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Some of our favorite Santa letters

Lots More Inside



Thanks to you and your wife and your elves that there are presents. Because without you then every one would be board. I think christmas is the best holiday. I don't know about anyone else. I think christmas is the best holiday because it's Jesus Christ birthday. And some other people think hallooween is the best. Just because you dress up. well anyway, I want to tell you what I want for christmas. i want a cd and a teletubbie and a radio for christmas. Margarita Valles Lockney, 4th grade

How do you make your toys. I never new there was a santa clas until my Mom told me. you are so nice santa. how ar your rundere? how can you fly? I love christmas time. So how are you santa? I am fine. how did you biuld your workshop? I never saw your work shop befor and if I'd seen it I'd think it is pretty. I'd never seen elves. For Christmas I want a CD and a T.V. with vcr, and some Roller Blades too. and a computer. Leslye Vasquez

Floydada, 2nd grade

Dear Santa,

I have ben good. I had did everey thing my mom told me. I have ben good at school I have had alot of 100ed's.

I'm very goooooooood an i mind....Santa, why are you so fat? How is Roudof? why do yo live in northpole? how are you? I whant wwf the muisick voum 4. An the lost world the mouve. Scooby and the witch's gost sound trak.

> Dylan Thomas Floydada, 1st grade

Please bring me a doll, head band and pencil box. Don't forget my teacher and father and mother and brother and sisters. Bring all the other boys and girls

fruits and nuts. With love, Naomi Huckabee Letter from the later 30's DearSata,

My Frind is Beter than I am can You mak me be be beter will make Me be BeterIwant to be beter. Gril than i am.

Meshale Davis Floydada, 1st grade Dear Santa,

I weighe good. I wot a doll cus my sister wot let me play weth her. I wat a bike cus my sis don't let me do hers. I wat a barbie and a lushbax cus my brother has

> Cassandra Rodriguez Floydada, 1st grade

Dear Santa,

Are the toys ready? These are the things Iwould like. I would like a realy motorcycle and a T.V. and a B.B. gun and a shot gun. And for sure a DRUM SET! Last but not least a remote control car? I realy want that motorcycle and a DRUM SET and the two guns!

Jordan Cornelius Floydada, 2nd grade Dear Santa,

I like how people make nick names about you like your cherry nose and your beard of snow. I will give you a present, I have kept it for more than a year now. It is special. Now lets talk about gifts! I want a nintendo 64 with a pokomen snap game and a game boy and this that this that this that. NOT! trick guestion.

> Cutter Johnson Floydada, 2nd grade

Christmas Hours

The newspaper offices will be open 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon, Thursday, December 23rd, closed all day Friday, Dec. 24th, and closed Monday, December 27th.

The Courthouse will be closed all day Friday and Monday. They will also be closed Friday, December 31st.

Floydada City Hall will be closed December 24th. Lockney City Hall will be closed all

The Post Office will close at noon, Friday, December 24th. They will reopen Dec. 27th.

day Thursday, December 23rd, and all day Friday, December 24th.

Drivers needed for Christmas meal

Last minute preparations are under- Fred Thayer if they plan on deliver- ties.' way for the charitable community wide Christmas dinner.

According to Sudie Cochran, one of the organizers for the event, "We have all of our turkeys now, and we'll start cooking them soon."

Cochran says she has volunteers lined up for cooking, but as always will need lots of delivery people on Christmas morning.

"I would like people to call me or

ing food for us," said Cochran.

'We need someone with a suburban or a pickup to help get our deliveries to Amarillo. The driver will be met at Happy and then taken on to the Ronald McDonald House in Amarillo.

"We already have a driver to the Lubbock Ronald McDonald House. We will also need lots of other drivers to deliver to shut-ins in Floydada, Lockney, and surrounding communi-

Volunteers should be at the First United Methodist Church in Floydada by 10:30 a.m. Christmas Day.

Donations to help offset the cost of food can be made to the West Texas Bank in Floydada.

If you know of someone who might benefit from the meal please call Sudie Cochran, 983-3814; or Fred Thayer, 983-3121.



LIVE NATIVITY AT THE FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH IN LOCKNEY

ambert selected to All-State



LOCKNEY WITHOUT CABLE TEMPORARILY-- the large permanent tower and antenna leaving Classic Cable personnel put up temporary TV antenna Lockney residents without local TV stations for three on the old water tower in Lockney, Thursday, Decem- days. Workmen could not state how long it would take ber 16th. Tuesday, December 14th the wind blew down to replace the permanent tower and antenna.

The local livestock shows in Floydada and Lockney will both be held on Saturday, January 8. The Floydada Livestock Show will open with a short clinic, followed by the Show, and ending with a Pee Wee Show.



JORDAN LAMBERT

Jordan Lambert, quarterback and punter for the Lockney Longhorn Football Team has been named as 2nd

Sports Editor Class 2A All State Foot- Team Offense-quarterback, 1st Team ball Team.

The Associated Press Sports Editors team was chosen by sportswriters from around the state based on the players' regular season.

As punter Lambert punted 37 times for a 35.8 yard average.

As quarterback Lambert rushed 121 times for 529 yards. He scored 8 touchdowns. He completed 53 passes out of 106 for an average of 924 yards and 11 touchdowns.

Lambert was also named the 1999 All-District 7 2A Most Valuable extremely proud of Jordan and all that punter on the 1999 Associated Press Player. He was also selected to the 1st he has accomplished."

Defense-Unanimous Selection-Secondary and Punter. He has also been named to the 1999 Avalanche Journal All-South Plains-1st Team Offensequarterback and 1st Team Defense-

According to Coach Terry, Jordan did a great job punting the football all year."It was nice to know that he could get us out of bad field position," said Coach Terry. "He has a very strong leg and worked very hard each day to improve on his punting skills. He is such a well rounded player and I am

approves drug testing policy

Student and staff testing may begin in February

At the regular L.I.S.D. School testing. After that a minimum of 10% Board meeting Thursday December of the student body will be randomly 16, Jim Bob Martin made a motion to tested. adopt the new drug testing policy. Mike Mathis seconded the motion and

ing Program.

The program will begin sometime 27, 2000. Everyone from 6th grade up quired as a condition for grades six

In subsequent years all incoming sixth graders will take a mandatory all members voted unanimously to drug test. Other students grade six through twelve, will be involved in The Board chose Caprock Medical random testing. Students entering the Associates to administer to Drug Test- district after the first day will be given the test at the next random testing date.

Parental consent for these students after a public meeting set for January to submit to biological testing is rewill be tested during the first round of through twelve, to be in good stand-

ing and be able to participate in activities. Any refusal by the student and/or parent, to sign the consent will be treated as a positive test.

Results of the test will be known only to the parents/guardians of the student in question and to the administrator(s) involved.

Consequences are cumulative for a period of one calender year from the date of a positive test. After one calender year, if no other positive test have occurred, the student will begin

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Usually we put our corrections in spot we put the original story.

This week however, I wanted to was in Heaven. make our correction in this column-of our reporters).

Darwin attended the FISD meeting last week and wrote about the auditor's

No offense--but usually auditor reports are pretty boring. I guess we just wanted to spice it up a bit--and see if ya'll were paying attention.

The auditor outlined seven areas that he wanted the school board to watch closely.

Our reporter listed each one and tried to explain them briefly.

Darwin misunderstood his tape recording and listed item #7 as: "Sex Sensatory Education".

The school superintendent, Jimmie Collins, couldn't let that one go by. He called to let me know it was supposed to read: "State Compensatory Education."

Usually I'm pretty apologetic about mistakes, but I couldn't quit laughing long enough to act like I was sorry.

I think Collins really wanted it corrected because of the auditor's explanation that followed our "Sex Sensatory Education."

He said, "You are required to do this and this year in particular. Last year you were not in compliance and the rules were not enforced, but this year it could cause you to lose state mon-

For those of you who don't know, Darwin Robinson (our reporter) is a Baptist preacher. He is the pastor of Bible Baptist Church--which is one of the reason this was all even funnier to

I'm glad I never make mistakes *****

I've been working the past several weeks at going through all of our newspapers throughout the year.

I've been getting ready for the next week's paper in which we outline our coverage of 1999's events.

Unfortunately as I browse through the papers I'm reminded of some tragic times that many in Floyd County have had to endure during the

Many people lost loved ones and will be facing their first Christmas without them this year.

I am blessed that I have not had to face the loss of a parent, child, or spouse. I can't imagine the pain.

my husband Bill and I were returning

home from Lubbock after dark. As we

descended into the Canyon I looked

to the east, I saw the big white cross

standing on the hill lit up in glorious

splendor. I immediately felt a stirring

in my heart as I was reminded of the

cross and what it represents in my life.

This vision lifted my low spirits, and

I exclaimed to Bill -- look! look! the

heart and life blessed to pass through

As I gazed on the cross I felt my

I wondered how many travelers

have driven this road at night and marvelled as I did at this witness sit-

ting on a hill. What a wonderful testimony for a community to share with

strangers passing through. It might lift a burden of sadness, it might dispel

feelings of despair, it might bring hope

Certainly I felt a comforting in my soul, knowing that surely I was in a

place where people love the lord, where they love each other and that

someone would care enough to build this beautiful cross through great ef-

fort and expense to testify to the world

It seems a shame that it must stand

not having an electrical line to it. It is

lit with a generator at special times by Louis Pyle who built the cross. He buys the gasoline for the generator and goes in the early evening to start it and

been started to light the cross and the

ministerial alliance is accepting dona-

miss this opportunity as a community

all who pass through its glow might

late at night to turn it off.

tions or memorials.

to someone without hope.

of a saviors love.

cross is lit up!

this place at this time.

One evening this Christmas season be blessed.

I personally don't know how anylittle boxes in approximately the same one could get through that type of grief without the assurance their loved one

Marie Brown, who lost her own son mainly because I laughed so hard--and in a tragic car accident, brought a it embarrassed Darwin Robinson (one poem in to me that touched her heart. I hope it might help others in some

My First Christmas In Heaven

I see countless Christmas trees, Around the world below, With tiny lights, like Heaven's Reflecting on the snow.

The sight is so spectacular, Please wipe away the tear, For I am spending Christmas,

With Jesus Christ this year. I hear the many Christmas songs, That people hold so dear, But the sounds of music can't

compare, With the Christmas choir up here.

I have no words to tell you, The joy their voices bring, For it is beyond description, To hear the angels sing.

I know how much you miss me, I see the pain inside your heart, But I'm not far away, We really aren't apart.

So be happy for me, dear ones, You know I hold you dear, And be glad I'm spending Christmas, With Jesus Christ this year.

I send you each a special gift, From my heavenly home above, I send you each a memory, Of my undying love

After all, love is a gift, More precious than pure gold, It was always most important, In the stories Jesus told.

Please love and keep each other, As my Heavenly Father said to

For I can't count the blessing or

He has for each of you.

So have a Merry Christmas, And wipe away that tear, Remember, I am spending Christmas, With Jesus Christ this year!!!

Would you give to light the cross?

Money or memorials may be sent

to the ministerial alliance designated

to light the cross fund. Memorial cards

will be mailed out to families ac-

Thank you editor for letting me

Thank you Louis and Virginia Pyle

share the blessing of this cross to my

knowledging the gifts.

for this cross.

Letters To The Editor

Courtroom Activities

Assault and was sentenced to 10 days Country, of Lockney;

In District Court, December 21: dada, pled guilty to 2 counts of Forg- Beck, of Kingsland; ery--both occurring Oct. 13, 1999. She Rosalio John Cabello, of Floydada;

Floydada also pled guilty to 2 counts Cochran, of Floydada; Sandra of Forgery. She was sentenced in each Coleman, of Floydada; Juanita & case to 2 years in the State Jail which Daniel Coronado, of Floydada; was probated for 5 years.

pled guilty to Burglary of a Habita- Craig & Gail Dubois, of Lockney; tion which occurred on September 6, 1999. He was sentenced to 8 years Edwards, of Bellaire; Becky Emert, probation, a \$1,000 fine, and court of Lubbock; Cruz Enriquez, of

pled guilty to Burglary of a Habita- of Floydada; John & Anna Gerrera, tion which occurred on September 6, of Floydada; Chris Gonzales, of deferred adjudication, a \$1,000 fine, Lockney; court costs, restitution, and attorney's

Tax Suits were filed in J.P. Court, December 14, 1999, against: Jose & Edwardo Alvarado, of South

Plains; John Arnold, of Floydada; Ricky and Lisa Moreno Ascencio, of They were tax judgements.

In County Court, December 16, Lockney; Vicente Avila Jr., of Floy-1999, David Castillo, pled guilty to dada; Connie Barnett DBA Shear

Mary Lou Barrientos, of Lockney; George R. Basaldua, of Lockney; Rachel DeLaFuente, 23, of Floy- Lupe Basaldua, of Lockney; Tommie

was sentenced in each case to 2 years Denise Calahan, of Floydada; Dana S. in State Jail which was probated for 5 & Barbara Chatman, of Floydada; years. The sentences will be served Rebecca Chavez, of Floydada; Waldo concurrently. She was also fined C. Chavez, of Kress; Cecil Ray Clark, of Lockney;

Mary Jane DeLaFuente, 25, of Elsie B. Clark, of Lockney; Sudy Ramiro Delafuente, of O'Donnell; Hector Palacios, 17, of Floydada, Jessie & Maria Delgado, of Floydada;

Margarita Duenas, of Tyler; Chad Waxahachie; Jimmy & Yolanda Manuel Ochoa Jr., 17, of Floydada, Garcia, of Floydada; Plutarco Garcia, 1999. He was sentenced to 6 years Lockney; Mary Ann Gonzales, of

> Augustine Gonzalez. of Floydada: Correction: In last week's Courtroom Activities we incorrectly stated that tax suits had been filed in J.P.

> Court against several individuals. In fact, these were not tax suits.

December 15, just before 8:00 a.m.,

police were called to the Lockney

Meat Company in reference to a bur-

Someone had broken the window

on the east side of the building and

entered the building. Several items

were taken from the business. The

burglary is under investigation and

police ask anyone with information to

December 16, police received two

reports of theft from a business in the

100 block of E. College. The investi-

Also on Dec. 16, warrants were is-

sued and served on Terry Rhea Mar-

tin, 20, of Lockney, on four counts of

Forgery by Passing. These offenses

were reported to Lockney Police on

Lockney Police Report

call police.

gation continues.

November 30, 1999

December 7, Lockney police were contacted about two children that had been left alone in the 600 block of S.W. 3rd Street.

The Children Protective Services (CPS) was contacted and came to the location, taking temporary custody of the children. Information on the person that left the children alone was forwarded to the District Attorney's office for possible criminal prosecu-

December 12, police received information on the person responsible for the auto theft on Nov. 6, 1999, in the 1100 block of U.S. 70. The information has been turned over to the District Attorney for criminal prosecu-

December 13, police interviewed two suspects in the Lee's Family Video Store Burglary that occurred on October 11, 1999. Police were able to recover some of the items taken. Dec. 16, warrants were issued for the two suspects: Kevin Paul Aufill, 18, of Floydada; and Nicholas Castro, 18, of Lockney. Both were arrested and taken to the Floyd County jail and charged with Burglary of a Building.

December 14, police were contacted by Children's Protective Services to assist in an Injury to a Child investigation, in the 500 block of S.W. 7th Street. Information will be presented to the District Attorney's office for possible criminal prosecution.

The Big City Is A Nice Place To Shop, but shopping at home is nicer.

> SHAKLEE 983-5246

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JOHNSTON

Daniel and Jessica Johnston announce the birth of their son, Jeremiah Jose Johnston. He was born December 6, 1999 at 12:56 p.m. at Covenant Health Care in Plainview.

Jeremiah weighed 7 pounds 10 ounces and was 19 3/4 inches long.

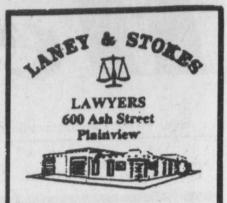
Grandparents are Jesus and Aurora Johnston and Anita Garcia all of Floydada. Great-grandparents are Santos Amador of Lockney and margarita Trevinio of Floydada.

NORRIS

Zachary announces the birth of his baby sister Haley Faith. Haley was born December 6, 1999 at 7:53 a.m. at Covenant Hospital in Lubbock. She weighed 6 pounds 15 ounces and was 18 1/2 inches long.

Her parents are Scott and Amber Norris of Abernathy

Grandparents are Lance and Melissa Poole of Dougherty and Larry and Freda Norris of Abernathy. Greatgrandparents are Kenneth and Bettye of Dougherty, Glen and Betty Barb of Midland, Josie Hood of Abernathy and Johnnie Marie Norris of Lubbock.



DEAR POSTAL CUSTOMERS,

The Floydada Post Office will be closng at noon December 24th. so that our employees can share Christmas with their families. Every effort will be made to deliver parcels and letter mail that day. There will be no delivery of mail on De-

cember 25th. We will reopen on December 27th. vith normal business hours.

The Floydada Post Office family vants to thank our customers and wish each a MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW YEAR.

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cember 9th at Lighhouse Electric Cooperative. Those recognized were: (backrow, l-r) Anne Carthel, Rita Green, Connie Johnson, Dorthy Hooten, Josie

FCS RECOGNITION LUNCHEON-The Family and Martinez, Dalia Ruiz; (front row, l-r) Melissa Long, Consumer Science Recognition lucheon was held De- Penny Golightly, Judy Griggs, Josephine Rendon, the following club members to serve Jesusa Rodriquez, Elsa Rodriquez, Hermina Padilla on the nominating committee to se-

FCS Committee hosts Recognition Luncheon ter, ren

By Melissa Long

The Family and Consumer Science Recognition luncheon was held Thursday, December 9th, at Lighthouse Electric Cooperative.

The Floyd County FCS Committee served as host for the event. Participants from all FCS programming efforts were recognized. Those programs included the Family and Community Education Clubs, Better Living for Texans Nutrition Education, FCS Study Groups in Lockney and

Floydada, TDHS Welfare to Work par-

ticipants and Walk Across Texas. Reports from each group were given citing program results and plans for the coming year were discussed.

The Family and Consumer Science Committee is a program area commitin helping direct home economics programming for the residents of Floyd County. The FCS committee is one of four area committees represented on the Extension Program Council.

For more information on how you the loss of a sister Hazel Shugart.

can become involved in Extension Programming in Floyd County, contact the Floyd County Extension Office at 983-4912 or come by the courthouse Ag Building at 110 S. Wall.

All Extension programs are availtee which is an advisory group to aid able to people of all ages regardless She has had surgery and I understand she is now in rehab.

Herman Graham has had surgery Burt Lee Emert is in the hospital Our sympathy to Sally Gallaway on

Floydada Senior Citizen News

By Margarette Word

Senior Adults from the First Baptist Church went Thursday evening urday to attend her granddaughter December 16th in two vans, to Amarillo to attend "The Light of the World is Jesus" which was the 20th year presentation of The Living Christmas Tree. Afterwards we went to see the and James Lovell over this past weekhomes which were decorated for end. Christmas, in the Bishop Hills area. Guy Garrison's nephew Melvin who visited the temple square on Sat-There were 23 of us who enjoyed a Garrison from Amarillo was here vis-



My how time does fly. 40 already! Love you,

wonderful evening.

Jo Davis went to Lubbock last Sat-Lindsey Wing's graduation from

Lindsey Lovell and his wife Liliana of Ft. Stockton visited his parents Sue

ting over this past weekend.

Darlene Hollis of Marquey, Texas spent several days with her father Tom Emert and his wife Edwina.

Jay and Sheila Hollums of Pennsyvania were here this past weekend visiting his parents Randy and Teresa Hollums and his grandmother Edwina Hollums and her husband

Harryette Purvis of Cisco and her daughter Christy and her husband Kevin Stone of Richmond and Kevin's mother were all here this past weekend visiting Harryette's mother Edwina Hollums and her husband

The Hollis, Emert, Hollums, Purvis and Stone families were all here this past weekend to have their family get together for Christmas.

Myra Spears, Bill King both of Matador and Karol de Vries of Austin who are relatives of Irene King ate

lunch at the center Monday, Decem-

Sue Lovell has just returned from a 10 day trip to Salt Lake City, Utah at the Family History Library. She also enjoyed the Temple grounds of the L.D.S. because they were so magnificently decorated for the Christmas season. There were 45,000 people

Polly Cardinal fell and broke a hip.

Thought For The Week

Saturday, December 25th is Christmas Day. All of us from the center wish for you a wonderful, happy and merry Christmas with your family and friends and always remember that the reason for the season is Jesus. MENU

December 27-31

Monday-Closed

Tuesday-Chicken Enchiladas, pinto beans, stewed tomatoes and okra, crackers, fruit salad.

Wednesday-BBO Beef, baked potato, broccoli and cheese, hot roll, pears, cookies.

Thursday-Meat Loaf, gravy, rice, chinese vegetables, wheat roll, gingerbread with topping.

Friday-Braised Steak with onions, scallop potatoes, spinach, cornbread,

1934 Study Club

By Margarette Word The 1934 Study Club met Tuesday,

December 14th in the home of Wanda Turner with Effie Foster and Betsy Dempsey as Co-hostess.

Sandwiches and all the trimmings were served to start the Christmas party. Each member gave money instead of exchanging gifts that were donated to the "Relay For Life" Cancer fund that will be held in June 2000.

President Nell McClung called the meeting to order. "Silent Night" was sung after which Recording Secretary Marie Warren called the roll with members answering with "my Christ-

During the business meeting Mrs McClung read a letter from the Girl Scout Council thanking us for sup- Harlingen. porting the Distinguishing Women of Girl Scouting Banquet held December 2nd in Lubbock.

President McClung also appointed lect new officers for the 2000-2001 Courtesy Photo club year. Those to serve on this committee are Wanda Turner, Effie Foster, Lorene Newberry and Marie War-

> Frieda Simpson, a club member gave a program from the book "An Unexpected Christmas or Johnny Cornflakes" by Denise George.

Club members attending were Betsy Dempsey, Effie Foster, Wilma Gowens, Emagene Haenisch, Nell McClung, Flora McNeill, Lorene Newberry, Frieda Simpson, Wanda Turner, Marie Warren and Margarette

Our next meeting will be "Guest" night, Tuesday January 18, 2000 at 6:00 p.m. at Wall Street Parlor, First Baptist Church with Emagene Haenisch, Flora McNeill, Frieda Simpson, Nell McClung and Margarette Word. The Jubilee singers will

CELEBRATION OF 87 YEARS-R.G. Dunlap of Santa Fe House in Plainview celebrated his 87th birthday recently. He is a lifelong resident of Floyd County. He is shown with his son and wife, John and Judy Dunlap of Floydada and his daughter, Becky, and her husband Paul Margolies of **Courtesy Photo**

Lockney Senior Citizen News

By Gladys Ragle

We got up Monday morning to frigid weather - dry but cold and the white Christmas in this area.

If you have not been out at night make man a more clever devil. and driven around town you are missing all the beautiful Christmas decorations around many of the homes in town. It seems to get prettier every

Ruby Hartman had been having back problems, but she went last Friday to Lubbock for a shot to relieve vegetable, salad, dessert. it, so she is doing better.

We wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and hope it is a safe and

"Weekly Words of Wisdom"

Observation, more than books, experience rather than persons, are the prediction is that we will not have a prime educators. Education without values, as useful as it is, seems to

December 27-31 Monday-Chicken strips, vegetable, salad, dessert.

Tuesday-Ham, vegetable, salad,

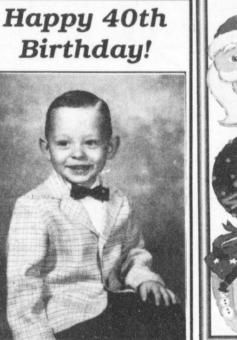
dessert. Wednesday-Chicken Fried steak,

Thursday-Beef Tips, rice, veg-

etable, salad, dessert. Friday-Hamburger steaks, veg-

etable, salad, dessert.





Holiday Hours

Friday December 24th, 8:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Saturday December 25th Closed

Friday December 31st 8:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Saturday January 1st Closed

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Lockney faculty and staff 1999 A-J All-South Plains announced express appreciation

We at Lockney High School would like to thank all the different speakers that informed our students on their Prep/School to Work for the grant various occupations that are in the money that was received for these caworld of work. We also want to thank reer experiences. This money was used the volunteers that helped with the to help give stipends to the speakers, days events. The students and teach- a luncheon, and other various supplies ers benefited greatly from these pre- needed for the day.

Also we want to thank the Tech

Noland graduates with honors

Aaron Noland graduated from Among American Universities and McMurry University in Abilene on Colleges." Aaron is employed with December 11 with a degree of Bach- Lockney Independent School District elor of Music Education. Baccalaure- as Assistant Band Director. ate was held Friday, December 10 at Aldersgate Methodist Church. At this dada were parents, Larry and Gail service Aaron was one of three gradu- Noland, sister Jennifer Noland and ates recognized for "Who's Who grandmother, Ernestine Gilly.

Attending graduation from Floy-

Assister signs football intent with TT

Bandy Assiter, the 19 year old After graduating, Assiter headed to grandson of Tommy and Joy Assiter, Northeastern Oklahoma A&M has signed on to play football at Texas (NEO), in Miami, Oklahoma. Tech next year.

former Eagle linebacker was named assists. to the 1997 All State Football Team.

tury Team as linebacker.

At NEO he became the second lead-A 1997 graduate of Morris High ing tackler and also set the All Time School, in Morris, Oklahoma, the NEO Tackle Assists Record with 17

Graduating NEO this year, Bandy's He was also named to the All Cenfuture is now with Texas Tech Foot-

Floydada Pack and Boy Scouts collects food

Floydada Pack and Boy Scout Chappell, Barbara Gilliland, Tracy Troop 357 conducted their annual Webb, Harvey Garza, Derrick Griggs, food drive Saturday, December 11, Bobby Gilliland, Harvey Garza, and collected 2,300 lbs. of food.

of Sharing in Floydada.

the drive were: Jerry and Darla McGaugh.

Eladio Saldana, Daniel Saldana, Brian The items were donated to the Spirit Odom, Jay McGaugh, Joe DeLaFuente, Ricky Suarez, Robert Parents and Scouts participating in Webb, Randy Webb, and Jimmy

South Plains College offer evening classes

South Plains College will offer three evening college courses this spring at Floydada High School.

and high school seniors applying for hours. early admission to SPC through their high school principal.

bra (MATH 1314-70), meeting 6-9 ficial transcript from high school or p.m. Mondays; American Govern- last college attended and proof of ment, Functions (GOVT 2303-70), Texas residency (a valid Texas driver's meeting 6-9 p.m. Tuesdays; and His- license is usually sufficient). Persons tory of the United States to 1876 who do not have three semester hours (HIST 1301-70), meeting 6-9 p.m. of college credit prior to September ment and history classes are Don Skills Program (TASP) test prior to Jacobsen and Blake Dunnavent.

