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Christmas!



*May peace be your constant companion
during this special time of year.*

Poinsettias: Texas' mark on holiday's festive Flower

'Tis the season of anticipation, and all around us are signs of the upcoming celebration. In church courtyards, three wise men eagerly look upon still-empty mangers. Elsewhere, some unsuspecting Texans have already seen their first snowfall of the season -- or even the decade. And all across the state, Christmas lights twinkle at nightfall, while during the day, vibrant red poinsettias keep the mood merry and bright.



texas times by sen. john quincy adams

Poinsettias have become a staple of the season, but did you know the Christmas flower has ties to the Texas border?

In 1825, President John Quincy Adams appointed the first US Minister to Mexico: Joel Roberts Poinsett. Poinsett travelled south to Mexico with the task of renegotiating the US-Mexico border and bringing Texas into the US once and for all. At that time, the southern border of the US sat at the Red River, north of modern-day Texas. President Adams dreamed of the United States extending all the way south to the Rio Grande River, and he was willing to pay one million dollars for that prize.

Of course, Mexico saw great value in Texas and did not budge. Unfortunately for him, Poinsett never succeeded in his mission of purchasing Texas. However, during his failed attempt in moving the US-Mexico border, the amateur botanist discovered a plant near Taxco de Alarcón so beautiful that he cut its stems and had them sent back home to the United States.

He mailed the vibrant red blooms to friends, fellow botanists, and botanical gardens across the country, and by 1836 -- the very same year Texas won its independence from Mexico -- the flowers had become widely known across the country not by their scientific name (Euphorbia pulcherrima), but by the name of the diplomat who brought them here: poinsettias.

Today, Texas is a top poinsettia producer, although cultivating the red Christmas poinsettias is no easy feat. To grow the brightest blossoms, poinsettias require at least five consecutive twelve-hour nights and warm, bright sunny days. These plants still grow best in the Taxco region of Mexico, where Joel Roberts Poinsett found them almost two centuries ago, and where they're still known as Flores de Nochebuena (Christmas Eve flowers). Texas' own native poinsettia has a distinct splash of red-orange, and is therefore aptly called the "Painted" Poinsettia or the "Fire on the Mountain" Poinsettia.

During Christmastime in Texas, poinsettias of all kinds adorn town squares, gardens, and homes. In Big Spring, Texas, the annual "Poinsettias in the Park" attraction features multiple enormous metal poinsettias wrapped in Christmas lights. The Concho Christmas Celebration is also known for its life-like poinsettia light exhibit. And the winter wonderland display at the Gaylord Texan hotel in Garland, Texas boasts more than 2,000 live poinsettias in all.

As you see these famed poinsettia displays and others in Texas this season, I hope you'll take a moment to remember their history. To all Texans who produce, decorate with, and admire the beauty of poinsettias, I wish you and your family a very merry Christmas.



Watch is more than a timepiece

Now and again, a news story piques our consciousness with great impact than carefully prepared ads. Such was the case a few months ago when ABC News ran a story about a couple whose appreciation for a physician runs deep. They credited a doctor for saving both the mother's life, as well as the baby she birthed. Months later, they were indebted for his saving the infant's life a second time. To express their thanks, they gave him a handsome wristwatch. A close-up provided by TV cameras revealed the "Bulova" name on the watch face.

This account evoked many long ago memories. It served to remind me how much I missed my Bulova Accutron watch I've worn for more than 25 years. No, the watch didn't fail, but a well-intentioned drugstore sales guy did almost two years ago when he insisted on installing my new battery. Figuring I'd both the installation -- and several hundred miles away from my jeweler in Texas -- I appreciated the offer. Hours later, retiring for the evening, I noticed the back of my watch was missing when I placed it on the nightstand....

Striving to remain optimistic, I sought a jeweler with an extra back for a watch manufactured almost 30 years ago. For months, I struck out, until chancing to visit "Best Jewelers" in Tyler, TX. There, owner Aaron Berry offered a glimmer of hope, suggesting that the part might be found on the Internet. It was! However, Bulova officials in New York City thought they could locate one, and sure enough, they did. It was sent immediately to Aaron, and my watch is now back on my wrist.

I consider it a Christmas present

to myself, and am grateful that Bulova's Robert Christian, Executive Vice President, Global Marketing, was immediately empathetic. As we spoke on the phone, he said he was viewing his own favorite wristwatch; it happens to be an Accutron....

This vignette ignited memories of "growing up" years in Brown County, TX, when we gathered around radios (dining on frozen radio dinners, of course) for nightly entertainment provided by network programming (mostly 30-minute comedy shows). Bulova ads led the way. One proclaimed, "Bulova watch time -- B-U-L-O-V-A -- is 7:30 p.m.," or whatever time it was.

Another one pitched the timepiece to be "on your wrist faithfully forever"....

Modest research reveals that Bulova watches date back to 1875, when Joseph Bulova introduced what has become an iconic brand.

Bulova remains headquartered in NYC, and now has eight international offices and distribution in 65 cities. It remains at the forefront of the timepiece industry.

"First" by Bulova include radio and television ads, 1926 and 1941, respectively. They proclaimed that "America runs on Bulova time." The

company introduced clock radios in 1928 and has provided timing instruments for satellites. Also, pilots in the fastest airplane ever made have depended on these timepieces. (More about the company's "history of firsts" at www.bulova.com)....

I know. There are many ways today to learn exact time. Grandchildren today cock their heads when I speak of asking my late grandfathers to pull out "pocket watches" so I could hear them tick. (They don't care that my Accutron is the first watch I've owned that doesn't tick, and probably wouldn't be impressed if Niagara Falls started running backward.)

I recall asking silly pre-school questions, such as, "What happens when the watch quits ticking?" Each grandfather's answer was, of course, "I wind it,"....

As more than a "Christmas twist," I offer these suggestions. Don't try to impress grandkids with your watch, unless it does animal tricks. Use the children mostly to help out with computer and smart phone usage.

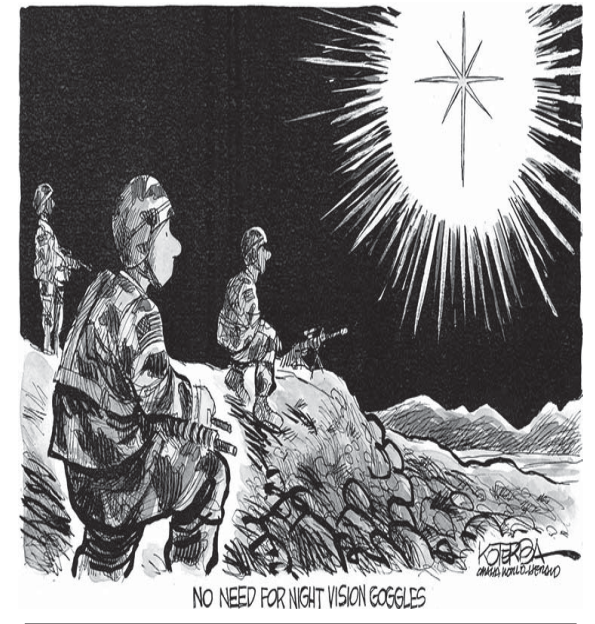
When your watch battery "kaputs," visit a jeweler. If I'm in Tyler, I'll visit Best Jewelers. If in Burleson, TX, my hometown, I'll head to Bobby Wooldard's store.

I trust them both, but may apply Scotch tape to the watch back for a few days, just in case....

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the idle american by don newbury



The hog killers down in Draw, Texas

Ricky Barnes lives at Draw, a small place southeast of Tahoka. He loves to kill feral hogs. "It's an addiction. I could make excuses like it's good for the environment, it's good for my farming and ranching neighbors, but even if it wasn't all that, I would still love killing pigs."

He and his wife Diana shoot hogs a lot in the 75 miles of ranchland and Caprock country between Post and Gail. They started doing it 17 years ago just before Diana was going in for major surgery. "She mentioned that she was not going to be able to use her rifle for a while and that we ought to go out and kill a hog. So we did. We made a game out of it and called that hog number one. Since then, seventeen years ago, we've killed 978 wild hogs." After getting that first hog, Diana checked into a hospital in Lubbock for surgery at 6 AM the next day.

They both use single shot weapons. Ricky uses a pistol; Diana uses a rifle, both Thompson breaker guns. They had the barrels custom made because they take an unusual 375-caliber shell. They make their own bullets and save

their shell casings. "My pistol has been shot 5,300 times." They get around on 4-wheelers. Ricky drives while Diana sits behind him. They put 18,000 miles on their first one, then traded it for another one. This second one has 20,000 miles on it. They do take chances. Both have had wounded hogs run right toward them. Once Ricky, hunting by himself, had to stand up on the seat of the 4-wheeler and shoot down at a wounded hog that was mad and getting blood all over the side of the vehicle.

Ricky will actually walk into a sounder (that's what a bunch of hogs is called) that has about 30 animals in it and start shooting. "I get in the middle of them, put myself in harm's way, and I pick out the biggest boar and I bust him. After that, all these pigs are going nuts because they have figured out that some-

thing is not right. I killed 7 of those pigs in less than a minute with a singleshot breaker pistol. I had to shoot, unload, reload, re-aim and fire 7 times before the sounder got away. I've done that 4 times."

Ricky travels with a camera and has a dozen thick albums with pictures of the hogs he and Diana have shot. Ricky tries to hit a pig in its ear. "Shoot them in the ear and they'll drop like a sack of flour. Of if they're running away from you, shoot 'em in the butt." Some of these hogs are more than 5 feet long and weigh hundreds of pounds. He used to give the hogs to his neighbors until they got tired of eating them. He hunts a lot. "On a 30-day month I'll hunt 25 days."

He says hogs are tough. "A wild pig will eat anything but a caliche rock to survive." A pig can have 3 liters a year. The normal life span is 8 years. "One male and one female and their offspring can be responsible for 24,000 pigs in 8 years."

Ricky has not been hurt. "Knock on wood and praise the Lord, not yet."

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Open Display rates are \$5.50 per PASS column inch. Classified Ads are \$10 for the first 15 words and 15¢ per word for each additional word (Boxes or special typography are extra). Thank You Notes are \$15 for the first 40 words and 15¢ per word for each additional word. Basic engagement, wedding, anniversary, and birth announcements are \$10 each. Expanded wedding announcements are \$20. A one-column announcement picture is \$5, and a two-column announcement picture is \$10. Pictures submitted for publication should be picked up within ten days after publication. Death notices are printed at no charge. Obituaries are published for \$45 or \$50 with a photo.

DEADLINES

News articles and photos are due by Monday at noon. Advertising and Classifieds are due by five o'clock Monday afternoon. Deadlines may be altered for holidays or special issues.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

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The Texas Panhandle's First Newspaper

The Clarendon News, established June 1, 1878 with which have merged: The Clarendon Traveler, February 1889; The Clarendon Journal, November 1891; The Banner-Stockman, October 1893; The Aftonian, February 1899; The Clarendon Times, May 1908; The Dootley County Leader, March 12, 1929; The Clarendon Press, May 18, 1972; and The Clarendon Enterprise, March 14, 1996.

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Lady Broncos • Shamrock • Home • 5:00 p.m.

January 5
Lady Owls • McLean • Away • 6:30 p.m.

January 9
Lady Owls • Whitdeer • Home • 6:30 p.m.

January 13
Donley County Junior Livestock Show & Sale • Donley County Activity Center

February 8
Chamber Awards Banquet & Silent Auction • 7:00 • Bairfield Activity Center

March 3 & 4
Whistle Stop Trade Days

Menus

December 25 - 29

Donley County Senior Citizens
Mon: Holiday
Tue: Sliced beef, macaroni and cheese, Italian mix vegetables, chocolate cake, iced tea/2% milk.
Wed: Soft beef taco, salad trimmings, Spanish rice, Pinto beans, pudding, iced tea/2% milk.
Thu: Hot dog on a bun, potato wedges, coleslaw, brownies, iced tea/2% milk.
Fri: Chicken spaghetti, broccoli, corn, crackers, spice cake, iced tea/2% milk.

Hedley Senior Citizens
Mon: Holiday
Tue: Beef & bean chili, Verde, long grain white rice, tossed vegetable salad, saltine crackers, cantaloupe, iced tea/2% milk.
Wed: Meatloaf w/tomato sauce, mashed potatoes, Winter blend vegetable, wheat roll, apple fluff, iced tea/2% milk.
Thu: Ham & Pinto beans, corn bread, margarine, spinach, seasoned corn, orange pineapple cup, cottage apple spiced, iced tea/2% milk.
Fri: Cheeseburgers, potato wedges, tomato wedge salad, melon medley, iced tea/2% milk.

Grand Jury hands up indictments

The Donley County Grand Jury handed up indictments against four individuals when it met Monday, December 11.

Christopher James Duke was indicted for the third degree offense of Driving While Intoxicated (third or more) for an incident on October 25, 2017.

Darren Ray Gunnels was indicted for the state jail felony of Possession of a Controlled Substance for an incident on July 13, 2017.

Frederick Joseph Muzzo was indicted for Possession of a Controlled Substance PG2, a third degree felony, for an incident on July 13, 2017.

Angelo J. Pisano was also indicted for Possession of a Controlled Substance PG2, a state jail felony in that case, for an offense on July 2, 2016.

United Christians to hold breakfast

The United Christians Breakfast will be held at 7 a.m. December 21 at the First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.

Breakfast starts at 7:00 followed by a very special Christmas program brought by Edwin and Jan Campbell. Be there for a special devotional and singing Christmas carols.

Rise early and see the best part of the Panhandle day and fellowship with Christians and still get to work by 8:00.

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Art club receives festival report

Les Beaux Art Club of Clarendon met for their regular meeting at the First Baptist Church on December 1.

Beautiful handmade petit point Christmas ornaments adorned the tables, along with festive red and white dinnerware.

The hostesses, Genella Eads, Gwynne Howard, Diane Skelton, Betty Ann Sansing, and Katherine Williams, prepared a wonderful meal consisting of hot chicken salad, spinach salad, homemade bread, and pumpkin rolls. It was enjoyed by everyone.

A report on the recent art festival was presented by Theresa Shelton. Consensus concluded that it was successful and was enjoyed by buyers and artist alike.

