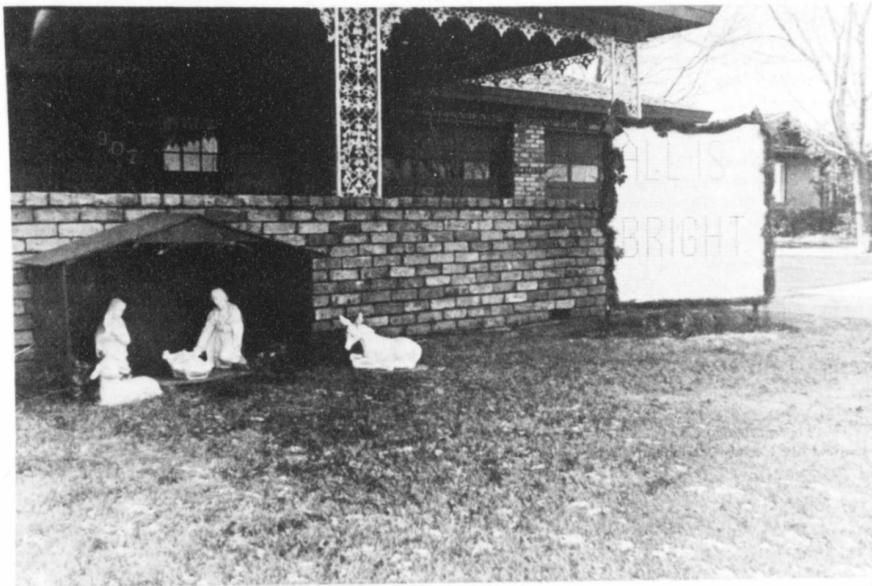
P.S. I was a good girl.

Dear Santa Claus,  
I've been a nice girl, sometimes I'm bad. Please buy me a baby doll one that drinks milk and eats food. Please buy me a little black puppy, and a bunch of fun toys. Please buy me an apple and orange for my stocking. Please buy my sister a barbie doll, my daddy a train and my mommy some pans so she can bake me a cake. I want to go to my grandpas house with Erick.

Love  
Krystal Estelle Garcia  
C/S Colorado  
age 5 years

Dear Santa Claus,  
This is what I want For Christmas. Look in the Sears Wish Book.  
Look on page 41. I want what is called the Batman wach.  
Look on page 296. I want what is called the wopper play-Doh set.  
Look on page 326. I want What is called the deluxe Hookum Ladder Fire truck.  
This is not in the Sears Book. I want a Nintendo machine.

Joey Snell



ALL IS BRIGHT is what the residents of this home at 907 W. Georgia in Floydada are saying in their part of a block-wide effort to express the first verse of the Christmas song "Silent Night." Each home on the block has a board lit up in white lights with a few words each of the verse. A white nativity scene completes the setting in front of this home. --Staff photo



JOY TO THE WORLD

**WE WISH YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS**  
Hoping for you and yours a holiday that sings with joy!  
Thanks, friends.

**Poole Well Service**



## SEASON'S GREETINGS

May the beauty of Christmas grace your heart and home.  
We appreciate your loyal support.

**Park Florist**

Angels we have heard on high,  
sweetly singing o'er the plain.  
Merry Christmas and many thanks.

**Our Place**  
Danny, Mitzi & Staff

**A Cozy Christmas To All!**  
Wishing you a warm and wonderful holiday.

**Don's Heating & Air Conditioning**

**GREETINGS**

Behold His blessing for it brings hope to all mankind.  
In appreciation of your continued good will and patronage. Have a very joyous season.

**Brown Implement**

# Santa asked to fill requests from Floydada youngsters

Dear Santa,  
I would like a bed in the shape of a jeep, and I would like some My Little Ponies. Goodbye!

Love,  
Katrina Dawn Smith, 4E  
P.S. Merry Christmas

Dear Santa,  
How are you? I'm fine. How are your reindeer? Could I have my birthstone in a ring, a few tapes from Amy Grant and the Judds, and a few clothes please? And please give everyone that need food, shelter, clothes, or anything else what they need? Thanks.

Yours truly,  
Leigh Dawdy, 4E

Dear Santa Claus,  
I would like a new jambox and a ten-speed bike and a Cabbage Patch with real hair. Three more things: a tv and a nintendo and the nintendo glove. Thank you!

Sincerely yours,  
Latoya Ledbetter  
P.S. Have a great Christmas!

Dear Santa,  
How are your reindeer? How is Mrs. Claus? How are you? Please get my sister a new backpack. Please get my mom a new dress. Please get my dad some cologne. Please get me a new Nintendo game. I would like Tecmo Bowl if you have it. Also get me a power glove.

Your Friend,  
Kyle Pierce, 4E  
P.S. Merry Christmas

Dear Santa Claus,  
How are you doing? Is it cold up there? First I would like everybody to have what they want and need. My sister Tiffany would like some more Barbies. I would like a Super Mario 2 and nerf fencing.

Your friend,  
Jason Henderson, 4E

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like a watch, Little Miss Dressup, kusheball, diary and a Beachblast Barbie. Oh, how are you?