Registration is underway at the Floydada Chamber of Commerce and from 5:30-6:30 p.m. December 27th at the chamber. Books will be sold during registration.

Classes begin January 18th.

In-state costs are \$156 for three semester hours, \$279 for six semester The courses are open to both adults hours and \$402 for nine semester

To complete registration procedures, students need to provide com-Courses offered are College Alge-pleted application for admission, of-Tuesdays. Instructors for the govern- 1, 1989 must take the Texas Academic enrolling.

For more information, contact Angie Lipham, Floydada Chamber of Commerce, at 806-983-3434 or the SPC Division of Continuing and Distance Education beginning January 3rd at 806-894-9611, ext. 2341.

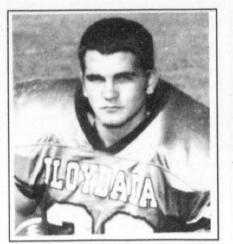
Correction

Longhorns place 2nd in tourney

*In last week's paper we incorrectly wrote that the Lockney boys basketball team won third place in the Longhorn Classic Tournament. We are sorry for this mistake.

The Lockney varsity boys basketball team placed second in the Longhorn Classic Tournament held December 9, 10, 11 in Longhorn Gym. Teams participating were Kress, Spur, Hart, Coronado, Roosevelt, Petersburg, Clarendon and Lockney.

Lockney defeated Kress 62-41 in their first game of the tourney. Peters burg fell to Lockney 62-59 and Lockney was defeated in the championship round by a tough Clarendon team, 69-74.



JUSTIN MCGUIRE Floydada - Senior **Unanimous Selection** 1st Team Defense **Defensive Back** 2nd Team Offense **Running Back** 2nd Team Defense Punter

All-South Plains - 1st Team **Defense Defensive Back**

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Military

News

AIRMAN JAVIER MARTINEZ Air Force Airman Javier Martinez

has graduated form basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base,

Martinez is the son of Salvador

During the six weeks of training, the

airman studied the Air Force mission,

organization, and customs and re-

ceived special training in human re-

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Meatball

basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Commu-

nity College of the Air Force.

Martinez of Lockney and a 1998

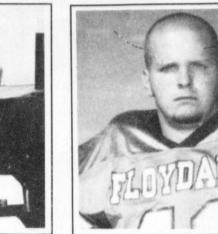
graduate of Lockney High School.

San Antonio.



JORDAN LAMBERT Lockney - Senior Most Valuable Player 1st Team Offense Quarterback 1st Team Defense **Unanimous Selection** Secondary Punter All-South Plains - 1st Team Offense - Quarterback

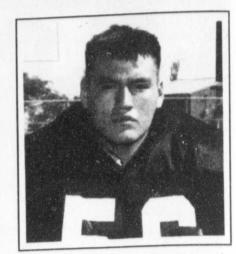
Defense - Punter



DAVID LIGHTFOOT Floydada- Senior 1st Team - Offense **Fullback** 1st Team - Defense

All-South Plains Honorable Mention Defense - Linebacker

Linebacker

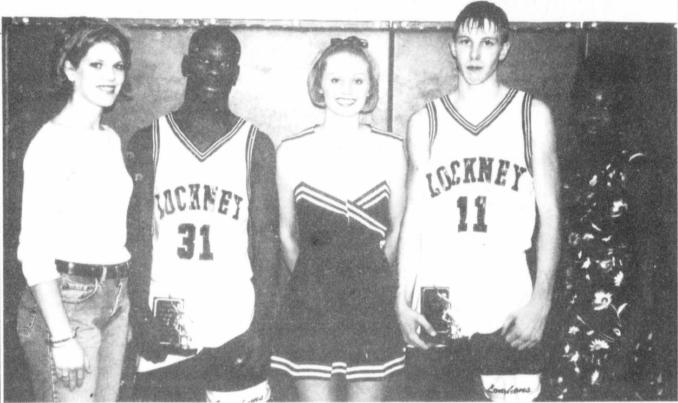


JESSIE LEDESMA

Lockney - Senior 1st Team Offense Offensive Line

1st Team Defense **Defensive Line**

All-South Plains Honorable Mention Offense - Offensive Line



basketball players who made the Lockney Classic All Tournament Boys and Girls Teams were: (I-r) Jenna

LOCKNEY CLASSIC ALL TOURNAMENT-Lockney Ford, Moe Collins, Nicole Mosley, Brandon Alvis, and Brandy Collins.

Courtesy Photo

Lockney Coach Elam commends Varsity Girl's First Place in tournament

dada Tournament and First Place in hope to keep improving and get a shot Lockney something to be proud of. Lockney Classic. These girls work at making the playoffs. hard and have a desire to improve each I also want to commend the good

I am very proud of our varsity girls. game. It is a great honor for me to get efforts of our Junior High, Freshman They have finished third in the Floy- to coach such a dedicated team. We and J.V. Teams. We hope we give Coach Elam





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PCG Cotton News

by Shawn Wade

Sign-up for the 1999 Disaster As- of \$2.5 million or more will be elisistance Program started December 13 and producers can now get additional details about how to qualify and figures will be used to calculate total

The information released this week by the United States Department of Agriculture Farm Service Agency indicates that the program will work much like the 1998 Disaster Program.

Producers with qualifying losses to- the 65 percent eligibility threshold. taling 35 percent or more of their historic yield will be eligible to receive benefits under the program. Historic yields are defined as the higher of either NASS County Average Yield or the insurance Actual Production His- Actual yield = Eligible Production. tory (APH) yield for each particular

The program will be operated using \$1.2 billion authorized by Congress as part of the FY 2000 Agriculture Appropriations Bill.

Once eligibility is established a formula will be used to calculate the total dollars each participant qualifies for. Upon completion of all necessary information producers will be able to immediately receive an advance pay- the table below. ment totaling 35 percent of calculated payment total.

Final payments will be made and any pro-rata factor applied after all applications have been received and processed by the FSA. An \$80.00 per payment limitation will be applicable to all qualified participants.

gible for the program.

Quality losses will be covered in the program however, quality losses will be converted to pounds and applied against any actual yields produced. The main effect of the quality loss. adjustment will be to decrease actual production and possibly increase the number of pounds eligible for a payment or to reduce production below

To estimate eligibility a producer would use the following formula: A. Acres X Payment Yield = Ex-

pected Production. B. (Expected Production X 65%)

C. Eligible Production X Net Payment Rate X percent share X Unharvested acreage factor = Gross Payment Amount(before national factor

The unharvested acreage factor is assumed to be 100% if the crop was taken to harvest. Producers whose cotton was released under an insurance claim and not taken to harvest would use the unharvested factor in

D. Gross Payment Amount X 35% = Advance Payment Amount.



No one with an annual gross income Drug testing approved

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with a clean record.

On the first offense of a positive test the student will receive suspension from participation in all activities for 21 calender days, and until he/she tests negative. The suspension will begin after the appeals process has been finalized. The student will be administered another test at the end of the 21 day period, and will be reinstated to the status of "good standing."

The second offense requires 6 sessions of mandatory substance abuse counseling, removal to I.S.S. for a place during the first week of Februminimum of 10 school days, and suspension from participation in all activities for 60 calender days.

The third offense will require 9 sessions of mandatory substance counseling, removal to I.S.S. for a minimum of 20 school days, and suspension from participation in all activities for one year.

Subsequent offenses will require: (1) 12 sessions of mandatory substance abuse counseling; (2) removal to Alternative Education Placement for a minimum of 30 school days; (3) suspension from participation from all activities for the remainder of the student's Jr.. High or high school career; (4) suspension from attendance at all activities; (5) and disqualification from honors and offices for the

remainder of the year. Any student testing positive will be removed from the random testing pool, and will be required to be tested at the time of each random testing for a minimum period of one calendar

Caprock Medical Associates will

pick the students to be tested by computer drawing. The school will not play a part in who will be tested.

All employees of the L.I.S.D. will also be tested. If an employee tests positive for drugs this will constitute good cause for termination of the employee's contract.

According to Raymond Lusk "Students will be told the date of the original mandatory drug test. Any student who may have a problem with drugs will have ample time to correct his behavior. The testing will likely take

In other business the School Board passed a resolution that gave extracurricular activity status to the Floyd County 4-H Organization. The motion to pass this resolution was made by Mike Mathis and a second was made by Jim Bob Martin, all were in favor.

Lockney Superintendent Raymond Lusk advised the Board that under (Update 62) policy, kindergarten students will be required to pass TAAS test when they get to the third grade. They could not pass into the fourth grade without passing the TAAS test. 'Under extenuating circumstances a parent teacher committee could pass the student" Lusk said. No action was taken on this policy.

Raymond Lusk also advised the Board that L.I.S.D. received a \$15,000 grant to start a Accelerated Reading Program. The money must be used for

Kindergarten students only. Lockney Elementary School Principal, Phil Cotham, stated that he felt that this program would involve approximately 30 students.

"THE STORY OF DAVID RING"

The First Baptist Church of Lockney will be showing an inspirational video Sunday night, December 26, at 6:00 P.M. This video is the story of David Ring who was born with cerebral palsy and was orphaned at the age of 14. Everyone is invited.

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Floyd County **Farm** News

Entries for 1999 Heroism Award now being accepted

Entries for the Texas Farm and 76708 Ranch Safety Council's 1999 Rural Heroism Award are now being accepted, according to Ben Bullard, Council President.

To qualify, a candidate must have performed a heroic act of human lifesaving within Texas during 1999. The heroic deed should be related to farming or ranching. The 1999 recipient will be announced April 3, 2000, at the Texas Safety Association 61st annual Texas/Southwestern Conference and Exposition, to be held at the Convention Center in Fort Worth.

The nominations must be submitted and postmarked no later than February 1, 2000. Send all nominations to the Texas Farm and Ranch Safety Council, P.O. Box 5539, Waco, Texas

The letter of nomination should include a written account of the incident and names, addresses and telephone numbers of all persons involved. Newspaper clippings and photos should also accompany nominations when available.

The 1998 winner was Craig Wright of Livingston who attempted to rescue Sam "Trigger" Moore from raging floodwater after horse and rider had been swept away while rounding

Bullard has been president of the Texas Farm and Ranch Safety Council for 23 years and is retired from the Texas Farm Bureau Insurance Com- averaging about 4,500 pounds.

A look back on Floyd County 1999 harvest year

From Floyd County Happenings in Ag. Report

December 1999

Harvest is winding down throughout the county. As we take a look back at 99, we started off the year in January through March with some really good rains and soil moisture at that time was excellent. But as we all know, West Texas weather can change so fast. It seemed throughout the growing season we never got the good rains when we needed them.

Wheat: As you might recall our wheat turned out to be pretty good, primarily due to the early rains. Irrigated wheat averaged about 60 bushels and dryland around 30.

Cotton: Cotton was all across the board as well. Irrigated averages were right around 700 pounds with dryland at 250 pounds. Only about 110-130,000 acres were harvested this year due to all the hailed out cotton back in June. We normally have around 190,000 harvested acres.

Sorghum: A lot of hailed out cotton acres were replanted back to sorghum. Therefore our sorghum acres this year basically doubled. About 65,000 acres were harvested this year

Corn: We did receive a lot of hail damage to our corn, but surprisingly enough we did maintain some exceptional yields. About 10,000 pounds was the average.

Pumpkins: This year's pumpkin yields were down, however price remained steady. Yield averages were only 17,000 pounds and price was 7¢ per pound.

Sunflowers: Sunflower acres were up this year. Again primarily due to hailed out cotton. About 4,500 acres were planted. Much of this was for seed. Yields weren't too good, averaging only around 800 pounds.

Peanuts: This year not only were the acres down, yields were also. Seven hundred fifty acres were planted with yields averaging 2,200 pounds. We had a lot of pegs that just simply didn't develop.

Guar: About 1800 acres were planted yielding about 800 pounds. This is off from what we were expecting but producers were unfamiliar of how to raise guar. We will have to become better educated in the future.

In a nut shell, our county crop year was pretty good considering the adverse weather and dry growing conditions. The down side has been price.





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ODELL KERR

Graveside services for Odell Kerr, 84, of Floydada, were held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday December 18, 1999 at Forest Lawn Cemetery in Floydada. Reverend Joe Bennett officiated. Services were under the direction of Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home of Floydada.

Mr. Kerr died Wednesday, December 15,1999 at Floydada Rehabilitation and Care Center.

Mr. Kerr was born on July 4, 1915 in Carmine. He attended school in Giddings. He moved to Floydada from Giddings in the 1950s. He married and a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife, Dorothy Kerr of Floydada; three sons, Kenneth Coleman and Donald Campbell both of Floydada and Dirk Campbell of Amarillo; two daughters, Verna Bowens of Chickasha, Oklahoma and Sherrie Wall of Plainview; 12 grandchildren; ten great-grandchildren and a host of friends.

BILLY GARVIN

Services for Billy Wayne Garvin, 66, of Silverton, were held on Tuesday, December 21, 1999 at 2:00 p.m. at Silverton Church of Christ. Tek Kingery and J.D. Nance officiated.

Burial was in Silverton Cemetery under the direction of Myers-Long Funeral Directors.

He died Sunday, December 19,

He was born November 13, 1933. He married Peggy Jean Holt on November 7, 1953 in Silverton.

He owned and operated Garvin Trucking since 1961 and Garvin Oil since 1982.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Scott Garvin of Silverton; a daughter, Dara Ware of Floydada; two brothers, L.B. Garvin of Silverton and Kenneth Ray Garvin of Petrolia; and four grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Dorothy Sirls on December 1, 1972 Silverton Volunteer Ambulance Serin Floydada. He was a retired farmer vice or the American Diabetes Association.

> The Williams Family, Joyce, Q.D., James, Monte and Nancy, would like to thank all who have sent cards, memorials and words of condolences upon the recent death of our sister and aunt, Norma Anita Jones Lee of Vernon, Texas.

Dear Friends,

We would like to thank this wonderful community for the cards, flowers, prayers, food and all of the wonderful things you have done for us.

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

> Thank you. Leon and Florene Wofford

Dear Friends,

Once again you have overhelmed us with your loving kindness and generosity. We want to thank everyone who had a part in making the Bone Marrow Screening a success. These are so many of you we couldn't begin to name individuals. You are the great-

We were amazed and touched to know that people from Lockney, Floydada, Plainview, Petersburg and Silverton were willing to help.

We thank you with all of our hearts and wish you a

very Merry Christmas.

David and Pat Frizzell & Family

Many thanks to you for sending cards and best wishes to R.G. to celebrate his 87th birthday. A special thank you to those who took a few minutes to come to Santa Fe House and personally wish him a Happy Birthday. We appreciate your care.

> R. G., Becky, John Dunlap and Family

I would like to thank everyone for the prayers, flowers and food. **Odell Kerr Family**

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Celestial Ringers 7:00 p.m. Wednesday: Children's Choir 4:00 p.m. Evening Meal 6:00 p.m. Prayer Time (All Ages) . . . 6:30 p.m. Nursery, Preschool Choir, RA's, GA's Sanctuary Choir, Youth Bible Study, Adult Bible Study. . 7:00 p.m.

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CITY OF LOCKNEY

PUBLIC NOTICE OF CITY COUNCIL HEARING

Notice is hereby given to all interested persons as provided by law that the City Council of the City of Lockney will hold a public hearing on the 11th day of January, 1999, at 10:00 o'clock a.m. in the City Hall, 218 E. Locust Street, Lockney, Texas, to consider whether or not the buildings/structures identified below are vacant and dangerous as defined in the City of Lockney's Ordinance No. 213, Model Delapidated Structure Removal Ordinance.

Properties to be considered for demolition and clearance at this public hearing are as follows:

> Lots - Pt. 1, All of 2-8, Block 7, Moore Addition Lots 16-17, Block 2, Tuttle Addition

The owners of these buildings/structures listed above, or their authorized representatives/agents, are invited to appear at this public hearing of the Lockney City Council to provide information as to why these buildings/structures should not at this time be delivered public nuisances and why the demolition and clearance of these buildings/structures should not be ordered.

Further information oon this public hearing may be obtained by contacting the City of Lockney, 218 E. Locust Street, Lockney, Texas at 806-652-2355.

12-23c

NOTICE OF SHERIFF SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF FLOYD

By virtue of Orders of Sale issued out of the Judicial District Court of FLOYD County in the following cases on the 2nd day of December, 1999, and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell at 1:00 p.m. on the 4TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2000, which is the first Tuesday of said month, at the OFFICIAL door of the Courthouse of said FLOYD County, in the City of FLOYDADA, Texas, the following described property located in FLOYD County, to-wit:

Cause No. 5202 TS FLOYD COUNTY VS COLEMAN, VIRGINIA

Lots Number Seven (7) and Lot Number Eight (8), in Block Number Fifty-three (53), Original Town of Floydada, Floyd County, Texas

Cause No. 5207 TS FLOYD COUNTY VS GARCIA JOE

All of lots Five (5) and Six (6) in Block Thirty-Four (34) of the Original Town of Floydada, in Floyd County, Texas

Cause No. 5211 T FLOYD COUNTY V: MENDOZA JESUSA

Lots Fifteen (15) and Sixteen (16)., Block One Hundred Thirty-Five (135), in the Original Town of Floydada, Floyd County, Texas

Cause No. 5222-TS FLOYD COUNTY VS SHIPLEY FRANK

ESTATE

TRACT 1: All of Lots Numbers Seventeen (17), Nineteen (19), Twentyone (21), and Twenty -three (23) all in Block Number (1), in Childers Addition to the Town of Floydada (Floyd County), in Floyd County,

TRACT 2: All of Lots Numbers Eighteen (18), Twenty (20), Twentytwo (22), and Twenty-four (24), all in Block Number Two (2), in Childers Addition to the Town of Floydada (Floyd City), in Floyd County, Texas.

TRACT 3: All of Lots Numbers Ninetten (19), Twenty-one (21) and Twenty-three (23), all in Block Number Three (3), in Childers Addition to the Town of Floydada (Floyd City), in Floyd County, Texas.

Levied on the 2nd day of December, 1999 as the property of said Defendants to satisfy the judgments rendered in the above styled and numbered causes, plus all taxes, penalties, interest, and attorney fees accrued to the date of sale and all costs recoverable by law in favor of FLOYD COUNTY, CITY OF FLOYDADA, MACKENZIE MUNICIPAL WATER AUTHORITY-FLOYDA'DA, FLOYDADA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, HIGH PLAINS WATER DISTRICT AND CAPROCK HOSPITAL.

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By: Linda Edwards, Deputy

12-16, 12-23, 12-30c

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LOCKNEY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 1999 (WITH COMPARATIVE TOTALS FOR AUGUST 31, 1998)

Exhibit A-2

			Governmental Fund Types			(Memorandum Only)			
Data Control Codes		100-199		200-499 Special		99 August 31,		98 August 31,	
	G	eneral Fund	Re	venue Funds		1999	_	1998	
Local and Intermediate Sources State Program Revenues Federal Program Revenues	\$	1,447,162 3,247,244 2,837	\$	33,309 28,175 431,818	\$	1,480,471 3,275,419 434,655	\$	1,278,672 3,652,794 877,600	
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Merry Christmas

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Dear Santa Claus,

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Be good to the other boys and girls.

Jean and Jane Warren

Dear Santa Claus, I want a scooter and a house cleaning set. I want some fruit, candy and some nuts. I want some firecrackers too and all kinds of fireworks.

Mother wants a dress.

Your friend, Juanelle Amburn

Dear Santa Claus,

Please bring me a doll, an apple, an orange, and half a pound of candy. Bring my little sister a pound of nuts, some candy and a doll. Bye-bye,

Louise Gilliland

Dear Santa Claus,

I want all of the children to have toys. I want you to bring me a bow and arrow, firecrackers, sparklers, a knife, and candy for Christmas

Rex Dennis Jones

Dear Santa Claus,

I am a little girl five years old and I have tried to be a good girl. I help mother lots and I go to church and to Sunday School every Sunday. Santa will you please bring me a cedar chest, a set of dishes, and a new wig for the doll I have, a doll buggy, a broom, That is all I want myself, but I have a baby sister fifteen months old. Her name is Fern Marie and she would like a rubber doll that cries and a little rocker.

You can bring my two brothers just anything that you think boys would daddy. We will have a cake on the din- been a good girl. ing table for you.

> Your friend, Nita Merl Patterson

Dear Santa,

dishes, and a little iron, some candy I would like to have some candy, fruits x-mas complete, candy, nuts and etc.

Minnie Lois McLeod

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a little bicycle, nuts, and candy. Your little friends. Ray and Norma Teeple

Dear Santa Claus,

I am a little boy three years old, I have been good most of the time. Please bring me a tricycle, a little knife with a chain, candy and nuts. Don't forget little Royce Ray and all other little boys and girls.

> Your little friend, Wamon Foster

Dear Santa, I want a watch for Christmas and I want a football too. I want some cars for Christmas and also a train.

Lots of love, John Ray Tribble

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a little red wagon, a popgun, and lots of fruit, candies and nuts. I've been a very good little boy. Don' forget Grandma and Grandpa. Your little friend,

Troye Mac Horton

Dear Santa,

I am a tiny boy who never has had a Christmas present in my life. Will you please bring me a present this Christmas? I live in the Sand Hill community. Thank you for the present you are going to bring me.

Lovingly, Olin Lankford Rapp

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a Shirley Temple doll, a little stove, a set of glass dishes, and a set of cooking utensils, fruit, nuts and candy.

Your friend, Barbara Ann Moss

Please bring me a rubber doll, some like, please. Don't forget all the other nuts, fruit, and candy. I want a lamp little boys and girls, my mother and too, also a little iron, Santa, I have

Your friend,

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a rubber ball, a tri- football and a bicycle all trimmed in I want a rubber doll, a little set of cycle, and some clothes for Christmas. red, and such as it would take to make

Evelyn Kilpatrick

Johnny Summers - Manager

Dear Santa,

I'm so glad it is nearly time for you fruit, nuts and candy. My little sister to make your appearance again. Santa, wants a Shirley Temple Doll, fruit, I'm not going to be very choicy this year, you can bring me some Tinkertoys, BB's for my gun, fire works, and candy, nuts and fruit. Clarence Edwin Guffee

Dear Santa Claus,

I am a little boy seven years old who goes to the Sand Hill School. Will you please bring me a bicycle, some candy, fruits, nuts and chewing gum? I also would like to have plenty of Roman candles, firecrackers, and skyrockets. Yours truly,

Melton Verne Smith

Dear Santa,

I am a little girl eight years old. I live at Sand Hill. I want you to bring me a "Shirley Temple" doll and a Mickey Mouse" watch for Christmas. I also want a trunck to put my doll clothes in. Please bring me an embroidery set. I want a little electric iron and ironing board and a washing machine. Remember my teacher, Miss Meredith. Bring me lots of candy, nuts and fruit.

> Your friend, Charlene Fulkerson

Dear Santa,

I want you to bring me a little barnyard, wagon, gun, train and a football. I also want some candy, apples, oranges and nuts.

With love, James Wise Cox

CHRISTMAS LETTERS FROM THE LATE 30'S

Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus 904 Polk Street, Amarillo, Texas

Dear Santa. I am a little boy 7 years old and I

am in the second grade. I have been wondering if you will make it out to Lone Star School this

year. If so, will you please remember all the boys and girls in Miss Mary's Helen Barnhart room and please remember our I'd like very much to have a little

Joe Neil Rexrode

Reprinted from "The Hesperian" A Personal Letter to Texans From Gov. Coke Stevenson

December 25, 1941

The State of Texas

Austin BONSENOR People of Texas: December - 1941.
This hour is too solemn for Once again our nation is flungad into cruel war. Truste any tribulations stare us in the face. But we are a brane people Christian endawer fortifies us We will win the victory by the forces within we. Let us therefore lift our eyes to the Star of Bethlehem, eternal symbol of love and freace, and pray earnestly for strength by wisdom: for the triumph of right and fustice by for the relief of distressed peoples in every land. "m carts Peace Good will toward man".

Dear Santa,

I am a little boy one year and one month old today. Please bring me a big red wagon, blocks and a hammer like Daddy's and a little rocking chair. Don't forget apples, oranges and candy. Please don't forget all other little boys and girls.

Your little friend. Troy Nell McNeill

Pay-N-Save

Floydada

Dear Santa,

I love you. I want a magic skin doll. Janice Hays Dear Santa, I am a little girl 4 years old. Santa,

will you please bring me a doll and a doll buggy. Bring my sister, Bobbie Sue a big doll and a bracelet, bring us candy, apples, oranges and nuts.

I love you a lot, Barbara Ann Withrow

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a doll, head band and pencil box. Don't forget my teacher and father and mother and brother and sisters. Bring all the other boys and girls fruits and nuts.

With love, Naomi Huckabee

Dear Santa,



HOUDAY GREETINGS

FROM THE WHOLE GANG!

Wishing you a season that's merry and bright, filled with laughter, love and much delight! It's been a privilege and a pleasure serving you this past year.

Thanks, Friends!

220 South 2nd

Floydada, Texas

Lockney kids write to Santa in the 1950 "Lockney Beacon" newspaper

Dear Santa,

I am a little boy 6 years old and in the first grade.

I have two brothers, Gary, 4 and good little boys, so please bring us a ano. Mary wants a doll and a tricycle. double gun and holster set and a tractor and plow set each. Also some and girls, too. candy, nuts and fruit. Thanks a lot. With love,

Jimmie Graham

Dear Santa,

I am a little boy just eight years old. I have tried to be a good little boy. I am in the third grade and have made me a doll bed. I love you very much. good grades. Please dear Santa bring You could bring me some house shoes me a bicycle and I will thank you for if you don't think that is asking too it. Please don't forget my little brother. much. He is five and wants a cowboy outfit. He has been good also. Don't forget we love you.

Bye, bye, David Ray and Donnie Jackson

Dear Santa,

I am a little girl 7 years old. Please bring me a Toni doll and bicycle. I'll leave some cookies and milk. Please remember my brother and sister and mother and father. Remember all the little girls and boys.