The main goal of the Art Festival was to introduce art to our community and to our school children. The turnout for the event was high, and therefore it was deemed a success.

Special thanks to Roger Estlack for his help in getting advertising out to other towns via their newspaper and to all members who helped our children with their art projects that were displayed and judged at the festival.

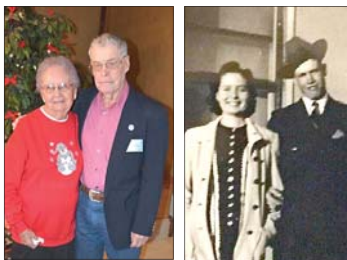
The program was presented by Diane Skelton, who had beautiful needlepoint pictures, pillows, and other lovely pieces that she displayed. She has been making these type of appliqué items for more than 40 years. She also discussed the appliqué machine, a computer operated device that works with digital images. All who were in attendance were fascinated by the machine and enjoyed the program.

Our next meeting will be January 5 at the Catholic Church.

Hollands mark 75th anniversary

Burford and Geraldine (Foster) Holland celebrated their 75th wedding anniversary December 10 at a reception featuring a slideshow of memories hosted for them in Amarillo by their children and loved ones.

The couple was married December 12, 1942 at Lelia Lake, and together they raised four children: Darrell, Glyndol, Lynn, and Gail on their farm southwest of Hedley. Their love is now also shared and celebrated by nine grandchildren, eighteen great grandchildren and 12 great great grandchildren.



Geraldine and Burford Holland today and in 1942.

Burford and Geraldine have spent their entire lives working hard and being the biggest supporters

of their family and also the Hedley community. Congratulations on 75 years together!

Quilting club holds annual Christmas party

The Golden Needles Quilters met Thursday, December 14, with Annis Stavenhagen hosting their annual Christmas party in her home.

The program for the day was planned and coordinated by Gay Cole. There was much laughter as she led the ladies in games and then

in sharing stories from their "growing up years."

Each member brought a case for the Angel Tree and a dish of food for sharing lunch together followed by singing Christmas carols accompanied on the piano by Betty Jean Williams.

Members present were Annis Stavenhagen, Gay Cole, Betty Jean Williams, Wilma Callis, Carlene Hollar, Louella Stater, MaryLynn Manning, Jana Kooznt, Suzan Chas-sande-Baroz, Donna Barnes, Eva Lee Swinney, Frances Smith, Ty Alderson, and Barbara Helms.

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39% followed up a newspaper ad online in some way: 33% went to a website after seeing a print newspaper ad and 21% conducted an online search.

36% who said they had not read a newspaper in the past week, USED a newspaper during that same week. Usage included: 19% checking sales at local stores, 15% clipping a coupon, 14% checking the weather and 10% checking movie listings.

82% used a preprinted insert in the past 30 days. Adults keep inserts 4 days, 59% used inserts to compare prices, 55% used to compare one circular to another, 52% saved until visiting the store and 43% used to make an unplanned purchase.

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Born in California 1938, Nancy Davis moved to Texas when she was just six years old and lived a full life, including a distinguished record of service in the Women of the Moose, before retiring to Howardwick in 1993.

It wasn't long before she became very active in the community, serving as a city alderman for more than four years, including two as mayor pro tem, and then being elected mayor in 2000. She served as mayor for 2½ years before resigning to care for her cancer-stricken daughter.

Nancy was also very active as a member of the Country Club, the Card Club, and the Classic Dames Red Hat Club, and she also served as a member of the Burton Memorial Library Board before her death in 2015.

The Whistle-Stop and the community salute the memory of Nancy Davis for her devotion to Howardwick through her spirit of service. Thank you, ma'am!

Don't miss Whistle-Stop Trade Days: Mar. 3 & 4

DPS offers winter safety tips

AUSTIN – The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) encourages Texans in all regions of the state to make preparations for winter weather as we enter the cold weather season.

"While we've all heard the joke about Texas only having two seasons – hot and hotter – all Texans need to prepare now for the serious threats that the upcoming winter could bring," said DPS Director Steven McCraw. "Every year, Texas faces the dangers of winter weather temperatures, ice, sleet, and even snow. Texans are urged to stay informed about changing weather in their area and to take steps now to help stay safe during the coming months."

Texans should winterize their vehicles by checking the battery, windshield wipers (including appropriate freeze resistant fluid), tire pressure, tire tread, fluid levels, and lubricate door and trunk locks to prevent freezing. In addition, here is a list of emergency supplies drivers can keep in their vehicle: Blankets/sleeping bags, extra clothing, gloves and a hat; Cell phone, radio, flashlight and extra batteries; First-aid kit and pocket knife; High calorie, non-perishable food and bottled water; Bag of sand or cat litter to provide traction for tires; and Windshield

scraper, tool kit, booster cables, tow rope and a shovel.

DPS offers the following additional tips for staying safe during possible winter weather:

Monitor local weather broadcasts and follow up-to-the-minute weather conditions, at <http://www.weather.gov>; Purchase an all-hazards weather radio for up-to-date warnings, watches, forecasts and other hazard information; Sign up for your local emergency notification system; Make sure your vehicle is properly maintained before any trip, and keep your gas tank full; On icy roads, drive slowly and increase distance required for stopping, and avoid using cruise control; Watch for downed trees and power lines across roads. If power is out, treat all intersections as four-way stops; Allow extra time when traveling in inclement weather; Avoid traveling when sleet, freezing rain or snow is predicted, and monitor road conditions by visiting www.drivetexas.org or by calling 1-800-452-9292; Insulate outdoor faucets and pipes near outer walls; and Make sure that furnaces, heaters, fireplaces and wood stoves are clean, well-ventilated and in good working condition.

Also, to prevent carbon monoxide poisoning, NEVER operate generators and other fuel-powered

devices inside a home or an enclosed space, such as a garage. The deadly odorless, colorless gas is produced any time a fossil fuel is burned, with sources including motor vehicle engines, generators and fuel-burning appliances or heating systems. Consider installing a carbon monoxide detector. Make arrangements for proper shelter and an emergency supply of food and water for your pets and livestock. Stock up on firewood and supplies, including canned goods and bottled water. If you will be away from home for a long period of time, set your thermostat to 55 degrees or higher and open cabinets under sinks. Make sure you have inclement weather contact numbers for schools and work. Check on friends and family members whose health or age may put them at greater risk from cold weather.

During the winter season, residents can contact 2-1-1 Texas, the state's free 24-hour helpline, to check on possible community-established warming centers or related services in their area. No matter where you live in Texas, you can dial 2-1-1 or 877-541-7905 for community resources.

Visit <http://www.txdps.state.tx.us/dem/ThreatAwareness/winterstorm.htm> for information regarding winter weather preparedness.

Sagan files to run for Congress

Greg Sagan of Amarillo, TX, has filed to appear on the Democratic Primary Ballot on March 6, 2018, for the US House of Representatives, District 13. He will be opposing Congressman Mac Thornberry (R-Clarendon) in the General Election after what appears at this time to be unchallenged Primary races.

A Vietnam Veteran, Greg Sagan has spent the past several months traveling the District on a listening tour.

"I was raised to believe two things about America. The first was that we all owe our country something for the blessings it provides us," Sagan said. "The second was that America's government is there to defend the interests of the weak, the poor and the helpless against the selfish interests of the strong. I intend to be a voice in Congress for all the people in District 13 and to apply myself to the cause of restoring fairness, individual liberty and fiscal responsibility in a government that has been struck dead to the anger of the people."

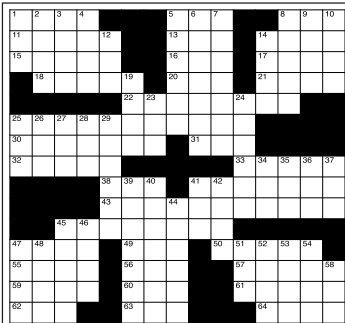


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- Member of a Semitic people
- Certified public accountant
- Residue
- Sayings attributed to Christ
- The products of human creativity
- Listen to
- Longed
- No (Scottish)
- Descriptor
- Yankees' sensation Judge
- Zero
- Comics legend Lee
- Honorary title holder
- "Uncle Joey"
- Graceful and stylish
- Pitching term
- Former Mets outfielder Jones
- One who avoids animal products
- Quick to learn
- Mechanism in an organ
- Redo with new materials
- Epics
- Wings
- Extrasensory perception
- Cavalry sword
- Bangladeshi monetary unit
- Not the bottom
- Afflicted
- Bound
- One who is highly skilled
- Jewish spiritual leader
- Tall, rounded vase
- Liturgical language of Hinduism (abbr.)
- Check

CLUES DOWN

- Pie __ mode
- Portuguese cape
- Ottoman military title
- Movable frame used in burials
- Type of coal
- A treeless grassy plain
- Artist's workroom
- Assists
- Protein-rich liquids
- A song of praise to God
- Match __ about nothing
- Japanese city
- Atomic number 10
- Egyptian goddess
- Go places
- Having ten
- Complete
- Automotive belt
- Psyche
- Melodious bird
- Medical personnel
- Acquired
- Type of beverage
- Neither
- Spanish monetary units
- Small area of grass
- Your
- Diana __, singer
- Salt's partner
- Made of wood
- No longer alive
- Alaskan island
- Wild animal's resting place
- Swiss river
- Partiality
- "Luther" actor Idris
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Colts breeze past Claude

Both Colt teams earned big wins over Claude at home last week. They used a solid offense and aggressive defense to get the wins. The seventh grade won 58-45.

Sylvester Ballard continues to dominate offensively finishing with 31 points, but a great team effort allowed them to execute their offense. Defensively, they were able to make stops when they needed to and cause Claude to make mistakes. They were somewhat weak from the free throw line only converting fourteen of twenty-five.

Cody Bond turned in nine points in the win and Bradin Balogh helped with seven. Josh Dunn had six, Anthony Martin put in three, and

Bud Woods helped with two.

The eighth grade won big at 37-10. Josiah Howard and Cutter Goodpastor finished in double figures to lead the Colts on the scoreboard. Giving another solid offensive effort, the Colts worked together to get the job done. They opened the game on fire and led by 10 and held Claude to single digits at the break. The second half was more of the same and a focused defensive game plan held the Mustangs only allowing three points to be scored. The Colts only shot 48 percent from the bonus line.

Jodee Pigg helped with four, Aiden Caudle had two, and Levi Eytcheson put in one.



Calder Havens (12) sneaks in a steal as Josiah Howard (44) defends the basket against Claude. The Colts came out victors on December 11th when they defeated the Mustangs.

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Lady Colts slam Claude, 31-5

The Lady Colts won big on the road at Claude last week by 26 points at 31-5.

The jumped on them early in the game gaining the momentum and finding an offensive rhythm. The Lady Mustangs were unable to stop them while struggling to find their own offense. Clarendon held them to only one point the first half and four points in the second.

Madison Smith exploded on offense for the Lady Colts and put in 12 points. Emeri Robinson helped with six, and Darcy Grahn and Graci Kidd added four each. Kaylee Bruce put in three and Kyler Robinson had two.

"The eighth grade played well," coach Carrie Hicks said. "They won pretty easily and played awesome defense. They only let Claude score five points. All but two Lady Colts put up points on the scoreboard!"

The seventh grade played hard, but was up against a good Lady Mustang team and lost 23-54.

Claude gained the early momentum and was unstoppable.

They used their height and strength to get the best of the Lady Colts who struggled to get anything going. Finley Cunningham was able to show a little strength inside finishing with 14 points to lead the Lady Colts. Makenna Shadle put in eight points and Aliyah Weatheron had one.

"The seventh grade Lady Colts had a difficult time matching up with Claude," Hicks said. "The Lady Mustangs have some pretty good sized players and are a solid team. It's also hard for a team to win if they are playing lazy defense and only three players score."

The teams played a fifth quarter in between games. In that game Claude scored six points while Clarendon put in three. Brenna Ellis had the three points for Clarendon.

"We played a fifth quarter between games, and I combined to get them more playing time," Hicks said.

The Lady Colts will resume their schedule after the holidays on January 11 at Wheeler.



Esmeralda Lucero (40) prepares for the press against Claude December 11th during a fifth quarter.

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Booker beats JV Broncos at buzzer

In their opening game this season, the Bronco junior varsity suffered a disappointing loss at home against Booker last week. The game was close throughout and went back and forth in the final quarter of play. A shot by Booker at the buzzer gave the Broncos the loss at 21-19.

The low score tells the tale of a defensive game from the beginning to the end. Neither team dominated

on the offensive end of the court. Costly turnovers and missed shots plagued the Broncos who only had one good practice before the game. They struggled to find a rhythm in the game and could never gain the momentum over the Kiowas. Aaron Roys led with eight and Gavin Word put in four. Cole Franks finished with three points and Ivan Gonzalez had two.

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Christmas is Coming!

Color in everything.

Christmas is coming! Every day there is something to do to get ready for the holidays. I just finished making Christmas cards with photos on them for my family and friends. Right now I am hanging this wreath I made on the barn door.

Symbols of the holidays are all around us - candles show light and warmth, and bells joyously peal.

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- people kiss under this
- three of them brought gifts
- tree decorations
- lighted to show warmth and joy
- ring of greens
- marked the place in the sky
- birthday of Jesus Christ
- songs of the season
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- plant that brightens holidays

What Plant is This?
 Use these letters to spell the name.
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This plant used to brighten the holidays is native to Mexico. The "flowers" are actually leaves!
 p i s t i s

Broncs defeat Booker

By Sandy Anderberg

Just coming off a great football season and only having one practice day, the Broncs cleaned house on Booker at home last week. Clarendon won by 21 at 69-48.

The Broncs came out looking to the goal in the first quarter of play and executed their offense like they wanted to. They held the frustrated Kiowa team to only 21 points in the first half of play. Working off their momentum control, the Broncs continued their dominance on both ends of the court. It was not until the fourth quarter that Booker was able to attempt a comeback hitting four three-pointers to tighten the game. But the Broncs quickness was too much for the Kiowa's and they earned the win.