Your friend,  
Karen Smith, 4E  
P.S. Merry Christmas

## Glad Tidings



Dear Santa,  
Hi! How are you? How is Mrs. Claus? Well for Christmas I want a stereo and some clothes and oh yes I want a Little Miss Make Up. Well I guess that's it.

Love,  
Jennifer Noland, 4E  
P.S. Merry Christmas

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have my father out of the hospital! And for Christmas I would like a motorcycle! That's all I want.

Your friend,  
Joe Lucio, 4E  
P.S. And I want a dune buggy.

Dear Santa,  
I would like a nintendo and a bike. And my brother wants a talking Mickey Mouse. I want something else, a cabbage patch.

Your friend,  
Jennifer Rodriguez, 4E  
P.S. I want a Big Sur waterbed.



Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a girls bicycle for Christmas. I would also like to have a necklace and a bracelet and a ring that match. Oh! and I almost forgot, I also want a bear, fake nail polish, a keyboard, some glasses, press on nails, fake lipstick and a Nintendo.

Sincerely,  
Shelby  
P.S. Make that a big bear and Merry Christmas

Dear Santa,  
I would like a G.T. bike for Christmas and a F40 caborlet real car. Then I want a collie which is a puppy and a new Nintendo game, and a Big-Sur waterbed, and a game boy and a new body.

Your friend,  
Derek Martinez, 4E  
P.S. How are you Gramps.

Dear Santa,  
How are you? I hope you are having a nice day. How is Mrs. Claus? How are the reindeers? I want a reindeer, kitten, or a puppy. But I got some puppy's already. I wanted to say Hello! Well, I have to go now. Bye.

Your Friend,  
Angie Medrano  
P.S. Don't forget to say "Hello" to Mrs. Claus for me. Have a Merry, Merry Christmas. Ho! Ho! Ho!

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing? I am doing fine. I would like a watch for Christmas. I also want some boots. I think that is all I really want. Although I know I got more under the tree.

Love,  
Jeannie Ochoa, 4E

Dear Santa,  
How are you, your reindeer and Mrs. Claus? Will you please get my mom some new Rocky Mountain jeans. And get my dad a pair of snow skis. Please get my two brothers a football. I would like you to get my sister a suitcase. Please get me a new pair of snow skis. Get my real dad a new saddle. Will you get my step mom a pair of new Rocky Mountain Jeans. Please get my other two step sisters bunkbeds.

Your friend,  
Carrie Horton  
P.S. I hope we get to get it, and don't forget to tell Mrs. Clause "Hi."

Dear Santa,  
How are you and Mrs. Claus, and how are the reindeer and the little elves? I would like to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a nintendo and a cassette player and a new P.J. Sparkle.

Love,  
RoseMarie

Dear Saint Nicholas,  
How are all your elves and your reindeer and Mrs. Claus and how are you? I want a Nintendo, a bike, and stuffed animals, and a keyboard. I have to go now. But bye for know.

Love,  
DeAnn Mendoza  
P.S. I want a P.J. Sparkles

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a bike for Christmas.

Your friend,  
Leo Esquivel, 4E  
P.S. How are you doing?

Dear Santa,  
I want a bike, a remote control car, and a remote control helicopter.

Love,  
Reggie Altell  
P.S. Write Soon.

Dear Santa,  
I would like a bike and a Barbie because my sister tore up the one I had. Can you get my mother a red dress and shoes?

Your friend,  
Jessica Mercado

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I want a Nintendo and some games to play on it. My sister might want a doll.

Your friend,  
George Perez

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a bicycle just for me. Oh! Santa, I also want to know how are you and Miss Santa Claus? I am fine. I wonder if you can give my brother some Nintendo games.

Love,  
Jennifer Luna

Dear Santa,  
How are you up in the cold North Pole? For Christmas I would like a new bicycle, a record breaker car, football outfit, and two new Nintendo games. Don't forget my brother Scotty who wants farm animals.

Your friend,  
Cody Gilbert

Dear Santa,  
I want you to bring me a Nintendo game and my own T.V. Would you also get me my own telephone? How are the reindeer? How is Mrs. Claus? Say hi to the elves for me.

Love,  
Pedro Chairez

Dear Santa,  
I want a GT and a Nintendo. My sister and me want a TV and five nintendo games.

Johnny Joe Mendez

Dear Santa,  
I would like a Little Miss Dress Up, a pair of church shoes, and a pair of Knights. I would also like a pair of tennis shoes. For my mother I would like a skirt and my dad would like a pair of pants and a shirt. My sister wants a doll and my brother a G.I. Joe and some Turtles. I will see you on December 25th.

Love your friend,  
Monica Galvan

Dear Santa,  
I want a keyboard and my mom wants a new T.V. My dad wants an old car and my sister, Adriana, wants toys. Victoria wants toys too. I also want a New Kids on the Block tape and some new clothes. Please bring all these things Santa.

Your friend,  
Diane Gonzales, 4D

Dear Santa,  
I would like some roller skates and a real puppy. I want some school paper. I want a Nintendo with 8 games. Please bring my mom some drinking glasses and bring my dad a new truck. My brothers some flower seeds and my sister, Marivel, some shoes. My other sister wants some glass ducks.