Bye Santa, Kay Martin

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a big baby doll that wears size one baby clothes and a Maxwell car and candy, nuts, apples and oranges.

Don't forget other boys and girls. With Love, Louann Word

A 1930's wish from the Vernon boys

Dear Santa,

We are two little boys, two and four years old. We have tried to be good little boys all year. Thank you for the nice toys you brought us last Christmas. This Christmas we would like a tricycle each, a cowboy suit, a drum and two guns each. Please bring our brother, Don a pair of boots, a robe and a wrist watch. We would also like some candy, nuts, and fruit. Don't forget all the other children.

Alvin Lee and Jery Dale Vernon

TEN COMMANDMENTS FOR **CHRISTMAS**

1. Thou shalt remember to keep Christ in Christmas.

2. Thou shalt pause in thy business to consider the magnitude of God's Gift of Christ to humankind.

3. Thou shalt remember that Mary and Joseph found no room in the Inn, and, remembering, give Christ the chief room in thy heart.

4. Thou shalt participate joyfully in the Christmas activities of thy church. 5. Thou shalt be of generous heart

in answering the appeals of the needy at Christmas time. 6. Thou shalt take time to plan for

the happiness of those outside thine own circle of family and friends. 7. Thou shalt enjoy, in unhurried

calm, the priceless heritage of Christ-

mas carols and great Christmas art. 8. Thou shalt give of thyself in all thy gifts, giving not for duty, reciprocity, or personal satisfaction, but for the

simple joy of giving. 9. Thou shalt remember, with patience and understanding, all those who serve thee-the sales people, the newscarriers and all others who bear the physical burden of the holiday sea-

10. Thou shalt teach thy children the true meaning of Christmas, of the Prince of Peace who came to show us a way to righteousness and happiness.



Please bring me a sidewalk bike and a box of tools. I have tried to be good boy. I have two sister, Judy and Mary. H.G. 3 years old. We have all been Judy wants a table, dishes, and a pi-

Please remember all the other boys

Love, Jerry Mack Johnson

Dear Santa.

I am a little girl 6 years old and am in the first grade. I want you to bring

I love you Santa Claus, Jo Readhimer





Lockney Pre-K's Are Published For The First Time

Dear Santa, I want a soccer ball and a truck.

Love, Gabriel Arce Age 5

Dear Santa, I want a motorcycle and a car.

Stephan Gutierrez Age 5

Dear Santa,

I want hot wheel cars and a gun. Love Andrew Hooten Age 4

Dear Santa,

I want a fishing pole rod that has fake fishes. My brother wants a bunch of hot wheels. My baby sister wants a

Love, Jose Guerrero Age 5

Dear Santa, I want a play station, a turkey toy and a teddy bear.

Love, Marcos Mercado Age 4

Dear Santa, Please bring a little picture of you and a deer for my Mom. I want a little

Snowman that talks and a Christmas Love, Jonathan Luna Age 5

Please bring me a toy. A big one. I want a combine like my daddy works

> Love, Scottie Chavarria Age 4

Dear Santa,

Thank you for bringing me a doll that has pink clothes on. I want a teddy bear, too.

Love, Rubina Cruz Age 4

Dear Santa,

I want another blue truck just like the one I've got and a green truck and a big old truck.

> Love, Robert Martinez

Dear Santa, I want a motorcycle and toys for

> Love Bobby Joe Nunez Age 5

Dear Santa, I Love you. Please bring me some story books and that's all.

Love, Vanessa Whyte Age 4

Dear Santa, I want a Barbie, a doll and a purse. I'm a princess

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the season fill your

heart with bundles

of peace and

contentment.

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Love, Ashley Alvarado Age 4

Dear Santa,

I want a Barbie Cash Register, A pretty doll that has orange & yellow little boy. Please bring him something clothes and curly hair, Legos, Clothes wonderful for Christmas, and a Bear with colors on his tummy. Love,

Allison Poole Age 4

Dear Santa, I want a go-cart and some blocks to make a castle with. That's all.

> Love. Rene Guerrero Age 5

Dear Santa, Merry Christmas! I want some wrestling toys and a little rocking chair for me.

> Love, Anthony Nunez

Age 4 Dear Santa,

I want a red jeep power rangers and I want a galactic power ranger wrist Love,

Candy Rea Age 9

Dear Santa, I want a yellow car with doors that open and a boy motorcycle that

Love, Elysa Gonzales Age 4

Dear Santa. I want a new tornado car and I want some hot wheels. My baby brother

wants keys to play with. Love, Darren Ochoa Age. 4

Dear Santa, I want a teepee that I can get inside, a dollhouse, some paper and colors.

Love, Whitney Ascencio Age 4

Dear Santa, I want a handy dandy notebook and a toy Santa that I can play with.

Love, Karmichael Ramos Age 5

Dear Santa, I want a Barbie doll and a Blue's Clue movie. lots of toys.

Susie Salas Age 5

Dear Santa,

Tommy Amaya has been a good

Love, Mrs. Johnson Age?





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Lockney 1st graders send out 'wish lists'

Dear Santa,

I wnat a tellatubby and a Pokeman Shirt, and a notebook and my favorte one is my daddy to come home.

Santana McDonald

Dear Santa.

I want a jeep and a barbie doll. I also want some roller blades.

KC Luna

Dear Santa,

I want a set of Hot wheels cars. and a Flight Control Buzz from the Toys Story 2. I want a Crossed Road truck to go with my set of Hot Whells. A CD for my Play Statio fo cars.

Thank you Santa. Edgar Ruiz

I want, a water baby, for Christmas, cry baby, shoes for me, microphone, hair bows bik, car.

Shanequa Wilson

Dear Santa,

I want nintendo game boy and 2 games, Chinks (Black and Brown), Spurs, Baseball bat, stick for computer.

I love you Santa.

Brazos Williams P.S. I would also like a tornado gun that has alot of bullets and the other thing has little hole and shoots 20 things at the same time. I'm not sure what this is called. That's all!

Deer snata,

Pleec giv me a sega Dream cast; furby; trampuleen; boxing fluvs; morausikal. thanck u.

Christopher Rodriguez

Dear Santa, I Want a Computer, and Jacket, a Rodriguez she is 3 years old. Barbie, a Cash register, My Sister Sydney Wants a jeep. also sume activity books.

> Thank you Samantha Medlin

Dear Santa.

I want alot of puzzles, a telephone, barbies, computor games, and a puppy for christmas. I will leave out some cookies and milk for you. Valerie Cuellar

Dear Santa.

I haf bin gud. I wont a putond and a the diseechis. the sog is retee to run. and a kin dol.

Dear Santa,

I want a bike and a kitten, coloring

Bridgit O'Connell

Dear Santa,

I have tried to be a good girl. I would like to get a jam box. Also, I would like to get some, high heels to

Thank you, Juanita Villarreal

Dear Santa,

hi how are you just fine I want a tonka truck and a taz doll for my little brother and I wantd starwars game

frum your fried Jonathan Jimenez

Dear Santa,

I wish I could a dirt bike, figure it out game, gator golf, and a woody with radio-controlled vehicle.

Thank you Travis Tharp

Dear Santa,

I want a sleeping bag, and a Horse. my sister wants a bunkbed. I want a go-cart. My sister's name is Alexis Rico Rodriguez

Dear Santa,

I want a robot and a fishing pole. Keenan Stennett Dear Santa Claus, I would like a trick bike.

The Goldberg game for my nintedo 64. I would also like a remote control car. Please send me a skat bard, too. a yoyo, and a bik Send my baby brother a John Deere and a little trick blue bike. And my

Dear Santa,

little sister some barbies.

My name is Stephanie Mejia and Im Love, 7 year old. Santa what I want for Devin Caballero christmas is a computer and a T.V. with a ver so I can see my vidoes that I have. I will also like for you to bring my sister Racquel a Barbie dall and the Barbie jeep. And for my parents they just want everybody to spend Christmas with their family they love and the people they care for.

> Thank you, Stephanie Mejia

Dear Santa,

I want a super nintendo tape, a nintendo 64 tape, scooby doo zomie Island movie, and Home Alone 4. please bring my sister a Blue's Clues thinking chair.

> Thank you, Aaron Rendon

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,

I wod licke sum facke nels and those three barbies And a pooh backpack and you no those cars like Darrens and Zozys has and a trapolin and then can you git Me and Jonathan batry cars.

Shialo Huerta

All I want for Christmas is a barbie suit cose, winnie pooh glass and a

Kaci Cartwhell doll.

Jasmin Rodriguez

Hayden James



I would like a Hot Wheels Carwash, Fooball, a remote cotrol car. Dallas cowboys cap, super soaker Watergun,

Steven Fernandez

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,

This is Andrew, I'm 7 years old. For Christmas I would like a football, a Tractor, a magnet Defender, and a wrestler. I'll leave cookies and milk

> Love, Andrew R.

Dear Santa,

I want a gocart and a jeep and a bike and little car and a fourwheeler and a wrestler man of stonecold and goldberg and a rock game and a playstatoin with games and a nintendo with games and shirts, pants and shoes and a stalking, a bag of candy and books and a jacket and skates and bucket and sweats and toys.

> Love, Louis Luna

Dear Santa,

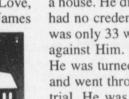
Dear Santa,

Please Bring Me a Sleeping Baby and a BarBie airplane, a Sleeping. Beauty BarBie.

I want a football and WWF wres-

Jonathan Molina

Dear Santa Family and Friends, Here's a list of things I would like for christmas: Goggles, tent, pocket knife, sleeping bag, TV, Reader Rab-



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Lockney 2nd graders write from the heart

I want a walking doll. I want make

I would like a Barbie and some up. I want fake nails. I want a Barbie clothes for Christmas Karaokie. I want a Precious Moment doll. a puppy of my own and a big

Valerie Gonzales

Dear Santa,

I want a beanie and a Barbie. New ball to play with. I want a jumprope. I want a toy. I will have a ball to play with.

Daniella Morales

Dear Santa,

I want beanie baby 2000. Chilla Chilla. Clothes. Clothes for bity baby. a clock necklace. books. computer.

Love, Lexie Terrell

Dear Santa,

cycle. and a Gold necklace, and Gold watch, and solid Cold rims on my gold car and pop out tires on my Gold car and hydros on My Gold car.

> Love, Eric Martinez

Dear Santa,

I want a wrestler and a Star Wars game and 2 remote controlled cars and a computer and legos and puppies and a dog and Dinomite Beast War Toys. Love,

Oscar Gonzales

Dear Santa,

I want a prayer doll and some clothes and some shoes size 2 or size 1 and I want a bike and teletubbies, I want the LaaLaa, Dipshe and Tinkywink.

Love, Laura Cruz

Dear Santa,

I want a play station, a new Bike, a new race track and a nindindo 64 game, a new cunputer gam.

Love, Sidney Prather

Dear Santa,

I would like a knife for Christmas and I would like some legos for Christmas and I want a body you put the body parts in its right place. I want some clothes.

Love, Mason Elam

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I will like a computer with a plug in and I want a new game for my computer, and I want a baby toy for my niece, she is one years old, and also I want a big basket with a

> Love, Ellisa Vasquez

Patricia Rios

Mercedes Aday

Dear Santa,

I want a play station and a nice nice bike. A nice horse. A pokemon movie. a pokemon game. a Nintendo 64 with a pokemon game.

> Love, Matthew Rendon

I want a furby baby. A soccer ball and a baton and a foot ball for my

Dear Santa, I want you to bring me a baby doll. A special kind of Barbie. A game that I would like. That big Kelly on TV. I want a gold car and a little motor- The Barbie cash register. Some candy in my stocking.

Bethany Wilson

Dear Santa, I would like a dresser. And a Readerblaster game for my computer.

Jill Bramlet Dear Santa, I want a cd player and cds, and two

play station games. Love, Hugo Mondragon Dear Santa,

I want a babydoll and some rollerblades and a pogostick and a Scooby Doo dog and the movie Mr.

Carlynn Taylor

I want a trick bike, a four wheeler and a big t.v. I want a few playstation games, too. And a skate board and some computer games. And I want a

Walker Kemp

Dear Santa,

I want a ferby, a baby ferby, and a Love, Christmas ferby, and a store, and a bear, and a real dog like my Dog in the back yard, and Silly putty.

Destinee Deleon

Dear Santa,

I want a Tiger Hawk if you can make one. I want Ranger walky talky. Love, I want an Optimus, and the leader of the badguys.

Joshua John Lerma

Dear Santa, for Christmas I would like a Nintendo 64 and a cd for the computer, and a collection of Hot Wheels, and a Game Color, and a new bike. Love, Salvador Bernal

serenity and joy to all those near and dear to you, and may Heaven shine its grace down upon you. Moore-Rose-White **Funeral Home**

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Lockney

Tom Jordan Mary Ann Rainer Walter Reves Brian Hughs

I want a teddy bear. And an Amazing Aly doll. And a puppy. And a reading rabbit. A horse. And some ducklings. And 2 more dogs.

> Love. Anna Sherman

Dear Santa.

I would like a pool table for Christmas. I also want a remote controlled Big Truck. I would also like a remote controlled motorcycle.

Steven Gonzales

Dear Santa.

Dear Santa,

player and I want some of my own CDs. And a furby. Love, Lezlie Jackson

I want a soccer ball. My own CD

I would like these things. A Science

Kit, A work kit, some sun glasses,



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Lockney 4th graders ask Santa for.....

Dear Santa,

I want a transformer cold cheator dinobot, trattrap and red contol and a pet dog. that is ol I wont.

Michael Lee

Dear Santa,

The first thing that I want for christmas is no more chool so I won't have homework. The second thing that I want for christmas is a new Nintendo game because my other games are boring. The third thing that I want for christmas is a new house but still in Lockney.

Dimitri Cortez

Dear Santa,

Christmas is coming near so Im writeing this letter to tel you shat I want and need for christmas. I wont be home for chistmas this year but I still would like some presents. The first present I would like is the giant transmetal transformer named optomal optamas primal. The second gift I would like is a new begal bike with roiling pegs. The last present I would like is a playstation game called xena warrior princess. I hope you fulfill my reqest.

Bryan Cooper

Dear Santa.

chismes. I want a purple bike, and some cds like Britney Spears and some other's like Nsync and Backstreet Boys. And I want lets play school.

Laura Fulton

Dear Santa.

What i want for crismas is the shole set of weslers and some big cars for my weslers. My favoret wreslers are the rock, shamrock, triple x pac, Rode dog, and stone cold steve ausin in camefloge.

Eric Flores

Dear Santa,

I wish you could bring me a playstation with twister metal 2 and 3 with two remotes. And a big stereo with loud speakers. My sister would like some new clothes. And some barbies to play with. My mom would like animals that are glass she would like to have a farm one day. My dad would like a tool set to work on the house that needs lot of work.

P.S. try too get us all this stuff that we want.

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Yvonne Martinez

XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX Dear Santa,

Please come to my houes this cristmas. I wish you were real but you are not real. I will probily get the easily backe oven. That would be cool to power bracelets. The third thing I want have to. If I got a easily backe oven I would make alot of cookies for my you three thing I want for Christmas. family. I would be so happy if I got a easily backe oven. samantha had a easily backe oven she would just make breckfest. I would probily do the same

Ashley Raissez XXXXXXXXXXXXXXX

Dear Santa,

I want a gocart, a odessy and a new saddle for my horse.

J. Paul Hrbacek

Dear Santa, Whot I want for chrismas is a new playstaton game it is called games. twistedmetal 4 and another thing is The tritron with vince mcman adn one more thing s a colection of wrestlers. Richard Martinez

I want is alot more of Power Braclets. The Second thing I want in my Stocking is Pink, Purple and Blue silly putty. I want to tell you wat I want for The third thing I want is a V.V. with a V.C.R. NOW I'v told you 3 things I. want for Christmas.

Thank you for your friendship over

the past months. We enjoyed

being of service to you, and

hope to continue doing so

in the new year.

Enjoy your holidays.

Merry Chrismtas!

Senee Foster

A BASKETFUL OF HOLIDAY WISHES

Dear Santa, I am going to tell you somethings I want in my stocking. The most thing I want is purple and blue silly putty. The second thing I want the most is some is a T.v. with a V.C.R. Now I have told Merry Christmas!

Dear Santa, For chrismas I want a horse or nintendo 64. Jonathan Suarez

Dear Santa,

The first present I want is a play station with games The second present is 10 wresters with the wring. The last present I want is a sega dreemcast with

Timothy Luebano

Dear Santa,

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The first thing I want for Christmas is a playstation with games like twisted I am going to tell you some things I medal and wresleting games and footwant in my stocking. The most thing ball. The second thing I want for Christams is a internet computer and games with it like math blaster and other games. The last thing I want for Christmas is a four wheeler so I could go to places so I don't need to go walking. Those are the tree things I want for Christmas.

Lorenyo Salazar

Lockney 2nd grade letters on the way..

Dear Santa,

I would like to have a car and I would like to have a game and I woul like to have a dog and a cat and I would like to have a clock. and I would like to have a bike.

Anthon Hernandez

Dear Santa, I've been a very good girl this year. I hope you can see the Christmas program in December. Could you please tell your elfs that Katie Bice wants an

"Easy Bake" and a cookbook for it. Katie Bice

Dear Santa, For Christmas this is what I want. A Holly wood nails Barbie, Brittney Spiers Barbie, Elmo Stroller, 2 new furbey's, stereo, cd, cd smash mouth, furby games, 1 real rabbit, bird, nail fashion Glamour Tray.

> Love, Angel Dora Bueno Suber

Dear Santa, I hope you have a Great time. I want a video Game. I want a GoCart. I want Nintindo 64. I want a football and a want a new bike.

Louis Perales

Dear Santa, I would like a remote controlled motorcycle. I would like a football player GI Joe. I want a little kitten. I don't want a cat. I want tiger league Jamie Butler football pads.

Love, Konner Ellison

Dear Santa, I want a little toy puppy dog. I want a Barbie doll that skates. I want a toy bunny. I want a toy Alien. I want a Barbie doll. I want a pair of skates. Love,

Kayla Summers

I would like a piano and a toy remote controlled cars and a set of Army

Dear Santa, I want a t.v. and a phone and a coat and a gocart

Tessa Saul

Dear Santa, I would like to have a new bike for Christmas. I also want a gigapet. And a book and a doll. And a beany baby.

Kenya Pesina

Dear Santa,

I want a cd. I want a cd player. I want a new bike. I want a new gocart. I want a new motorcycle. I want a football. I want a kicking tee.

Love, Adam Contreras

Dear Santa,

I will like a present. Can it please football tee. I want a baseball bat. I be a bike and please can you bring a doll for me. and a trampoline. Would Love, you bring it to me?

Maira Montelongo

Dear Santa,

I want a new bike and a new car and fake nails and Britney Spears set. and clothes and shoes. and a Barbie set and baby puppies

Olivia Mariscal

Dear Santa,

I want a toy cd, my Pat, two thousand and a Nintendo 64 and a cat-dog that talks and a remote controlled airplane and a telephone too.

Sarah Ascencio

Dear Santa,

I want A prayer doll and a Kindergarden Baby and a fashio magic and an electroc pencil and a Love, some math pencils. A talking Tommy Joshua Silva and Angelica dolls and a puppy.

Katie Vasquez

Dear Santa,

I only want two things that doctor kit and that pirate thing. I am going to give you some milk and cookies!

Love, Jake Davis

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,

a new soccer ball.

Dear Santa,

I want a agelick Princess doll. And new roller blades. and I want some colored pencils for school. and crayons for home.

> Love. Malory Johnson

Dear Santa,

Can I have a 007 on play station. new t.v. set, a tigertron tha's big, and B.B. gun.

I want a race car track and a

Billy Carl Lee

polemon piggy bank. And a remote controlled race car. And a new nintendo game. And a new bike. And

Angel Cortez

I want new clothes. I would like some new rollerblades and a remote controlled cars.

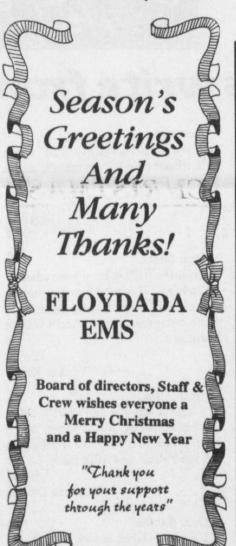
Love,

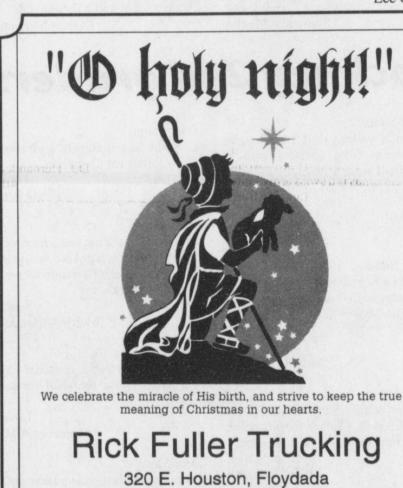
Adam Raissez

I want a remote controlled car. and

a play station and a radio and some roller skates and a skate board, and Love, sun glasses Love,

Lee Casillas





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Lockney 4th grader's dream list

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa.

I live in Lockney Tx and I've been

wonting three thing for Christmas

cycle. If I get a motercycle I would

like to ride et all night. I also want a

computer. And if I get a computer I

I get a swimmin pool I'll swim all day.

I'm not too sure what I want for

Christmas, but I think I would like a

racing. The second thing I would like

toys for my dogs, Oreo and Cookie.

Emily Jo Guerrero

Lauren E. Stewart

Garrison Marricle

P.S. Pleas wright Back

The first thing I want for christmas is a cd playeer so I can listen to my favritet song and a puppy thats a pit bull and I'll take care of it and the third thing I want is a BeeBee gun and practice shooting on cans and play and thats the three things I want for christmas.

Dear Santa,

playstation and a Four Wheeler and a Bike too and a Cam Jam. My sister want a cd and a teletubbie and a radio Sega dreamcast and the games I want DarBy wants a new Baby Dill with a for christmas. for playstion is twisted Medal 4 and Bodle. Thats all Darby, Graden and fightinforce and for four wheeler is a me want for chistmas. My frind Leah ramp and for sega dreamcast I want and her sister wont a Been Bag. NFL Blitz 99 and NFL Blitz 2000 and P.S. Pleas writ Back to P.O. Box 137 Super Streetfighter 1,2,3,4.

Augustine Lopez

Dear Santa,

I want some Beinie babys. Also a two seater gocart, and a playstation game. Oh Santa I will leave yo some war cookies by teh firplace, and I will leave your reindeer some food. Also don't forget to tell rudoph to leave his pawprint in the rest of the food.

Sayla Barnes

Dear Santa, I want a pack of bebes so I can go hunting. The second thing I want for chrismas is five games for my play station. The third thing I want for chrismas a controller for a nintindo 64. I fyou bring me one of these I will

leave you a candy bar. Martin Melendrez

Dear Santa, Here are the things I want for christmas a bb gun and bullets more games for my playstaytion another skateboard and I might leave you a candy bar.

Rocky Aday

Dear Santa,

The three things i would like for chrismtas are a jambox, a dog (Golden Retriver) and C.C.'s like "crazy" and "sometimes." Thank you for your cooperation.

Stephana Villarreal

Dear Santa,

I would like for chrismas a high teke stereo with a remot control. I would called twisted metal 4 and Spawn and also like a nintendo 64 with some su- lego rasers and Revil Evil 3. per moves. And the third thing i would like for chrismas is a swiss army knife. Tanner Morris

Dear Santa,

Four cristmas I would like a. Remote contro air plain. And a Lasso and Spurs. And some Decals four my four

Dustin James

Dear Santa.

How are you doing Santa? How are the raindeers? I can't wait till Christmas. I will bake you some cookies and I will put bananas and milk on the table. I only want three things. Those tree tings are the Smash Mouth cd, the Cristina Agula cd and the Faith Hill cd. and I want My coisins Michle, Checo, and Rachle to come down for Christmas. Well, I'll see you - well, not acuily you. But the preasents that you give me.

Desiree DeLeon



Dear Santa. I just want a Limo adn a Sega Dremcast.

Dru Carthel your elves that there are presents. Be-

Dear Santa, I would Like a new Bike for the best holiday. I don't know about Chistmas, and a LaB top computer it anyone else. I think christmas is the would Be so cool, And I would Like best holiday because it's Jesus christ's John Andrew Vasquez some Beany BaiByies Like The end birthday. And some other people think tidy Beans, Holaday Bear, the hallooween is the best. Just because mexiocan bear. Thats all I want for you dress up. well, anyway I want to What I want for christmas Is a Chistmas. My Bother Graden wants tell you what I want for christmas. I

Mis. Dorman's 4th grade room!

Courtyn Long Santa. I hope I get them I wont a moter

Dear Santa,

I wan't a Ninja turtle van, and all the ninja turtles and the Rock sweat would like to play games on it. The wrestler and the most thing I want for next thing I wont is a swimin pool. If Chrismtas is the bike I wanted.

P.S. Write back I really, really want these things. And just to remeber I live in Lockney Texas.

Taylor Hill

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,

I want all the wrestlers in the united few Play Station games for my Play State including the wrestler from Ja- Station, I would like Crash Bandicoot pan. The second I want for christmas is a Sega Dreamcast with the games for Christmas is a remote control car Sonics Adventures, Blitz 2000, wres- like my dad. I would also like a few tler mania 2000. and the last thing I want for christmas is Britney Spears. P.O. I Live in Lockney Texas. My

I live in lokney Texas and I've been

wanting three things since last year. I

hope I get them this year. The three

things are The first thing I want is a

computer I want a computer because

so I can play games. The second thing

I want is Wrestle mania 2,000 cause

it looks fun. The last thing I want is

britney spears cd. I want the cd cause

I like her songs. Please get me theese

adress is 108 SW 1st. Mario Camacho

A.J. Jimenez

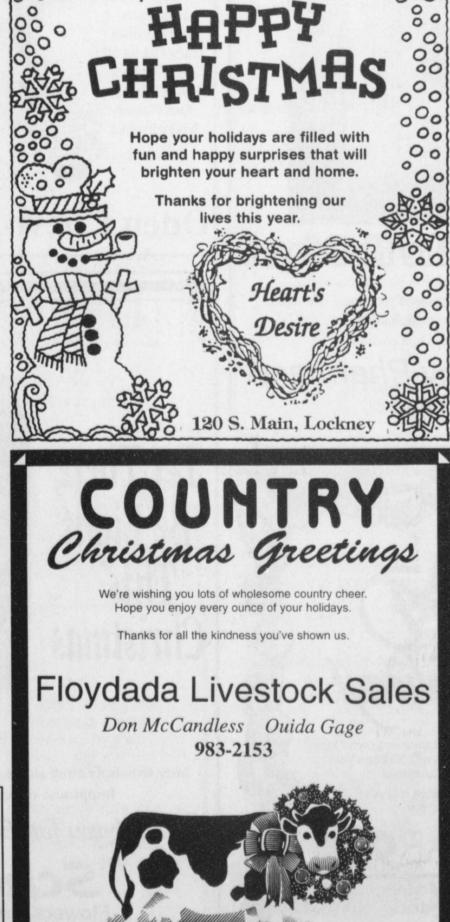
Dear Santa, I want A computer, books and a dog.