Bear Smith led the Broncs on the scoreboard with 25 points, which included four three-pointers and shooting 75 percent from the bonus line. Colt Wood hit two three-pointers and finished with 12 points. Daquawne Oliver put in eight, Isaac Dunham was strong inside and had six, and Damarjae Cortez added five. Collin Butler and Justin Christopher each had four. Caton Graham had three, and Preston Elam put in two.



Justin Christopher takes a free throw for the Clarendon Broncs during last weeks victory against Booker. COURTESY PHOTO / ADELITA ELAM

Lady Broncs beat Booker girls, 47-23

By Sandy Anderberg

The Clarendon Lady Broncs put together four good quarters of basketball to defeat the Lady Kiowa 47-23 last week.

The Lady Broncs played strong in the first half of play and had things going their way. A strong offensive plan on the perimeter gave them a cushion to go into the second half with a strong 18-point lead. Sandra Smith and Shaelyn Owiti combined to rack up 13, and Carlee Johnson nailed a three for 16 first quarter points to get the momentum they needed. They were able to stay aggressive on the defensive end of the court and hold Booker when they needed to.

Smith finished with 10 and Owiti had seven. Kira Weatheron and Darcie Hunsaker had six, C. Johnson had five, and Mattee Johnson put in four. Jade Benson and Brandalyn Ellis each helped with three, Hannah Hommel had two, and Emily Johnson added one.



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Broncos win two, lose two at Lockney Tournament

Over the weekend, the Broncos competed in the Lockney Tournament. They came home with two wins and two losses.

The Broncos took on Happy in the first round and were narrowly defeated 57-63. Happy was able to hold the early edge and the Broncos struggled to find a rhythm to overtake them. Wood was on fire and put in 28 points and Smith added eight. Cortez had five, Grahm put in four, Oliver had four, N. Elam had three, and P. Elam and Christopher had two each.

They took on Ralls in the second round and breezed to a win. The Broncos turned up the heat early and played solid on both ends of the court for the win. Wood, Smith, and Cortez finished in double figures with 18, 15, and 14 points. Oliver had seven, P. Elam had four, Isaac Dunham had three, Butler, N. Elam, and Grahm each had two, and Christopher added a free throw. They were defeated 55-59 by

Morton in the next round. The game was tied at 29 all at the break and the Broncos stayed close. But Morton was able to get the win in the final quarter. Wood had 16, Cortez and Smith each put in 14. Butler had five and Gran, Oliver, and N. Elam helped with two each.

They took on Happy once again in the fourth round and got their revenge on them from their previous loss. They took out the Cowboys at 63-42.

The Broncos seemed to be on their game on both ends of the court and after the first quarter of play, they were able to use the momentum for their benefit. Three finished in double figures to lead the Broncos on the scoreboard. Wood had 20, Cortez 14, Smith 13, N. Elam five, and Oliver three. Butler, Grahm, P. Elam, and Dunham each helped with two.

The Broncos will play the Amarillo Flames on Tuesday, December 19 at home beginning at 8:00 pm.



Bronco Colt Wood looks for an open man while playing Morton during the Lockney tournament last weekend.

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Lady Broncos defeat four teams to win tournament

The Lady Broncos stormed into Lockney and solidly defeated four teams for the Tournament Championship.

They met up against Taboka in the first round and defeated them 61-51. The game was too close to call until the final period of the game. After trailing in the first half, the ladies took a two-point lead after three. With the momentum on their side, they were able to get the best of Taboka and get the win.

Shaelyn Owiti and Sandra Smith finished in double figures with 13 and 11 respectively. Matte Johnson added nine, Carlee Johnson eight, and Darcie Hunsaker had five. Hannah Hommel had four, Jade Benson and Kira Weatherton put in three, Brandylyn Ellis had two and Emily Johnson put in one.

Their second round opponent was Happy and they earned a 40-33 win. A slow shooting start for both teams in the first quarter led to a stronger second quarter for both teams. But the third quarter is where the Lady Broncos took control and outscored the Cowgirls for the lead and win.

Owiti was on top again with 10 and M. Johnson put in nine. Hommel, C. Johnson, and E. Johnson each put in five. Weatherton had four, and Smith put in two.

The host team was their next opponent and they got the win at

48-40. Again, a third quarter surge after a close first half allowed the ladies to get the win. Owiti put in 18 points that include two three-pointers and going four for four from the bonus. Smith added 11 and C. Johnson had eight. M. Johnson put in seven, and Hommel and Darcie Hunsaker each helped with two.

The Lady Broncos met up against Happy in the Championship game and defeated them a second time at 36-29. Free throws turned out to be the difference in the game with the Lady Broncos making fourteen out of twenty. Happy stayed very close throughout the game, but the ladies held on for the win. Owiti put in 13 and Smith and J. Johnson put in six each. Hommel put in five, E. Johnson had four, and Weatherton put in two.

The girls played four close games in the Lockney Tournament," head coach Korey Conkin said. "We looked pretty solid for about three and a half quarters each time out. We've got to learn to play smart for 32 minutes. But, we grew each game as a team and dealt with adversity and overcame for four straight victories. This is a great way to finish up our last little bit of pre-season play. Building a lot of confidence as well as coming together as a unit and family. I'm extremely proud of this group of girls. It's a blessing to get to coach them and see them grow."

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Conducted as part of the Shriners Hospitals for Children annual Be Burn Aware campaign, survey results show:

Twenty-five percent of people surveyed leave lit candles unattended in their homes;

Twenty-seven percent leave lit candles within the reach of children;

Forty-seven percent do not keep something nearby to extinguish a fire when cooking, such as a lid or cookie sheet;

Twenty-five percent do not turn pot handles to the back of the stove and out of a child's reach; and

Forty-five percent do not water live Christmas trees daily, even though 70 percent were aware that they should.

"Some of these findings seem alarming, but each year at our Galveston Shriners Hospital we see the unfortunate results – children who have been injured in cooking related accidents or in fires associated with holiday decorations or candles," said David Herndon, M.D., of staff for Shriners Hospitals for Children – Galveston. "These injuries can mean years of ongoing treatments and extensive rehabilitation for a child. That's why we encourage families to learn why fire safety and prevention, before a tragedy occurs."

Designated by the American Burn Association and the American College of Surgeons Committee on Trauma as a verified pediatric burn care center, Shriners Hospitals

for Children – Galveston provides highly specialized acute, reconstructive and rehabilitative care for children with burns and other soft tissue conditions. Inpatient and outpatient units are designed to allow children to recover in a safe, family-centered environment along the continuum of their care. The physicians, clinicians and researchers are committed to continuously providing advanced burn care and treatment to children from all over the world.

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"As a global leader in pediatric burn care, we want to remind the public of the simple precautions they can take to reduce the risk of fires and burns for a safe and happy holiday season," said Gary Bergensen, chairman of the Board of Directors, Shriners Hospitals for Children. "Should a severe burn injury occur, our medical staff is here to help, regardless of the families' ability to pay. It is just another way we send Love to the rescue."

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AgriLife Extension to offer three TDA-mandated training courses

AMARILLO – The Texas Department of Agriculture will provide special training in 2018 for new auxin herbicides applied under a Section 3 approval on dicamba-tolerant and 2,4-D-tolerant cotton.

To meet this requirement, the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service in Amarillo will host three trainings – Jan. 12, Feb. 9 and March 9 – at the Texas A&M AgriLife Research and Extension Center, 6500 W. Amarillo Blvd., Amarillo. The programs will each be from 8:30-9:30 a.m. There will be no registration fee. Each class will provide one TDA continuing education unit on laws and regulations.

"TDA is requiring auxin-specific herbicide training for those using the new formulations of dicamba (Xtendimax, FeXapan and Engenia)," said Dr. Jourdan Bell, AgriLife Extension agronomist, Amarillo. "The auxin training is required for all applicators including licensed applicators and unlicensed applicators who spray under a licensed applicator."

Xtendimax, FeXapan and Engenia were approved for use in XtendFlex, the dicamba-tolerant cotton from Monsanto. Training is not required for the use of Enlist, the new 2,4-D tolerant cotton from Dow AgroSciences.

However, Bell said, the information provided will still be applicable for producers planning to use Enlist technology.

Enlist is included in several varieties in the PhytoGen Cottonseed company brand while XtendFlex is in several varieties from Deltapine, Americo/NexGen, All-Tex/Dyna-Gro and CROPLAN Genetics brands.

She said the training is not required for old formulations such as Weedmaster, Clarity or Banvel.

AgriLife Extension county agents will be trained so they can also provide training in their counties, but all are welcome at the trainings in Amarillo, Bell said.

"Last year there were issues in other cotton-growing regions," Bell said. "Fortunately, there were very few issues reported in Texas. As we plan for our 2018 cotton crop, we want to be proactive and promote stewardship of the new dicamba formulations so we can maintain the technology in Texas."

Bell said when the Environmental Protection Agency approved the registration for XtendMax, FeXapan and Engenia, it was a two-year conditional registration.

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What Happened to All the Quail?

By Chadd Malone, Texas Parks & Wildlife

If you are a hunter, landowner, ranch manager, naturalist, bird watcher or someone who just generally loves the great outdoors you may be wondering, "What happened to all the quail?" For the last couple of years quail were seemingly everywhere. Places they should be and even shouldn't be, running amuck in cover-rich river valleys all the way to the shortgrass prairies with no cover in sight. But then all of a sudden it seemed like they were gone – disappearing without a trace. So, what happened to them?

Before we can answer that question, it's important to look into the past. The last couple of years have been really good years for quail, seeing record numbers in the Panhandle in both 2015 and 2016. Adequate, timely rainfall brought good quality habitat and high food availability, which allowed the birds to survive and reproduce in a tremendous fashion.

At the Matador Wildlife Management Area (WMA) near Paducah, TX wings from harvested quail are collected annually from hunters and are aged and quantified to gauge overall harvest. The results showed that 81% of the 657 birds harvested in 2015 were juveniles, and 76% of the 1,464 birds harvested in 2016 were juveniles with the rest being adult birds. But what about this year? Of the wings received so far, only 48% are juveniles out of a total of 382 birds. That's a big difference, which means that the quail had a difficult time producing offspring this year as compared to the previous two years. Now we can begin formulating an answer for our question.

May and June were very dry months, with most of the Panhandle seeing less than half to a

third of its usual rainfall during this time. June is also a very important time for quail brood-rearing and grasshopper nymph production, which is the main food source for young quail chicks due to their high protein requirements. Without adequate rainfall during the spring and summer months, especially the month of June, quail have a tough time making babies and those babies have a tough time surviving. But that is not the only link in the hose, so to speak.

With the boom in quail numbers and other birds and small mammals like we've seen the past two years, predator numbers will also start to increase. It takes predators approximately two years to catch up to an increase in prey numbers. In other words, 2017 is the year that predator numbers have finally caught up to the surplus of prey. This increase in predator numbers will have some sort of impact on the quail population. But how much impact will they have? Glad you asked.

It's important to remember that predators will eat quail regardless of there being a surplus of them or not. If there are more predators present then more quail will get eaten, hypothetically speaking. It is equally important to remember that quail are not the easiest meal to catch. You know this if you've ever been on a quail hunt. Even with a good bird dog and your trusty over and under shotgun, they are still challenging game to take. Imagine how hard it is for a bobcat or a red-tailed hawk to catch just one quail. It's tough. Very tough. Predators have (and always have) had some impact on the quail population.

Although most types of predators are at an all-time high in 2017, they are only partially responsible for the decline. But when the prey

goes away, the predator decline is not far behind—once again allowing quail and small mammals free reign to explode in numbers when the time and weather is right.

So it is a rise and fall pattern just like that of rainfall and the quail population. Both of which follow an almost identical trend and have for many years. Disease, parasites and other factors do play a part in the biology of quail, but usually only become more of a problem when the species is already under a large amount of stress, like drought for example.

The main determining factor in the rise and fall of the quail population has been and always will be rainfall. Rainfall leads to good habitat which leads to good quail numbers. And you won't have good quail habitat if you don't have adequate rainfall during key times throughout the year. Those key times are: during the previous growing season to produce good nesting habitat; during the spring to provide escape cover, as well as good food in the form of seeds from forbs (or weeds) and grasshoppers; during the summer months to produce good nesting and brood-rearing cover, as well as continued grasshopper production for the chicks; and during the fall and winter to provide continued food and thermal cover throughout the colder dormant months.

So now you've made it far and hopefully have a better understanding of how the quail population rollercoaster works. If you are like me and most of the others reading this, you probably have one final burning question – "Are the quail gone for good?" And to that I positively say: No. It's just the rise and fall nature of the species. Once the timely rainfall returns, so will the quail.



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In those days Caesar Augustus issued a decree that a census should be taken of the entire Roman world. ² (This was the first census that took place while[a] Quirinius was governor of Syria.) ³ And everyone went to their own town to register.

⁴ So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David. ⁵ He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child. ⁶ While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, ⁷ and she gave birth to her first-born, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no guest room available for them.

⁸ And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. ⁹ An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. ¹⁰ But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. ¹¹ Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord. ¹² This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger.”

¹³ Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying,

¹⁴ *“Glory to God in the highest heaven,
and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests.”*

¹⁵ When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, “Let’s go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about.”

¹⁶ So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger. ¹⁷ When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child, ¹⁸ and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them. ¹⁹ But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart. ²⁰ The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things they had heard and seen, which were just as they had been told.

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Dear Santa,



Dear Santa,

How has your year been? For this year, if possible, I would like to have a Razor Drift Cart and a neon glow deck scooter. I am looking forward to having a great Christmas this year.

Love,
Benjamin Estlack
5th grade
11 years old

Dear Santa,

I hope your year has been great. Mine has. I really look forward to Christmas. This year I would like a Barbie pink passport doll, Barbie doll with scooter, and a Barbie pink passport dollhouse. Thank you Santa.

Love,
Ella Estlack
3rd grade
9 years old

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I would like a Hoover board, Beats (headphones), and new basketball shoes. Hope you have safe travels on Christmas Eve.

Love,
Mason Allred
5th grade
11 years old

Dear Santa,

How cold is it up in the North Pole? How's Rudolph and Mrs. Clause doing? Since I have been doing good in school. I hope my name is on the nice list. I love school and my teachers, Ms. Russell and Mrs. Ballard! This year for Christmas may I please have a laser tag gun set with orange, red, green and blue guns like my cousin Ben? I would also love to have a Nintendo DS3 with a Mario Kart game. Please bring my brother Monroe a big tractor and plow just like mine so we can farm together. Have a safe trip to my house! Thank you, Santa!