Your friend,  
Elvia Rodriguez

Dear Santa,  
I want a BMX bike and a Nintendo with 5 games and I want my mom to have a brand new car and my dad to have a brand new tool box.

Your friend,  
Fernando Maldonado

Dear Santa,  
I want a book and a Pocket Rocker. I want a Little Dress Up. I also want a piano. I would like some doll clothes and Nintendo games.

Your friend,  
Nicole Davis

Dear Santa,  
What I want for Christmas is a Nintendo and a B.M.X. bike. I want my mom to have a diamond necklace. I want my dad to have a new car. I want my sister to have a new cat.

Sincerely,  
Dusty Jahay

Dear Santa Claus,  
For Christmas I would like a Barbie Doll. I would also like a hot pink pocket rocker with two tapes. I would like two Nintendo games, "Anticipation" and "Wheel of Fortune." I would like a new Kids on the Block tape. But most of all I would like a pink and gray 10 speed bicycle. Please bring everybody in my family something very special.

Sincerely,  
Jamie McGuire  
P.S. Tell Mrs. Claus "Hello."

Dear Santa,  
I would like some clothes and games like "Guess Who" and "Double Trouble." And headphones. And please give my nephew a guitar and my other nephew some drums. And please give my mom and dad a mug for some coffee. And please give my brothers and sisters something. My brothers want a Nintendo and some weights. And please give my sisters some clothes.

Your Friend,  
Marina Luna

P.S. Tell all the reindeer Merry Christmas.

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like a kitten. I would like a pink or blue bean bag. I would also like a jambox. I would like Nintendo games, too. I want the tape "Cover Girl" that New Kids on the Block sing. I also want a ten speed. But I want a kitten most of all.

Yours truly,  
Crystal Driver

P.S. Bring everyone in my family something nice.

Dear Santa,  
I would like for Christmas a radio. If not a radio, I would like new clothes. My brothers would like a nintendo. My sister wants a telephone. My mom and my dad I don't know anything. I think my mom wants a vegetable cutter and my little sister would like lots of dolls.

Sincerely,  
Betty Gomez

P.S. How are you and Mrs. Claus?

**JOY TO THE WORLD**  
Tune up for a great holiday! We're glad to express our appreciation for your business and support.

**Weem's Texaco**

**Have An Old-Fashioned Merry Christmas**  
We're proud to carry on a family tradition of service to the community, and grateful for your continuing support.

**Kirk & Sons**

**DECK THE HALLS!**

Enjoy  
**A Colorful Christmas**

May the beauty of the season fill your home with joy. Thanks from all of us for making this a lovely year.

WILLIAMS FLORIST and CARD SHOP

**Have a Wonderful Christmas**

It's our pleasure to say "thanks" and to wish you all the best!

**Adams Well Service**



# Andrews Elementary students write to Santa for Christmas wishes

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I want a Kawasaki drum set. I also want a bike. The kind of bike I want is a Sonie Six. I also want some Hit Stiks. I want some Batman posters and Nintendo games.

Your friend,  
Adam Perales

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like a Walkman or a jambox to listen to. I would also like many, many books. I would also like for you to bring my brother something boyish. Bring my mother a really pretty necklace or some other pretty things. My dad, I do not know about yet, but bring him something nice anyway. Thank you very much.

Yours truly,  
Amanda Fawver, 4D

P.S. Tell Rudolph "Hello!"

Dear Santa,  
I would like a medium size Motorcycle. And I also would like a Nintendo with games. And bring my brothers motorcycles, too. And for my sisters some dolls and shoes, and two pairs of shoes for me. For my mom a new stove. And for my dad a new truck. And for my little brother bring him a four wheeler. And I would like a woopy cousin, too.

Your friend,  
Abel Lopez

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like some toys. One is a Nintendo U-Force or a game (Cobra Triangle). Another is a new cassette player (and some tapes). One more is a go-cart. Well, I hope you give me these things.

Your best fan,  
Tyson Whittle, 4D

Dear Santa,  
I would like all the money in the world and all the Nintendo games in the world. I would also like all the dogs in the world, I'd also like a nuclear bomb. I would also like all the four-wheelers in the world. P.S. All the puppies in the world too.

Your Friend,  
Tim Simpson

**NOT A CREATURE  
WAS STIRRING....  
Merry Christmas**

Dear Santa,  
I would like a basketball goal. And I would like you to get my mom some new slippers. She wanted some more of them. She liked them alot. I would like you to get my dad some new hammers. He needs some more. And get my sister some glass models of dolls. She collects them.

P.S. I want a puppy too, or a new football.

Your friend,  
Jason Campbell

Dear Santa,  
I would like some boots. I want some tapes. I want some jewelry. I want some stuffed animals, too.

Sincerely,  
Karissa Dysart

Dear Santa,  
This Christmas I would like a bunch of candy. I would also like a Nintendo Power Set. For my brothers you could get them one Nintendo tape called "Teenage Ninja Turtle." I would also like a Pocket Rocker and for my mom you could get her things for the house. I hope I get all these things for Christmas.