Dear Santa,

I want a wrestler and a nintendo 64 and a dog and a cat. And a CD player and some cd's like the back street boys and britne spires and wild wild west little thing and some toys like a ring and talking resler and som shoes like mickie braons and some clothes from the mall any a tommy hifiger watch. and get my dad a truck and my mom some angels. and most of all I want my famliey back. I want my mom and I would like a playstation game dad back together.

Cameron Gonzales





Dear Santa,

XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX If you can get me aHotwhell Tune up shop I will Love you forever. And Thanks to you and your wife and I would Like a remote control car. And a Motorcycle power wheel that's the cause without you then every one only thing that I want the most so would be board. I think christmas is please pretty please get if for me. My mom would like some angel stuff she collects angel stuff. My dad would like a concrete tool set because he pours concrete. My brother would like a playstation or a nintendo 64 or just get him anything you would like it does'nt matter.

> P.S. Please get me and my parents and my brother what we want I just Sincerly, want them to be happy because I Love Margarita Valles

> > Angelica Fierros

Dear Santa,

The first thing I want is nintindo the seoint thing I wunt is no more work the third thing I want for crismas is pickchnary. (pictionary)

Ruben Pesina

I would like some cd's for chrismas. The cd's I would like are Usher, TLC, Britany Spear's cd. The other thing I would is, a britany spears Barbie doll. The last thing I would like is a radio. Thank you.

Lucy Garcia

Dear Santa,

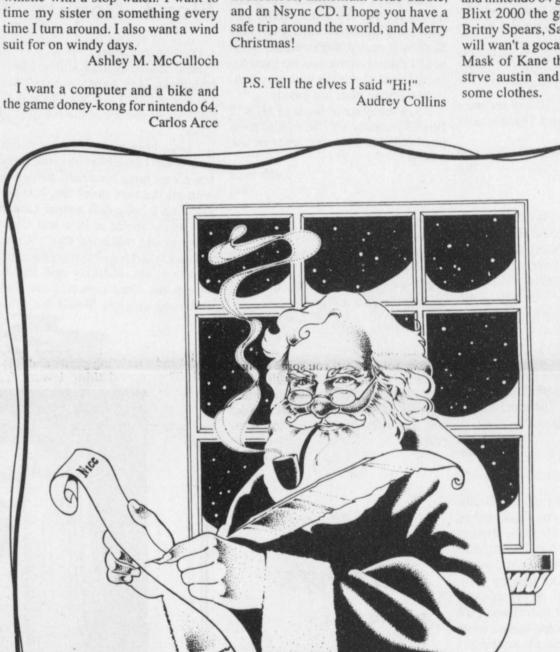
For Christmas I want a CD of the Dixie Chicks. I'd fall for a autograph from the Dixie Chicks. I also want a whistle with a stop watch. I want to time my sister on something every suit for on windy days.

I want a computer and a bike and the game doney-kong for nintendo 64. Carlos Arce

How are you? this year For Christmas I want, a pair of Pokemon houseshoes, millenium bride barbie, Dear Santa

I wan't a wrestler of the sweeting ones the rock and a puppy and a Bike and nintendo 64 games WWF attitude, Blixt 2000 the game and a poster of Britny Spears, Sable and Debra. and i will wan't a gocart of big foot and the Mask of Kane the Rock, Stone cold strve austin and the undertaker and some clothes.

Martin Mendoza



fourve Been Since!

This year has been a dream-come-true, And we owe it all to you, For being such good friends to us, And being so very generous, We thank you each and every one, And wish you all loads of fun!

Here's hoping you and yours enjoy this holiday season, and we look forward to seeing you again, soon.

Merry Christmas!

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Coy and Donna

4th graders think of ways to help Santa fill their stockings

Hi This is Latasha I whant a maz-

Dear Santa,

milk!! what I want for Christmas is games on a sega dream cast. T,L,C, See you at Christmas time

Dear Santa,

This Christmas I would like a furby and lab top computer. I think my brother would like 30 pound bow anarow set, and a tv I think, my dad would like some better work tools, and a dog to replace the dog that died. I think my mom would like a new car, buttler to clean house. I also think my sister would like to come live with us. Merry chrismas to every one. I hope you get what you ask for

Dear Santa,

this is ashley talking to you this cristmas I want a bran new jarplme for christmas and a talkin Furbie and a Baby puppy Thise is to you nad Mrs Santa close I will allways Belive you and Mrs Santa Clase.

Ashley V.

Dear Santa,

I want a playstion, 10 wrester and a giving me my toys.

Will David Foster

I would like a new playstation game twiwted Metaly. I would like a tycore car and I would also wan't a compupter chritmas were. three games for my so I could get on the internet.

Zacary Gonzales

Dear Santa,

For christmas I would like " Who ants to be a millnaier the computer game. Onother thing I want is the cowgirl (jessie) and cowboy (Woody) want is a bicycle repair kit.

Jacob Martin ball.

Dear Santa,

I would like CD's roe cristmathe CD's that I want are aqua, usher, backstreet boys mille, am, Britney spears any one of thim I would like for you to buy or make them. I would also like some movies like cry baby, the best of basketball, and Titanic. and the last thing i want for cristmas is a nintendo 64 with some games to go with it. if you bye me thease things I will be verry happy, thank You.

Danielle Blair

Dear Santa,

I would like a playstaion and some games with it. But the thing I would realy realy want for christmas Is for my Dad to get out of jail.

Miguel Duron

Dear Santa, I want a bike and I want a Barbie

car and a and I want a bag of toys and I want a lots ans lots a lots of candy and I want a box of cats Kittens. Crystal Carillo

What I want for christmas is some ing Kelly doll and a Brittany Spears wrelers like stone cold, the rock, X Barbie doll and a Bolooh set I will pac, and the comisioner Shawn Michael. The reason I want them be-Love, cause I dont got some.

Latasha Peralez The second thing I want for chrismas is a sega dream cast but I How are you doing Santa. how are already have on but I want a sega the raindeers. I can's wait till Christ- cream cast. The reason I want a sega mas I will make you cookies and dream cast it has dragon ball and other

clothes, magic attic club girls named The last thing I want is a Britney Rose, C.D. like Smash mouth, Kristan spears c,d and the Music voleum 4 Agulero, 98- degeres. Dixie Chick, from w.w.f because they are the songs I want, and a Britney spears c.d. has Jordan Sherman' you drive me crazy, hit me baby one 4TH more time and more and music voloum 4 has stone cold, the rock, and Vince Mchnan.

Ernie Vasquez

Lockney 4th grade.

Dear Santa, I want a nintendo 64. I want a Betele Juice. I want a rat trap.

Richard Salazar

Dear Santa,

For Chrisimas I want some legos and also want more plastgsoh gams and Brittany Spears CD

James Rockwell 4th

Dear Santa,

This year I would like a lime green bean bag, and my sister would like won too I think she want some Play Station it really don'ts mader what kind. I also won't my own lap top computer Instid of sharing with may family but I hope thats not greedy.

P.S. Please write back to HCR 5 dog a grerman sheperd Thank youfor Box 23 Lockney TX. 79241 also plese put Leah Ford on the front of the

Leah Ford

Dear Santa,

The three thing I woyld like for playstation, some colths the cind of colth is pant short that are blue and 4th the last thing is a sengy.

Lillian Lucy Salazar

Dear Santa,

I would like a playstation game pack from "Toy Story" That say 100 called Twisted metal 4 and lego racthing to each other. The other thing I ers, and Tony Hawk pro skateboarder and cool Boarders 3 and a new foot-

Cole Patton

His Hands

By David Taylor

His Hands were soft, small and red on a crisp morn in Bethlehem . . .

His Hands were strong, calloused and scarred as He fashioned a new chair for home . . .

His Hands were confident, gentle and firm as He touched the sick and

His Hands were broken, bleeding and bruised as He gave His life away

His hands were reaching out to mankind drawing, beckoning and holding us close to the heart of God.





Hendricks' letter goes to Santa via "The Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon"

Dear Santa Clause,

Helo. It's me again, Kaitlynn Marie Hendricks. How have you been since I saw you last? I saw you at the mall but I know you are at the North Pole

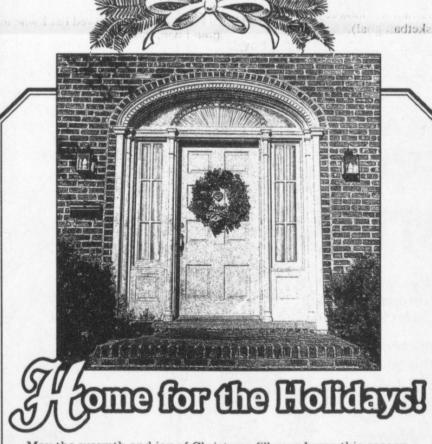
I have been a very good girl this year. Since I have been so good, could you please bring me a baby dollhouse with all the toys in it? Oh, I would also like a baby doll named Lauren and while you're at it, a real Glass Baby would make my day. I also need a kitchen for all that cooking that I have to do. Mommy and Daddy would like some toys so I can play with their toys too. Would you bring

my cousin TyAnne a Baby Doll and a Glass Baby too so we can play together. And for Austin, would you bring him a boy present? He just needs som toys that are for boys. Tanner and Tyler need cars and pickups. Could you please bring Honey birdies and Grandad some fish? They love birds

Thank you for bringing toys to all the boys and girls. Tell Rudolph hello for me. We'll see you at Christmas!!!

Kaitlynn Marie Hendricks

P.S. I'll leave you my favorite Butter Cookies and some milk.



May the warmth and joy of Christmas fill your home this season. We appreciate your patronage.

You're always welcome at our door. Payne Family Pharmacy

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Twas The Night Before Jesus Came

*Twas the night before Jesus came and all through the house, Not a creature was praying, no one in the house. Their Bibles were lain on the shelf without care In hopes that Jesus would not come there. The children were dressed to crawl into bed, Not once kneeling or bowing their head. And Mom in her rocker, with baby on her lap, Was watching the late show while I took a nap. When out of the East there arose such a clatter, I sprang to my feet to see what was the matter. Away to the window I flew like a flash, Tore open the shutters and threw up the sash! When what to my wondering eyes should appear But angels proclaiming that Jesus was here. With a light like the sun sending forth a bright ray, I knew in a moment this must be THE DAY! The light from his face made me cover my head, It was Jesus! Returning just like He had said. And though I possessed worldly wisdom and wealth, I cried when I saw him in spite of myself. In the Book of Life which He held in His hand, Was written the name of every saved man. He spoke not a word as He searched for my name; When He said, "It's not here," my head hung in shame. The people whose names had been written with love, He gathered to take to His Father above. With those who were ready, He rose without a sound, While all the rest were left standing around. I fell to my knees, but it was too late; I had waited too long and sealed my fate. . . I stood and cried as they rose out of sight; Oh, if only I had been ready tonight. In the words of this poem the meaning is clear, The coming of Jesus is drawing near. There's only one life and when comes the last call, We'll find that the Bible was true after all.



There's nothing small about our wishes or our thanks! We appreciate your business and take this time to wish you every happiness at Christmas.

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Christmas

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Floydada 1st graders send letters

***** Dear Santa,

I fited with my sister. I am sary, And bring her a doll. And a bruther. And bring him a ump. Of cole and I want

> Laure Appling *******



We wish you much happiness and good fortune through the holiday season and beyond. Thanks for doing business with us.

> Lockney Veterinary Clinic

601 Southeast 8th St. Lockney 806-652-2149

Dear Santa,

I have been good this year. I helped Mom do dishes. I helpt sistr do homwork. I would like mom to come

Love Janessa

Dear Santa,

This year I have been a little bit good. I would like a flurby, a kid doll house, a dolly and a bean bag.

I will leave you some cookies and

Cassie Martinez

Dear Santa,

I wont a doll and a cat and a dog.

Mariah Vargas

Haw are your elsf? i want a barby. an a doll an a teteber an sum kandy.

Alece Annunziato

I want a Barbie doll, a computer a

doll, and a dog. ihave being good. Margie Martinez

I want a Barbie, computer, a Winnie the Pooh, and a Santa pillow. I will leave you some milk and cookies and

> Love, Lydia Guiterrez

Dear Santa I wot a Toy. Rat and a bug.

Ginger's Beauty Salon 208 W. Missouri, Floydada 983-3126

Joseph Martinez

Hoydada 1st graders write to Santa.

Dear Santa.

I Nice to my mom she good good

I klen upon The yard Bir 1. i like to play on the beb Ipilo? my name is miosty and i see a rabbte dont thek you ae are verey good?

Dear Santa,

I want a motorcycle and wrestling three men.

> Santa love. Erick Doria

Dear Santa Clause,

I have been a GOOD boy. I want a wrestling man toy Goldberg and Sting. Also a motorcycle and a bicycle.

Your Amigo, Erick

Dear Santa, I have ben good.

I have did everey thing my mom told me. I have ben good at school. I have had alot of 100ed's.

I'm very gooooooood an i mind...Santa, why are you so fat? How is Roudof? why do yo live in northpole? how are you? I whant wwf the muisick voum 4. An the lost world the mouve. Scooby an the witch"s gost sound trak.

> Loved, Dylan Thomas

Dear Satna,

I like you I have ben a Good Good girl! I hlep my mom and dad my cat is a good cat my brother is good my birthday woss Novemb 24 I like pooh AND wontatve. and a computr. and rabbet how dew you make toy? How dew you get toy? I wont to no. How dew you get down the chene I wont a new cat.

Dear Santy, I am making good gras. I am makig my bed Dear Santu hou are you? I

whish that I kood seey I want a bike I want a dog I want a new toys

Chad Rainbolt

Dear Santa, I have been good this year. I would ike a motocr (motorcycle), and a bgg (basketball goal).

> Love, Gabe Mendoza

Dear Santa,

I am a good boy. I help my Mom with Mahanna. Santa how is Roodoff? I wish that I colud ride on the sled. Did you just stuff a pellow under your shirt? How are the rainders.love Matthew. We read all about you. I help my MoM. I want a bike. Mahanna is a good girl. I want a playstasin.

> Love Matthew Meador

Dear Santa.

I had bin so good my mother tels me To clen my room Dear santa i wish that i cood ride in youre sled do you have a pelo under you I want a new bick and I want lots of sweets

Danielle Degollado

Dear Santa.

I help my mom what dish my mom tels my to ciee My mom tomy room. I wot a barby with a horse dear santu hou are you

Jade rendon

dir santa, I im a good boy, I help my mom I do what my mom ses to do I clen my bruth do evre thing. I want a bick I imgood i do wat my momses to do i help my bruther clen his I want a bick I want a intindl I want a toy I want a cet uov cars

> love Jerry Delgado

> > kylub cera

Dear Santa,

HOWDO YOR RANDEFLi. iwont to no IWANOOB IK. AND TOY

yow or hap pe yow WHI11 yow I whp so I ckoud play with it. I want sum Libby Hicks I WUT A BICIKLL AEN A DOLL toys. AEN yow

Lynnde Smith

dear santa Good Doel you Haf a Deer named Reof Hal Doou Mac a too

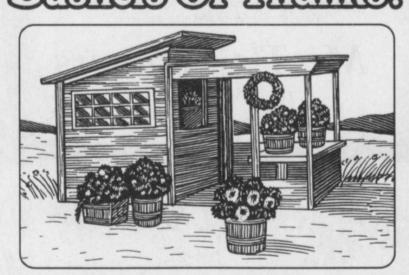
Luve

Dear Santa,

I whe a cat I whe a red hat I whe a doll. I ben good.

Justine Mendoza

Bushels Of Thanks



We wish all our neighbors and friends a joyous holiday season. We're very grateful for your valued business.

Darty Gin

Dougherty

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MERRY CHRISTMAS MERRY CHRISTMAS MERRY CHRISTMAS MERRY CHRISTA



Here's hoping this Christmas finds you surrounded by your loved ones in the warmth of home and hearth.

We appreciate your patronage and look forward to serving you again.

Jones Enterprises, Inc. Larry Jones

107 S. 5th, Floydada 983-2151

Merry Christmas!

Here's hoping every happiness comes your way throughout this holiday season and beyond.



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201 E. Missouri Floydada

DEARSANTA.

I HAVE BIN A GUD BOY.IHELPED ME AND MY DADA AND MY MOM. breng me a **bIKE TO MY DAD. ARE YOU RIL.** YES. i giv. food. ihelpe my i wash the

DEAR SANTA,

I CLEAN MY HOUSE. I MINE MY MOM. I LISTEN TO HER. I WANT A DIRT BIKE FOR CHRIST-LOVE SANTA

ERIC SUNIGA.

Ryan Pecina

Dear Santa, I have been good I want a toy for chismis. I want toy.

Troy Morales

I have bin agood boy. I want a black

Dear Santa,

I hav ben god. What I want for Christmas is a big tranpinln, a bik and a doll. I well giv you kookes.

Veronica Coss

Dear Santa,

I have been good. I Want a bicycle. I Want a Power ranger I Want a blankit. I Want a komputr.

Jake Luna

Dear Santa,

I have bine vere good. I want a bick I Hav Bin a good Grll I HOP thAT so I ckoud ride on it. I want a barbie

, Sonia Garcia

Dear Santa,

Thanck you.

I wus good tooday. I wat a dog hoouse and a dog too.

> Love. Elsa Doria

Dear Santa,

I quiero un carro con remoto, y una torquita.

(American girl). How are you and

I want a doll. And a merce girl doll

rewof (rudolf) and miss klos? Whitley Beedy

Edgar Leija

Dear Santa, I want a doll and I want a ring. I want a dog. I want a toy. I want a tebur

(furby). I want a bobe (barbie). Love, Crystal Martinez

Dear Santa.

I bin vere god. How r the efs. I wut a vidogam, and a dog, a cran, and sum bucs, a cumpudr, and a rascr.

Love. Tyson Turner

Dear Santa.

computer

I whot a vedogam, ntowh (nintendo), and begraslz (big wres-

> Love Jordan Pinon

Dear Santa, I whot a vedogam, ntowh (nintendo), and begraslz (big wrestlers). Beg my setr threwhbik.

> Love, Cameron Hill

Dear Santa, I have ben a good little girl I want a

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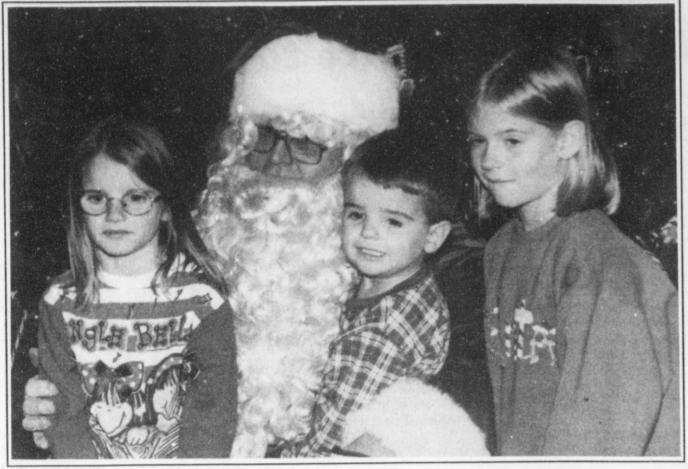


A GREAT CHRISTMAS IS IN THE BAG!

Here's hoping Santa delivers whatever your heart desires. Thanks for being such a loyal customer. You've made our season a very merry one.

Payne Irrigation Jeff Payne

253-2521



Floydada 1st graders ask for "tois"....

How are you and alfs. I wot a merce doll (american) and a lettl bascol (basketball).

Brityn

frum A.j.

Love,

Dear Santa,

i wnat dog car cat moon toys toys cat dog car and A CHARGE

my name ethan I am a good boy

LUve Ethan Burns

Dear Santa, I want a toy car and it is red. I want a toypoh bear.

Dear Santa,

I want a toy. I love santa.

Dear Santa, I wawt a cat. I am a GooD. I mad a Bilk Good GooDdo

ICad you Go getme therace I GOgetmy momdog

Dear Santa, I Have bin a Good Grl. I Mid My mom I Wat a doll and a cat

Dear Santa, I want a doll I hav bin a good girl

Dear Santa, I want a Compaq cumputer. I wil cdper

robertwebb

Deae Santa, I wont a dog black and white and

a dog formeacatforme. horse

KYLER HOLLAND

please sendme christmas babydoll

forme jennifergray

Dear Santa, I wont a bold she die doll. Fwhe a bis bold Eeintoe wagend I be good

Love, Vanessa Rosa

Dear Santa, I what a plaistaishin I what A new I what a really dog but not a faick

Floydada 1st graders write to Saint Nickolas

Dear Santa,

dar sanacioss

I have been good this year. I helped dad clean yard. I wot a bicyk and a re mot contrl car.

Ruben Deleon

i lic a doll for me but i wul tec eccllut

mayra HARNanedz

dear santu hou are you? I wish that I kood see you on the Slad win it is crismis.

Anabel Lugo

Dear Santa,

I am a nice girl I am a nice girl doing good on the word tetest. Why are big why is your

We read all about toys

love zaira moreno

Dear Santa,

I bin at school

I weighe good. I wot a doll cus my

sister wot let me play weth her. I wat

a bike cus my sis don't let me do hers.

I wat a barbie and a lushbax cus my

I have bin very good to my mom. I

I want a toy pig. I want a bill I want

a dog a litte dog I want a bers I Want a

doo my bed. and fix my room Iwat A

Cassandra Rodriquez

From

Laura

Dear Santa.

brother has won.

der santa,

computer.

I bin good all wek but I gat in a fit one day Santa, you hav a red nos and a big stumich and Win do you cum to my houst win It is crismissy day

Melissa Pitts

DearSatu, I hav bin bad all fall. Stutime boys fit e weth me stutme

martin Riojas

Dear Santa I HAV BEN GUD VES YIR. I WUD LIK FOR KRISTMUS A LUNSH BOX AND HOT WHIEELS CAR. A TOY STNE COD STORY.

> LOVE GRADALUPE RODRIQEZ

drsanda iwhanaBREZENT

VICTORTAMAYO

Dear Santa,

I have ben a good boy. how do you get down the chimy? yo shod get a on a dite. i have cookeis for you. youare so fat how do get down the chimey. how does your raindeers fiy

Jordan Hambright *********

Dear Santuclos.

I hep my mom with The gras. I hit my sister. but I will never dow dat a gen to my sister. I want a romotnchro 9remote control) car and I wont a vido gam cus I wawt anoder wn. I wawnt a book readen book cus I like to read. Love,

Juan Carlos Olvera Jr.

********** DearSata

My Frind Is Beter than I am can You mak me be be beter will make Me be BeterIwant to be beter. Gril than i am meshale Davis **********

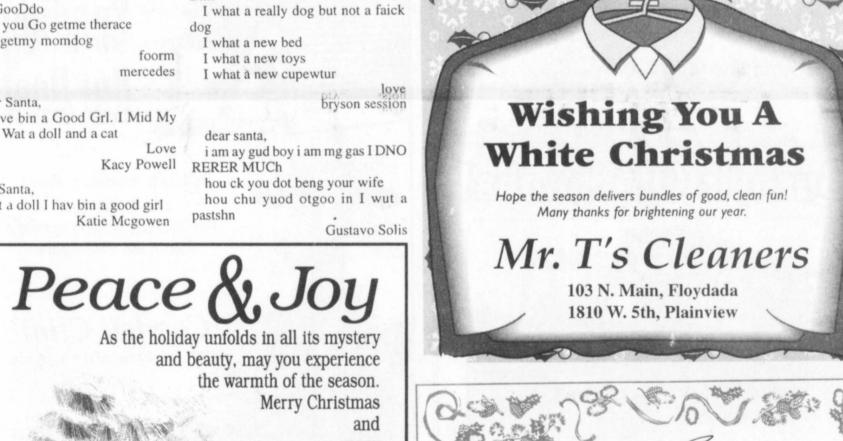
Dear Santa, I have bin a gud boy. I helped my dad last sumer. Ihelped my mom to. Iwunt a pawer ranjer rist toy.

