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Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God.

— Matthew 5:9

Best wishes for a most joyous Christmas season to all our neighbors.

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OPINION

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Calendar of Events

- Dec. 20 - Elementary school lets out 1:00.
- Dec. 21 - Christmas Holidays Begin.
- Dec. 24 - Munday VFD, Christmas Eve.
- Dec. 25 - Christmas.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

- Dec. 19 - Konnie Kuehler, Andy Griffith, Brook Matthews, David Booe.
- Dec. 20 - Lee & Dianna Bruce, Tim & Kim Nix.
- Dec. 21 - Charlotte Alcala, Kristine Reed.
- Dec. 22 - Kyler Norman, Danny Sloan, Michelle Hutchens, Charles Carlile, Mark Reed.
- Dec. 23 - Floyd & Phyllis Reed.
- Dec. 24 - Angel Miranda, Kevin White, Annie Smajstrla.
- Dec. 25 - Keith Kuehler, Toni Tidwell, Neva Gonzales, Floyd Reed, Sr.

Knox County Aging Center

Munday & Goree Menu Dec. 24 thru Dec. 28

- Mon. Dec. 24th - Closed for Christmas Eve.
- Wed. Dec. 26th - Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, green beans, salad, hot rolls, cobbler.
- Fri. Dec. 28th - Chicken alfredo, sweet peas, glazed carrots, salad, light bread, pineapple crunch.

If you plan to join the group at Munday, call Louise Fruewirth 422-4191. At Goree, call Juanita Davis at 422-4208 the day before.



Minding Your Own Business

with Don Taylor, co-author of Up Against the Wal-Marts

Unlucky Jim: A Christmas Story of Unselfish Love

The story of Unlucky Jim is a Christmas tradition in this column and definitely worth sharing again. For the past several years, I've used it to share what I believe is the true meaning of Christmas.

Unlucky Jim is a sad little story my mother read to me when I was small. It is sad, but has a strong message and a happy ending. The story came from a book by Arthur S. Maxwell titled, "Uncle Arthur's Bedtime Stories."

It's about a little boy named Jim whose family was very poor. His little sister was an invalid and spent most of her days in bed. Christmas held no hope or joy for either of the children.

As he trudged home from school each day, Jim would stop to look at the toys in the bright store windows. More than anything, he wanted a little red fire engine. Jim knew he would never be lucky enough to get one. In fact, his only marble had rolled down a storm drain the previous week. He felt that he was the unluckiest boy alive.

Then, one night just before Christmas, Jim received an invitation to a Christmas party for the poor children in the neighborhood. A nice lady from a nearby church mission promised Jim a special gift. Jim grew excited as he drew near the mission. He couldn't believe his eyes when he saw the Christmas tree. It was covered with lights and surrounded by toys. Jim saw a bright red fire engine just like the one in the store window.

When it came time for each child to pick out a gift, Jim's heart nearly stopped. He was afraid that someone else would pick the fire engine. Fortunately, when his turn came, the little red truck was still under the tree. As Jim reached for the engine, he thought of his frail little sister at home in bed. He stopped and turned to the mission lady. He asked softly if he might pick two gifts, one for himself and one for his sister at home. The lady shook her

head sadly and told Jim there were only enough presents for one for each child.

Jim's Christmas Spirit

Jim looked longingly at the little fire engine. Then he picked out the prettiest doll under the tree. It had blue eyes and curly blond hair just like his little sister. As he returned to his seat with the doll, the other children began to laugh and make fun of him. Unlucky Jim clutched the little doll and ran from the mission. He stopped crying by the time he reached home.

Jim began to feel better when he saw the look of surprise and delight on his sister's face. As she hugged the doll and cried with joy, Jim didn't feel so unlucky after all.

Later, as Jim sat by his little sister's bed watching her play with her doll, someone knocked on the door. When he opened it, the mission lady was there. She gave Jim a neatly wrapped package and explained to him that the children were sorry they had laughed at him. They had not known about his sick little sister. After she told them why Jim had chosen the doll, the children asked her to bring him a present. To Jim's delight, the package contained the most beautiful red fire engine he'd ever seen.