Love,
Matthew Newhouse
Pre-K
5 years old

Dear Santa,

I have been trying really hard not to take all the ornaments off the Christmas tree! They are really shiny and look like they would be

fun to throw like a ball. Maybe I actually have thrown a couple across the room. So I'm hoping my name is still on the nice list. If it is, I would love to have some John Deere tractors to play with. I also love Choo Choo! They make a really fun noise. I will leave you some cookies and milk by the fireplace!

Love,
Monroe Newhouse
1 year old

Dear Santa,

How are you? I hope you have had a great year. And how are your elves doing, good? I hope they have been helping you. Keep up the good work! Thank you for sending Buddy the Elf back to my house. I want a Thor Ragnarok hammer without the lightning bolt, Hulk Smashers, a web-shooter from Spider-man Homecoming, a Spider-man figure, and a guitar. I have been good most of the days and months.

Love your friend,
Gage Aaron Kidd
Age 6

Dear Santa,

When I visited a couple weeks ago I told you I wanted Halloween for Christmas. My brother keeps telling me that it isn't possible. I don't really understand why, but I guess if I can't have Halloween I would like a Princes Poppy and a baby doll. I love you, Santa.

Love,
Paden Lee Kidd
Age 2

Dear Santa,

I've been very good this year. My name is Daniel, and I am 10 years old.

For Christmas, I would like a quiver, arm guard, and arrows for my bow.

I hope you enjoy a very Merry Christmas!

Love,
Daniel

Dear Santa,

My name is Trigg Harper, and I am a Kindergartener at Hedley School. For Christmas, I would like for you to bring me a Paw Patrol Boat, a remote control pickup, and lots of candy. I will leave you cookies and milk on our table. I will try to listen for your sleigh and reindeer on my roof.

Dear Santa,

I would like a little basketball thing and also a Minion gun. I've been a good boy.

Love,
Jase Conway

Dear Santa,

My name is Nayeli Rodriguez, I am 5 years old, and I go to school in Hedley. Santa, can you bring me a scooter, a unicorn, and an owl toy? Please remember that I have brothers and sisters at home with me. I will leave cookies and milk by the tree for you. How far away is the North Pole? Love you Santa.

Merry Christmas.

Love you,
Tayden

Dear Santa,

My name is Christopher Carey. I go to Kindergarten at Hedley School. I am 5 years old, and I am so excited for Christmas to come. I would like for you to bring me a remote control car, a truck, a basketball, and maybe a real puppy. How are all of your reindeer? I will leave you some treats under the Christmas tree. Love you Santa!

Love,
Keaton

Dear Santa,

My name is Lucas Booth. I am 5 years old. I live in Memphis Texas, but I go to school in Hedley. I am in Kindergarten. I want you to bring me another wrestler, and please don't forget my brothers. Mom says I can leave some cookies and hot chocolate for you when you visit my house.

Love,
Lucas

Dear Santa,

How is my favorite reindeer, Rudolph? My name is Maddex Gay. I am 5 years old, and I am in Kindergarten at Hedley School. I would like for you to bring me a dirt bike. We will have cookies for you.

Love,
Maddex

Dear Santa,

I want to see you at the North Pole. Do you know my name? I want a baby doll. Do you have a deer named Rudolph?

Love,
Amour Jones
Age 7

Dear Santa,

Hi Santa, my name is Tayden Guinn, and I go to school in Hedley Texas. I am 5 years old, and I have tried to be a really good boy this year. I would love for you to bring me some cookies, a dinosaur, and a jeep. And maybe you could bring me a water gun so I can squirt my mom and my sister with it. I wish you a Merry Christmas Santa!

Love you,
Tayden

Dear Santa,

My name is Keaton Holman, I am in Pre-k at Hedley school. I am 4 years old, and I am ready for Christmas time. Please give me Christmas presents. I would like a pizza party. I want cars too. On the T V, there will be cookies!

Merry Christmas.

Love,
Keaton

Dear Santa,

My name is Bailey Curry, and I go to Pre-k in Hedley. I am 4 years old. I want a bike and a ball. I want you to bring my brother and sister some cookies and cream. I have a gift for you at my house. I really would like a fake Christmas tree. Can hardly wait for you to get here Santa!

Love,
Bailey

Dear Santa,

Hello, my name is Emma Watt. I am 4 years old, and I am in Pre-k in Hedley. I love Christmas time. I want a Kitty Cat. For Wyatt, he wants a puppy dog. I would be happy if I also could get a bike and the movie Wonder Woman. I am leaving cookies for you and skittles with milk. Hope your reindeer have a great Christmas.

Love,
Emma

Dear Santa,

My name is Michelle Goodwin. I go to Hedley School. I am in Pre-k, and I am 4 years old. I would love a bike for Christmas. I am going to leave some cookies out for you. I would also love a Christmas tree! Merry Christmas Santa!

Love,
Michelle

Dear Santa,

What I want for Christmas is a fast, dirt bike. It can go on big hills and it has a long seat, so 2 people can get on it. But what I really wanted to know is what does Rudolph do? Also, on my dirt bike I want a fast, fast dirt bike that can go through little puddles of water.

Love,
Kutter O'Keefe
Age 6

Dear Santa,

I want a stuffed monkey. I want a baby doll set with a baby doll. I want a toy horse. I want a big dog house and a medium sized dog house. I want a kitty cat.

Love,
Haylin Bivens
Age 6

Dear Santa,

I want a stuffed kitty cat and a stuffed bear. I want a stuffed candy cane and Five Nights at Freddy's Plush. That's about all.

Love,
Charlie Neal
Age 7

Dear Santa,

I want an Xbox One. I want a fingerling. I want Cars 3 and Minecraft that goes on Xbox. I also want Skylanders that goes on Xbox. I would also like a robot and I want the new Ninjago Lloyd suit.

Love,
Braxton Gribble
Age 7

Dear Santa,

I want a Ben Ten watch and a computer. And I want a Smart watch and a Smart phone. I want a Flash set that comes with a helmet, a belt, and some gloves. And I want a toy car that you can actually get in. And that's it.

Love,
Ethan Murray
Age 6

Dear Santa,

I would like a remote control helicopter for Christmas. Can you bring my Mom a new belt bucl and my Dad a new tire for the truck and can you bring Maddie a milk goat?

Love,
Brandon Moore
Age 7

Dear Santa,

I want a toy shotgun and I want a Lightning McQueen motorcycle that I can drive. And I want a toy Sea Patroller.

Love,
Caleb Curry
Age 7

Dear Santa,

I want a rocket fishing rod and also some Mods and also a cool toy that I have never seen before and a really cool remote. That's it.

Love,
Julian Ivany
Age 7

Dear Santa,

I want a Star Wars gun and a video game in a box and I want a Zombie gun too. And I want to play Zombie Catchers. And that's all.

Love,
Bryson Shoels
Age 6

Dear Santa,

I want an Xbox One and a real farming game for my Xbox. I want a blue RC Monster truck. I also want a football game for my Xbox. And I want a farming game that you drive the tractor to the farm and then you farm it. I want a very soft pillow that doesn't get my head inside of it and I want it to be blue. I want a soft Texas Tech blanket. I also want a nerf gun that shoots arrows and a remote-control gun. I also want my own battleship game and My Size workout tower.

Love,
Rustin Wade
Age 6

Dear Santa,

Hey Santa, this is Korbyn. Can you please don't forget my presents? Can you give me the magic thing that when I say Korbyn I turn in to him and when I say Benny and the Ink Machine I turn in to him.

Love,
Korbyn Jones
Age 8

Dear Santa,

I want a computer and a Hatchimal and a pet dog and a new bed and a Baby Alive doll.

Love,
Clara Castillo
Age 6

Dear Santa,

I want a trampoline and a power wheel and a go cart.

I also want a bike that glows in the dark because my bumble bee one is broken and doesn't glow anymore.

I also want a drone.

Love,
Keiden Moody
Age 6

Dear Santa,

I would like a phone for Christmas. I would also like to have a 3ds. Can you please bring me a new bike? Can you bring me a gator?

Love,
Landry Boehmisch
Age 7

Dear Santa,

I would like a baby for Christmas. I also like some makpup. Can you please bring me a prite dress? I also want a castle and cran. Can you bring my a elf for Cahristmas? Can you give me your number?

Love,
Lylah Goodwin
Age 7

Dear Santa,

I would like a pair of new boots for Christmas. I would also like a Barbie. Can I please have a belt and a new t-shirt? Can you

bring Dawson a Paw Patrol, and bring Charity a baby doll? I have been very good! Do you have a puppy?

Love,
Nevaeh Cortez
Age 7

Dear Santa,

Santa will you bring all of this? I would like tires for my dad; he works at Floyds. I wish you can bring all of my family for Christmas. I don't want a cup of cole. I want a bunch of toys for my classroom. I want a lego super heros2. I want a cowboyshirt. I want a dirtbrike. I want a cowboy hat. I want a tree house. I have bin good. I have not bin bad.

Love,
Braelyn Shatswell
Age 8

Dear Santa,

I haven't ben good to but please bring the stuf that I want. Get my mom and my sistersand my grandma. Can I have some army men? Can I have nerff guns and boots and please bring a lot of army men. And a doll hous for my sister Annabell, and please bring my sister a beanbagcheer. And please bring kittens.

Love,
Sebastian Garcia
Age 8

Dear Santa,

Would you please bring me a firetruck? I would also like a Hotwheels A-I. Santa, thank you for bringing presents. I would also like a

remote control boat. Please bring presents for my Sissy and my Mom. I also want a pontoon plane that is remote control. I also want a drift cart.

Love,
Logan Cockrell
Age 8

Dear Santa,


How are you doing? I am good. I was thinking you might help me out on Christmas this year. I just want to make sure you get some gifts for the homeless and poor like shirts and pants and some other things. It's just been I've been seeing the news about others giving stuff to the homeless and poor and I would like to try to help too. I do not know what I want other than a knife for carving and staff. But please get stuff for all the homeless no matter if they are on the naughty list or nice list. Have a very Merry Christmas and a nice flight.

Sincerely,
Taylee Elhert
5th grade
Hedley ISD

Dear Santa,

I hope you are doing well at the North Pole! I am not asking for too much this year. I would like 2 Xbox controllers an art kit and last but not least I would like a new fishing pole.

Sincerely,
Ray Curry
5th Grade
Hedley ISD



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Dear Santa,

How are you doing? I want a stuffed animal for my little cousins. I would like a new baby puppy too. Can you also give my mom some money and scentsy candles? I also would like a few things for my dogs; beds, blankets, bones and for this winter to pass. Lastly, my sister wants a phone, Eiffel Tower phone case and a holiday Barbie doll. Have a great trip.

Merry Christmas,
Presley Lamb
5th Grade
Hedley ISD

Dear Santa,

How are you doing this year? Are you really helping the elves build toys? Last year I had a happy holiday! I want a new Christmas. Will you please let me go on the trip? I am really worried about my grandmother. Please make her feel better!

From,
Javier Valles
5th Grade
Hedley ISD

Dear Santa,

What doing? I have been a good man. So can you get me a North Carolina Panthers helmet and jersey for my Sandstorm practice? My jersey number is 35.

Thank you,
Ethan McCallister
5th grade
Hedley ISD

Dear Santa,

How are you doing up in the North Pole. Can you give a present to the poor and elderly people please?! Can I have a good Christmas. Can my brother have a couple of fishing lures and a four wheeler? I have a question for you! How can you get to everyone's house in one night? Do you start in China and work your way to America?

Have a safe trip.

Evelyn Mills
5th grade
Hedley ISD

Dear Santa,

Hi it's Abby. One thing to add to my list is a Bomrang Vehicol and that is all I want to add. How is Mrs. Claus and the elfs?

Love,
Abbey Brainigan
Grade: 3
Age: 9

Dear Santa,

I want a brush and a JoJo Sewa doll, a camra, and a Barbie. How many elfs are there?

Love,
Kali Curry
Grade: 3
Age: 9

Dear Santa,

I want a new Barbie Hunting set, a Barbie doll, and a Zoomer Monkey.

Love,
Kaitin Ehlert
Grade: 3, Age: 8

Dear Santa,

I've been a good boy this year. I would like a dirt bike, a four wheeler, drone, and a exbox, a hover board, and a pair of shoes. How are everyone?

Love,
Miles Jouett
Grade: third
Age: 9

Dear Santa,

I would like a Iphone 7. I would also like a puppy, and to meet JoJo Siwa, and a picture with you and Mrs. Claus.

Love,
Lillie McCleskey
Grade: 3
Age: 8

Dear Santa,

My name is Haiden. I love you. I would like a drone and a mountain bike and a baseball. Bring my dads a shirt and my moms a shirt with a picture of me, and a lizard.

Love,
Haiden Norman
Grade: 3 grade
Age: 8 almost 9 years old
on December 18, 2017

Dear Santa,

How are you and Misses Claus? I would like a NBA 2K-18 and a Mario Sport Super Stars.

Love,
Braylon Rice
Grade: 3rd Grade
Age: 8

Dear Santa,

I am not going to ask for much this year because I know that you are busy. I want a drone, a happy toy maker bull wagon, a laptop, and a color TV, and a phone.

Love,
Eli Ritchie
Grade 3rd Grade
Age 9 years old

Dear Santa,

All I want is a phone and a hover board and that's all. How is Mrs. Claus doing?

Love,
Dakoda Rodriguez
Grade: 3rd grade
Age: 8 years old

Dear Santa,

May I please get a new GTA game, a new xbox, a new dog, and a new four wheeler for my controller? I want to get a new basketball, amd a new NFL football so I can play with my friends. I want a Smurf ball, too that's fun!

Love,
Michael
4th grade
10 years old

Dear Santa,

May I please have a Fitbit, figet cube, and a Onkey Over Drive.

Love,
Coulter Lee Wortham
4th grade, 9 years old



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Dear Santa,

May I please have Legos, Jojo Siwa posters, Jojo Siwa headphones, a Jojo Siwa bowmaker, a Jojo Siwa journal, and a Samsung phone?