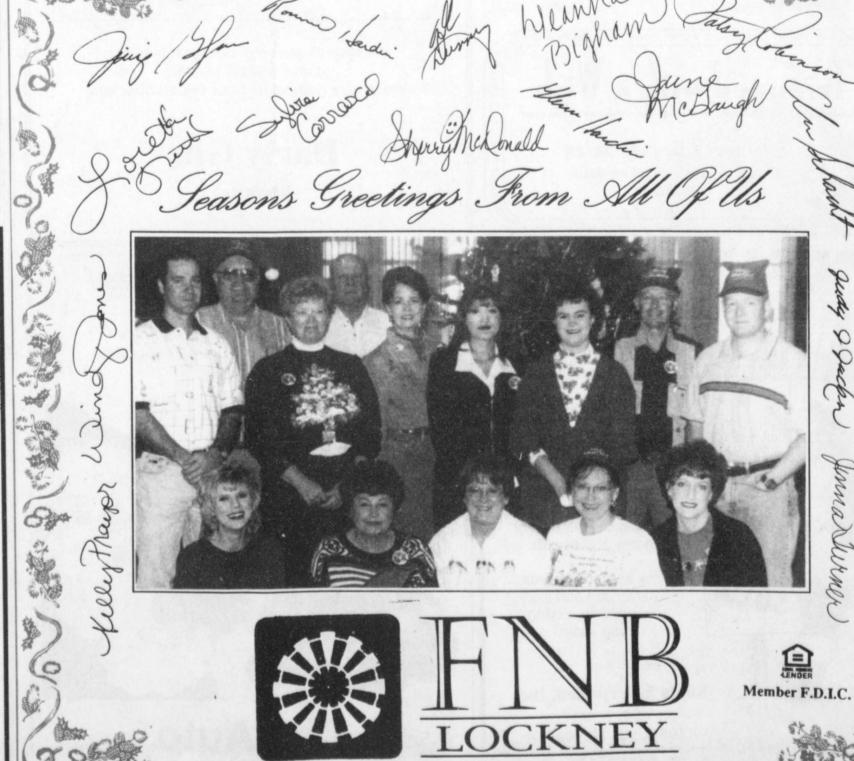
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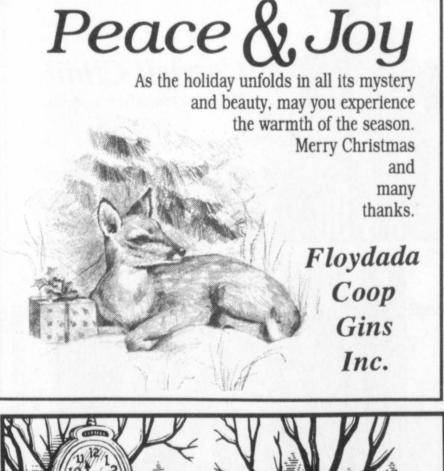
I want a toy. A want a wrestler. I wnat this because I like wrestlers. Emilio Guerra







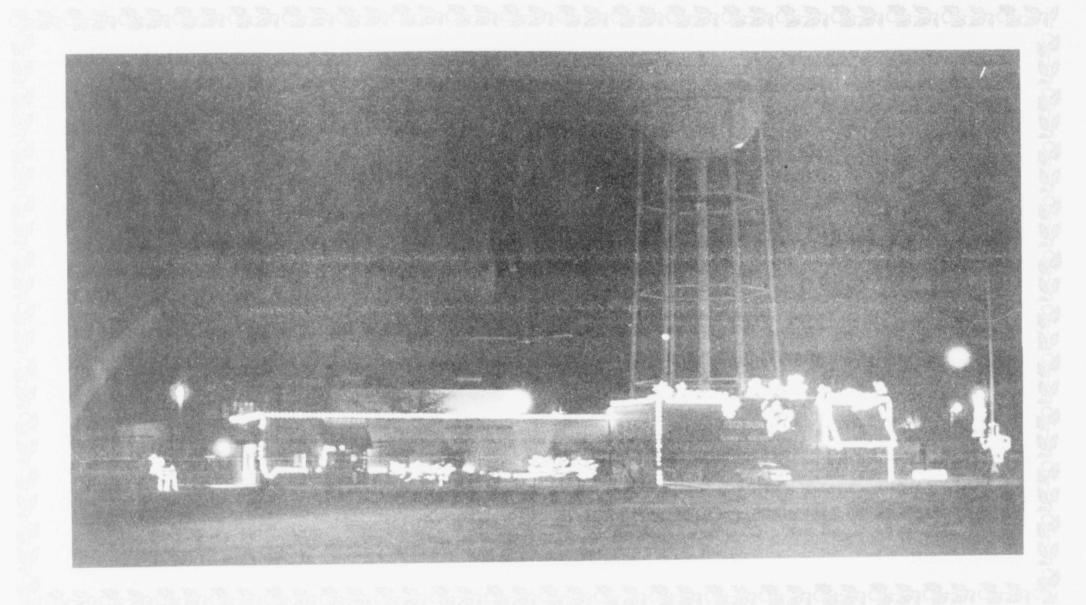






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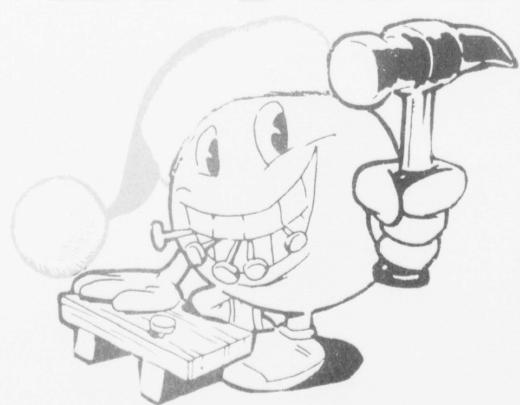
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legend of THE CANDY CANE

The candy cane was invented by a Christian in England in the seventeenth century.

At the time, the government would not let people celebrate Christmas. So a candy maker made candy shaped like a shepherd's crook as a secret symbol for Jesus.

He began with a stick of pure white hard candy. White to symbolize the Virgin Birth; hard to symbolize the foundation of the Church.

He added three small stripes to represent the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. The large red stripe was added for the blood of Jesus that he gave for us.

Unfortunately, the candy became known as a candy cane -- a meaningless decoration seen at Christmas time. But the true meaning is still there for those who "have eyes to see and ears to hear."

The candy was a double gift . . . a sweet treat and a symbol of a Christian's Christmas.

I Knew You Would Come

By Elizabeth King English

store and dragged ourselves home. It I said to myself. I tried dismissing the was 11:00 p.m., Christmas Eve of urge, but it wouldn't leave me alone. 1949. We were dog tired. We had sold In fact, it was getting stronger. Finally, almost all of our toys; and all of the I couldn't stand it any longer, and I got layaways, except one package, had dressed. been picked up.

til everything had been claimed. We groped my way to the store, slipping Christmas knowing that some child's one about nine, and the other six. What gift was still on the layaway shelf. But in the world? the person who had put a dollar down on the package never returned.

gifts. But I'll tell you, there was some- stopped. thing humdrum about this Christmas. Tom was growing up; I missed his I scolded, hurrying them into the store.

childish exuberance of past years. As soon as breakfast was over Tom up for." So there I was alone, feeling heater.

Herman and I locked our general and icy sidewalk outside. That's crazy,

Outside, the wind cut right through Usually we kept the store open un- me and the sleet stung my cheeks. I wouldn't have woken up happy on and sliding. In front stood two boys,

"See, I told you she would come!" the older boy said jubilantly. The Early Christmas morning we and younger one's face was wet with tears, our twelve year old son, Tom, opened but when he saw me, his sobbing

"What are you two doing out here?" "You should be at home on a day like this!" They were poorly dressed. They left to visit his friend next door. had no hats or gloves, and their shoes Herman mumbled, " I'm going back barely held together. I rubbed their icy to sleep. There's nothing left to stay hands, and got them up close to the

'We've been waiting for you," re-And then it began. A strange, per- plied the older boy. "My little brother sistent urge. It seemed to be telling me Jimmy didn't get any Christmas." He

My mommy wants a hot-tub and my

I would like to pet Rudolph and the

Please bring me a Teddy Bear and

a furry rabbit. My mommy would like

a candy cane, my sister would like

some drums, and my baby brother

Please bring me a telescope, a

phone and a remote control car, I've

would like a Teddy Bear too.

reindeer and Rudolph.

been a really good boy.

Dear Santa.

Love from,

Love from,

Alyssa Garcia

to go to the store. I looked at the sleet touched Jimmy's shoulder. "We want to buy some skates. That's what he wants. We have these three dollars," he said, pulling the bills from his pocket.

I looked at the money. I looked at their expectant faces. And then I looked around the store. "I'm sorry," I said, "but we have no--" Then my eye caught sight of the layaway shelf with its lone package. "Wait a minute," I told the boys. I walked over, picked up the package, unwrapped it and, miracle of miracles, there was a pair of skates!

Jimmy reached for them. Lord, let them be his size. And miracle added upon miracle, they were his size.

The older boy presented the dollars to me. "No," I told him, "I want you to have these skates, and I want you to use your money to get some gloves." The boys just blinked at first. Then their eyes became like saucers, and their grins stretched wide when they understood I was giving them the skates. What I saw in Jimmy's eyes was a blessing. It was pure joy, and it

was beautiful. My spirits rose. We walked out together, and as I locked the door, I turned to the older brother and said, "How did you know

I would come?" I wasn't prepared for his reply. His gaze was steady, and he answered me

softly. "I asked Jesus to send you." The tingles in my spine weren't from the cold. God had planned this. As we waved good-bye, I turned home to a brighter Christmas.



Floydada's Class of 2012 make their wishes known to Santa

Dear Santa,

other reindeer.

Dear Santa,

FLOYDADA K-3

Dear Santa,

I would like a doll, a barbie computer, a bear, a ballerina toy, and I would also like a barbie book, a tea party set, and a blue's clues doll.

Love from, Kayla Beth Morales

Dear Santa,

I would like a girl doll that licks candy, a real TV and a real VCR for

Christmas. Please bring me a pink bike too and new earrings. Bring Blanca some new clothes, and make up for my mom. Dad would like some

new boots. I want to see Rudolph and your elves.

Love from,

Elizabeth Suarez

Dear Santa, Please bring me a Callie doll and a barbie horse with wings for Christmas. I want a real puppy too. Please bring Titus a play frog, and Abigail a doll. Bring mom a new dress and dad

a new belt. I would like to see your reindeer and

> Love from, Sarah Jo Miller

Dear Santa,

the elves.

I would like a bucking horse and some white reins for the horse. I need a saddle thats brown too.

My mom wants a Santa bell and my dada needs a new knife thats very sharp. Madeline would like a barbie doll with a stroller. How do your reindeer fly?

I like your sleigh Santa.

Love from, McCrae McCornick

Dear Santa,

I would like a Stone Cold, Steve Austin title belt and a Stone Cold monster truck for Christmas. Please bring Crystal a stroller for her doll. I

want a shirt too for me. How do your reindeer fly? I will leave you some cookies and milk to eat when you come to my house.

Love from, Ben Alvarez

Hope you have a wonderful, happy season with all the trimmings.

Dear Santa, Please bring me a little stroller and a little doll for Christmas. I want a ball

and a little toy dog too. Please bring my mom a book and my dad some garden tools. I will leave you and all the reindeer

some cookies and milk.

Kimberly Delafuente some rings too.

Dear Santa, I would like a barbie doll with a stroller, and a barbie with a car for

Christmas. I want a pink car too. Please bring Lucy a stroller and

Dora a toy car. I will leave carrots for the reindeer to eat and I will leave you some cook-

Love from, Christmas Eve. Abigail Ramirez

Dear Santa, I would like a 64 nintendo game of Dear Santa, wrestlers W.W.F. My uncle Eddy and I would like to have a flower baby wants a racecar and my little sister wants a barbie. My mommy wants a real new car and my daddy wants a real neat thing from Coca Cola. My little brother, Christopher, wants a W.W.F. title belt.

Rudolph?

Love from, Jose Martinez

Dear Santa,

I want a barbie doll and a barbie house for Christmas. Please bring my brother a game and a car, my sister a play station, my mom a new computer, and my dad new brakes for the car. My little brother wants a basketball goal. I also want a baseball and a glove. I saw the Rudolph movie and it was

Dear Santa,

I would like a Steve Austin title belt and a Toy Story Buzz Lightyear, and Woody for Christmas. Please bring Julio a Pokemon Playstation 64 and bring Ricardo a Polemon ball with a card in it.

I would like to see Rudolph and the other reindeer. I will leave food for you and yor reindeer.

Love from, Renee Cervera

Dear Santa. I would like to have a big jeep and a train for Christmas. Please bring tracks for the train. I will leave you milk and cookies to eat and I will leave daddy wants a practice golf game. deer food for Rudolph and the other

reindeer. Please bring my mom some rings,

Love from, my grandma a ring too, and Vanessa

Love from,

Christopher Pena

Dear Santa, Please bring me a blue bike and a fold up computor for Christmas. Please bring my mom a bracelet and

my dad some tools. I would like Kendra to have new clothes and Dustin to have some too.

I will give you milk and cookies on

Love from, Cole Covington

for Christmas, and a baby in a bag. Please bring Rance a big toy jeep for hin to drive. My dad would like a model car and my mom would like another diamond ring. I will leave cookies and milk for you

I would like to ask you if I can see on Christmas Eve. Love from,

Nikki Seymour

Dear Santa,

I want a football for Christmas. I would like to have a truck too. My dad would like to have a watch and my mommy would like a T.V.

Is Rudolph going to come with you? Love from,

Juan DeOchoa

Dear Santa, I would like a toy car with a man in it. My brother would like a new pencil. My mommy would like some new Ashley Diaz clothes and my grandma would like a

new dress. I will leave you some cookies to eat



FLOYDADA K-4

I would like a real puppy for Christ-Dear Santa, mas. I would name my puppy Flash. I want a telescope, binoculers, a Could you bring me a chalkboard too? race car with a motor, a toy dinosaur,

and hot wheels and a way car.

from truck. Andrew Perez

Dear Santa, I want a Barbie ands books.

from.

Kassandra DeLaFuente

Dear Santa,

I want a motor cycle.

from,

Jon Paul Chavarria

Are you going to bring Rudolph with you? I would like to see all the Dear Santa,

I want a motorcycle but one that I Love from, can use on the street and that it has a Kimberly Rodriguez helmet and if not that then a truck.

Alonso Rangel

Cather with your loved ones.

Join in all the fun, And have a very merry I Christmas, everyone!

Dear Santa, I would like a new bike, new toys, new clothes, new shoes, a new sweater, socks, a new jacket, a jump

rope, a race car, and remote control

John Arrendondo

Dear Santa,

I want a bike, a book to read, a pink

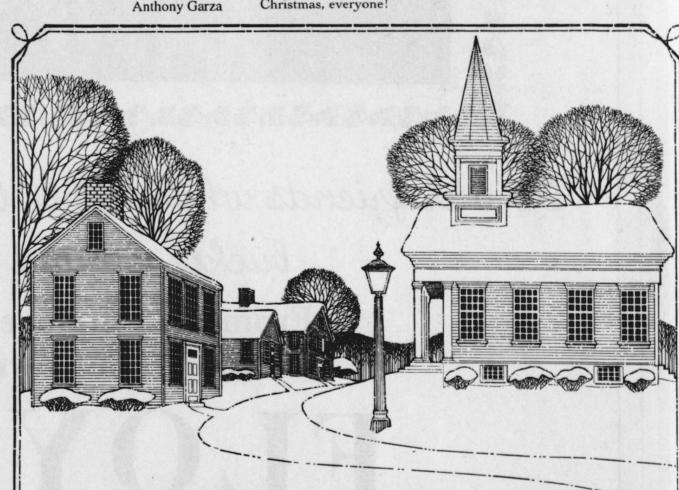
dress, pants, tennis and that all.

Brittany Garza

Dear Santa, I want a race car, a new box of col-

ors and scissors and markers. Thats

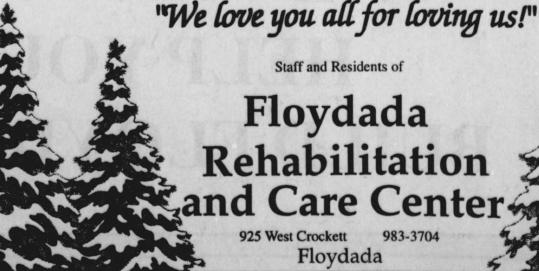


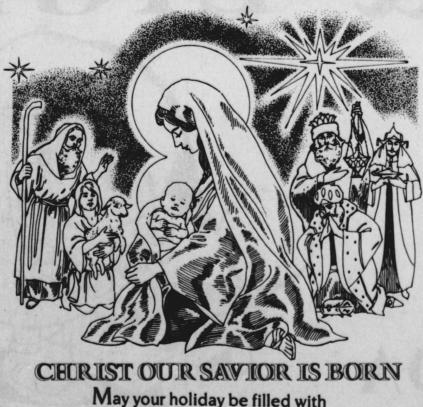


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Wishing you a Christmas that greets you with all its beauty and magic.

Thank you for your kind visits-you've helped us set the scene for a wonderful year to come.





the blessings of His faith and love. **Muncy and Sandhill**

Elevator



May holiday joy warm your heart and home. Thank you for your patronage.

Warmest

Greetings!

Larry, Roger & Buddy Hammond

Sheet Metal

Floydada

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 and generosity and devotion exist, prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus but 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 what 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 act, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole truth and knowl-

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

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

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

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 GINIA, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

No Santa Claus! Thank God! He and picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ah, VIRlives, 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.



"WISE MEN STILL SEEK HIM" AT 902 W. CROCKETT

Santa will need lots of help to fill up the stockings of the kindergarten classes

Dear Santa,

I would like toys for my little brother Ethan, and a big Barbie house with a Barbie.

Haley Boyd

Dear Santa,

I want a motorcycle, a watch, some new blue shoes, a stuff dog a new crown for crystal, a coloring book a cat, horse, and that all.

Dear Santa, I would like a toy car and a nintendo

64. Thats all!

Michael Salazar

Dear Santa,

Santa can you bring me a bike. This is all I want.

I want a Monster Show Truck, candy, a Power Ranger toy, a new pair of shoes, pants shirts, a candle and a watch for my mama, a toy train and a birthday present for me.

from Fransisco Rosa

Dear Santa,

I want a Barbie and a bike, and a computer and a back for school, a Mickey Mouse, a bell and a reindeer and a train with lots of toys, and new blue shoes, and a play clock. and a real

Wendy Garcia

Dear Santa,

I want a little horse, a new dress, a butterfly for my horse, a birthday set, some bells, and a baby doll.

Dear Santa,

I have cookies and milk for you.

Dear Santa,

I want a Remote Control Master ginger with milk Truck, some little cars, a computer and a horse. I will have Christmas cookies and milk for you.

Isaac Martinez

Old-Time Greetings

I want a red car. I will have cookie and milk for you. I love you.

Arnulfo Olvera

FLOYDADA K-5

Dear Santa, How are you doing? I want a motorcycle for Christmas (a little one) a real one though. I want a mokeamotrol from, car that you play with and has batter- it. Randy Perez ies. A trampoline, a big swimming pool, a basketball goal and a basketball, a tractor. I could drive a tractor, a pirate ship toy with pirates so I could have my own one. I want a pet dog for Santa to wrap up

Goodbye!! from, Anderson Weeks

Dear Santa,

Hello! I miss you. I want a horse, a from, go-cart, a flashlight, a bear, a dog, Kimberly Hernandez clothes, shoes, a bear Santa, crayons, and a book. I want a jump rope, a train, a duck, a flying kite, a tiger, a motorcycle, a cat, a guitar, and some paint.

Bye see ya later!

Dear Santa, I miss you. I'll love you forever. You. Okay.

I want a guitar. I want a pet dog, a four wheller that pops wheelies and its a remote control one, a play horse, and a pirate ship.

I want a remote control tractor, a remote control dog, and a Christmas Teddy Bear.

Dear Sants I hope you come to my house and I'll leave you some milk and

Taylor Ross

Dear Santa.

Hello! I want an exercise barbie, a Gracie Cervera trampoline, a bike with a barbie on it, a Winnie the Pooh ABC (when you push a letter it comes on it's like a I want a white car, a train and a bike. square), a computer, a Barbie Play Station, some barbies, and its a kitchen from, it has food and a refrigerator under it Ricardo Alvarado and it turns sideways with a phone. I need to write you more letters because I want a lot of stuff. I'll give you a

Tiffany Vasquez

Dear Santa, I want a cash register, barbies, and

Thats it. From,

Elizabeth Avila

extinguished.

Hi! I want a computer, new shoes, a trampoline, a barbie, some books, a beanie baby. I'm going to give you some cookies with milk.

From, Crystal Cervera

Dear Santa,

Hello. I want a Choo-Choo Train, a power ranger, race cars, a cat, some blankets, some coloring books. That's

Good bye!

Dear Santa,

I want to tell you Hi! I want a red bike and a trampoline. I want a beanie bag pet and a candle Santa Claus. Good Bye!!

Dear Santa,

I wanted to say hi! I am writing you like me and like you. to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a barbie bed set, an art easel,

play cash register, a computer, a doll house, a tea set, a patty playground From, doll, a braclet set maker, a bike and came such a ruckus, it gave me a

As he stepped from the buckboard, do you think? And he smiled as he Gerardo some barbies. Santa I am going to fright! leave some milk and cookies out for

Hope you like them, Bye.

Kristan Sanchez

Dear Santa,

Hello!! I want a Christmas tree for my room. I want a beanie baby Santa, a beanie baby Pooh bear, a cash register, a book of Pooh and Piglet and Tigger and Rabbit and Gopher and a bear to sleep with. I want a snowman beanie baby and some Christmas gloves (pink). And some snowman earrings, some Santa Clause earrings,

some Christmas books. Good Bye!!

> From, TyAnne Battey

Dear Santa, Hello. How are you?

I want a Sleeping Beauty Barbie that closes her eyes. I want a snow bean bag, a Tigger beanie bag, a poodle beanie bag, a bike without training wheels, a play turkey (not a real one. And I want a big kitchen, a skating barbie. I want a bear, a candy barbie, and some heart earrings with pink.

Bye!

From, Elyanna Duran

Michael Cisneros "Twas the Night Before Texas" Christmas "Twas the night before Christmas, board came on at a run. A driver was awake, and both so astonished that

Garrett Bawcom in Texas, you know, Way out on the prairie, without any snow.

Asleep in their cabin were Buddy and Sue. A dreaming of Christmas,

Not stockings, but boots at the foot of their beds, for this was in Texas, what more need be said? When all of a sudden from out the still night. There head.

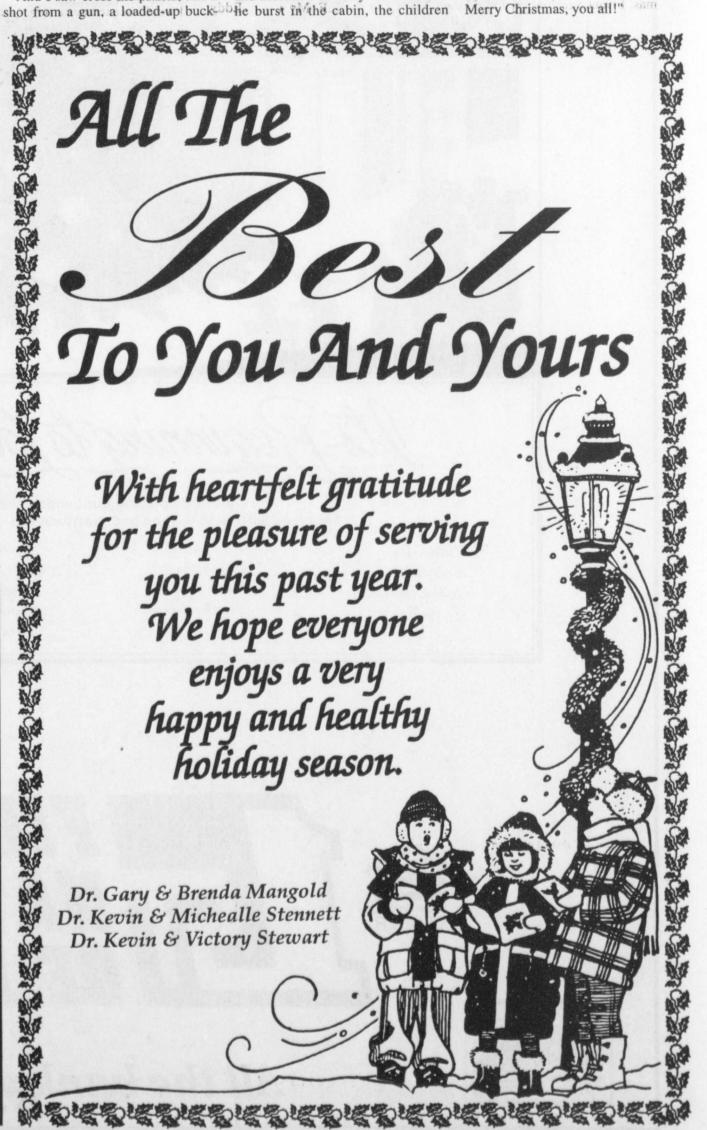
egee-ingi and ehawingi with a will, the horses, not reindeer, he drove with such skill.

Come on there Bucko, Pancho and Prince, to the right, there'll be plenty of traveling for you all tonight! The driver in Levis and a shirt that was red. Had a ten-gallon Stetson on top of his

neither one spoke.

And he filled up their boots with such presents galore; that neither could think of a single thing more. When Buddy recovered the use of his jaws, he asked in a whisper, "Are you Santa Claus?"

Am I really Santa Claus? Well, what he was really a sight, with his beard gave a mysterious wink. Then he lept And I saw cross the prairie, like a and mustache so curly and white, as in his drawl, "To all children of Texas,





of Christmas light up your life.

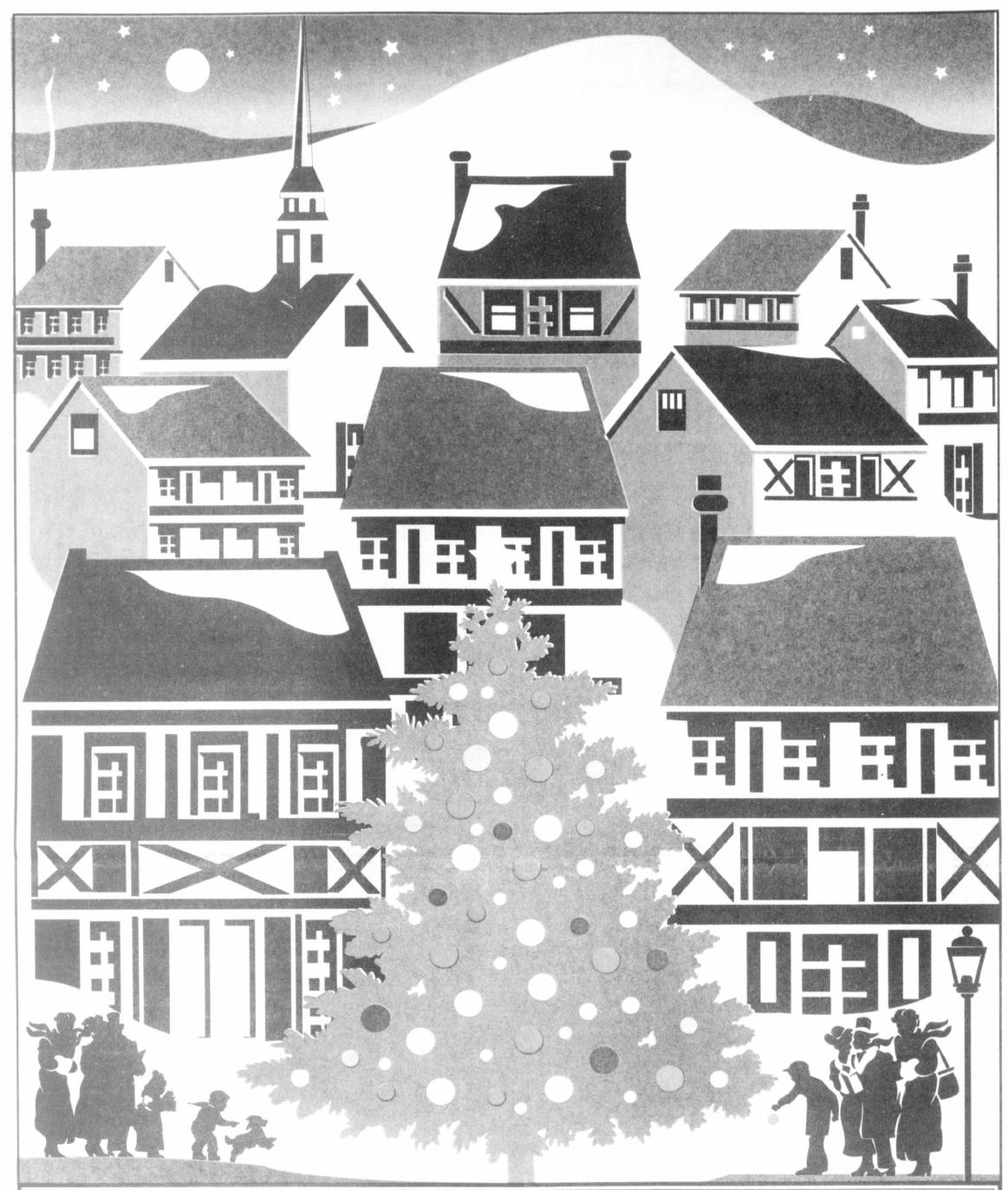
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Have a Wonderful Christmas

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Tom Farris Par Graham Nancy Kirk

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Darlenda Marquis Jodie McGuire David Patterson Don Dayne

Reta Dierce

Mary Ann Reyes Dixle Smith Shelly Smith

Joy Smitherman

Nancy Welborn Monte Williams Glenda Wilson Fred Zimmerman III



All the bank you'll ever need







May All Your Christmas Wishes Come True!