Jim's unselfishness should be our model all year long. Christians celebrate Christmas to remember the birth of Jesus Christ. Whether or not you're a Christian by faith, Christ's life of giving, sharing and caring is a good example for all men.

Don Taylor is the co-author of *Up Against the Wal-Marts*. You may write to him in care of *Minding Your Own Business*, PO Box 67, Amarillo, Texas 79105.

Capitol Highlights

Water Development Board approves \$18 billion plan for the future

By Mike Cox
Texas Press Association

AUSTIN – The Texas Water Development Board has approved a plan that calls for construction of eight new reservoirs at a cost of nearly \$18 billion.

What projects are funded, and how, will be up to the Legislature.

The new plan is based on recommendations from 16 regional planning districts created by the Legislature in 1997.

The proposed projects are intended to help the state meet population growth and the resulting increased water demand.

Rural affairs names new director...

Robert J. "Sam" Tessen has been named as the first executive director of the newly created Office of Rural Community Affairs.

Tessen has been serving as executive director of the state Telecommunications Infrastructure Board. Prior to that, he was director of the Center for Rural Health Initiatives.

He'll assume his new position on Jan. 1.

The winner is...

For most creative press release recently received, the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs.

The press release urges Texans to "give the gift of energy efficiency this holiday season." It goes on to list commercially available energy saving devices with a retail price of \$30 or less.

So, if you're still doing your shopping, here are some ideas from TDHCA:

- Water heater jacket. (For your water heater, not Grandpa.) Estimated cost: \$14-\$25.

- Fiberglass pipe wrap. Estimated cost: \$3-\$5.
- Programmable thermostat. Estimated cost: \$26.
- Compact fluorescent light bulbs. Estimated cost: \$8-\$20 each.
- Finally, for that special someone, clear silicone sealant. Estimated cost: \$4-\$6 a tube.

If none of these stocking stuffers appeal, the commission suggests playing Santa and installing energy efficient equipment or weatherizing materials for those on your gift list.

For more energy-saving gift ideas, check the commission's web site at www.tdhca.state.tx.us.

Speaking of efficiency

If you've been eating birthday cake for a number of years, you'll recall the days when even a little ice on roadways could paralyze a city.

Those days may not be over, but thanks to the Texas Department of Transportation, the REALLY bad days may be fewer in number.

A case in point was the November snow and ice storm that hit Texas.

Austin, where motorists tend to start crashing their vehicles when someone accidentally drops a few ice cubes on I-35, was on the edge of the storm.

Ice came down, but it did not stick to any bridges or overpasses.

One reason was that the storm moved quickly. Another had to do with TxDOT and chemistry.

Used to be, all TxDOT could do was spread sand and salt on roadways. Now, the transportation agency puts down chemicals that prevent ice from forming in the first place.

Bottom line for Texas motorists: Safer roadways during ice storms, less damage to bridges from corrosion, lower costs in work crew stand-by time.



CAPITOL COMMENT

U.S. SENATOR
KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON



Capitol Comment
December 2001
Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison
(R-Texas)

Every day since the terrorist attacks, in big and small ways, we have been reminded of exactly how much has changed and of how different our priorities must be. We are at war now. This touches every aspect of our lives—even some that may not come immediately to mind.

Today, for example, when we think of agriculture, we must not just think of grains and livestock, but also about bioterrorism. Agriculture is no longer just a means of feeding our people—but we must also be mindful that terrorists can use it as a means of attacking our people as well. We must counteract this threat, and safeguard both our food supply and our citizens.

Therefore, back in October I introduced the "Agricultural Bioterrorism Countermeasures Act." The purpose of this bill is to address the potential for bioterrorist threats to our farms, ranches, livestock, poultry, crops, as well as our food processing, packaging and distribution systems.

After I introduced my bill, Senators Bill Frist (R-TN) and Ted Kennedy (D-MA) brought forward an overall bioterrorism bill. I worked with both Senators to ensure that many of the measures in my legislation now form the foundation of the agriculture provisions of their "Bioterrorism Preparedness Act." This legislation is pivotal to the precautions we must take as it will enhance the capabilities of federal, state and local governments to coordinate:

- emergency preparedness efforts,
- stockpile vaccines and medical supplies,
- link channels of communication,
- modernize biosecurity facilities, and
- ensure the safety of America's health and food supply.