Love,  
Tammy Salinas, 4C

Dear Santa Claus,  
Yo Dude! For Christmas I want a Turbo Hopper. Hey Dude! I want a Turbo Train. I also want a new Nintendo game called "Bad Dudes." My brother wants a cowboy gun that shoots caps. How are your reindeer doing? Say "Hi," to Mrs. Claus and Rudolph.

Yours Sincerely,  
Michael Palacios

Dear Santa Claus,  
I would like a pocket rocker, a Baby Bubbles, an Oppsie Daisy, a coat, a Tuba Ruba, a "Lil Miss Makeup," a "Lil Miss Dressup," and twin boy cabbage patch kids. Have a Merry Christmas and please don't run over my granny with a reindeer.

Love Always,  
Crystal Meyers

P.S. I have been very good!

Merry Merry

Christmas!

Christmas is  
a time for  
sharing all  
the time!



By Lyndi  
Probasco LC

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like a musical keyboard and "Lil Miss Dressup." I would also like a Garfield telephone, and a Tuba-Ruba. That is all that I want for Christmas.

Your friend,  
Ashleigh Williams

P.S. Have a Merry Christmas and Let it Snow, Let it Snow, Let it Snow!

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like a telephone. A new T.V. Oh, and please don't run over my grandma with your reindeer.

Sincerely yours,  
Neisha Simpson

P.S. Merry Christmas

Dear Santa,  
This Christmas I would like a big motorcycle with a new helmet and 9.V6 Turbo Hopper and I would also like a Garfield telephone. Santa please don't run over my grandma. Have a happy Christmas, everybody!

Your friend,  
Ubaldo Chavez

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like a water-bed and some British Knights. I would also like a basketball.

Love,  
Stephanie Cooper

Dear Santa,  
This Christmas please bring me a new car and some skateboards for my brothers. I would like a sports car for my dad and a radio for my mom.

Your friend,  
Dane Nichols

Dear Santa,  
I want a new bike, desk table to play office and a "Lil Miss Make Up" and "Lil Miss Dress Up." I want a jambox. I want three dresses for my mom. For my dad I want a new suit. And for my sister and brother-in-law I want baby suits, they're gonna have a baby. My brother has two babies, 1 little one, 1 that's 1 years and 5 months. I want some things for my brother in jail too. One more thing for my nephew and a baby talk.

Yours truly,  
Love

Rosa Marie Guerra, 4C

P.S. I want a baby grows and a pogo stick. And cassettes of Milli Vanilli and New Kids on The Block. I want to have an A Honor Roll for once. I want more snow.

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I want a Barbie doll and her house with her friends and car. I also want Nintendo games and I want a jambox and a cassette. My sister wants a bunk bed and my brother wants ten Micro-machines. My mom wants a table for Christmas. My dad wants a new real car. I also want peace and quiet and I want to have a very nice Christmas. I also want people to get nice presents and have good food to eat and drink. I also want Mrs. Harbin and Mrs. Benjamin to have a Merry, Merry Christmas!

Yours truly,  
Lorrie Ann Fabila

P.S. I hope you have a Merry Christmas Santa Claus!

Dear Santa,  
This Christmas please bring me 20 pieces of candy. I want some Micro-machines and I also want a turbo train. I would like 9.V6 Turbo Hopper and a telephone that you can see through. I want an electric football game and 20 dollars.

Your friend,  
Ryan Fowler

Dear Santa,  
I would like a bike, a Tropical Darbie, Little Miss Dress Up, Dolly Surprise, and an ice cream maker. I also would like a jewelry set, a real puppy, a watch, a lot of snow, a Cabbage Patch Doll, a real pony and the poor and hungry people in the world to have things they need.

Your friend,  
Sherri Williams

Dear Santa,  
I want a Nintendo game for my brother and me for Christmas. My sister wants a doll. My dad wants some tools. Tell Prancer I like him and that I want to see him.

Your friend,  
Alberto Bermea

Dear Santa,  
I would like a Oppsie Daisy doll. My sister wants a Oppsie Daisy, too. My big sister wants a new bike. My brother wants a Nintendo and some cars for his room. My mom wants a new car.

Love,  
Cindy Ann Fonseca

P.S. Merry Christmas Santa!

Hello Santa,  
How are ya? I hope you're doing marvelous. I'm doing great. I just can't wait until Christmas. Oh by the way, that's what I'm here for. From you Santa, I would like a GE One Step A.M.F.M Radio Cassette Player. In my stocking I'd like bunches of goodies. Merry Christmas Santa.

Your pal,  
Tara McCandless

P.S. Please don't run over my grandmother with your rein-deer! Ha! Ha! Ha! I'm just kidding!

Dear Santa,  
This Christmas I would like a lot of presents. I want a video game of tenno bowl for christmas and we would like a Nintendo. Bring Our Nintedo and my football helmet.

Your truly friend,  
Daniel Arellano, 4-B

P.S. How is Rudolph doing?

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like a Nintendo with 10 games. For my sister Alicia, I would like a make-up kit. For my sister Sylvia, I would like a Cabbage Patch Kid. For my parents I would like for you to make them not be sick anymore.

Yours truly,  
Mario Nunez, 4B

P.S. I want Rudolph and Prancer

Dear Santa,  
This Christmas I want a Nintendo and some games for it.