Hope Santa brings an abundance of good things to your home this Christmas.

Thank you for being so generous to us this year. We wish you and yours the best holidays ever!

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Lockney, TX 7924

Floydada Pre-K's say they've been good

Please Santa get me a toy. I wish I had some paint. Please bring my dad A bike for my baby LiLi. A new bike tools when he gets broke on a trip. I for me too. think my mom need diapers for her baby. I also want a kite because I have never had one. I want a little table too.

Thank you! I love you! Samantha

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a doll. I would also like toys. Bring my brothers toys too. My mom wants a dog. My dad wants some cars.

> Thank you and I love you! Crissy

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a doll stroller and a doll. I have been good. Bring my grandma something too. Bring my grandpa something too.

Thank you and I love you!

Dear Santa.

Oiero un toy de Bat Man y Robin. Yun Power Ranger tambien. Yo me porto bien.

De Homero

Dear Santa,

Tri me un mono de power rangers. Y un caro. un anioy una cadend pa me mamma. Un anio blue pame pappa.

De Pedro Bueno Un lapis pa koke y Michael

Dear Santa,

she yells at us and we don't go outside until the boys do their homework. I want you to give me a bike and a jeep, and some markers and some jell for my hair and a comb. I love you,

Dear Santa,

I like your deer. Give me a car racer and a game (donkey kong) I love my mom and my dad and my teachers.

From Francisco Luna

Dear Santa, I like your beard and your black belt and black boots and the clothes.

it, that goes like this pshh. I would like care of yourself. a wrestling man too.

Hope your holiday

of happiness.

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I want a cool car and a motor cycle.

Jose Cruz

Dear Santa,

I want a tractor with a boat. I want a ring for my mom, and a hat for my dad. I want a barbie for my sister. I've been a good boy.

> From Isaac Ascencio

Dear Santa,

I like your beard. You are a very nice man. Please bring me a bike and a skateboard. Have a good Christmas.

Larry Guerra

Dear Santa,

Give me one of those toys of money and quarters and a race car. I have been Chelsea good at my house and at school...today.

> From Adam Suarez

Dear Santa,

Bring me a Christmas tree and I like Ramirez Garcia your deers. I help my mom wash dishes and I play with my sister. Please bring me a bike.

> I love you from Carlos Riojas Jr.

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a toy. I wnat a bike, I want a blue bike like my sister. Please bring my dad and everybody a bike. I also want a Christmas tree and I have been good to my mom but lights. Don't work too hard!

Royanna

Dear Santa,

You are nice. Please bring my sister Tina, Mommy and Daddy and me a big Christmas tree. I wnat some from Travis Hatcher lights too. Please bring me some barbies. My Mom wants a dog. My Dad wants a big dog. My sister wants a little dog.

I love you!

Please bring me a bike and a little barbie jeep for a little girl. I want a big barbie jeep too. My Mommy and Daddy want lights for our tree. They I want a new race car with some also want a star. My brother wants a body in it and a pop up thing to race football. Don't work hard and take

I love you Bye! Raelene

"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men."

-Luke 2:14



SANTA LOSES HIS BRITCHES AT 223 W. OLLIE

Dear Santa,

Merry Christmas! Please bring me a bike. Please bring me some Christmas books. I also want a chair and a christmas coloring book. Thank you for everything.

Bye, I love you! Stephanie Lerma

Dear Santa,

Could you please get me a Sleeping Beauty Barbie? I would also like some Christmas stickers. Can you please get me a stuffed reindeer. Please get my Mommy a Christmas tree. Get my baby brother a wagon. Please get my brothers and sisters something. I hope you've been good because I have been good.

Merry Christmas! Kimberly Reyes

Dear Santa,

Is it cold at your home? I hope it's not. Please bring me a ballerina doll. I would also like a pet fish. I would like a star for y family Christmas tree. Also, some candles and lights. Don't work to hard.

> Merry Christmas! Martha Nava

How are you? I have been good! Please bring me toys. I want a red car and a Barbie too. My mom wants lights for our house. I want a Christmas tree for my family.

Take care of yourself! Miryam Sanchez

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a pet bird. I also want a play kitchen. Bring my teachers some flowers. Please bring me some make up. I want a doll house and barbies too.

Thank you! I love you! Deliea

Sing a song of Christmas, Sing a song of joy, See the smiling faces On every girl and boy.

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a pretty barbie. Bring my brother a toy truck. my mom wants a belt. My dad wants a grill. You can read my books. Don't work to hard.

> Bye Abigail

PRE-K 2

Dear Santa,

I was good so I want a Toy Story soccer ball. Some clothes, toys and a pet. A bunk bed. Bring my brother Jr. something too. I want crayons too!

Adam Esquivel

Dear Santa,

I want a barbie, un nino. Una Barbie para Gracie. Un book para Mama, Un Libro para Papa!

Jessica Cervera

Dear Santa, I want a modular tractor for the

modules. A tractor too push. A gun for Jessie

Diego Cervera

Dear Santa,

I want a car. And I want a trailer. Bring mom make-up my mom broke her make-up.

Jose Guzman

Dear Santa, I want a car and another car. A bal-

loon for me. And a trailer and horse. Markers to draw.

Daniel Martinez

I want a kite, a hat, a book and a

I want a book and a kite and a basket and for my brother Issac a little car with brakes.

I want the Rock, Cain and the Un-

I want a barbie. Bring a ring for my

I want a guitar and a nickel. A cow

for mom and dad. A monkey for my

I want barbies. Books for my mom

I want a kite. One kite for my dada.

I want claydough and make-up, an

umbrella for my brother. For my mom

I want an umbrella. A fake turkey

Anna Marie Corona

for my mom and dad cause my mom

will get mad if I buy a real one!

a lamp. For my dad a nickel.

Playdough for my brother.

one for my mom and one for my sis-

and dad and for my brothers dogs.

brother and books for my sister.

mom. My dad a ring too! A toy for

dertaker for Christmas and a monkey

too and a book so I can read it.

Dear Santa.

Dear Santa,

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Dear Santa.

ter and brother.

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,

my brother.

Joseph Herrera

Christopher Rodriguez

Shaunna Session

Francisco Rodriguez

Amelia Gonzales

Stephan Garcia

cisco my brother.

Dear Santa, I want make-up and a guitar. I want something for my mom and dad and my sister. Bring them cooking stuff. My sister probably a toy.

toy. An umbrella for my mom. A

wagon for Alex and a truck for Fran-

Dear Santa, I want Blue's playdough and I want a kite. I want a rabbit, I want a real rabbit.

Dear Santa,

I want colors and for my brother I want some toys. Mom needs new shoes. New phone for dad. An um-

brella for grandma and grandpa.

Love Aaron Saenz

Isidro Rosa

Christian Cabello

Keri DeBusk

Dear Santa,

I want a game and a dog. Give my mom and angel. Buy my brother a wrestling game.

John Ortiz

Dear Santa,

I want a power wheel. Mom wants a candle. Elena wants a computer. A tractor mower for my dad. I don't know what my brother is getting. I would like a basket like my teacher Angelica Olvera has in her room to put stuff. Emelio DeOchoa

Dear Santa, I want an Angel for my mom. A bike for me. A wrestling for my brother. A toy for my baby sister.

Alexandra Almaguer

Christmas greetings and best wishes for the happiest of holidays.



Merry Christmas to you and yours. Quality **Body Shop**





OR GOD SO LOVED THE WORLD, THAT HE GAVE HIS ONLY BEGOTTEN SON, THAT WHOSOEVER BELIEVETH IN HIM SHOULD NOT PERISH, BUT HAVE EVERLASTING LIFE.

— John 3:16

God bless you and yours in this holy season and beyond.

David & Dar Lee Foster Jody & Shawnda Foster Eddie & Ann Foster



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God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. (John 3:16)

We appreciate the opportunity to know and serve so many beautiful friends. We wish all of you the best.

Main Street Pizza 652-2201 Lockney

David and Michael

Floydada Kindergarten classes really love Santa



BABY JESUS' CRIB AT 610 W. CALIFORNIA

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,

I want a pink bike, a barbie, and a

toy cat. Brittney wants an umbrella

ter wants a jacket. You are my friend.

I like the things you left me last

I want the scary video Goose

bumps. I want Rudolph if his nose will

realy like a real horse thats black and

year. Thank you for bringing those

FLOYDADA K-1

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a toy computer and and my brother wants a truck. My sis-

I'll leave you a coke before you come to see me.

> From, Rhonda

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a bear and a barbie doll. I want a little monkey too. Thanks!

From, Sabrina

Dear Santa,

I want a toy computer, a big ball that has lots of colors and a television. Santa, I'm going to give you something. I want to give you something. I want to give you a bicycle so you can

I love you,

Dear Santa,

I have a doll named Molly. Please bring me some new clothes for her. I would like some paint and 2 boxes of sparklers. You can bring me any kind of toy you've made.

> Love, Hannah

Dear Santa,

I want a remote control airplane, a pokemon, and a game to play with my family. I will leave you milk and cook-

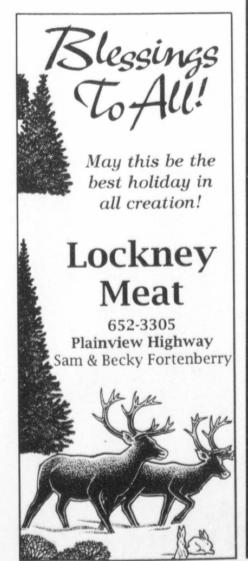
> From, Evan

Dear Santa,

I want a truck to play with. I like blue trucks.

How are your reindeer? Rudolph is my favorite.

Your friend, Ricardo



Could you please bring me a remote control airplane? I would like a blue bike and a Star Wars sword, too.

We'll have some Christmas cookies for you.

> Love, Albert

Please bring me a dog. I like to play with dogs. I want a doll, a baby one. Bring me some doll clothes.

Your friend, Dennise

Dear Santa,

I want a monster truck with a remote control, a toy reindeer and a fake

I've moved this year. I hope you can find my house. Love from you friend,

Dear Santa,

I want a remote control airplane, a cool rider remote control, and a different color ball. I'm glad you make

I love you, Jorge

Jesus

Dear Santa. I want a four wheeler and a remote

Santa, how come your reindeer are in the zoo and Rudolph is out?

Dear Santa,

I want a commercial truck. I want a black puppy, too.

I'd like to give you some food. Do you like spaghetti?

Edwardo

Dear Santa,

Ashley

I love you,

Love, I want a princess barbie, a baby doll and a Ken doll. Please bring my brother a jeep. Thank you for the gifts. I love you, Stephanie

Dear Santa, I've tried to be good this year. Will glow. I'd like to have a baby kitten, so you please bring me a Sleeping white dog too! I would have 6 kittens. My little Beauty Barbie doll, a shake and cousin Andrew needs a stocking for a smoothy smoother to make sodas, and surprise. There's one more thing I'd a ballet barbie with Kelly?

I'll leave you a bell cookie and a Christmas tree cookie and some milk.

Mallory Sarah I want a remote control car and a black bike. Thank you for the bike and





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Mitch Probasco Jimmy Cervantes Floydada

Please bring me a boy puppy. I would like a black one. I will name him Joker.

I will leave you cookies again this

I love you, Miranda

FLOYDADA K-2 Dear Santa,

I want a new bike. I would like some toys. And some letters so I can read. Tell your reindeer to be careful!

from, Matthew

Dear Santa,

I would like a Play Station and a little pool table. I want a new bike without training wheels. My sister ers. Alexandra wants a doll that cries. My baby sister Aleah needs a baby toy.

Roy Almaguer

Dear Santa, Ho! Ho! Ho! Happy New Year! Merry Christmas! I want a Barbie. I like Cheyenne's. I would butterflies book. for my hair and a Tweety shirt.

Dear Santa,

I would like a new bike. I want a play station. New skates would be nice. My brother Chad needs a Batman toy. Casey, my sister, needs a one. real cat. I want a play flag.

> from, Choise Rainbolt

Dear Santa,

Merry Christmas! I would like a bike for Christmas. A dolly that cries would be nice. I like Tigger, Piglet and Pooh too. Gordo would like a new

> from. Brittany Rodriguez

Merry Christmas! Happy New Year! I would like Barbies (any kind). (2 or 3 or 4 or 5!) Kami would like drum and a guitar. I don't know what Mandy wants. I could love a black and

from,

We hope your holidays bring you happiness

I want a Barbie. For my brother, he loves Pokemon!

Mandy wants a Barbie and Picka choo and Pokemon! I want 5 Barbies. Thank you! I would like a dog too!

Cheyenne Robledo

Dear Santa, I would like a black dog. I want a barbie. I like cats too. I love shoes.

Dear Santa,

I want you to come see me! I like Clifford the Dog books. I would like a real puppy. I would like a real puppy. I would like some Crayolas and mark-

> from, Paty Riojas

Dear Santa,

I want a bike. I would a dolly that pees. My brother Isaac wants a bike with training wheels. I would like another dolly. I also love to color so I want some bell bottoms with a stripe would like crayolas and a coloring

Samantha Rodriguez

Dear Santa,

I want a bike and a helmet. I want some books too. I could use a new jacket also. New pants and some toys. I like Clifford and would like a toy

Andres Delacerda

I would like a toy. Bring Diego a Toy and Marcos a toy too!

> from Jessie

Dear Santa,

I want a bicycle. I want a dog that's fluffy! I want a book. Please bring Ashley a Barbie. Ashley would love a new bicycle too!

> from, Andrew

Dear Santa,

Happy New Christmas! I want a piece of candy. Happy New Year. I want an angel Barbie. I would like a Tommy that you wipe off the ice cream. I love a Tommy that you read with and a Floydada cheerleader suit.

> from, Bethany

Dear Santa, I want a Barbie jeep and an Barbie. want some Barbie gowns for me to sleep in. I want some new books with pretty pictures of kittens, dogs and bunnies. I want a new trampoline with dots. my own bookshelf for my room.

from, Ashley Sisemore

Dear Santa,

I want a teddy, a little computer and a purse that's like a backpack. My sister and I want books and some shoes. My sister wants a bike too. We both like water babies. I want a puppy with a red nose.

Samantha Maldnado



Riley and Hannah Harris visit with Santa

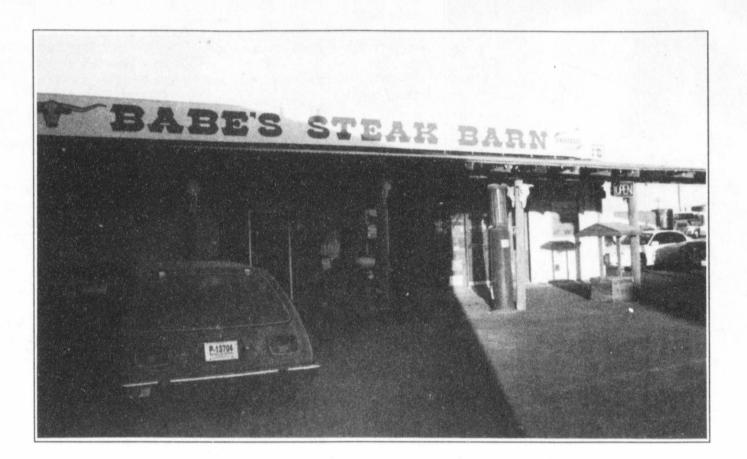


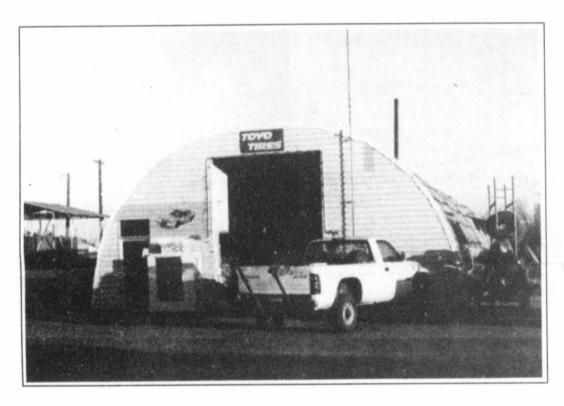
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GIRSIMS GRETINGS

In simpler times
Of slower paces,
People met with
Smiling faces,
Greeting friends as
Children played.
May this holiday
Season bring you
And your family

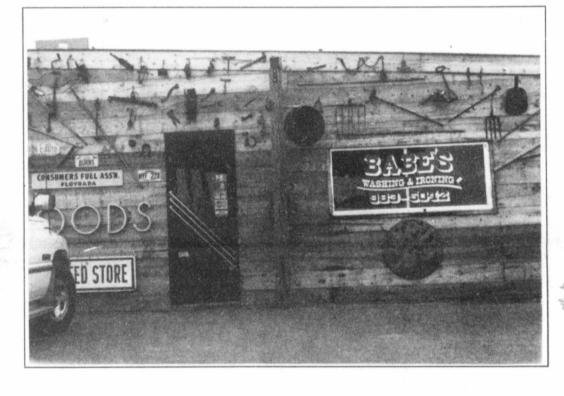
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Merry Christmas from Babe and Nell Jones & Employees at

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Steak Barn & Service Center

983-5042

405 1/2 East Missouri,

Floydada

Floydada 1st graders.....

Dear Santa I bent gud. I wut a remet kntrl trk. A kemputr ad dog.

Federico DeHoyos

Dear Santa, I want a computer, and a fotbal and

Love,

Micheal Bueno Der Santa, I want a toy car nd a race r I have i wint a trampolen and a bicikoll and been a Good boy

Adalberto Garcia Dear Santa, I Want A Amercan Girl Close I Want A Bike But A Girl Bike

From Rylee Shurbet

Dear Santa, I want a Barbie Family House for Christmas.

Dear Santa, I have been good I want a toy for chismis. I wont a

toy mordsikl for crismne

I want a toy car For chrismis. I hav bin vere good. If i did ine thang bad i am sre.Ilik you.

Yrls troole. Matthew Hinton

Der Santa,

I want a cd player. I have bein good. I love you.

> May this season overflow with good times, good friends and good fun! We're especially thankful for our good friends like you.

Davis

Lumber

Dear Santa, I want a red car. I'm a good boy. I

William Richard

Dear Santa,

I want a bike for ckismis. I have a a lilt motrsicle, a litle bsktbol, a chemes tree i hop that you cum to my

> Love, Willie Garcia

Dear santa a tranpollin.

Edgarleija

Dear Santa, I want a television. I want a VCR and a Computer. and a cat and a pechr

> Love, Breann Gooch

Dear Santa. I hav been good. I hep teacher do Love Katie Garza her calander I wot a bear a crayols.

Love, Eddy Rodriquez

Dear Santa, I would like a Winnie the Pooh. I Love. yow would also like a Barbie doll. I would Troy Morales like a Tigger. I will eave you some chocolate cookies. I will also leave you some honey.

Love, Kimberly Ramirez

Howar are you doing? I am fine. I

would lke for Christmas a Brbie. I wat a cpt (computer). Ana Maria Mora



I want a racecar for Christmas. I have been a good boy. I will leave you leave some cookies and milk for you. and the reindeer some milk and cook- I have been a good little boy. ies and carrots and hay.

Love, David Dear Santa,

I want a racecar for Christmas. I will

Love. Julio



Floydada 1st graders ask Santa for toys and stuff

dears santa, I want a remote control car.

Dear Santa,

computer, and a cat.

and a Pooh and a ball.

I wel begood I wot a dog Iwot a cat caus my siste wot a rewof. I wot a blck white purpl plue I wot a red fox

Gregory Aleman

I would like a Barbie, and a dog, a dear sa nta

I el begood I wot a dog Alma Gonzalez Iwot a cat caus my siste wot a rewof. I wot a blck white purpl blue I wot a

> love, Yelitza

Dear Santa, I want a computer, Barbie and a dog and a Cat.

I want a doll and a Barbie, and a cat

Crecmes is My faverit haladay. I wood like for creemes A teliskop

Kelsey Kelley

I want a bike, a doll and a some American girl clothes, and I want a new jump rope.

Gregory Aleman

Love, Lexi Covington

P.S. There will be milk and cookies

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,

I want a skateboread. your frined,

Carson Battey



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



Floydada 2nd graders ask Santa "Please send me

How are you all right? I hope Rudolph has been a good boy. I hope May I have a toy car or a little train. there isn't bad wheather on Christmas Please may I have a toy moatsikle. Eve so you and the reindeer can get Will you please bring me a computer, throu but if it's foggy Rudolph can a puppy, a toy motorhome with a help you! May I have clothes, a Cha-truck. I will have cookies and milk. I rades game and a computer with hope you have a safe trip. Happy games. The Charade game if for Mom. Cristmas.

May I have a case of cars for my brother and a Stone Cold Piggy bank for my Dad.

Have a Merry Christmas. I hope you have a very very safe trip. Thank-you Santa. I love you Santa.

Olivia Segura

Dear Santa,

I hope you have a good time. Is Roudof okay becus I kan't wait until Christmas is her. I would like a doll, jewelry, a fuzy bear for Christmas.

Is your elfse okay? I hope you have a good Christmas.

Love, Tara Hughes

Dear Santa.

I wank to say thank you for all our preseets and make the hole world happy. Christmas is the best holaday. I saw you last year. you gave me some vinoculers for Christmas. Fore Chritmas I wood like a pony for Christmas. I wood like a mountain Bike fore Chritmas and a teede bear. Have a great Christmas.

Miles Marble

Dear Santa,

I hope you are doing good. I will like a NFL Bliz 2000 game, and some fubu clothes, and some candles for my mom. A bike for Joseph. Some candles for my teackers. A puppy for my mom. A nitendo 64 for my sisters. game it's called toy story 2. I want some bagy pance.

Dale Howard

Dear Santa,

I hope your ready for Christmas. I would like a new bike, a game boy color, a litte filly, My brother wants a big horse but my mom might get him one. I won't a calecteble barbie I won't l beanie babie. Christmas would you fill up the littlest. stocking too. You don't half to give it all to me. Every year I give you hot-chocklet and cookies and I will this year to

Kaylie Nutt

For Christmas I would like some clothes. And I would like a computer and a puppy. Then I would want a kitten. I would want a new laket, a baby dall, a poster of you.

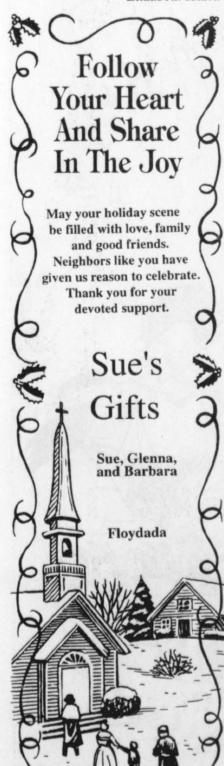
I will leave some hot choclate and carrots for the raindear.

Dora Ramirez

Dear Santa,

May I have gams for my computer and a bike for Chistmas and a bear I hop you have a good trip.

Love, Elizabeth Ibarra



Dear Santa,

I hope you are ready for crismas.

Dear Santa, I want a Digimon Toy. I also want a Nintendo 64 with lots of games.

Love, Lupe Palacios

Dear Santa, I would like a tv, and a V.C, A Computer, Teapots.

> Love, Teresa Navas

Dear Santa,

I want a tv, and a vcr with a remote control. I also want a doll with a pretty dress on. I also want a tea set.

> Love, Blanca Suarez

Dear Santa.

I want a litle puppy, some movies, a T.V. And a VCR, And a dog for my Mom. also want a ball for my sister

Love, D'Ann Garza

Dear Santa, I want a whole set of Dragon Ballz toys, and my brother wants new

> Love, Anthony Segura

I want a Cuddly Kelly doll, Also a stuff animal Begel. Maybe a play house, Some American Girl clothes.

Evan Johnson

Dear Santa,

I want a bike, and a toy and some too. new clothes. A new pair of shoes, Some books to read.

Love, David DeLa Fuente

Dear Santa,

I want a bike, and some rollerskates, and a toy, and a pair off clothes, and a computer, and a barbie.

> Love, Brenda Garcia

I want a barbie, and a bike, and

Love, Cristina Delval Dear Santa,

some clothes, and rollerskates, and a

I just want my family's love, and a birbie, and my brother to be nice to me! an lots of book's and my GRANDPA some tools, and a treehoues.

Love, Celia Aguilar

Dear Santa,

I want a T.V., and a VCR, and a monkey too. I also want some money. Your Friend, Cesar Mata

Dear Santa,

I want a CD, and some clothes, and a aTm hat, and long sleeve shirts, a playstation CD, and some beaniebabys.