The US Department of Agriculture (USDA) will be expanded to enhance inspection capability, implement new information technology, and develop methods for rapid detection and identification of plant and animal disease. To enhance its ability to respond to outbreaks of animal disease, USDA's Veterinary Services will be authorized to establish cooperative agreements with private veterinary practitioners and state animal health commissions/agencies that regulate livestock and poultry health.

Several of America's institutes of higher education are very good at animal and plant disease research, maintain strong ties to laboratories, and have excellent coordination with state programs. These institutions will play a key role in our efforts by providing the invaluable resources and knowledge needed for the war on agricultural bioterrorism.

To encourage these institutions to work together, this legislation tells USDA to establish a "Consortium for Countermeasures Against Agricultural Bioterrorism." This Consortium will bring together several institutions to form stable, long-term programs of research and development. Two of our Texas institutions will be involved in this project: Texas A&M will play a leading role as one of three national centers; Texas Tech will be one of seven additional members.

Obviously protecting our agriculture is not only critical to all Americans, but especially to our state, as it makes up some of our largest and most diverse economies. We—along with other agriculture states such as Mississippi, Georgia and California—are vulnerable to a bioterrorist attack.

This is the first modern war where the front lines lie on our own shores, farms and fields, but I know that we are up to the challenge—especially Texans, who will proudly serve as the first line of defense for our entire nation.

It is truly a changed time. This is, whether we like it or not, a battle for the very survival of all the principles and ideals that we hold dear. But we are the best, we have a just cause, and we will prevail.



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 - 5 TX or IA town
 - 6 Beaumont TV
 - 7 Ranger sports-caster Nadel
 - 8 Angelo, TX
 - 9 Valley citrus drink
 - 12 home of some of the "Tango Frogs"
 - 17 TXism: "black as the inside of"
 - 19 UT has original of "Mourning Becomes Electra" by this Eugene
 - 21 "Tighten Up" TX band "Archie the Drellis"
 - 22 actor who played "Daniel Boone"
 - 23 TXism: "could cry a river"
 - 28 Disneyland (near Paris, Fr.)
 - 29 TXism: "as molasses in January"
 - 30 TXism: "he could my dog" (bum)
 - 31 ex-Astro starting pitcher Bob
 - 35 ligation
 - 36 TX Greer Garson scientist role in '43
 - 42 TXism: "build the fence buy cattle" (plan)
 - 44 TX actress Duncan
 - 46 assumes a burden
 - 48 golf clubs toter
- DOWN**
- 1 TXism: "it to rope him" (large)
 - 2 TX Sandra Brown romance: "Sunset"
 - 3 Gaines Co. seat
 - 4 Waco technical school (abbr.)
 - 9 TXism: "piece" (distant) noted Glen Rose find (2 wds.)
 - 11 TXism: "heavy as the front of a John Deere"
 - 12 Ben Thompson ran Austin saloon & laro parlor with this Phil
 - 13 New Braunfels Wurmfest favorites: beer
 - 14 TXism: "the McCoy" (genuine)
 - 15 VIP transport
 - 16 TXism: "a whole (a lot)"
 - 18 TX George H. ailment on '92 Japan trip
 - 20 blue jeans inventor Levi (init.)
 - 23 TXism: "long" (good bye)
 - 24 TXism: "get the lead" (hurry)
 - 25 your toe
 - 26 nun superior
 - 27 TXism: "he's so can't hear thunder"
 - 28 "Hook" "Horns"
 - 33 TXism: "I'll a monkey's uncle!"
 - 34 Cola
 - 36 noted ex-Cowboy Renfro
 - 37 Turkish city
 - 38 TXism: "bull give milk? (no)"
 - 39 detection device
 - 40 UT has original to E.M. Forster's "Passage to burg, TX"
 - 41 TXism: "lower than a snake's belly in a wheel"
 - 45 Boerne landmark: "Kendall Inn"
 - 47 TXism for soft drink
 - 48 TXism: "boose" (jail)
 - 55 Denton High class

Celebrate Christmas Eve at First Baptist Church in Munday

First Baptist Church in Munday will be celebrating Christmas Eve at 6:00 p.m. on the 24th. The public is very cordially invited to come and spend about 30 to 45 minutes at this memorable service.