Love,
Shailyn
4th grade
10 years old

Dear Santa,

May I please have a Nascar Driver's truck, a Nascar Drivers car and a remote control car? Also I want a tramoline.

Love,
Kyler
4th grade
9 years old

Dear Santa,

May I have a door for my room and a Minecraft plushy? PS. NOT A CHICKEN plushy! May I also have a pool table, inernet at my hosue and a mat.

Love,
Kristian
4th grade
9 years old

Dear Santa,

May I please have my brother's old iphone 5? Also, may I have my own room so I do not have to share with my brother? One more thing I want is a drum set.

Love,
Wrangler
4th grade, 11 years old

Dear Santa,

May I please have a slime factory, archery set, and a pug. I also would like some new pjs, Xbox, and some new boots. The rest of what I want is a Play-Doh set, a new basketball goal, and a Ranger. Then, I would like to get some clothes and shoes for some people that don't have a family I will give them some gifts.

Love,
Anonymous

Dear Santa,

How have you been Santa? For Christmas I would like a mermaid tail you can swim in, some gray Uggs, and alot of squishies. I also want a blanket, a tipi to go in my room, and a foutain. Thank you for reading my letter! P.S. How many elves do you have? Merry Christmas

Love,
Brooklyn Jaye Lemons
4th grade
10 years old

Dear Santa,

I would like a phone, tablet, pencils, crayons, colored pencils, an American Girl Doll, Elf on the Shelf, drum kit, coloring kit, books. I want to see my family, and for my friends to be jolly, holly, and grateful. Elsa, and Anna dresses, a Dallas Cowboys jersey, and writing spiral. Broncos jersey, video games, MP3 player, PS3, a thousand mounds of money, and a waterbottle. I love you. Merry Christmas to you and your wife!

Love,
Lucie
4th grade, 10 years old

Dear Santa,

I know it's hard to deliver all those presents, but I don't want more than 8 things. I want an iphone 6, a radio, and a foot spa. If it is not too much trouble, I also want an icecream maker, a sleeping American doll, a necklace in the shape of a snowflack.

Love,
Lexi Phillips
4th grade
9 years old

Dear Santa,

May I please have new games for my xbox and playstation 4, a blue cardigan, and a fish that is blue? I also want a good Christmas! I want a pug and tye dye t-shirt maker. The rest

of the things I want are a figet cube, books, and new Nintedo games.

Love,
Kaendan
4th grade
9 years old

Dear Santa,

It is almost Christmas, so I am making my list. May I please have an iphone, a puppy, and clothes? I also want the stuff for a phone, like a case and a popsocet. Can I please have my own bed, too? Also, please send a girl Elf on the Shelf. Have a holly, jolly Christmas, Santa!

Love,
Gracie Ellis
4th grade
9 years old



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Dear Santa,

May I please have a new phone, bike, craft kit? I also want new books. The ones I want are Dork Diaries and some whatever after books. I hope you have a nice Christmas and give all of the presents to all the boys and girls in the world!!!

Love,
Anonymous

Dear Santa,

May I please have a horse, coat, and boots? I also would like some books, a blanket, and a treehouse to play in outside. I would also like a boogie board and a hammock that will fit in my room. Thank you for reading my letter. I hope you have a Merry Christmas.

Love,
Millie
4th grade
9 years old

Dear Santa,

May I please have a new hoverboard, blanket, and a coat? I would also like a new pair of shoes t-shirt, and some new hair ties. The last couple of things are new socks, bows, and earrings.

Love,
Shelby Christopher
4th grade
9 years old

Dear Santa,

I want a gold football ring, with a cross necklace. I want a lime green drums, and a

Love,
Roxie
4th grade, 10 years old

pistol so I can go hunting with my granpa. I want a paint ball gun to. Or a phone or table I don't care. Some drum sticks to please.

Love,
Shane
4th grade
9 years old

Dear Santa,

Can I have a new writing journal, Xbox One X, a book, 100 pencils, pencil sharpener. I also want money, Xbox one S, and PC. May I please have a new house, a new blanket, new clothes, a new bed, a new Jacket and new toys.

Love,
David
4th grade
9 years old

Dear Santa,

I want to have Lego men, PS4 and Halo Legos. I would also like an Elf on the Shelf, and a reindeer on a shelf. I want snow, a snow globe, a real fish pet, head phons, PS4 games. A pet dog and a drone.

Love,
Nolan
4th grade
10 years old

Dear Santa,

I want a Santa suit and a diffractor. I want the homeless people to have a home, money, food, and clothes. I want my family to be bigger. May I have a renderer?

Love,
Roxie



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and your
family a
simply
heavenly
holiday
season.*

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Dear Santa,

I would like a hoverboard. What I would most like is a iPhone 6 Plus. Would you please get me some new shoes. I also want some new clothes. I want to help the ones in need, because they need more stuff than I do. Please go to their houses. I believe in you.

Love,
Kyndall
4th grade
10 years old

Dear Santa,

How are you this year? I do not know what I want for Christmas. Every year it is hard to decide. Ok, really. I want a lot of stuff, but I just don't know how to explain. This year I want a rocket copter and some twin Hatchimals.

Love,
Madilyn Benson
4th grade
9 years old

Dear Santa,

May I please have these movies: Emoji Movie, Captian Underepants, and the movie called Diary of a Wimpy Kid?

Love,
Trystan
4th grade
9 years old

Dear Santa,

I want to get a book for Christmas. I hope you and your elfs have a good Christmas. I hope they make a good book. I want it to snow. HAPPY CHRISTMAS!

Love,
Dakota
4th grade
9 years old

Dear Santa,

This year I have been bad and good. Mostly good I think. May I have a diffractor, a remote control car or a drone. Also, I would like Christmas themed clothes and a little heater for my brothers room. Thank you Santa for reading my letter if you get a chace.

Love,
Kaleb
4th grade
10 year old

Dear Santa,

"Hi" Santa and the elves. On the first December, I saw Cris. T. Elf. He said, "Hello," to my family. For Christmas I want 5 slimes, 2 Squishies, turquoise bed sheets, and turquoise curtains. Thank you, Santa! I have been excited about Christmas!

Love,
Presley Smith
4th grade
9 years old

Dear Santa,

I want for Christmas is kit. For Christmas I will love to have a puppy to santa.

Love,
Karly
3rd grade
9 years old

Dear Santa,

I would like a iphone 7 for Christmas and i would also like an Apple watch. I would love to take a picture with you, but I know you're busy. May I please have new pencils, a writing notebook, and new Adidas shoes? I will be thankful for whatever I get. I want my family to be jolly and holly. Hope you find me soon.

Love,
Kashlyn Conkin
4th grade
9 years old

Dear Santa,

I would like to have a Cowboy jersey and a water bottle for school. I would like a real cat, dog, horse, pig and bird. I love you Santa and I will want a snake, spider, and a spiderman suit. I also want a Mp3 player.

Love,
Miranda
4th grade
10 years old

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I want a really fluffy kitten (a real one) and a gold drone. I want a bird cage for my bird and some toys for my bird, too. I really want to see my brother, David, most of all. Have a happy Christmas.

Love,
Autumn
4th grade
9 years old

Dear Santa,

What I want for Christmas is a regtangler Trampoline. I will make you the best cookies. The thing I want most for Christmas is for my whole family to be jolly and holly just like you. I will be thankful for whatever I get for Christmas.

Love,
Elliot
4th grade
10 years old

Dear Santa,

I would like a Walkeetakee, please. Will you please bring something for my baby brother? And can you bring something for my daddy, and mom and sister?

I hope your reindeer aren't hurt.

Love,
Henry Robertson
Pre-K
5 years old

Dear Santa,

I want a kit of some bulldog pictures and some doll too.

Love,
Suzannah Williamson
3rd grade
8 years old

Dear Santa,

I am very excited for Christmas. What are you doing? Is Mrs. Clause ok please answer. I want a boots and one Jordan's that are blue and green.

Love,
D'won Brown
3rd grade, 8 years old

Dear Santa,

I am very excited for Christmas this year I hope you have a happy day for Christmas. I hope you eat a lot of cookies and milk. Please can you give me a four wheeler, Xbox 360 and a play watch. I will leave you cookies and milk.

Love,
Ja'Zarien Cornilles Moore
3rd grade
8 years old

Dear Santa,

I am very excited for Christmas this year. How is Rudolf? I want for Christmas is an apple watch, an exbox, and hopkins. I am going to leave you cookies and milk. Have a safe trip and thank you.

Love,
Serenity Lee
3rd grade
9 years old

Dear Santa,

I'm so excited for Christmas. I am doing great. Somethings I want for Christmas are some new boots, a dress, bows, and a book. Have a great Christmas.

Love,
Anna Balogh
3rd grade
9 years old

Dear Santa,

I am very excited for Christmas. I hope you are having a good time. Tell Rudolf your getting fat eating all those cookies for Christmas. I want a puppy and a rolex. I can't

Love,
Shaun Childers
9 years old

wait I am leaving you cookie and milk. Hunter is out.

Love,
Hunter
3rd grade
8 almost 9 years old

Dear Santa,

I am excited for christmas this year. This year I want a Nintendo Switch, mincraft, and super mario odyssey. (nintendo switch games) and I want a new phone.

Love,
Trystan Ritchie

Dear Santa,


I am very excited for Christmas this year. How are your elves and Mrs. Clause? I hope everyone has a great year this year. I would like a hatchamle, computer and a hover board. On Christmas Eve me and my family will leave you some cookies and milk.

Love,
Cambree Smith
3rd grade
9 years old

Dear Santa,

i love Christmas! It is my favorite holiday. How are the reindeer? This year I would like a gaming chair, lava lamp (gold), and a watch. i will get cookies and a Dr. Pepper. Has Mrs. Clause been ok? Have a very safe trip from the North Pole!

Love,
Shaun Childers
9 years old



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Dear Santa,

I have been waiting for Christmas since it ended last year! How are your Reindeer? The things I really want is a hoverboard with my name on it, a light pink helmet because my mom says I don't get a hoverboard if not. The last thing I want is charm bracelet and charms. Have a great Christmas!

Love,
Kortni Davis
3rd grade
8 years old

Dear Santa,

I am going to be excited for Christmas. How are you this year? How is Mrs. Clause this year? I will leave you cookies and milk. What I want is an Xbox one X and headsets.

Love,
Kendon Hanes
3rd grade
9 years old

Dear Santa,

It's almost Christmas. I have an elf on the shelf it is not bad. What I want for Christmas is a xbox one x and a game for my ps4 and a tablet and move.

Love,
Aiden Morris

Dear Santa,

I am so excited for Christmas. For Christmas I would like a phone, a cotton candy maker, and a clay pot maker. How is Rudolf and Mrs. Clause? Thank you Santa Clause I will leave you some milk and chocolate chip cookies. Thank you.

Love,
Kinley McClelland
3rd grade
8 years old

Dear Santa,

This year I am very excited because I get 3 Christmas. So can you please can you get me a hoverboard, earring, Jojo bow and a pet yorky.

I am going to leave you some oreos chocolate chip cookies and strawberry milk.

Love,
Lilly
3rd grade
8 years old

Dear Santa,

I am so excited for Christmas. How are you and Mrs. Clause and Rudolf? I am having an awesome year I hope you are to. I would like a jacket, the whole set of haunted library books, and a new journal. Thank you!

Love,
Lindley Hill
3rd grade
8 years old

Dear Santa,

I can't wait for Christmas this year. How are you doing today. I want cosmo and a thunder tumble and I want bumper cars. Thank you.

Love,
James Anderson
3rd grade
9 year old

Dear Santa,

I like Christmas I hope you have fun. How is Mrs. Clause and Rudolf and you? This year I want a Hoover board and clothes. I will put some milk and cookies out.

Love,
Kylynn
3rd grade
9 years old

Dear Santa,

I am very excited for Christmas Santa, what's the north pole look like? I would like some new toy, clothes, a new home, a good life.

Love,
Alana Johnsen
3rd grade
9 years old

Dear Santa,

Santa, please tell Mrs. Clause to have a good Christmas. Santa, I love Christmas. It is the best year. Santa, please tell Rudolf to have a good Christmas too. Santa, I am putting cookies and milk. Santa all I want is my family.

Love,
Albagail Keen
3rd grade
8 years old

Dear Santa,

I hope you have a good Christmas and is Mrs. Clause doing good? I hope you have enough presents for the kids. I have a question can I have a hoverboard, and a new bracelet. Thank you.

Love,
Gracen Sims
3rd grade
9 years old

Dear Santa,

I hope that you have a nice year. I am going to leave you some cookies when you come. I really want a drone that has camera on it, new phone, and a car that you can drive with a control.

Love,
Caleb Herbert
3rd grade
8 years old

Dear Santa,

I hope you and Mrs. Clause are doing good. I am very excited about Christmas. My favorite holiday is probably Christmas. Could you get me some five nights at Freddy's Plushies, a tiny piano, and some books.

Love,
Dahlia Neal
3rd grade
8 years old

Dear Santa,

How are you and Mrs. Clause and the elves doing Santa? I hope you are doing good Santa, I want a computer, Xbox 1, and cuphead.

Love,
John Holt
3rd grade
9 years old

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Dear Santa,

I hope you are doing well and have had a great year. I have been looking for Jojo my elf. I'm so excited. Here's a few things I want: legos of any kind. A picture of Rudolf.

Love,
Zane Cruse
3rd grade
9 years old

Dear Santa,

I hope you and Mrs. Clause have had a great year. I will leave cookies and milk and carrots for you raindeers. I hope you get to come to my house this year. What I want you to get me is a desk and fluffy chair. I hope you get to come this year.

Love,
Kinslee Hatley
3rd grade
9 years old

Dear Santa,

I hope you and Mrs Clause are doing good. I am excited for Christmas this year. This year can you bring me an Apple Watch, a new skateboard, and a pocket knife.

Love,
Klay Wilkins
3rd grade
9 years old

Dear Santa,

Have you had a good year? Well I have. Are you and Mrs. Clause, your reindeer, and elves good? I hope Rudolf's nose is glowing really bright. I'm so excited for Christmas. I have been a good boy and so has my family. Please don't give me coal. I hope you be safe going around the world and giving presents. I will leave you some of the best cookies with some really good milk for you to eat and drink. I hope you get me a fitbit, some boots, and a snow globe.