Dear Santa,

How cold is it there? How menny elfs do you have? How big is your house? How miny toys can you cary? Can you make a stuft santa, a swis

Нарру Holidays Dear Santa, How do you make your toys. I never

new there was a santa clas until my Mom told me. you are so nice santa. how ar your rundere? How can you fly? I love christmas time. So how are army knife and a dog bone and a G.I. you santa? I am fine. How did you Joe and my brother wants something biuld your workshop? I never saw your work shop befor and if I'd seen J.C. Chappell it I'd think it is pretty. I'd never seen elves. For Christmas I want a CD and a T.V with vcr, and some Roller Blades too. and a computer. and I will leave some milk and cookeis out for

Leslye Vasquez



There's Nothing In The World Like Christmas In The Country

And we couldn't be happier than to share it with such wonderful people. To all of you we wish a season filled with warm fires, good friends, and dreams come true.

Clark Pharmacy

Danny, Vicki, Carissa, Jarrod & Allyson Clark Leslie Flores & Bertha Hooten



From the Elected Officials of Floyd County



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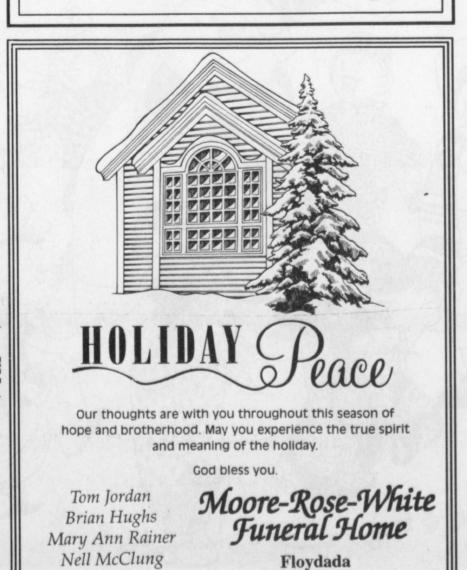
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Providence Farm Supply

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.

3loydada 2nd graders are "Sugar and spice and everything nice"

Dear Santa,

What you can to bringing for me. please can you bringing my dog lot and you santa.

Karina Bazan

Dear Santa,

What is it like in the North Pole. And what is the wether like. Think you for the present you gave me last year. Can you please get me an American Girl doll. And an American Girl horse. Also some American Girl doll clothse. Lindsey Beedy

Dear Santa,

How are your rian Dear. I wnat to now how your evs are good. Santa I Like you santa. I ope you come to my class santa. Will you come don to Texas. Santa will you bring me a T.V.? Adrienne Martinez

Dear Santa,

I want a bike, and A remote control car, and a lot of wrestling toys, alot of cars, video games.

Love, Fred Williams

Dear Santa,

I want a bike, a computer nintendo 64 game, T.v, a play house, chalkboard, poohtoy, cd's, a vcr, moive.

Love, Jasmine Orozco

Dear Santa,

What is the weather like there? how are you doing? Could you bring me an inspector gadet movie and a pokemon trading card and lots of love for my family.

Randy Kennedy

Dear Santa,

How are you I'm fine. What are the elvs names. witch raindeer is your favorit on. I want a T.V. and a V.C.R., stereo and c-ds like back street boys, n'sinc, bordgams, books. My Brother wants a toy. Could you pleas bring my cat a toy, My Mom a neckzis, my dad play stastion games.

Megan Aleman

Dear Santa.

How are things up their I want to say thanck you for my present last year. So thanck you. This year it is going to be the best christmas ever. right. Can you get me a playstaton and a pear of sckas.

Freddy Castillo

Dear Santa, I hope you come to my house on Christmas Eve and bring me a play station. I would like a baseball glove. Have a Merry Christmas!

Florencio Cubanza

Dear Santa,

this year I have been a very good girl, I hope you come to my houes to give me a Cheerleader doll, trampoline and tweety bird pillow.

Heather Rios

Dear Santa, I want to know how the elves are doing. I have been a good girl this year. I want a pizza maker and a ice cream maker and a playhouse.

I also want a big Barbie that comes with adress. I like Mrs. Claus alot. Your friend, Kortney Williams

Dear Santa,

I want a t.v., a baby dove. I want a baby dog, a baby bird. and a tiger.



Dear Santa,

How are you doing? Is it snowing Santa can you give me computer a at the north pole? I have been a good tweety. The bay side you are bringing girl. How is Mrs. Claus doing? You me a coputer and a game for the computer can you make me a pricescan two books. Can yo buy me a pizza? I please. can you bringing me a book want a faske puppy. Can you find me the parent traps by Hallie and Annie a toy fake bear. I Love Mrs. Claus a

Your Friend,

What are yo doing? Is it cold or hot in teh northpole? Are the raindeers rede? Pless I want a toy rede for you to breg me the toys in scool. Are you comen down to scool or I mite be in my houes. Can you breg me and my grama a TV. Santa, are yo doing fine are you hiden the raindeers yes or non.

Your fraend,

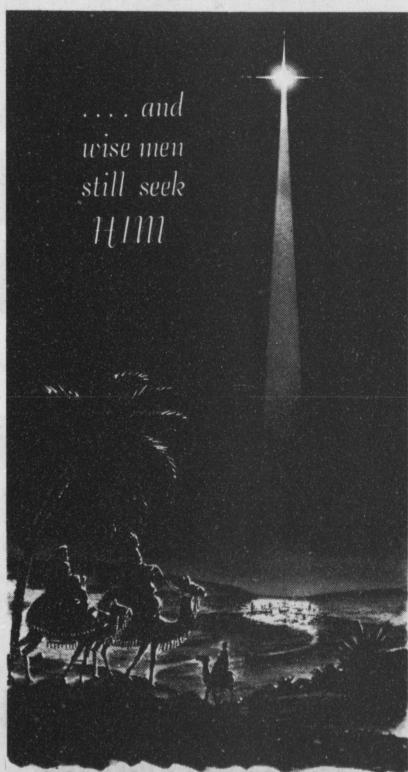
Greg Rosa Laura Arellano



May you and yours enjoy smooth sailing all through the holidays. Thanks for staying the course with us!

Coronado Muffler

983-2273 210 W. California, Floydada Randall Weems



Lighthouse Electric Cooperative, Inc.

I wanted to say hie. How are the rain deer. Are they good or are they bad. I will leave you milk and cookies on Christmas night. Would you bring me a bunch of presents? I want a V.V. And a play stashin. I even want a goat car. My family wants a T.V. to. I want a poke mon Ball. My sister wants a

Geffrey Sanchez

Dear Santa, Are the toys ready? These are the things I would like. I would like a real motorcycle and a T.V. and a B.B gun

and a shot gun. And for sure a DRUM SET! Last but not least a remote control car! I realy want that motorcycle and a DRUM SET and the two guns!

Jordan Cornelius ***********

How are you doing and are your

Dear Santa,

I have been a good girl this year. And How is Mrs. Santa Claus? I want a playhouses and I want a baby doole and a angle and I want a rugat.

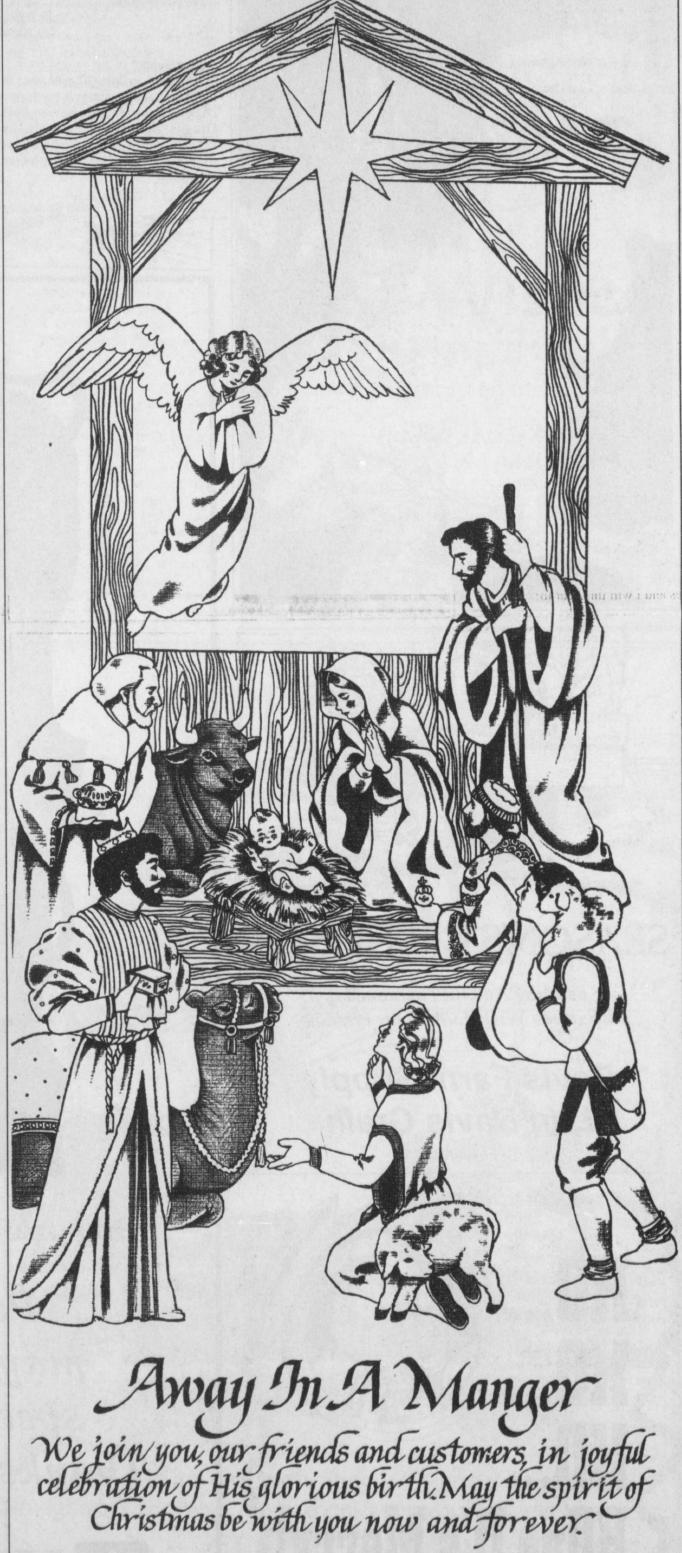
Your Friend, Andrea Torrez

How is every body doing? Witch is render readey to fly and could you your favorite raindeer? What are all bring my hole family please could you the elvs names? My favorite raindeer bring me a play stashtion and I even is Rodof. I want some benie babys, want a play harry and could you bring My dog would like something too. I my sister a Geep and could youbreing would like Be witcied c-d, Shariya my other sister some games of com- twan's c-d. I want a pair of puter and could you bring my mom rollerblades. My brother wants somead big skrerne adn my dad some new thing too. I want a playstation. What are your favorite kind of cookies? I Love, will probely make your favorite cook-Jesse Ibarre ies. I want some cds to go with my playstation. I liked what you brought me last year. Please bring my mom and dad something.

Makenzie Schwertner

This year I have been a very good girl. I want a cheerleader doll, and tranpoline and conputer.

Elena deOchoa



Lockney Gin Co., Inc.

Your business and friendship appreciated.

Larry Mullins

Lockney

Owner/Manager

Floydada 2nd graders write to "the jolly ole man"...

Dear Santa,

When I go to get my present I will leave some milk and cookies. You can put my presens under the tree. Do you have Rudolph the red nose reindeer. I would like a computer, a play station, and some wrestling toys.

Clay Suniga

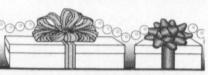
Eve. I wonder what you will give me This year I was a good girl. Have a in my stocking. I would like to have a merry cristmas santa! stuffed bear. Do you have Rudolph at the North pole? I would like to have a cd. I will leave you some cookies on the table and some milk. I would like a rock an roll Britney Spears doll. Alyssa Arnell

This year I have been a very good boy. For Christmas I would like a Play girl. When you come Santa there will Station football game, a remote con- be some chocolate chip cookies and trol car, and a set of football cards. Oh some chocolate milk. Can you bring yes! and a Pokemon ball. Have a a present for Christmas? I want a Merry Christmas!

Mason Lipham Dear Santa,

I want a CD player. Can I have a tweety Bird bookmark. Can I have a This year I have been a good girl. I real Tweety Bird? Santa I will leave will be waiting for you on Christmas you some cookeis that are chocolate.

Jacque L Barrientos



Joe Avila Dear Santa, How are you doing? I can't wate in to Christmas. Christmas is my favorite holiday. Please give me the whole Dragon Ball Z toys and all the Pokemone toys. Give my whole family pressens too. You have a happy christmas.

Juan Rodriquez

Dear Santa, This year I have been being a good

Claudia Lopez

Your frend,

tweety birds pillow, and a CD player.

This year I have been a good girl I

hope you will give me a presents will

ou giv my sister a presents. And I hope

you will give me a T.V adn a nintendo

I wanted to say hi adn how are you

rain der dowing? and My family wants

a T.V., and for me a nintindo 64. Please

I allways wanted a basket ball gold

for me and my brothers. And I will

Dear Santa.

Dear Santa,

leave you cookeis.

How are you doing? Please bring my brother a nintindo 64. This is what I want a Big Kelly Doll, a Teliscope, a Britney Spears Barbie, a Blow Pen, and a Siameas cat. I will leave you some milk and cookies. Good Buy!

Jessica Prisk

Dear Santa,

This year I have been a good boy. When you come I'll have chocolate milk and cookies. I want a nintendo 64 game, and any game that has to do with cops. Could you give me some Heather Guerra baggy pants? I also want a game boy

Trey Casillas

********* Dear Santa,

I like how people make nick names about you like your cherry nose and your beard of snow. I will give you a present, I have kept it for more than a year now. It is special. Now lets talk about gifts! I want a nitendo 64 with a pokomen snap game and a game boy

Cutter Johnson **********

Dear Santa,

trick question.

I hope I get a play station with a WWF game and a WcW game. I Will Leave you some cookies on the table What I really want is Nintendo 64 with



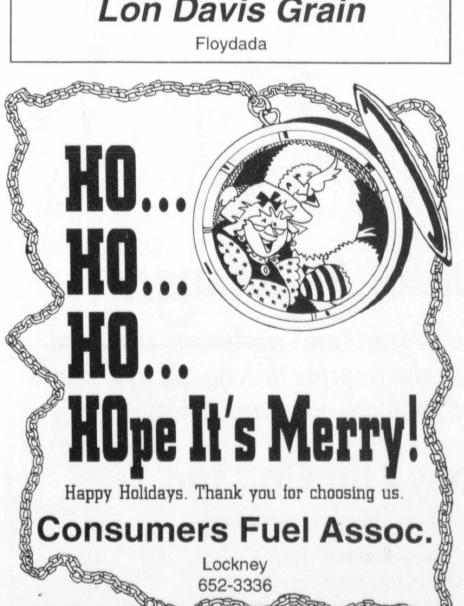




SEASON'S GREETINGS

Sending An Old Fashioned Christmas Wish To All Our Friends

Davis Farm Supply Lon Davis Grain





Sing praise unto Him who brought love unto us.

Peace, joy, love, and faith ... may all things that encompass a special holiday season be yours. Thanks for the pleasure of serving you.



West Texas Bank

in Floydada

105 S. Wall

Member F.D.I.C.

Another Santa letter.....

Dear Santa Claus,

We have been really good this year. We cannot wait for you to come see us! I told my Daddy that he could not lots of horses, horses with Barbies, a have a fire going in the fireplace on Marie music box, a purse, and tigers. Christmas Eve because I do not want you to get all burned up!! We will leave cookies and milk by the fireplace this year. My sister wants you!! Barney for Christmas. You know how she loves Barney!

and yellow stripes.

Ashley and Delandy Lucke

Origins of Rudolph

One of the most beloved figures in modern Christmas lore, Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer, was born when a Montgomery Ward advertising copywriter named Robert L. May was told to create a booklet which could be given to children at Christmastime.

That was in 1939, and "Rudolph with his nose so bright," the nose in the fall of 1949 and quickly bewhich made him a laughingstock came a smash hit. among the other reindeer, has charmed generations of children for over 50 years.

Interestingly enough, the words of the song, "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer." were not included in the

Story of the Stockings

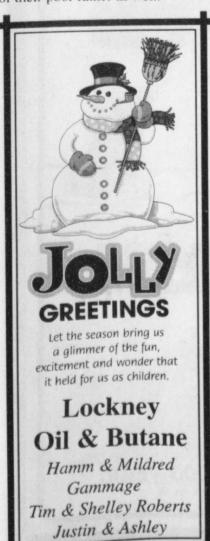
"The stockings were hung by the chimney with care, in hopes that St. Nicholas soon would be there . . ."

It's not known how this tradition got its start, but there is a lovely legend about the custom's beginning.

It seems that in the town where the "first" Saint Nicholas lived, there was a merchant who had three daughters who were not married. In those days, the 4th century, a maiden had to have a dowry before she could marry. And the merchant was bank-

Nicholas, who was then a boy, heard of their plight. He went to the house late one night and dropped three bags of gold down the chimney. They fell into the girls' stockings which were hanging by the fireplace to dry.

The gold was enough for the girls' dowry so they were married and lived happily ever after taking care of their poor father as well.

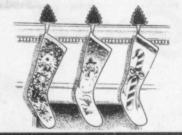


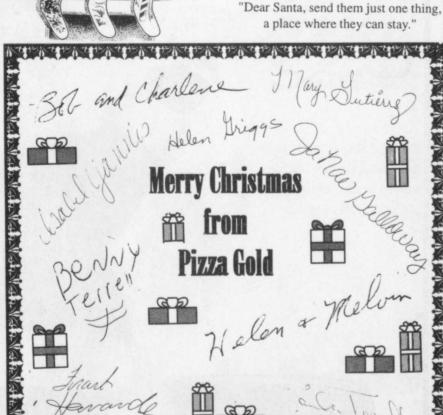
I started my list in July and have only added a couple of things since then. I would like a dog, barns with I need a Simba and a cat with orange

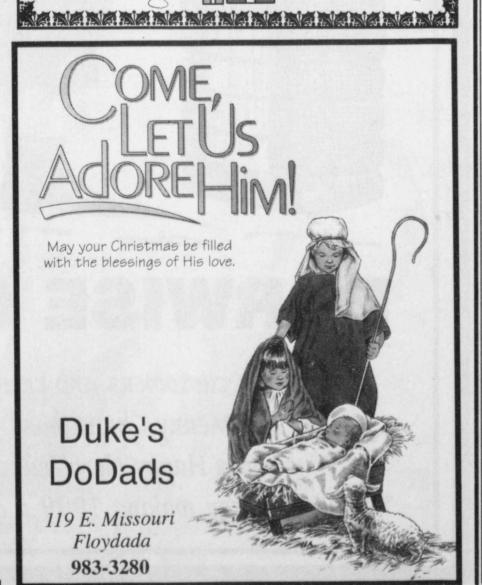
Tell the reindeer 'Hi' for us. We love

original booklet that told Rudolph's story, and were not written by May. Rather, 10 years after May's original creation, his brother-in-law, composer Johnny Marks, put Rudolph's tale to music, and wrote the lyrics for that your loving heart would hide. with which we are familiar today.

Cowboy-singer Gene Autry recorded the tune, which was released







Dear Santa, I've been as nice as I can be..

Dear Santa Claus,

Merry Christmas! I have been a very good girl this year. I hope you will bring me a pretend Beagle dog and puppy, a Cuddly Kelly doll and a stuffed elephant like the one I saw at the Science Spectrum. I would also like a new pair of slippers. I will leave oreos and milk for you!

I love you,

Merritt Ruth Johnson

Dear Santa, Merry Christmas! I have been a good girl this year. I am getting so big and can do every thing by myself! I hope you will bring me the pink stroller and doll, a cash register, and a little computer. I love you,

McKenna Drace Johnson

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a hop ball, Barbie horse, Fairy Princess Dress-ups, Giant art Studio, Bathe and Dress Doll Set, The Nail Sop and books.

Dear Santa, I want a Go-Car and a wrestler. I wings hook and the legs come off, like have been good.

Snowflakes softly falling

Upon your window they play

Your blankets snug around you,

Into sleep you drift away. I bend to gently kiss you,

when I see that on the floor

there's a letter, neatly written

I wonder who it's for.

I quietly unfold it

making sure you're still asleep,

It's a Christmas list for Santa

one my heart will always keep.

It started just as always

with the toys seen on TV,

A new watch for your father

and a winter coat for me.

But as my eyes read on

I could see that deep inside

there were many things you wished

You asked if your friend Molly

could have another Dad;

It seems her father hits her

and it makes you very sad.

Then you asked dear Santa

if the neighbors down the street

Could find a job, that he might have

some food, and clothes, and heat.

You saw a family on the news

whose house had blown away,

Love you, Amos Luna

Dear Santa. I want a new geen mouth pease and a home boys size 7 shirt, I want a little dog with pads any kind but all of them A poster of Brett fare, and let my mom know that I want my party at the skateing ring. by .write to you next

> Sincerly, Renee Cruz

Dear Santa Clause,

I was good so I want a Toy Story soccer ball and clothes and toys and a pet, a bunk bed and crayons. Bring my brother Jr. something too.

Dear Santa Claus, We are the preschool class at Augar and Spice Preschool in Floydada, Texas and this is what we would like for Christmas. Jacob Graham-new combine and

new hay tractor. Braxton Turner-new tractor with kid

and a dad. Cody Alaniz-toy tractors and some

toy "big" trucks and trailers. Kelsey Nutt-Skateboard Shannon. Ashley Lucke-cat with orange and yellow stripes, and some dinosaurs. Hunter Galvan-Power Ranger that turns into a cat, and one where the

my cousin, Jordie has. Thank you, Sugar and Spice Preschool

SANTA "And Santa, those four cookies that I left you for a treat,

Cound you take them to the children

who have nothing else to eat." "Do you know that little bear I have the one I love so dear? I'm leaving it for you to take to Africa this year." "And as you fly your reindeer on this night of Jesus' birth,

Could your magic bring to everyone goodwill and peace on earth." "There's one last thing before you go. so grateful I would be. If you'd smile at Baby Jesus in the manger by our tree." I pulled the letter close to me' I felt it melt my heart.

Those tiny hands had written what no other could impart. "And a little child shall lead them," was whispered in my ear watched you sleep on Christ Eve

while Santa Claus was here

Dear Santa,

His it going at the North Pole. I hope yall are doing good. We have been pretty good boys most of the time. For christmas Jake would like a Rescue Hero center and the game don't break

Janson would like a boxing bag and the game Coottie.

Please don't forget our big sister "sissy," she's been pretty good this

Merry Christmas! Jake and Janson Graham

Dear Santa,

I want la soccer ball and my own CD player along with my own CD's, like Shnnia Twain and Spice Girls and Backstreet Boys and N'sync and that's all for right now. And A furby that's all this year! Have a nice Christmas! And a Happy New year 2000!

Dear Santa. I want Star Wars Space Ships and that's all I want.

Riley Harris

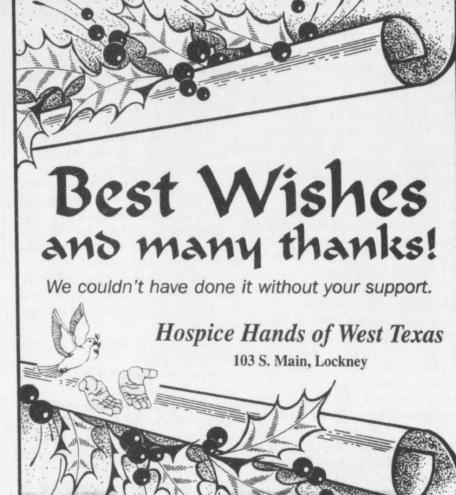
Dear Santa,

I want a baby, a bottle, some baby food, clothes for her and neato stuff. I want a Barbie, Barbie clothes, Barbie shoes, a Barbie couch, a Barbie chair, a Barbie jacket, a Barbie house, a Barbie present, a Barbie stroller with babies in it and I want a Walking Tonya, a Barbie bench, a Barbie Christmas tree, and a Baby Born. Tha's all.

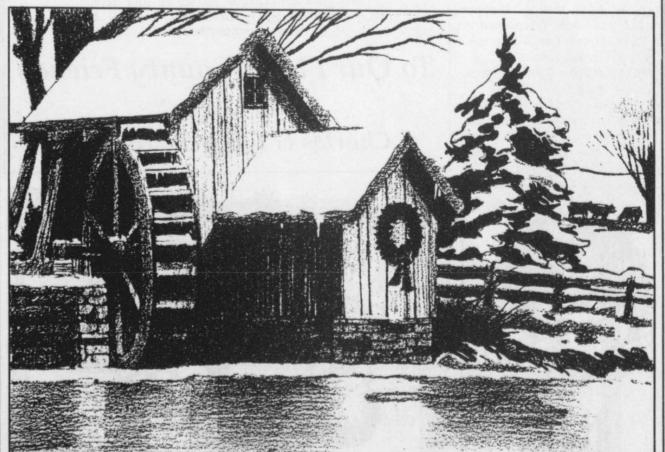
Hannah Harris

Dear Santa, May I have a Gigapet and a monand A furby baby both. Got it? OK key. I would like for all children to get what thay wished for.

> From Cheyann Powell Age 8



HADDY HOLIDAYS



We're glad to be celebrating with good friends and neighbors like you. Many thanks for your valued business.





from the wealthiest family in town,

and shy. Joan was all ups and downs:

ing her to candy, giving her a toy - the

next, bragging extravagantly, teaching Barbara to be ashamed of our house.

We kept hoping Barbara would

used a great deal of imagination. Early in November we started planning.

Barbara helped me look for recipes

that were inexpensive. We colored

Epsom salt and put it in pretty bottles

as bath salts for her grandmothers. We

took scraps of velvet and transformed

ordinary boxes into jewel boxes for

the grandfathers' stickpins. We

dreamed up pincushions that looked

like miniature hats and pot holders in

We spent hours in the little spare

room laughing at each new touch of

imagination. The lumpy old daybed

became littered with gay scraps of

paper as we cut pictures form last

year's Christmas cards to decorate our

packages. We had a wonderful time.

house after school and returned look-

"What's the trouble?" I asked her.