This year all children are invited to come and take part in the "Happy Birthday, Jesus" celebration. Every child that attends will be invited to participate in this special service honoring the birth of Christ.

Special music and a short reading will help make this a wonderful time for families to begin their Christmas celebrations.

All are invited to attend the 6:00 p.m. Christmas Eve service.

Courier to take Christmas holiday - early deadline for January first!

The Munday Courier will take its traditional Christmas vacation the week of December 24 through December 28. There will not be an edition of The Munday Courier that week. The next edition of the newspaper will be published on January 2nd, 2002.

Due to the New Year's holiday all ads and articles for the January 2nd edition need to be mailed to P.O. Box 130, Munday, Texas 76371, faxed to (940) 422-4314, or slip your information under the front door! You can also email your information to mcourier@westex.net. Our answering machine will be periodically checked during our week of vacation so feel free to leave your name and number there - we will get back to you! All information needs to be received by The Munday prior to 5:00 p.m. Friday, December 28th.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all our friends, family members, and faithful readers and customers!

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Financial Focus



By Gary Decker

It's a Great Time to Boost Retirement Plan Contributions

As 2001 comes to an end, it brings all of us in the work force one year closer to retirement. Of course, that day may still be a long time away for you, but it's never too soon to prepare for it. And now you're in a better position to do just that - thanks to the Tax Relief Act of 2001.

When the new tax laws were passed, most of the public attention focused on the reductions in marginal tax rates and the one-time tax rebate. But other changes were enacted, too - and some of them may prove even more important to people saving for retirement. Specifically, the new laws have increased the contribution limits for IRAs, 401(k)s and other types of employer-sponsored retirement plans.

How much more can you contribute to these plans? Let's take a look:
• **Beginning in 2002, you can contribute up to \$11,000 to your 401(k) or 403(b) plan, up from \$10,500 in 2001.** And this contribution ceiling will gradually rise over the next several years, eventually reaching \$15,000 in 2006. After that, the annual contribution limit will be indexed for inflation.

• **Starting in 2002, you will be able to contribute up to \$3,000 per year to either a traditional or Roth IRA - up from the current \$2,000 limit.** From 2005 through 2007, you can contribute up to \$4,000 per year. And in 2008, you will be able to contribute \$5,000 per year. After that, your contribution limits will be indexed for inflation.

While these higher contribution limits will clearly benefit everyone interested in building their retirement savings, workers age 50 and over received even more good news. That's because the new tax laws contain "catch-up" provisions that allow these workers to exceed the new contribution limits.

Starting in 2002, workers 50 and over can contribute an extra \$1,000 per year until it reaches \$5,000 in 2006, after which it will be indexed for inflation.

"Catch-up" contributions also will be allowed for IRAs. Starting in 2002, those age 50 and older before the end of the taxable year can contribute \$500 more than the regular limits of both traditional and Roth IRAs. This amount will increase to \$1,000, starting in 2006.

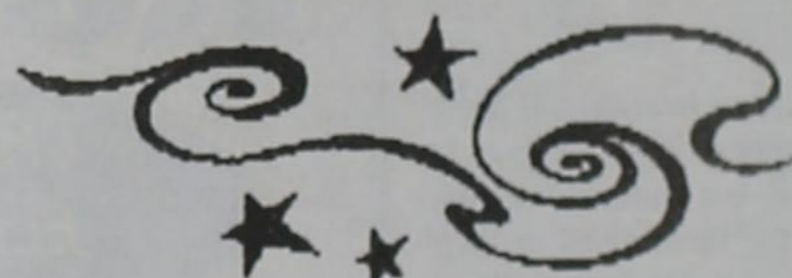
All these higher contribution limits will benefit you in at least two key areas:

• **Increased retirement savings** - With higher contribution limits, you'll be able to put away more each year for retirement. Over time, these increased contributions can add up to a significantly higher level of savings for you. Plus, your 401(k) and traditional IRA contributions will grow on a tax-deferred basis, which means more of your money will be working for you right away.