Love,
Parker Haynes
3rd grade
8 years old

Dear Santa,

How is Rudolph doing? Does he really have a red nose? I would like a basketball, a toy dinosaur, and a box of plain legos. Please bring something for my sisters too.

Love,
Cotton Halsey
Pre-K
5 years old

Dear Santa,

I hope you had a wonderful year. I am excited for this year. This year please bring me a whistle, Apple watch, and a Nerf gun. I will leave you some cookies and some milk.

Love,
Emily Dzamco
3rd grade
8 years old

Dear Santa,

I want a baby doll with hair, some clothes, new tennis shoes with unicorn sparkles, a hairbrush set, a new tablet, makeup, a little-bitty robot cat, a new lunchbox, some toys

Love,
Marleigh Farmer
Pre-K
4 years old

Dear Santa,

Hi Santa how is Mrs. Clause doing? I hope you had an awesome day. Are your elves doing good and are your reindeer? I hope you are doing great? Can I please have anime stuff, a country guitar, and a drum set.

Love,
Emery Carineau
3rd grade
8 years old

Dear Santa,

I hope you and Mrs. Clause are feeling good. I am so excited about Christmas. I hope your reindeer are good to. I love you and Mrs. Clause and your reindeer. I hope you bring me the toys I want this Christmas . Could you please bring me a hoverboard, and ipad, and a kuria watch.

Love,
Marelli Mercado
3rd grade
9 years old

Dear Santa,

I hope you and all of the reindeer have had a great year. This year could I have a Kano computer kit, a Rassberry Pi, and a Nintendo Switch. P.S. I also am making cookies for you.

Love,
George Washinton Howard V
3rd grade
9 years old

Dear Santa,

I hope you and Mrs. Clause are doing fine. I miss you Santa. I got a suprise for you when you get to my house. Can you bring me doctor stuff, baby that has a with a stroller.

Love,
Jazaria Moore
3rd grade
8 years old

Dear Santa,


I am ready for Christmas this year. I have had a good year. Have you? Thank you for my presents last year. This year can you bring me a phone case, a pop socket, and a new basketball.

Love,
Aubry Stidham
3rd grade
8 years old

Dear Santa,

I hope I am on the good list. I look forward to Christmas this year. This year I want a Chihcahua thats alive, a stuffed chihcahua, and a robot chihcahua. Have a Merry Christmas.

Love,
Mimrose Hall
3rd grade
9 years old



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Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas I want a Pogo-it, Hatchimal, and an Easy Bake Oven. I have been super good this year. I love you so much Santa, see you soon!

Love,
Journey Grace Morris
Pre-K
4 years old

Dear Santa,

I love Santa. I have been good. I love your beard. My brother and sister have been good. I would like a tablet to play on, a tea set and that is it. I will leave you cookies and a present. Merry Christmas!

Love,
Kree Gaither
Pre-K
4 years old

Dear Santa,

My name is Slaid and I am 4 years old. Please bring me a Lightening McQueen race track and cars. I would also like three plows for Daddy's tractor. Bring bullets to Bubba, fish spray to Mama, and bullets to Daddy. My family will make you banana pudding when you come.

Love,
Slaid Russell Pittman
Pre-K
4 years old

Dear Santa,

I would like a Loveabella doll and a Baby Alive doll. I would also like a Daniel Tiger Sticker Book. When you come to all the houses in the middle of the night be careful. Have a Merry Christmas.

Love,
Lydia Balogh
Pre-K
5 years old

Dear Santa,

I want an American Girl doll and a desk and a laptop and a doll bed and some nice books and a Yeti and a set of bookmarks.

Love,
Addison Havens
2nd grade
8 years old

Dear Santa,

I want a calling watch, Nerf gun, a fake handgun, a real french bulldog, Tom Brady jersey, a hot tub, a speed boat.

Love,
Madden Emerson
2nd grade
7 years old

Dear Santa,

I would like Disney princesses for Christmas. I really have been a good girl this year.

Love,
Madison Green
2nd grade
7 years old

Dear Santa,

I will like a tededer uncorn and a gragin tederdirb and I will have a fone tangter and a Minecraft and it on my fone and itnret and in my home and I will want a nuth bog and it will bappape so my bog will not be aloneand I will want and I will want a huvrbord.

Love,
Mercede
2nd grade
9 years old

Dear Santa,

I whant a call watch a robotdog a American girl doll a phone a long bord a huverbord a real elf with play house that is built on odament you can hang on your tree and it lights up cus they are so pritty cus they are so colorfall and thats why i love lights thear so so so so so so so pritty and I whant a compoter.

Love,
Kynleigh Roys
2nd grade
7 years old

Dear Santa,

I want wates for Christmas and a black cowboy hat, and jens, and red boots, and jackets, and shirts, and red and black shoes, and I want a pircher of Roodoff.

Love,
Hudson Howard
2nd grade
8 years old

Dear Santa,

I want a go cart and a nerf split strike and a nerf roto fury. I also want a Tom Brady jersey, and two pugs and I want the pugs to be fawn colored.

Love,
Bruce Campbell
2nd grade
8 years old

Dear Santa,

I want a elf for Christmas a elf on the shelf I also want a skooter that you sit on. I also want a santa toy with the elf toy a nuther city and a dog poke hole's in thar boxes, I love you Santa!

Love,
Khloe Burns
2nd grade
7 years old

Dear Santa,

I want a Alaina dress, a American girl bath tub for the doll, I want Elbow pads and knee pads for my skate board, and carrot the Wellie wisher rabbit, and a girl doll camper.

Love,
Makynna Williams
2nd graders
7 years old

Dear Santa,

I want a Kreo legos Transformers and a ring for my mom. And I want a Nerf guns and Kreed and Santa Merry Christmas. The end.

Love,
Jaxon Robertson
2nd grade
8 years old

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Dear Santa,

I would like a basketball and some tite pants and I some shurts and I want a ring and I bow and a jojo samarkan girl doll and amarkyn girl dolls and shows that and I wold like cprysun an I wold like to have a new phone and amariken girl doll stuff and a lite for my desk.

Love,
Josie Murillo
2nd grade
7 year old

Dear Santa,

For Crismis I want WWE toys like the Roke the Bigshow under tacker a gtaer the Waett Family The Shild a WWE later Cher a table WWE belts Klesto Sincara Mark Henry Rry Mesteryo Aberto Derreo Jrasic World toys and a picsner of all Rane Dean Preas and AJ Stals.

Love,
Aiden Lee Burnam
2nd grade
7 years old

Dear Santa,

I whant a call watch a robot dog a American girl doll a phone a longboard a real elf a play house that is built an odament you can hang on your tree and it lights up cus I love stuff that lights up cus they are so pritty cus that are so colorfull and thats why I love lights thear so so so so so pritty and I whant a computer.

Love,
Kynleigh Roys
2nd grade
7 years old

Dear Santa,

I hope you bring my family what they want. And I hope you have a good Christmas this year. This year I would like a horse, hoverboard, candy, shoes. That is what I would like for this Christmas.

Love,
Lauren
5th grade
11 years old

Dear Santa,

Hi, my name is Livia. I miss my dad and I have not seen him since 9 years ago and I forget were he is but if you can not get him. Then can you get me a horse so it can be my best frind. That woud be nice.

Love,
Livia Jones
5th grade
11 years old

Dear Santa,

How are you? How's Mrs. Clause? How are the elves - are they behaving? I bet everyone is busy, with the hustle and bustle of Christmas! I'm so excited! For Christmas I want some converse, some clothes from Maddie Ziegler's line, and slime supplies! Hope all is well at the North Pole!

Love,
Gracie Clark
5th grade
11 years old




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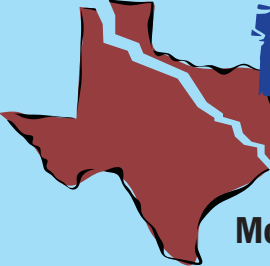



We wish you and yours the best of holidays and a refreshing New Year. Cheers!

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Dear Santa,

I just wanted to say Hi because is almost here and I just wanted to check on you bye.

Love,
Melanie Mellado
5th grade
10 years old

Dear Santa,

I want just a few things. I really want light up Yeezys and also a Virtual reality star wars. And for my phone a new case and screen protector.

Love,
Riley Jantz
5th grade
10 years old

Dear Santa,

Can I please have a new puppy and a battery power radar. I am pretty sure I been good this year.

Love,
John A.
5th grade
12 years old

Dear Santa,

How have you been? Can I please have a fuzzy warm blanket, nail polish, and surprise blind bays. I have had a good year and have been very good.

Love,
Rosa Olivas
5th grade
11 years old

Dear Santa,

I want angry birds, some Dr. Seuss books and toys. I would also like some Dr. Seuss movies.

Love your friend,
Zack Lockhart
5th grade
10 years old

Dear Santa,

Can I please have a fuzzy warm blanket and a rainbow bear, and some new clothes.

Love,
Athena
5th grade, 11 years old

Dear Santa,

This year I am not really sure if I was good... or not. Anyways how are you this year? I bet it's really heavy carrying thousands of presents in that sack on your back. So this year I only want one thing and that is The second babysitters club book by Raina Telgemier. Thank you for all for all the presents you've ever given me! P.S. good luck

Love,
Isabella Neal
5th grade
11 years old

Dear Santa,

I want a hoverboard a Iphone X 10 and I have been good this year. Hope your rudough been good this year.

Love,
Kimbrasha
5th grade, 11 years old

Dear Santa,

I want to wish you a merry Christmas. To your reindeer, and elf have a Jolly Christmas and have fun flying your slay.

Love,
Anthony
5th grade
10 years old

Dear Santa,

I have been okay this year, I really don't want much bt before I tell you what I want, I'd like to ask you how your reindeer are doing we might set some milk and cookies out. The only thing I really want for Christmas is a happy family and a good Christmas, and to celebrate Jesus's birthday thats what Christmas is for. Good luck on taking those presents to kids.

Love,
John Weatherton
5th grade
10 years old

Dear Santa,

How are your Reindeer. I'm good. I'm excited for Christmas because you get to spend it with your family and friends. How much snow have you gotten. We haven't gotten any yet. All I want for Christmas this year is for my Mom to be safe.

Love,
Bryce
5th grade
10 years old

Dear Santa,

How has it up at the pole. Is it fun making toys for everyone, well if you could I would like two things this year. I would like some Ariat boots and some new basketball shoes. Hope you have a good time.

Love,
Mason Sims
5th grade
10 years old

Dear Santa,

I want a cupcake and a cake and a brownie and a chocolate chip cookie.

Love,
Robert
5th grade
11 years old

Dear Santa,

I want some new xbox games. Some new clothes. Thank you Santa.

Love,
Bodhi
2nd grade
8 years old

Dear Santa,

I would love a puppy, barby doll, dress, cowgirl hat, purs, dirt bike, hed bands, socks, walet, fake ear rings.

I love you so much.

Love,
Abby Blalock
2nd grade
8 years old

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Dear Santa,

I would like a new bike. I would also like to have a new phone with ear buds. Santa I also really want a new art set with the stand and everything that goes to an art set. I also want a handmade ornament. Last but not least, I really really want a set of brand new movies that my family and I have never seen.

Love,
Gracie W.
5th grade
11 years old

Dear Santa,

All I want for Christmas are four things, I want a nerf gun a machine nerf gun to be precise. A set of two walkie talkies for our nature game we have sticks and rope for weapons and resources now I need a way to communicate also there in one box please. I would also like another nerf gun machine gun of course. And a my pillow a real good pillow please and thank you.

Love,
Tayten
5th grade
11 years old

Dear Santa,

I want five more elf's each Christmas so it will be like a search for elf's each time I wake up close to Christmas.

Love,
Justus
2nd grade
8 years old

Dear Santa,

On Christmas I will leave you cookies and some milk and a cokeucdu, and I wish I can see roodoff, and what I want for Christmas is more jeans, and a new bronco shirt, and a colt shirt, and I want a apple watch because I can connect it to my ipad, and I want fake glasses, and the one wish that I want is for my ankil to come back from the army and I want a picter of me and you and roodoff and it is okay if you dond give me a phone!

Love,
Eliana Rodriguez
2nd grade
8 years old

Dear Santa,

I wold like a stuff Daisy duck. Can I have a giant tedy bear? Thank you Santa.

Love,
Kennedy Halsey
2nd grade

Dear Santa,

I would like a football scoreboard. Also football stuff.

Love,
Payton Kole Inman
2nd grade
8 years old

Dear Santa,

I want oonies, crafting suppies, emjoi pillow, tablet, Santa hat, and a Jojo doll.

Love,
Skylar
2nd grade, 7 years old

Dear Santa,

A new goat and a dog and a diary. Thank you Santa.

Love,
Lexi Jantz
2nd grade
7 years old

Dear Santa,

What I would like for Christmas is a bike, bows, shoes, fit bit.

Love,
Sequoia Weatherton
2nd grade
8 years old

Dear Santa,

I want a toy computer. I want a sleang shot. I want a elfe on the shelf. I want a toy Santa. I want a toy car. I want clothes. I want some candy canes.

Love,
Samuel
2nd grade
9 years old

Dear Santa,

I want all the minecraft plushies, a minecraft lego set, some angry bird plushies, and a angry bird set. My mom wants a new ice maker and my dad wants a football.

Love,
Max Caudle
2nd grade
7 years old

Dear Santa,

I want lot's of books. I also want some new cloths. I also want a diary. I also want a painting set.

Love,
Landry King
2nd grade
6 years old

Dear Santa,

I wood want a playhouse. I wood like a littl kitten. I would like a big stuff ber. I wood like a ril phon. I wood love a Chokvlit fant in.

Love,
Konscience May Cubitt
2nd grade
7 years old

Dear Santa,

I truly want a stick bat for Christmas, and I really want to get a real life riandeer picter, and a nerf gun reicen mark eleven! I would love to get those thing's I really am looking forward to it. Merry Christmas!

Love,
Flint Pittman
2nd grade
7 years old

Dear Santa,

I want a new white puppy. I want a new kid forwiller. I want a new phone. I want a new xbox.

Love,
Malachi Murphy
2nd grade
7 years old

Greetings of the Season

We'd like to deliver a load of best wishes to our patrons along with a bundle of thanks.