Your pal,  
Matthew Bueno

Dear Santa,  
Would you please bring my mother anything she wants because she's been very good, I promise. I would like a camera and a calculator. My Aunt Jacqueline would like a makeup kit, please.

Yours truly,  
Marty A. Herrera

P.S. Merry Christmas!

**SEASON'S GREETINGS**

May the beauty of Christmas  
grace your heart and home.

We appreciate  
your loyal support.

**Kids Kloset**

**Christmas is...**

A time of joy and gladness. May it hold  
many happy moments for you.

**Heptad Vegetables**

Gary and Hulon Carthel

**Peace & Joy**

As the holiday unfolds in all its mystery  
and beauty, may you experience  
the warmth of the season.

Merry Christmas  
and  
many  
thanks.

**Floydada  
Coop  
Gins  
Inc.**

**His Love Knows  
No Boundary**

His birth is a gift for  
all people the world  
over. From our small  
corner of His kingdom,  
we express our gratitude  
and good wishes.

**Script Printing  
&  
Office Supply**

Bob and Barbara Gilliland  
Keith Marricle

Jeff Smith  
Pam Holmes

**Season's Greetings**

May your holiday be wrapped in joy and friendship.  
We're so happy to say thanks to all our customers and friends.

**Darty Gin**

# Dear Santa, I would like . . .

Dear Santa,  
This Christmas I would like a Musical Keyboard and a Garfield phone. I also want a camera and that is all I would like for Christmas.

Your friend,  
Misti Cochran

P.S. Merry Christmas!

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Claus,  
I know Christmas is not very far away and you and the elfs have alot of trouble to take care of but, I would also like an autograph from the Ghoustbusters. I would also like a porsche or a convertle for Chirstmas. Tell the elfs and rein-deers "Hi," and tell Rudolph to brighten up his nose.

Love,  
Erin

P.S. Merry Christmas

Dear Santa,  
I would like a doll, a toy dog, a tape of "The Land Before Time." I also want a Cabbage patch, my ears pierced, a pound purry and a baby girl. For my brother I would like cars.

Love,  
Sandie Hart

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like a computer and a scooter. For my mom I want her to have a new set of dishes. For my father I would like for him to have a new truck. For my brothers, I would like for them to have a new waterbed. That's all I would like for my family. Bye for now.

Love,  
Tommy Sanchez

Dear Santa,  
I plan to be a missionary when I grow up. Will you please get me a book about missionaries? I would also like a pink bike and a dollhouse. The thing I would like most is a horse. Well, I guess that's all I want.

Your friend,  
Diana Gonzales

## BEST WISHES

Have the greatest Christmas ever!

Thanks for making ours a real treat!

Pizza Gold



Dear Santa,  
I would like a Cabbage Patch, Barbie, and some clothes, a water bed, Nintendo and some nice lovely teachers like Mrs. Lunsford, Mrs. Redden, Mrs. Crump, Mrs. Waller, and Mrs. Harbin. I would also like a little something like Power Wheels, and guns for my brothers. I would also like a little dress for my sister Victoria.

Love,  
Melissa Perez

Dear Santa,  
I would like a Nintendo for christmas. I would like a bike so I don't have to walk from school to home. Thank you.

Your friend,  
Tony Diaz

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing? I am doing fine. I would like a Cabbage Patch and a Doctor Barbie. I would also like some canvas shoes that are light brown and a pair of white canvas shoes. My granny would like a red fox coat.

Your best friend,  
Shannon Ware, 4A

Dear Santa,  
I would like the game Mike Tyson Punch-Out. I also would like the Power Glove to knock Mike Tyson's teeth out. I also would like the movie Land Before Time.

Your friend,  
Nestor Garza

Dear Santa Claus,  
Hi! Do you know what I want for Christmas? I want a new bike and maybe a little game like a race car game. I would like my tooth back, too. I hope you're fine. Oh, yes, I would like some blue jeans and some other kinds of clothes, and I hope my mom gets well. Well, I guess thats all, Bye.

Love,  
Maryjane Gonzales, 4A

Dear Santa,  
I would like a train set also. A bike, and some John Deer equipment.

Sincerely,  
John Doerschuk, 4A

P.S. And also I want a football and a play gun.

Dear Santa,  
Hi! Santa, how are things going? For Christmas I would like a new bike and best of all I would like my cars pierced. For my little brother I would like Nintendo. For my mom I would like a water bed. Byed for now.

Love your friend,  
Jessica Maldonado

Dear Santa,  
I hop you can come to my house. I only get one present because we drew to buy someone a present. I hope you can give me Future Roller Skates and I really need a big old dog. My mom really needs a new oven. I want a new keyboard. I hope you give me these things. See you on Christmas Eve!

Your truly,  
Linda Vargas, 4A

P.S. Let it be a Happy Christmas for everybody and let the New Year come with happiness.

Dear Santa,  
I would like a Super Mario watch and some nintendo games. Be sure to get a good present for you.