• **Potential reduction in income taxes** - Generally, you make 401(k) and 403(b) contributions with pre-tax dollars; consequently, the more you contribute, the lower your annual tax bill. Depending on your individual situation, you also may be able to make tax-deductible contributions to a traditional IRA, so the more you put in, the lower your taxable income may be. (Check with your tax adviser before making any moves with your IRA.)

As you can see, the new 401(k) and IRA contribution limits can help you out a great deal. Start taking advantage of them soon.

Happy Holidays, Munday!



We have a lot to be thankful for during the holidays because of you -- our friends and neighbors here in the Big Country. It is a pleasure to be part of this community. Enjoy the holiday season.



Gary Decker

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Account opened for Birkenfeld medical expenses at First National

A special account has been opened at First National Bank in Munday for Mikey Birkenfeld. All donations deposited in the account will go to help offset the expenses of extensive cancer treatments that Birkenfeld is currently undergoing.

Those interested in contributing

to the account should go to any teller at First National Bank in Munday and they will gladly assist you. Your generosity is greatly appreciated by Birkenfeld and his family.

SHOP MUNDAY FIRST

As another Holiday Season is celebrated we at First National Bank Munday - Rochester - Stamford would like to invite our valued customers to our OPEN HOUSE. Please join us for a time of fellowship and refreshments Wednesday, December 19 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. WE WISH YOU A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS!

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Elementary Edition
THE HAPPENINGS AT MUNDAY ELEMENTARY

Class Plans/News
Pre-K welcomes a new student right before Christmas Holidays, Jarrett Masias. They also helped Bryant Booe and Clarissa LanFranco celebrate birthday #5. These young scholars continue to study numbers 1-5, and are listening to initial and final sounds in their names. Both Pre-K classes also painted sweatshirts to wear at the annual Christmas program held last week.

Mrs. Pankhurst's class continues to study winter holidays with the latest being Christmas. With the study of reindeer, the class carried heavy objects on their heads to get the feel of antlers. They also wore 2 layers of coats, and found the North Pole on the globe. In reading, they investigated compare/contrast and studied the letter "G." Mrs. Murphy's class started making morning announcements and Pledges to the flags. Ethan Griffith and Brandy Homstad led the first opening exercises. Darian Leija was student of the week.

Mr., Mrs., Ms., and Dr. were explored in first grade English along with the short "u" in reading. Math has these little guys counting and science classes studied fresh water.

Second graders are working on a "secret" for moms and dads - just in time for the holidays. They are also very busy studying and preparing for semester tests! YIKES!

Third graders are still hard at it as the first semester draws to a close. Prefixes and composition leads and endings are keeping the grade busy in English, while subtracting 2-digit numbers with regrouping is the "problem in math." Generalizations were the reading topic of study.

Fifth and sixth graders completed reading the novel *What Child is This* by Caroline B. Cooney, and have started reading and discussing Barbara Park's *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever*. Two very good books with a Christmas setting - tis the season!

AR News

Mrs. Cypert held the AR Store on December 17 for students to "purchase" last minute Christmas goodies for themselves or their families. The AR Party will be held next year - as in January 2002!

Christmas Program

The elementary Christmas Program, "Santa and Friends" was held last Thursday evening in the high school auditorium in front of a packed house. Fourth graders began the show with a prelude of music in the high school foyer at 6:30. Then the fifth grade band students showed off their newly acquired musical talent by playing four Christmas tunes. (These guys have come a long way since August - as Mr. Bennett mentioned). Next up were the Pre-K classes in matching tops. Then came the cheers for Christmas from the Kindergarten classes, which were followed by several songs from the first graders. Second graders were in the spirit with their finger songs, and third graders had a solo by Pamela Walker as well as group songs. Fourth graders ended the program with a play about some elves that were tired of working (sound familiar). Mrs. Clause told them some stories with students singing at appropriate intervals. Then the reindeer came to see if thing were ready for the trip. Last Santa joined the crew, to the delight of the audience. Santa and friends danced to a very "hip" song while wearing shades. It was a delightful evening for the students, and a special thank you to Mrs. Bennett (and her elves) for conducting this "merry" event.