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Dear Santa,

I want a remote control motocicle, remote control helicopter, and a remote control robot! I love you so much!!!

Love,
Raydenn Thomas

Dear Santa,

I am excited for Christmas. Are you excited for Christmas? This year I wood like to have a scooter whith triple wheels two in the back please, constrchian simulatory, farming simulator 15 and that will be all. Hope you have a gate year! And donet forget my family!

Love,
Kreed Robinson
2nd grade
8 years old

Dear Santa,

I want a xbox 4 for Christmas and a game disc of ark survivil. I also want a dinosaur battle pen with dinosaurs. I also want a black, white, and red motorcycle. I also want a hover board. I really want a picture of roudge. I also want a dallas cowboy helmet.

Love,
Hagen
2nd grade, 8 years old

Dear Santa,

Let me start out by saying I can explain. I've worked really hard to be a good boy this year but, it's so hard being two. If you decide to put me on the nice list, I would really like some cool new tools, a Mickey Mouse table and chairs, and some new trucks. I'm leaving

Love,
Fiona
2nd grade, 8 years old

Rudolph some snacks and I'll leave you some sweet treats too!

Merry Christmas Santa!
P.S. Sorry I stomped on your ELF!
Landyn Hill, 2 years old

Dear Santa,

How are you and Mrs. Claus? Are the reindeer ok? Don't forget to check the list twice! I hope you have a Merry Christmas! This Christmas I would like a music player, Ragedy Ann doll, a blue button sweater, and a Rudolph teddy bear. Thank you for listening. I will make sure the cookies are warm. Fly safely see you later.

Your friend,
Adrianna Villarreal
4th grade

Dear Santa,

How are you? Are you good? I hope so. I would like a remote control helicopter that flies 3 miles, a remote control truck that does flips, a blue rope, two sweaters with reindeer for mom and dad, a black and green trampoline, and a blue and purple sparkle bike. Have a safe trip!

Merry Christmas,
Madison Moore
4th grade

Dear Santa,

I want laptop, girl elf, horse, iphone 6, dog, and cat and one thing else, that Santa want's to bring me.

Love,
Fiona

Behold the Miracle

For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

Isaiah 9:6



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Merry Christmas,
Mason Green
4th grade

Dear Santa,

How is Mrs. Claus doing? I hope you had a good summer. How is the weather at the North Pole? Watch out for those airplanes. For Christmas, I'd like a fish tank, a NBA 2K18 game on the PS4 please. That will be all.

Your friend,
Collin Alston
4th grade

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I want a Flip-a-zoo. A play do set. A bike and a tablet. A basketball, and a baseball bat. Bubblegum and a bow and arrow. A puppy, a hatchable, cotton candy machine and gum ball machine.

Love,
Autumn Shatwell
First Grade-
6 years old

Dear Santa,

Four Christmas I want a play castle and a puppy. I also want a gumball machine and a Christmas barbie huse and a toy frog.

Love,
Annabell Villarreal
First Grade
6 years old

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I want a new gun, play-do, a tablet, bike, legos, bow and arrow.

Love,
Josue Prieto
First Grade
7 years old

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I want a Barbie doll and a tablet. Gumball machine and a Christmas Barbie house.

Love,
Kialla Mcduffie
First Grade
6 years old

Dear Santa,

This year Christmas I don't want a lot, if you could just get me one thing, a softball net for batting into and pitching into. And I might leave you some cookies and milk, he he, Merry Christmas Santa.

Love,
Tandie
5th grade

11 years old

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I want makeup and a toy cat. Also a puppy and horse, candy and gum ball machine, play do and coloring back.

Love,
Charity Cortez
First Grade- 6 years old

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I want a robot and boat with a cannon and a bow and arrow.

Love,
Wyatt Watts
First Grade
6 years old

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I want a cupe doll, Flip a zoo and a basketball. I also want play do.

Love,
Emmalyn Henson
First Grade- 6 years old

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I want a bike and fishing pole. Tablet and dort bike.

Love,
Jose Martinez
First Grade
6 years old

Dear Santa,

I want a MY Little Pony, a play-doh set, Diary with lots of pages, Trolls, and a Bible too.

So what I really want for Christmas is a doll to be pacific a Barbie doll, a dog, and a cat. And I really want to learn to listen more often. Oh ya and a reindeer Rudolph and cloths and shoes.

Love,
Harley Lockeby
Kindergraden
6 years old

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I want a bb gun, bow and arrow and a cotton candy machine. I also want a spaceship.

Love,
Damien Alston
First Grade
7 years old

Dear Santa,

This year I want a pool table. A toy sword with a gun and a white mask.

Love,
Leo Sandlin
First Grade
7 years old

Dear Santa,

I would like a cat and dog for Christmas. I have been good for Christmas how are you?

Love,
Angela

Dear Santa,

I hope you have a very marry Christmas. What I want for Christmas are Legos/cars/and



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an Xbox 360. I hope Rudolph has been good and not mean. You're awesome you're the Jolly old fat man but your still the best keep your spirit.

Love,
Cory
5th grade
11 years old

Dear Santa,

Hi, my name is Kennadie and I would like for Christmas, a black and turquois bottom and top hoverboard shin, white hightop converse, and a new phone and phone case. Also, my Elf just came today and on his note he said "he won't cause much trouble this year." I just want to wish you a merry Christmas, and check on the reindeer.

Love,
Kennadie Cummins
5th grade
11 years old

Dear Santa,

I always wanted a hover board of my own I have one just not my own. I want to wishy you a merry Christmas and a happy new year.

Love,
Itavianna
5th grade
12 years old

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas I want a lot of stuffed animals, also I want clothes. And that's all I want for Christmas.

Love,
Jaymi
5th grade
11 years old

Dear Santa,

This year all I want is a phone and some new riding boots, and a tiny little kitty, or a hamster. That's it Merry Christmas and a happy new year. P.S. can I please have a life time supply of gum and tic tacs.

Love,
Chelsea
5th grade
11 years old

Dear Santa,

I want WWII Call of Duty, Just Cause 3, Batman Retun to Arzami, Batman Arkham Asylum, Batman Akham City, Bateman Arkham Original, Elis Presay, Ventriloquist. P.S. the games are PS4 PSS I'll have the cookies done PSSS wach my elf.

Love,
Jaythan
5th grade
10 years old

Dear Santa,

I have been looking forward to a good school year I think I have been good so I hope I have a good Christmas and bring me something good.

Love,
Colton Caudle
5th grade
10 years old

Dear Santa,

Hello Santa I hope your Christmas is going good I now you must be busy from making pricents but what I want for Christmas is a hverboard if it is ok fer you.

Love,
Mariana
5th grade
11 years old

Dear Santa,

This year I want for Christmas is a Houston Texans xbox 1 S controller, Football cards, Houston Texans color rush, Deshan Watson jersey, and Houston Texans banner and that it and Santa have a Happy New Year.

Love,
Hunter
5th grade
11 years old

Dear Santa,

I want nothing for Christmas this year so I want to wish you a merry Christmas and a happy new year have a safe flight. I only want my little pony stuff thanks.

Love,
Summer
5th grade
12 years old

Dear Santa,

How cold is it at the North pole? How many elve's do you have. What I want for Christmas is, a new PS-3 game, a new B-B gun, a little toy arcade machine, some legos, another PS-3 controller, and some Anki over drive fast and furious cars. Merry Christmas and a happy new year.

Love,
Koltyn
5th grade
10 years old

Dear Santa,

How are you, Mrs. Clause, and the elves doing? I hope you are all doing fine. I have tried to be good this year. This year for Christmas I would like earrings that won't hurt my ears, Kendra Scott jewelry, a surprise, and for my family to be together and happy. Tell the reindeer I will leave treats for them and cookies and milk for you. I hope you have a very merry Christmas and a happy new year!

Love,
Maloree
5th grade
10 years old

Dear Santa,

I would like a new white Ford dually. I would like a new cattle trailer. I need a red hay trailer to pull with the Ford dually, Please bring a red truck with a cake box and hay forks. (by the Happy Toy maker) and a gray trailer (cattle). Please, may I have a backup shoot. I need a red semi that is plastic and pulls a cattle trailer just like a real one.

Love,
Jayton Moore
1st grade
7 years old

Best Holiday Wishes To All



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Dear Santa,

I hope you are having a good year. This Christmas I hope all the boys and girls get some toys. This Christmas I am hoping that I can have a kid Fitbit. Also a new pair of boots. This Christmas I also want a new bedsheet if you could do all that it would be the best Christmas ever.

Love,
Grant Haynes
5th grade
11 years old

Dear Santa,

How is it there in the North Pole? I hope it's great! Santa I would really like a razor hoverboard, gift card, and a surprise from you! Let the reindeer know have a very Merry Christmas! You too Santa can't forget about you! I hope I'm on the good list! I hope Jingles comes soon! Talk to you next year!

Love,
Aiden
5th grade
10 years old

Dear Santa,

What I want for Christmas is a dog, or a emoji pillow. Santa what I really want is to go to my moms house and see her, and live with her. Thank you Santa. Also I want a hatchables. Thank you Santa.

Love,
Hayden
5th grade
9 years old

Dear Santa,

I would like to have some toy dirt bikes, wrestling action figures, and a lego set. I will set a glass of chocolate milk and cookies for you.

Love,
Paxton English
1st grade
7 years old

Dear Santa,

Can I please have a Barbie dream set, new Barbie's, and a Descendants 2 doll (Evie). We are going to make you cookies.

Love,
Bri Lynn Bruce
1st grade
6 years old

Dear Santa,

I want a new megatron and bumble bee action figures, and new movies. I will leave some cookies and milk.

Love,
Zack Morris
1st grade
7 years old

Dear Santa,

I want a Paw-Patrol toy Boat. I also want 2 race cars and some clothes. And a sweater for my dog Dinky. A bicycle would be nice. I love you Santa and my brother Caleb might like these things also.

Love,
Jacob Curry
1st grade
7 years old

Dear Santa,

I hope you are doing well. I am trying to be a good boy and getting my grades up. For Christmas I would like a Cars 3 movie, Cars 3 garage and Cars 3 Crash Derby, please. I will leave you milk and cookies.

Love,
Brance
1st grade
6 years old

Dear Santa,

I have been good. I love Christmas. I love Christmas music. I can't wait for Christmas morning. I would like a remote control car. Pie face game, and a remote control airplane, and new boots. Thank you and merry Christmas Jesus.

Love,
Tyson McColley
1st grade
6 years old

Dear Santa,

I would really like a piano so I can practice music. I would like a picture of your best reindeer. I would also love a glittery microphone. Thank you very much.

Love,
Talisa Overbeeke
1st grade
7 years old

Dear Santa,

I want a Baby Alive that crawls, a fancy dress for school, an Elsa scooter, and a table and chair set for tea parties. I also want a pink show pony zoomer, and an Aurora play dress. Thank you for my elf and elf pet.

Love,
Emberlynn Reed
1st grade
7 years old

Dear Santa,

DC Super Hero Girl Starfire, Hatchimals collectibles, Water color paint, art stuff, A Jumbo candcan, A color chanz pillow. I will leave you some cookies and milk for you.

Love,
Elika
1st grade
7 years old

Dear Santa,

I want a hoverboard with a seat for Christmas. I also want a Happy Toy Maker semi with a flatbed trailer and a Bible I can read myself. I would also like a remote controlled John Deere tractor with rubber tires. Hope you and Mrs. Clause are doing well.

Love,
Kelby Brownlee
1st grade
7 years old

Dear Santa,

I have been good! Minecraft plushies, hover board, books, and toys.

Love,
Ajax Caudle
Pre-K
4 years old

Dear Santa,

I promise not to get into any trouble until after Christmas. I would really like to have a guitar and an apron if I can be a good little girl. I will leave you cookies and milk and a note on the coffee table. Thank you Santa.

Love,
Carli Jones
1st grade
7 years old

Dear Santa,

I want toys, candy, babies, and a TV. I hope you are doing good.\

Love,
Alexis Underwood
Head Start
4 years old

Dear Santa,

I hope you and the reindeer are doing well. I will set out a batch of cookies, milk, and carrots for you all. I tried to be good this year. Please bring me twin hatchimals. I love you Santa, have a great Christmas!!!

Love,
Nevaeh Jaramillo
1st grade
6 years old

Dear Santa,

Please give me presents. Give me a remote control monster truck.

Love,
Ruzic Gallegos
Head Start
4 years old

At This Season Of Giving

We'd like to give you our well wishes for a happy and healthy holiday season. We feel deeply honored to have your friendship and trust. Thanks!



- Mike's Pharmacy

Happy Holidays

From The Donley County Gin



Dear Santa,

I want a talking dreamhouse and I want a spirit horse that talks, you push the button. And I want a Barbie horse and Barbie, the horse moves front words and backwards and side to side. A Scrap book of horses and barbies. I have been really really really really good this year. I love you Santa. Don't forget the other children.

Love,
Joanna McElroy
1st grade
6 years old

Dear Santa,

Can you bring me a paw patrol boat for Christmas? I have tried to be a good boy. I will leave you some milk and cookies on our table. I love you so much Santa!!!

Love,
Kamden Moody
Head Start
4 years old

Dear Santa,

I want a yo-yo, a toy train named James. He has a big magnet and he is wooden. I want a toy road to play with cars on it. I need a present with police car and police truck. I love police cars and I want it on my road.

Love,
Eli Berry
Head Start
4 years old

Dear Santa,

This year I would like a pretty pink ballerina tutu, a live size doll house, a kitchen set, some baby dolls, some pretty clothes and lots of dresses! Please Santa Claus! Thank you so much!

Love,
Amya Grays
Head Start
4 years old

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I would like to have a Minecraft toy and a bindi toy. I would also like a new water gun. An Olaf toy and a batman Lego toy. Have a good trip to Clarendon to deliver all of our presents.

Love,
Hunter Shields
Head Start
4 years old

Dear Santa,

Hi! I hope you're doing good! Thank you for the postcard! For Christmas I would love Zoomer the robot unicorn, another my life doll so Kara isn't lonely, and the Minnie Mouse that I touch my magic wand and turn bows into flowers. And my kitty said he'd like a new toy and a blue collar but he's scared of feathers so no feathers please. Thanks Santa! I love your reindeers!