Your friend,  
Chad Givens, 4A  
P.S. Have a Merry Christmas

Dear Santa,  
How is Mrs. Claus? Well, I just wanted to know if you know what I want for Christmas? What I want is a jambox and New Style Clothes and, any boy's toys for my little brother. I think that. (I mean that that's what I have to say.) Bye!

Love,  
Eloisa Solis, 4A  
P.S. Be careful that you don't fall off the sleigh! Merry Christmas

Dear Santa,  
I would like some jewelry for Christmas. My brothers would like some Nintendo games. My mother would like some glass ducks and my father would like a new pocket knife. Well, I got to go see you later, Santa.

Love,  
Valerie Taylor, 4A

P.S. Hope you have a Happy Christmas.

Dear Santa,  
I would like a remote control car. And I would like a Nintendo game called Zelda. Also I would like new boots and houseshoes. That will be all I want for Christmas. Thank you.

Love,  
Warren A. Bishop, 4A

P.S. Merry Christmas

Dear Santa,  
I want a computer for Christmas so I can do this...

Mrs. Elf Ran Ron Yonder direction

Chris Has Red Insulated Stockings Tom Made A Sticker

My Insulated Socks Tickle Little Eddie's Toes Or is it Edward?

Some of Tom's Other Cakes Krushed Isrial's Nose Greg Started laughing

Merry Christmas!

Yours truly,  
Bruce McHam, 4A

Merry Christmas



WISHING YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS--This sign stating "The Bingham's Wish You A Merry Christmas" is one way that the Allen Bingham's at 710 W. Missouri, Floydada, express their feelings to passers-by. --Staff photo

Dear Santa,  
I would like a Nintendo tape Punch-out and the Power Glove I also want a new car. I also would like a house by my aunt Carman. I would like the power pad.

Your friend,  
George Guzman, 4A



## Day Care children say Christmas wishes

Dear Santa,  
2 and 3 year olds want:  
Alyssa - make-up, bike  
Jeremy - sleeping bag  
Jeni - black and white dress for Barbie

Kim - red bike  
J.R. - bunny rabbit  
Tabby - candy and toys  
D.J. - sleeping bag  
Callie - baby doll  
Kristan - baby doll  
Chris - bike, helmet  
Joe - teddy bear  
Jay - fire truck  
Laney - candies and toys

Dear Santa,  
The baby room, 6 months to 2 years, want:  
T.J. Collins - truck  
Brock Smith - tractor  
Britnee Brotherton - a monkey  
Trent Overstreet - police car  
Tana Lloyd - baby doll  
Traci Carr - little tike tree house  
Christopher Hayter - bear  
Jarrett Kirk - little tike car  
Tell Fuller - truck  
Trey Helms - tractor

Dear Santa,  
4 and 5 year olds want:  
Brittany - doll carriage and Barbie  
Tasha - Barbie and Ken  
Kayla - cricket doll and a closet for

Barbie  
Chelsea - Lil Miss Make-up and Christina Blessing doll  
Ragan - Barbie pool and a Barbie house  
Tana - Barbie car  
Chase - big train  
Ross - big fire truck  
Sam - Strada

Brady - big truck  
Cody - Cliff hanger  
Casey - Ghostbusters  
Tyler - big fire truck  
Kellen - big race car  
Corey - race car set  
Brooke, Jacob, Dustin, Laura, and Hunter weren't here today. Please bring them something.

**JOY TO THE WORLD**  
...and to our many friends!

With all the tools at hand, may your holiday season be built upon love, laughter, peace and good will. We're proud to say thank you to all who've been there for us throughout the year.

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Builders Mart

**NOEL**

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Mitch Probasco Jimmy Cervantes

*May Your Table Be Blessed*

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**Shop Rite**

*Merry Christmas to All...*

We appreciate the good will and trust of our loyal patrons. Have a happy holiday.

**Don Hardy**  
Fuel Efficient Engine Service

# Students tell 'What Christmas Means To Me'



Dear Santa,

Dear Santa, I live in Hewitt, Texas, but on Christmas Eve this year my family and I will be at Grandad and Grandmother Hambright's house. You remember where that house is because you came to see my mother, Uncle Craig and Uncle Grant when they were little children. I will be fast asleep in my grandparent's bedroom when you come to bring me some toys, clothes, and a high chair. Please remember all the other boys and girls too!

Love,  
Cam Chambers

Dear Santa, Except for eating all the candy canes (plastic wrapper and all.) off the Christmas tree, I've been pretty good this year. I'm wishing for a tricycle and a Fisher Price farm set.

I hope you and Mrs. Claus have a Merry Christmas!

Love,  
Lindsey Leatherman

Dear Santa, I have been very good this year and this is what I want. A bike black and red or just black, Mario Brothers 2, A bow and arrow, a bb gun, a cross fire game, a guitar, a watch, a pellet gun, a major league baseball, a walkman, Karate King/watch out for tricks.

Love,  
Dusty Anderson

**Christmas**  
By Elisavet Navarrete, 6-A  
Christmas is a time of having fun and to give out lots of presents to many different people. Also is a time to remember the day Jesus was born. Also it's a time to be with many people and a time to relax and sleep a long time. That's what I think about Christmas.