"Oh, nothing." She hesitated, then

said, "Mom, I told a fib today. But that

Joan! She's always talking about her

guest room and the company that

sleeps there. Today she asked, 'Where

Barbara went on. "I told Joan we

don't have much company, and her

eyebrow went up. Mom, I just couldn't stand that look again. So I told her,

'We have something you don't. We

Her feet shuffled."'I didn't mean to fib, but you should have seen how surprised she looked. I never saw Joan stuck before. She really didn't know

"But, dear," I said. "We do have a Christmas room. But if it will make it more official, we'll make a sign for

She brightened. "Oh, could we?"

The sign was barely dry and hung when Joan arrived. She rarely came to our house, always preferring her house where there were toys. Now she stood at our door asking to see the

Barbara looked at me. "May I show

"I guess so," I answered. "If every-

thing is wrapped, that is." Barbara

went to check while I explained to

Joan, "The room is full of surprises, and we can't let any secrets out."

Barbara hurried back into the room.

Joan would probably see only a small dingy room with a crackled ceiling and a homemade sign on the door.

does your company sleep?"

have a Christmas room.'

"We'll do it today."

Christmas room.

"It's okay."

what to say.

the door."

One day Barbara went to Joan's

the shape of teapots.

ing sad.

fected by the Great Depression.

The Christmas Room

They were gone so long, I finally By Gillette Jones When I arrived at my daughter's on went and peered in. Joan was looking Christmas Eve, her children ran to the at our paper creche figures we had cut

door with shouts and kisses. Then, out "We have china figures," she said. struggling with my bags they took me

to the guest room. I stopped short at I started to speak, but just then Joan the door, staring at the sign that hung ved to the packages that were on there. In red and green crayon it read, "The Christmas Room." My throat the daybed. She touched them one by ached for a moment, as I remem- one, lingering over the one with the paper sled on it. Barbara had done that Our daughter Barbara was only 9 one from colored paper, filling the sled when she began to realize that we with miniature packages.

Joan turned to Barbara. "We don't were quite poor. In Barbara's class there was one girl who took special have surprises. I always know everydelight in tormenting her. Joan came thing." "How?" Barbara asked. "Do you

one of the few that hadn't been af- peek?" Joan shook her head. "They ask Joan was outgoing, Barbara quiet what I want, and I get it."

Barbara said impulsively, "I'll give

one minute befriending Barbara, treat- you a surprise." Joan shrugged. "If you want." Barbara nodded solemnly, before I

During the next week, we tossed ideas about. At last, we settle on givovercome her shyness and make other ing her one afternoon a week at our friends, but she continued to tag after house, helping to make suprises. I wasn't sure she would think it was a Christmas was coming. I knew ours would be a lean one indeed, unless we present. She did come, however.

The first time, we made cookies and

wrapped some for her mother. The next week, it was fancy matchboxes for her father. The week before Christmas, Barbara gave her a box to open. Joan tore at the paper, but when she had the lid off, she didn't know what it was. Barbara looked disappointed. I tried to force gaiety into my words, "It's corn - for popping."

When the corn was popped, Joan remarked, "I could never make this. It's too messy for our house."

I glanced at Barbara, but she was busy showing Joan how the corn could be dyed with food coloring.

"Later, we'll string it for the Christmas tree," she explained. Joan worked at it, occasionally holding up the colorful string.

"They'll never hang this on our tree," she snorted.

Would you like to come hang it on our tree?" I ventured.

Her sudden tears alarmed me. "Could I?" she asked. "I can never help trim ours. I might break things." Then, she pushed back her chair. "I'd better go now."

wondering whether to actually take home the things she'd made for her parents. At last she picked them up. We watched her leave, clutching her small surprises.

Barbara turned big eyes toward me and whispered, "I used to be jealous

That was long ago. It had been important at the time, but I'd thought it was long forgotten. Now once again I stood facing the Christmas room.

I stepped inside a pleasant room, not at all like our homely old spare room. On the window seat were packages

wrapped with special touches of childish imagination. The children ran to

"I made this!" Ronnie cried proudly. "You're going to love mine, Grandma," Paula shouted.

There was no financial need for Barbara to do with her children what we had done - but I was glad she had. She'd been young that year of the Christmas room, yet she must have known that a Christmas room is a room for people, a room in the heart.

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Merry Christmas

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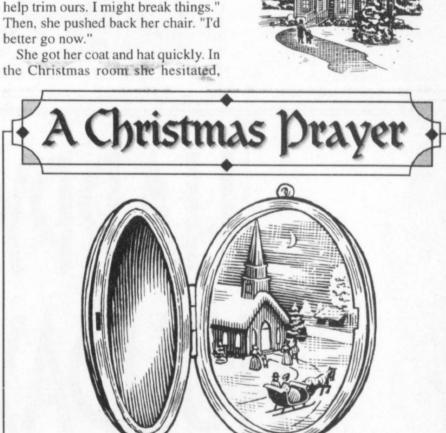
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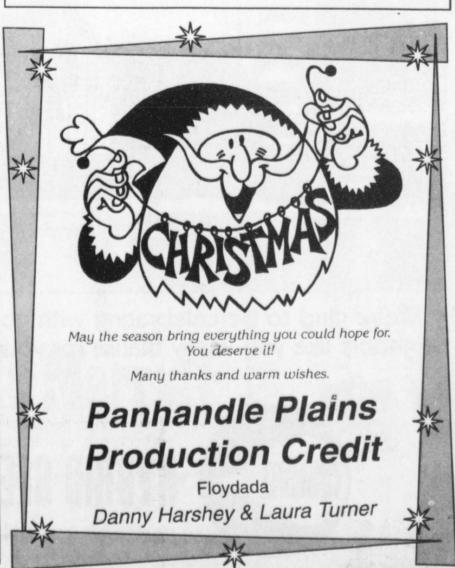
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and a Happy New Year.

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The Gold and Ivory Tablecloth



By Howard C. Schade

everywhere gather in their churches poor alike worshipped there and kept to wonder anew at the greatest miracle it beautiful. the world has ever known. But the story I like to recall was not a miracle the section of town where it stood. But

very young. His church was very old. that with paint, hammer and faith they

THE DAY AFTER **CHRISTMAS**

Twas the day after Christmas, and all through the house, Every creature was hurtin' even the mouse.

The toys were all broken, their batteries dead; Santa passed out, with some ice

on his head. Wrapping and ribbons just covered the floor, while

Upstairs the family continued to snore. And I in my T-shirt, new Reeboks

and jeans, I went into the kitchen and started

to clean. When out on the lawn there arose such a clatter, I sprang from the sink to see what

was the matter. Away to the window I flew like a flash,

tore open the curtains, and threw up the sash. When what to my wondering eyes

should appear, But a little white truck, with an oversized mirror.

The driver was smiling, so lively and grand; The patch on his jacket said "U.S. POSTMAN.

With a nandful of bills, he grinned like a fox

Then quickly he stuffed them into our mailbox.

Bill after bill, after bill, they still Whistling and shouting he called

them by name: "Now Dillard's, now Broadway's

now Penny's and Sears Here's Robinson's, Levitz's and

Target's and Mervyn's. To the tip or your limit, every store, every mall,

Now chargeaway--chargeaway-*chargeaway all!' He whooped and he whistled as he

finished his work. He filled up the box, and then turned with a jerk. He sprang to his truck and he

drove down the road, Driving much faster with just half a load.

Then I heard him exclaim with great holiday cheer, ENJOY WHAT YOU GOT YOU'LL BE PAYING ALL YEAR!"



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mous men had preached from its pul-At Christmastime men and women pit, prayed before its altar. Rich and

Now the good days had passed from the pastor and his young wife believed It happened to a pastor who was in their run-down church. They felt Once, long ago, it had flourished. Fa- could get it in shape. Together they

went to work. But in late December a severe storm whipped through the river valley, and the worst blow fell on the little church - a huge chunk of rain-soaked plaster fell off the inside wall just behind the altar. Sorrowfully, the pastor and his wife swept away the mess, but they couldn't hide the ragged hole.

The pastor looked at it and had to remind himself quickly, "Thy will be done!" But his wife wept, "Christmas is only two days away!"

That afternoon the dispirited couple attended the auction held for the benefit of a youth group. The auctioneer opened a box and shook out a handsome gold-and-ivory lace tablecloth. It was a magnificent item, nearly 15 feet long. But it, too, dated from a long-vanished era. Who, today, had any use for such a thing? There were a few halfhearted bids. Then the pastor was seized with what he thought was a great idea. He bid it in for \$6.50.

He carried the cloth back to the

behind the altar. It completely hid the hole! And the extraordinary beauty of its shimmering handwork cast a fine holiday glow over the chancel. It was a great triumph. Happily he went back to preparing his Christmas sermon.

Just before noon on the day of Christmas Eve, as the pastor was opening the church, he noticed a woman standing in the cold at the bus

"The bus won't be here for 40 minutes!" He called, and invited her into

the church to get warm. She told him that she had come

from the city that morning to be inter-

viewed for a job as governess to the children of one of the wealthy families in town, but she had been turned down. She was a war refugee, and her English was imperfect.

The woman sat down in a pew, chafed her hands and rested. After a while she dropped her head and prayed. She looked up as the pastor began to adjust the great ivory-andgold lace cloth across the hole. She rose suddenly and walked up the steps of the chancel. She looked at the tablecloth. The pastor smiled and started to tell her about the storm damage, but she didn't seem to listen. She took up a fold of the cloth and rubbed it between her fingers.

"It is mine!" She said. "It is my ban-

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Merry Christmas.

quet cloth!" She lifted the corner and The pastor tried to comfort her and showed the surprised pastor that there urged her to take the cloth with her. were initials monogrammed on it. She refused. Then she went away. "My husband had the cloth made especially for me in Brussels! There Christmas Eve, it was clear that the could not be another like it."

woman and the pastor talked excitedly its best by candlelight. together. She explained that she was that he would join her as soon as he man - looked rather puzzled. could arrange to ship their household goods across the border.

heard that he had died in a concentra-

"I have always felt that it was my the bishop came to dinner!" fault - to leave without him," she said. have been my punishment!"

As the church began to fill on live?" cloth was going to be a great success. For the next few minutes the It had been skillfully designed to look

After the service, the pastor stood Viennese; that she and her husband in the doorway; many people told him had opposed the Nazis and had de-that the church looked beautiful. One cided to leave the country. They were gentle-faced, middle-aged man-he advised to go separately. They planned was the local clock-and-watch repair-

"It is strange," he in his soft accent. "Many years ago my - wife God rest She never saw him again. Later she her - and I owned such a cloth. In our home in Vienna, my wife put it on the table" - here he smiled - "only when

The pastor suddenly became very "Perhaps these years of wandering excited. He told the jeweler about the woman who had been in the church

The startled jeweler clutched the pastor's arm. "Can it be? Does she

Together the two got in touch with the family who had interviewed her. Then in the pastor's car, they started for the city. And as Christmas Day was born, this man and his wife - who had been separated through so many saddened Yuletides - were reunited.

To all who heard this story, the joyful purpose of the storm that knocked a hole in the wall of the church was now quite clear. Of course, people said it was a miracle, and I think you will agree it was the season for it!

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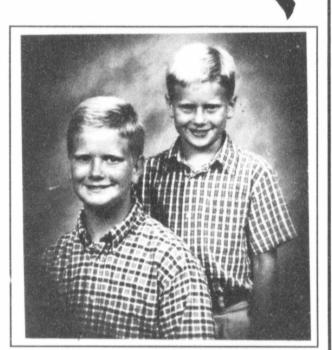


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Boy Scout Christmas Story

a cubscout. On the first meeting night he was given a small block of wood, tour plastic tires, and some Instructions. He was told to take it home and that this was a father and son project.

This was going to be a hard task for him to get dad to help. Dad was not receptive to the idea. Still the young boy tried to coax his dad into helping. Unfortunately the block of wood remained untouched as the weeks passed.

Finally, mom stepped in to see if she could figure out how to build a pine wood derby car. Having no carpentry skills she decided to read the instructions to her son and let him do all of the work with her supervision.

Within days the block of wood was turning into a car. It was a little lopsided, but looked great at least through the eyes of mom. The little scout had not seen any of the other cars and he began to feel pretty proud of his creation. He named it Blue Lightning. Obviously his car was the only one being done with out any real help.

Finally the big race day came and all of the scouts came, with their fathers. All of the cars looked great. The scouts and their fathers had done great jobs. Everyone noticed the little scouts wobbly car and some even made fun of it. To add to the humility of the little scout he was the only one there without a man by his side. The other scouts had a father, uncle, or grandfather.

It was time for the races to begin. You kept racing until you lost. One by one the cars were eliminated. Our little scout did well and made it to the last race. It was his car against the fastest sleekest looking car there.

Just before the race began the little scout asked if he could stop the race for one minute because he wanted to pray. He went to knees and began to pray clutching his little car. He was

A little eight- year old boy became conversing with his Father. He prayed for an earnest minute and stood up ready to race.

As the crowd cheered, a boy twice the size of the little scout stood up with his dad and placed his car on the track. The little scout placed his car on the track. The race began. In a flash it was over and to the surprise of everyone the little wobbly car had won! The little scout cried out. "Thank You!" as the crowd roared its approval.

The scoutmaster picked up a microphone and walked over to the little scout. He asked, "So you prayed to win the race, right?" The little scout replied, "Oh no sir. That wouldn't be fair to ask God to help me win the race or fix the outcome. I just asked Him to make it so I don't cry when I lose."

Children seem to have a wisdom far beyond us. The little scout didn't ask God to win the race, he didn't ask God to fix the outcome, he asked God to give him strength in the outcome.

When he first saw the other cars he didn't cry out to God, "No fair, they had a fathers help." No, he went to his Father for strength. Perhaps we spend too much of our prayer time asking God to rig the race, to make us number one, or too much time asking God to remove us from the struggle, when we should be seeking God's strength to get through the struggle.

"I can do everything through Him who gives me strength." Phil 4:13 A simple prayer-spoke volumes to those present that night. The scout never doubted that God would indeed answer his request. He didn't pray to win, thus hurt someone else, he prayed to lose with dignity.

By stopping the race to speak with his father also showed the crowd that he wasn't there without a "dad" but his father was most definitely there with him. He walked away a winner that night, with his Father by his side.

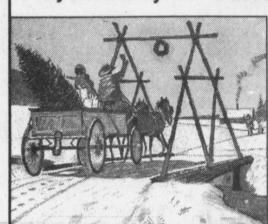


Merry Christmas

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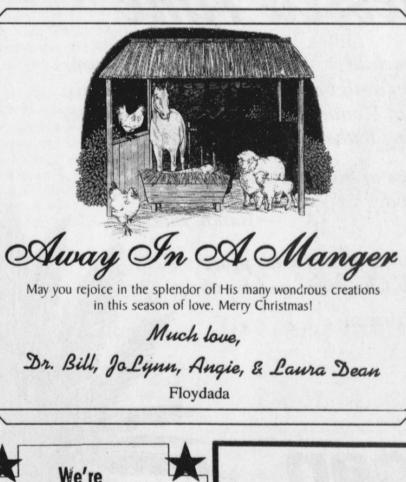
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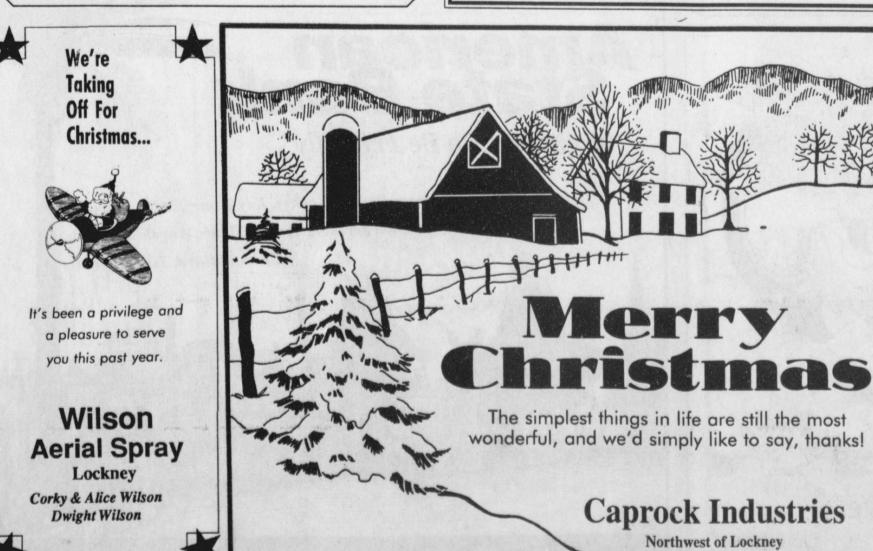


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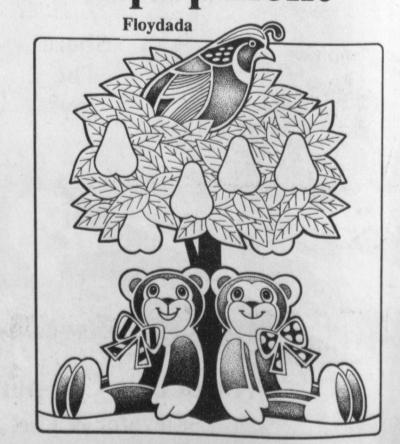
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A Parent's Nightmare

The day is over, you are driving this thing just sweeps across the counhome. You tune in your radio. You try. hear a little blurb about a little village in India where some villagers have clock trying to find an antidote. Nothdead, and it's kind of interesting, and the borders. they're sending some doctors over there to investigate it.

on Sunday, coming home from be made. It's going to take the blood church, you hear another radio spot. of somebody who hasn't been in-Only they say it's not three villagers, fected, and so, sure enough, all it's 30,000 villagers in the back hills through the Midwest, through all of this particular area of India, and it's those channels of emergency broadblurb; people are heading there from simple thing: Go to your downtown the disease center in Atlanta because hospital and have your blood type this disease strain has never been seen taken. That's all we ask of you.

By Monday morning when you get up, it's the lead story. For it's not just India; it's Pakistan, Afghanistan, Iran, and before you know it, you're hearing this story everywhere and they have coined it now as "the mystery

The President has made some comment that he and everyone are praying and hoping that all will go well over there. But everyone is wondering, how are we going to contain it. makes an announcement that shocks Europe. He is closing their borders. No flights from India, Pakistan, or any of the countries where this thing has been seen. And that's why that night you are watching a little bit of CNN before going to bed.

weeping woman is translated from a French news program into English: There's a man lying in a hospital in it, they have grabbed your boy. Wait Paris dying of the mystery flu. It has come to Europe. Panic strikes.

As best they can tell, once you get it, you have it for a week before you type." Five tense minutes later, out know it. Then you have four days of unbelievable symptoms. And then you

Britain closes it's borders, but it's too late. South Hampton, Liverpool, North Hampton, and it's Tuesday morning when the President of the United States makes the following announcement: "Due to a national security risk, all flights to and from Europe and Asia have been canceled. If our loved ones are overseas, I'm sorry. They cannot come back until we find a cure for this thing."

Within four days our nation has been plunged into and unbelievable fear. People are selling little masks for your face. People are talking about "What if it comes to this country," and preachers on Tuesday are saying, "it's the scourge of God.'

It's Wednesday night and you are at a church prayer meeting when somebody runs in from the parking lot and says, "Turn on a radio, turn on a radio." And while the church listens to a little transistor radio with a microphone stuck up to it, the announcement is made: Two women are lying in a Long Island hospital dying from the mystery flu. Within hours it seems,

daily cheer to your

Carthel Brothers

Families

People are working around the died suddenly, strangely, of a flu that ing is working. California. Oregon. has never been seen before. It's not Arizona. Florida. Massachusetts. It's influenza, but three or four people are as though if it's just sweeping in from

An then, all of a sudden the news comes out. The code has been broken. You don't think much about it, but A cure can be found. A vaccine can

When you hear the sirens go off in your neighborhood, please make your way quickly, quietly, and safely to the hospitals. Sure enough, when you and your family get down there late on that Friday night, there is a long line, and they've got nurses and doctors coming out and pricking fingers and taking blood and putting labels on it.

Your wife and your kids are out there, and they take your blood type and they say, "Wait here in the parking lot and if we call your name, you That's when the President of France can be dismissed and go home." You Why - why have you forsaken me?" stand around, scared, with your neighbors, wondering what in the world is have the ceremony to honor your son, going on and if this is the end of the and some folks sleep through it, and

Suddenly a young man comes running out of the hospital screaming. He's yelling a name and waving a clip-Your jaw hits your chest when a board. What? He yells it again! And your son tugs on your jacket and says, "Daddy, that's me." Before you know a minute. Hold on! And they say, "It's okay, his blood is clean. His blood is pure. We think he has got the right come the doctors and nurses, crying and hugging one another - some are have seen anybody laugh in a week, and an old doctor walks up to you and

> and we can make the vaccine." As the word begins to spread all across that parking lot full of folks, people are screaming and praying and laughing and crying. But then the gray-haired doctor pulls you and your wife aside and says, "May we see you

says, "Thank you, sir. Your son's blood

type is perfect. It's clean, it is pure,

for a moment? We didn't realize that the donor would be a minor and we need you to sign a consent form."

You begin to sign and then you see that the number of pints of blood to be taken is empty. "H-h-h-how many pints?" And that is when the old doctor's smile fades and he says, "We had no idea it would be a little child.

We weren't prepared. We need it all!" "But-but... You don't understand." "We are talking about the world here. Please sign. We-we need it all!" "But can't you give him a transfusion?" "If we had clean blood we would. Can you sign? Would you sign?" In numb on TV that night. CNN runs a little casting, everyone is asked to do one silence, you do. Then they say, "Would you like to have a moment with him before we begin?"

> Can you walk back? Can you walk back to that room where he sits on a table saying, "Daddy? Mommy? What's going on?" Can you take his hands and say, "Son, your mommy and I love you, and we would never ever let anything happen to you that didn't just have to be. Do you understand that?" And when that old doctor comes back in and says, "I'm sorry, we'vewe've got to get started. People all over the world are dying." Can you leave? Can you walk out while he is saying, "Dad? Mom? Dad?

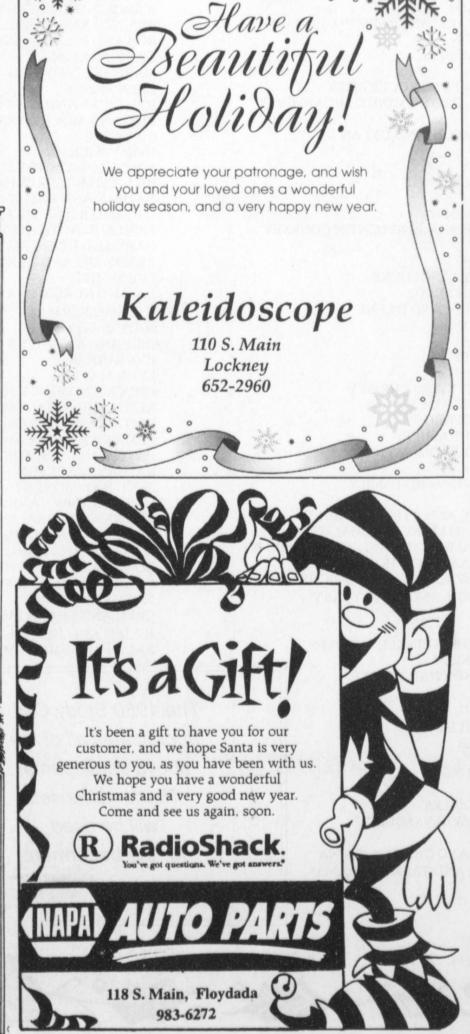
And then next week, when they some folks don't even come because they go to the lake, and some folks come with a pretentious smile and just pretend to care. Would you want to jump up and say, "MY SON DIED! DON'T YOU CARE?"

Is that what GOD wants to say? "MY SON DIED. DON'T YOU KNOW HOW MUCH I CARE?"

"Father, seeing it from your eyes breaks our hearts. Maybe now we can begin to comprehend the great Love you have for us."

"For God So loved the world, that even laughing. It's the first time you He gave his only begotten Son, that whoever believes on Him should not perish but have everlasting life."





Candles

Candles have long been a part of Christmas. In medieval days, Yule candles, like Yule logs, were of tremendous size. Holes were chiseled in the stone floors to act as holders, and Christmas dinner lasted as long as the candles burned.



Hope your holiday is a glowing success, filled with bright times and warm friendships.

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a spot for you at the table. Also, he's keeping a list of His friends for future reference. (He calls it the "Lamb's Book of Life"). Party Being Given By His Kids (That's us) Hope To See You There! "Let us rejoice and be glad and give Him glory. For the wedding of the Lamb has come, and his bride has made herself ready. Fine linen bright and clean, was given her to wear." (Fine linen stands for the righteous acts of the saints.) Blessed are those who are invited to the wedding supper of the Revelation 19: 7-9



Birthday Invitation

You Are Cordially Invited To A BIRTHDAY CELEBRA

Guest of Honor: Jesus Christ

Date: Every day. Traditionally December 25th, but He's always

Place: In your heart...He'll meet you there (you'll hear Him knock).

Attire: Come as you are...grubbies are okay. He'll be washing our

clothes anyway. He said something about new white robes and

Tickets: Admission is free. He's already paid for everyone..(He

Refreshments: New wine, bread and a far-out drink He calls "liv-

ing water," followed by a dinner that promises to be out of this

Gift Selections: Your heart. He's one of those people who already

Entertainment: Joy, Peace, Truth, Light, Life, Love, Real Happi-

Power, Eternity in Paradise, and much more! (All rated "G" so

has everything else. (He's very generous in return though, just wait

ness, Communion with God, Forgiveness, Miracles, Healing,

R.S.V.P.: Very Important! He must know ahead so He can reserve

says we would not have been able to afford it..it's cost Him every-

Time: Whenever you're ready. (Please don't be too late, though; or

around, so the date is flexible.

you'll miss out on all the fun).

thing He had!!)

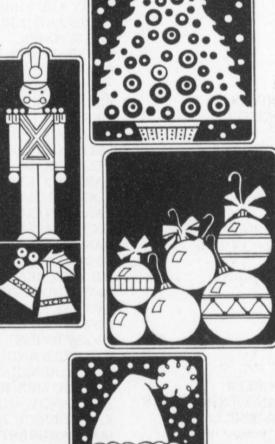
crowns for everyone who stays till the last...

until you see what He has for you).

bring your family and friends).

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