Love,
Kami Bartley
Pre-K (Head Start)
5 years old



*Glad Tidings
to You!*

With thanks and warm wishes this Christmas season.

**Kenny's
Barber Shop**

Just Saying,
**"HI & HAPPY
HOLIDAYS!"**

We'd like to take this opportunity to tell you how much we appreciate your business all year. Thanks for your loyal support and friendship. Being a part of this wonderful community brings us a great deal of joy.

We hope the holiday delivers everything on your wish list and more.
Merry Christmas, Friends!



**Clarendon Housing
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**Have Yourself A
Merry Little Christmas!**

Remember to support your local businesses during this holiday season.
The City Council and all City Employees.

**Clarendon
TEXAS**

We will be closed December 25 and 26.

Dear Santa,

I don't want you to come to my house, but give me four wheeler, a dirt bike, and a football. I want a go kart.

Love,
Zy'Quavian Matthews
Head Start
4 years old

Dear Santa,

I have been a good boy this year. I can't wait for Christmas. Can you bring a PJ maske Geikko, a Dusty Airplane. a cat boy car, and a baby for my sisters Hazel bug.

Love,
Jack Dechenaux
Head Start
4 years old

Dear Santa,

Please you give me another tablet. Thank you Santa for another tablet. Get Alix a toy from you Santa Clause. Get us some more ornaments for our Christmas tree. Get Addie a toy please. Get momma a parent sharp knife. Get Daddy a new gun. Thank you Santa Clause

Love,
Kensler Roberts
Head Start
4 years old

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I want dolls and diapers for my dolls. I want barbies and little kids for my barbies. I also want a new dollhouse and I want a toy car for my dolls. I will leave you some milk and cookies on the bar for when you stop by.

I also want a tablet and slime and play doh.

Love,
Kinsleigh Thomas
Head Start
4 years old

Dear Santa,

I've been good this year. I would like a new trampoline, a new kid table, light sword, a Christmas deer, Christmas PJs, and a new toy. I'll leave you some cookies and milk!

Love,
Adrian Martin
Head Start
4 years old

Dear Santa,

What I want for Christmas is a new pair of shoes, paw patrol toys, maybe a TV for my sisters and I to share. I would really like some legos, and a fire truck.

Love,
Dacen King
Head Start
5 years old

Dear Santa,

Hi, I'm JJ and for Christmas I want legos, the tiny one's to build with, lots of cars and trucks, and it would also be nice to have a remote control big truck. Thank you Santa I know I'll get it all.

Love,
Jai'Toryian
Head Start, 4 years old

Dear Santa,

I want to see my Papa Joe, I want a blue walking dinosaur, I want Daddy Kyle to know I love him. I want a phone. I want my mommy and daddy to know I love them and God, too. I want two Paw Patrols and a huge fidget spinner. I want a picture of mommy, daddy Kyle, bubba, Daddy and sister too. And I want an XBOX and a robot vacuum and to tell God thank you for my family!

Love,
Jase Ritchie
Pre-K
4 years old

Dear Santa,

I've been good this year! I would really like a New Transformer! Also maybe some new socks. If you could please bring a dump truck for my little brother? He's been good most of the time.

Love,
Jacob Wolfe
Pre-K
6 years old

Dear Santa,

I want LOL surprise dolls and mashems. I also want a few boy Barbie dolls and clothes for my barbies. A few shopkins blind bags and one shopkins chef club jar. I'm thankful for whatever I get, it doesn't matter what you get me!

Love,
Laityn Hanks
Kindergarten
5 years old

Dear Santa,

I've been really good boy. I'm not kidding. I love my mommy and my whole entire family so I think I should get a mickey mouse toy set, Spiderman toy and a super hero SpongeBob, a sonic toy set, a pool, a P.J. mask and a SpongeBob house set, and a Paw Patrol toy. Thank you for all the toys last year I promise I'll be good every Christmas.

Love,
Conner Holt
Kindergarten
5 years old

Dear Santa,

I'm so excited for Christmas this year! It's going to be a good one. For Christmas I want a motorcycle that's blue, a red knife, a robot horse, an animal egg with a dragon in it, new toy horses, a lead rope with a halter, a toy cowboy, a house for my toy cowboys, Lego's, video game, toy rodeo set.

Love,
Colton Henson
Kindergarten
5 years old

Dear Santa,

I love you Santa I hope you are good. I would like to ask you to bring mom and dad something nice because they are the best parents and bring my Brother Vincent and sister Madison something too even when they are mean to me a lot. I want a dirtbike, xbox 1, Iphone 6, Trampoline or any cool fun toys you have in mind. I liked everything last year.

I want my stocking to be full of candy and fun toys please. Also Santa I feel bad for people with no house or food if you can bring them stuff too. My mom helped me write Santa because I'm still learning.

Love you,
Jr. Carlos Vaquer
Kindergarten
6 years old

Dear Santa,

My name is Datai'Shiana Williams I am 5 years old I have been very good, this year. Some of the things I did were, listen to my momma, do my chores, and share my things with my friends. My Christmas list is toy motorcycle, play phone, and a baby doll/ stroller.

Love,
Datai'Shiana Williams
Kindergarten
5 years old

Dear Santa,

I have been very good this year. I am ready for Christmas. I would like a Paw Patrol Air Patrol, some new hot wheel cars, Army tanks and men, and the game Pop the Pig. My sister, Kinze, has also been a good girl this year. Could you bring her a doll and a pink tractor? Have a safe trip to Clarendon! We will leave out some milk and cookies.

Love,
Kase Zongker
Kindergarten
5 years old



ALL THE BEST!

You deserve it!
Thanks, Friends!

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Hedley Senior Citizens

Dear Santa,

May I please have a Mermaid book, and a Nutcracker toy.

Love,
Kassie Askew
Kindergarten
5 years old

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas I would love to have Barbie's and a Barbie Dream House. I also want play makeup, a White Tiger Dream Catcher. If you can I really want Cherry Blossom Perfume, a Pink Remote Control Car, and a White Tiger Blanket.

Love,
Scarlett McInturf
Kindergarten
6 years old

Dear Santa,

I would want all the monster high dolls. That's it.

Love,
Adalynn Murray
Head Start
4 years old

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I want a real dinosaur and a big blue truck to drive.

Love,
Dalton Lee
Kindergarten
5 years old

Dear Santa,

I want a drone that comes with a camera. I also want some binoculars so I can see far away. I also want that toy gun that comes with a knife. Can you please bring me a bow and arrow? Some new shoes would be nice. I also want more coloring stuff for my art board. Please.

Love,
Rylan Taylor
Kindergarten
6 years old

Dear Santa,

I have been working really hard to be good! I would like for you to bring me a big airplane and a fighter jet. I would also like some army men. Thank you for coming to my house every year! I will leave you some milk and cookies.

Love,
Haidyn Hill
Kindergarten
6 years old

Dear Santa,

My name is Ryder and I am 5 years old. I have been a good boy this year. For Christmas will you please bring me a blue bike, a new scooter, a new game to play with my family and a new bed for my dog. Thank you for coming to see me and please put me on the nice list. I'll leave you milk and cookies.

Love,
Ryder Drackley
Kindergarten
5 years old



WITH THANKS

From Our Entire Staff AT CHRISTMAS

As we wrap up yet another year, we'd like to acknowledge all the individuals — customers, neighbors, associates, and friends, who have made doing business here such a pleasure for us.

Please accept our sincere gratitude and best wishes for a healthy and happy holiday season.

You're always welcome here, and we look forward to the privilege of serving you again soon.



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Celebrate The Miracle!



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Dear Santa,

I would like a unicorn for Christmas. Also, can you bring me toy farm animals. We will leave out milk and cookies again for you. Be safe.

Love,
Clara W.
Kindergarten
5 years old

that looks like a wheel. I would also like a blue bike that says turbo on the side and a bow and arrow with a target set. I will try and leave you some milk and cookies.

Sincerely your best friend,
Matthew Rodriguez
4th Grade Hedley

Dear Santa,

I would like bouncy balls, new shoes, new shirts, and new pants. I want Santa to bring me a rainbow tent for me and Kinley. I want my own flowers for my room and I want my own playhouse to play in.

Love,
Hazeley
Kindergarten
5 years old

Dear Santa,

I would like Legos cars, Lego's anything Minecraft, a remote control motorcycle, hot wheels race car track, arts and crafts, clothes, socks, underwear, and for everyone to be happy, also bless Jesus.

P.S. Add a football

Anonymous

Dear Santa,

How are you feeling? Santa, I love you. I'm thankful for you. Can I please have some more Nerf bullets? Santa, thank you for all these presents. Thank you for all the elves in the whole wide city. Can I please get more video games?

Love,
Breck Lemons
Kindergarten
5 years old

Dear Santa,

I've been a very good kid the whole year. So can you? Bring me a remote control car and my mom a car so we can go to the movies. A xBox 360, a new pair of shoe Jordans, a football, and a cell phone.

Love,
Jaequan Weatherton
Kindergarten
6 years old

Dear Santa,

I want for Christmas, my own earrings. I have been good. I would also like a bracelet like my moms and a little tv for mine and sissy's room. My little brother has been good. Please bring him some tools. Merry Christmas, Santa!

Love,
Kennadi Gaither
Kindergarten
6 years old

Dear Santa,

Thank you for the gifts. Can I have a robot dinosaur. You shine like a diamond in the sky. I love you. I want a elf. Please. Merry Christmas.

Love,
Jaquadon Ballard

Dear Santa,

How are you? I hope you fly safe Santa. What I want for Christmas is 4 fidget spinners one called the phoenix, one that looks like rectangles, one with a dollar sign, and one

Love,
Ja'Leiyah Moore
Kindergarten, 6 years old

Dear Santa,

My name is Ja'Leiyah Moore. I am 6 years old. I have been very good this year. I am proud of myself because, my grades are getting better in school I've been doing my chores at home, and be nice to my friends. My Christmas list is bab doll, shoes, and dollhouse!



Dear Santa,

I have been a very good boy this year. This year I would like a John Deere combine, a big choo choo train and anything Spiderman! I hope your elves are doing good. I will leave you cookies and milk by the tree. Have a safe trip Santa!

Love,

Hunter Wann
Pre-K
5 years old

Dear Santa,

I have tried really really hard to be a good boy this year. For Christmas I want a Big Kid Bike, Ant Man & Iron Man. Thank you and you can leave something for my sister Alexis and my brother Coltyn.

Love,
Xander Knight Phillips
Kindergarten, 5 years old

Dear Santa,

I have been good this year. All I want is a holiday Barbie.

Love,
Micah Quinlan
Pre-K
4 years old

Dear Santa,

I would like a bow and arrow, a kazoo and a guitar. I would like a picture of your best Elf. I have been a great bucket-filler this year! Thank you!

Love,
Isla Overbeeke
5 3/4 years old

Dear Santa,

I want a bicycle with a kickstand. I want a brand new pool that is mine and small. I also want a new winter jacket with a hoodie. I want a new door for my Grandma and Pawpaw because theirs is broken. And a new shirt. That's all.

Love,
Cameron Taylor
Pre-K
4 years old

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I would like a Hatching Surprise, a Barbie Dreamhouse, and a Jojo Siwa Bow Maker. I have been saying my prayers and am thankful for you Santa. I also sometimes tell my brother and sisters I love them. If you want you can get me more presents than I asked for. Thank you.

Love,
Emma Christopher
Kindergarten
6 years old

Dear Santa,

I've been a very good princess this year. I would like anything pink, necklaces, bracelets, and ear rings. My brother and I will leave you milk and cookies. Thank you!

Love,
Brooklyn
3 years old

MERRY CHRISTMAS

We're really grateful to have friends and neighbors like you!

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The hanging of Christmas stockings is a tradition with an extensive history. Several legends attribute the hanging of stockings to different people or events.

Christmas stockings around the world

Just when the excitement of opening presents abates after the last of the packages under the Christmas tree have been torn open, children and adults alike may discover that there are more treats to be had nestled inside of stockings hung on the mantle.

The hanging of Christmas stockings is a tradition with an extensive history. Several legends attribute the hanging of stockings to different people or events. Here is a look at some of the stories that have made Christmas stockings so popular.

St. Nicholas Day

Rather than hanging stockings on Christmas, many countries celebrate Saint Nicholas Day on December 6, and this is when stockings are proudly left out for treats. The small, inexpensive trinkets are later unwrapped and enjoyed on Christmas Day.

Italian good witch

One stocking story does not attribute the tradition to Santa, but to a kind-hearted Italian witch named "La Befana." La Befana arrives on a broomstick the night of January 5 and fills the stockings of good children with sweet treats and toys. Bad children are awarded lumps of coal. La Befana is also credited with being the old woman who the wise men ask for directions to Christ's manger in the Christ child's story. After turning down an offer to

accompany them, La Befana later carried gifts in search of Christ.

Dutch heritage

One tradition says that, in 16th century Holland, children kept their clogs filled with straw in front of the hearth for Santa's reindeer to find. They also left treats for Santa Claus. In return, Santa would leave gifts in the clogs. Over time, stockings were swapped out for clogs.

Merchant's family story

A popular tale tells the story of a merchant, his wife and three daughters. After the wife falls ill and dies, the man becomes devastated and squanders all of his wealth on frivolous things to mask his sadness. When it comes time for the daughters to marry, the man does not have money for a dowry. St. Nicholas hears of the plight and knows the man would be too proud to accept charity. Therefore, St. Nicholas anonymously tosses three bags of gold coins down the chimney. The man's daughters had done the laundry prior and left their stockings hanging by the fireplace to dry. The gold landed in the stockings, thus starting the Christmas stocking tradition.

Christmas stockings have become part of holiday traditions, and this beloved tradition has its own unique history.



Have a Rockin' Holiday!

The sounds of Christmas are music to our ears, and we'd like to share our joy and best wishes at this festive time of year with all of you. Thanks for bringing so much happiness to our year. We really appreciate your support and friendship.

Merry Christmas to you and yours!
We hope your holiday hits all the high notes.

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We hope the holiday season delivers an abundance of glad tidings to you and your families. We appreciate your loyal support and look forward to your continued readership.

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