**Christmas**  
By Becky Luna, 6-A  
Christmas is the time to be together. It's the time when we get presents and be with your whole family. I thank God for giving us this wonderful holiday. We are going to visit our grandma, two aunts, five cousins and one uncle. This is going to be the best Christmas of all. Christmas is the best and favorite holiday of all.

**Christmas**  
By Amber Womack, 6-A  
Christ was born today holiday that is very merry roaring with family laughter i love this holiday star of Bethlehem the barn merry time of year a fun time of year santa claus

**Christmas**  
By Heather Arney, 5-C  
C is for Christ is born.  
H is for Holidays.  
R is for rich chocolate  
I is for icy.  
S is for Santa.  
T is for toys.  
M is for mittens.  
A is for apple pie.  
S is for snow.



**Christmas**  
By David Watson, 6-B  
Caring  
Happiness  
Important  
Sharing  
Togetherness  
Marvelous  
Appreciating  
Special

Super  
Awaking  
Noel  
Trumendous  
And fun

Golden  
In a manger  
Fabulous  
Terrific  
Swell

**Santas Qualities**  
By Kacie Lackey, 6-A  
Santa is very heavy in weight, Only Mrs. Clause would except his dates.  
Happy, cheerful, jolly and merry Always a pound on his hairy belly. Exceptionally wide around his waste. His blubber is thicker than a suitcase. As his nose cherry and bright Oh what a grand delight  
If Santa didn't have all of these qualities Christmas wouldn't be such a jollition.

**Christmas**  
By Mary Ellen Hernandez, 6-A  
Christ  
happy  
raindeer  
icicles  
santa claus  
trees  
martha claus  
angels  
stockings

**Christmas**  
By Melissa Fowler, 6-B  
Christmas is a time to be with family The houses have lights that shine bright  
I see them on Christmas eve night  
At night I go and rattle my gift since my parents won't give no hints.

**Christmas**  
By Martin Romero, 6-B  
Christmas is the time of giving, But not really receiving. It is the season for joy, laughter, and being glad we are alive.

**Christmas**  
By Joe Ysosoga, 6-A  
Christmas is a time to celebrate and open Christmas preent and it is a time for parent and children to jump up and down and went you open present yours should jump up and down.

**Christmas**  
By Demencio Lopez, 6-A  
Christmas is mostly everybody's favorite holiday of the year because you get to have something you want to. And open presents. It is also a holiday to have fun with the family.

**Christmas**  
By Stacey Lloyd, 5-C  
C is for christ, who was born this day,  
H is for hay, on top of which he lay,  
R is for rich which the wise men where,  
I is for infant, which they came to see,  
S is for saivor, which he will be,  
F is for trouble which hared means,  
M is for Mary who gave birth to him  
A is for apostles which he will gather  
S is for special which all of this is.

**Christmas**  
By Erika Muniz, 6-D  
Christmas is a time, to listen for the chimes, ding dong, ding the clock is striking twelve, Ho, Ho, Ho, jingling, ling, I hear Santa Claus coming.

**Christmas**  
By Michael Molinar, 6-D  
Cranberry  
ham  
rice  
ice  
soda  
turkey  
maple syrup  
apple  
stuffing

**Christmas**  
By Michael Mercado, 6-A  
Christmas is a day all share the joy and love. We do this in memory of Jesus Christ. On that day the three kings brought presents to him as he lay in his manger with his mother Mary and father Joseph at his side. Its just not the joy and love, its the birthday of one man who taught us joy and love. So when you're opening presents remember whose birthday it really is.

**Christmas**  
By Tale'a Owens  
A time for joy and happiness...  
A time for LOVE!

**Christmas**  
By Lacy Golightly, 6-B  
Christmas time  
Ham for supper  
Ringing bells  
Inviting family  
Stockings filled  
Tis the season  
Misoctoes hanging  
Angels flying  
Singing carols

**The Christmas Flight**  
By Kacie Lackey, 6-A  
I have a teacher who is in my home-room  
Whenever she gets up you can hear her motor go "Zoom, Zoom"  
Popping thoses reindeer one, two, and three, Just Dasher, Dancer, Prancer and Me  
She rings her sleighbells and pops them again  
Come Vixion and to to the end  
Up on the roof top you can hear her say  
Know children what is this day?  
She's part Santa and part teacher  
But then again she once was a preacher  
She goes to shcool and teaches awhile  
And then she changes to her suit.  
"Merry Christmas" as she puts on her boots.

**Christmas**  
By Rance Barnett, 6-A  
Christ  
Holyspirit  
Relatives  
Ice icicle  
Santa  
Toys  
Meriment  
Adorn  
Sharing

**A Nice Christmas Year**  
By Sonia Vela, 6-A  
Christmas is a day where people could open what they get from there friends or relatives. It's also a day where you could fill your Christmas tree with presents. I like it becuz we get to get out of school early and get ready to see the beautiful white snow.

**Christmas**  
By K.C. Robertson, 6-C  
Christmas is my favorite time of year. To me it is present opening time. I love Christmas and enjoy having fun and visiting with my family.

**Christmas**  
By Melisa Garcia, 6-C  
Christmas time. Christmas eve. Christmas is today.

**Christmas**  
By Zack Abshier, 6-C  
Christmas is the best, better than all the rest, families together, no matter the weather.

**Snow Flake**  
By Candi Guffee  
When I see a snow flake, I feel like baking a fruit cake. Not knowing what it will taste like, But, I just want to bake.

**Christmas**  
By Lynn Esquivel, 6-D  
I look to it by the fireplace think and maybe look outside and see flakes fallen out of the heavenly sky. Keep out of worry. Wait for the relatives and anybody that is kind to me. Here music that really gets me in the Christmas spirit. Wait till New Years Eve to come. But before that the exciting part comes is to open Christmas presents. But before that we forgot the most important part of Christmas is to celebrate Jesus day of Birth.

**Christmas**  
By Joe Sanchez, 6-D  
Christ  
has  
risen  
invincible  
saving  
teaching  
mankind  
as  
savior

**Christmas**  
By Tim Rando, 6-D  
It is so beautiful. I can see heart-warming colors. Everybodys joyfully singing the songs of happy times. Everybodys shopping getting their loved ones presents. Yes, this is my favorite time of the year.

**Fa-la-la-la-la...  
..la-la-la-la!**

**Christmas**  
By Gaby Cervera, 6-A  
Carols  
Hangs  
Ring  
In  
Snow  
The  
Morning  
After  
Santa

**Christmas**  
By Kelly Pierson, 6-A  
Christmas is a time of year, A time for love and a time for cheer!! A time being bless and opening all your precrious gifts!!

**Christmas**  
By Richard Powell, 6-A  
Caring  
Hospitality  
Radish  
Ice cream  
Sharing  
Tradition  
Merry  
Annual  
Singing

**Christmas**  
By Raul Ramirez, 6-C  
On Christmas day I am curious to see what I get. When I open it I might be surprised. Christmas is my favorite time of year. Because I do not have any fear. My two brothers Roger and Josh are fill with Christmas spirit. They also are curious to see what they got. My brother Josh wants a Mickymouse game. Roger wants a nintendo. They both want Santa Claus to give them their presents.  
Christmas is nice  
Hearing Christmas songs  
Ready to open presents  
It will  
Soon be  
Time in the  
Morning  
And  
Soon open presents

**Christmas**  
By Jodie Villarreal  
Christ  
Holly  
Ringing Bells  
Inspiration  
Tidings  
Misdetoe  
Angel  
Singing Carols



**Glory to the Newborn King**

Rejoice in the splendor of this happy, holy time. Our special thanks to all.

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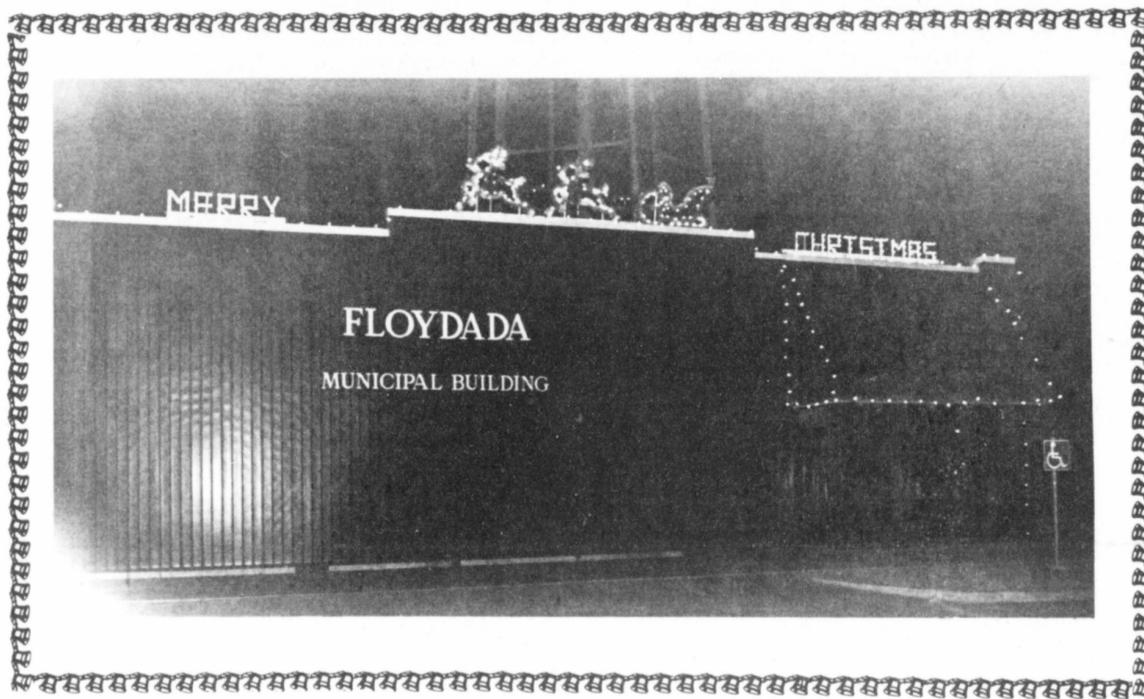
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**West Texas Industries**

# Merry Christmas

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To our friends who will be traveling during the holidays, buckle up and have a safe trip.  
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