Upcoming Happenings
School Dismisses at 1:00 p.m.; December 21 - As Chevy Chase would call it - Christmas Vacation, Christmas Vacation; January 7 - a new semester begins - yes - BACK TO SCHOOL!

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

Two weeks ago my husband and I were traveling through your town, and became stranded there, due to a snowstorm. We skidded off the road and ruined a tire and got locked out of our car. A young couple gave us a ride back to town in their pickup, the woman at Allsup's called a man who got our car unlocked, and he helped us find another man who came out and changed out tire. We would like to thank all of the citizens of your town for their hospitality and helpfulness. In addition to those I've already mentioned, the motel owners, the people at the cafe where we ate, and everyone in the grocery store where I went to buy snacks. We enjoyed getting to know the people in your town, and you made us feel right at home. Thanks so much for everything all of you did.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hamrick



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THREE LITTLE ELVES that are ready for Santa's visit are Maria Carranza, Laticia Sanchez, and Kimberly Myers. The girls performed at the annual Elementary Christmas Program last Thursday evening.

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Mr. Claus, Community Choir to make appearance at Nursing Home party

Christmas will be celebrated this Thursday evening, December 20 at 7:00 p.m. at the Munday Nursing Center.

The public is invited to be entertained by the Community Choir and to also enjoy the refreshments that will be served to the residents and their guests.

A special visitor clad in red and white fur will also make an appearance at the party!

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Local Obituaries

Hutchinson, Charles Taylor
Charles Taylor Hutchinson, 48, died Monday, December 10, 2001 of a massive heart attack, in McAllen, Texas.
Services were held December 12, 2001, at Munday First Baptist Church with Dr. H.B. Grave officiating, and was buried in Johnson Memorial Cemetery under the direction of McCauley-Smith Funeral Home. Pallbearers were Charles Reneau, Danny Carden, Terry Patterson, Randy Patterson, Lester Hutchinson, and Jerry Don Hutchinson.
Charles Taylor worked as a geologist and was a father, brother, and extended family member to many. He graduated Munday High School, 1971, and University of North Texas, 1976.
Preceded in death by parents, Andy and Helen Hutchinson, he was survived by two daughters, Jennifer Richardson and Jessica Genova, both of Gainesville; a son, Justin Genova of Gainesville; half-sister Janice Ann Gilley Peck of Norman, Oklahoma; as well as many aunts, uncles, cousins, and extended family members.

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"He never had an enemy - you couldn't cross his path and not become his friend. Once you got to know him, you couldn't help but love him. Never losing contact or missing an opportunity to stop and see you when he was passing through - creating an extended family that would endure throughout the years...

Always on call, he would show up when a friend was in need, usually before anyone else would. Providing a shoulder to lean on, helping you out in every way, no matter what it would take, he was there to do the deed...

He never said a bad thing about anyone. Always compassionate, he never judged or gave up on any of us. He was generous, he was fun, he was the good times. He challenged me, he counseled me, he saved me - time and time again. I owe my life to him...

Instigator of the fun and happy times. Many of our parents thought he was getting us in trouble, the truth was, he was keeping us out of it. Many of those same parents came to know who he really was, and then thought of him as another son...

He always knew how to put a smile on your face, and had a very unique and special way of making you laugh and forget about any problems you may have had...

As kids, he rescued those of us who lived in troubled homes. He took us under his wing, became our mentor, and made sure we had happy times to remember. Even through our adult years, he remained a surrogate brother and father...

A reunion of friends was never complete without him, and no matter how much time fell between visits, it was as if you had just seen him yesterday. Things just clicked, and it felt like you had finally arrived home...

In 1989, I learned I had a brother who had been given up for adoption, and was finally blessed with meeting him in 1991. "Rejoice unto me, for I have found the sheep which was lost." He was what was missing in my life, and has completed me now. I have come to know the same joy Helen and Andy experienced - the awe - the beauty - the love of who he was. I found him to always be there for me...he represented the essence of the love in my family...he was a gift from God...

Each time I've been with him in the past ten years, he talked on and on about his kids - he lived his dream and became a proud, honorable, responsible, and loved father. "My Charley" would do anything for those he loved."

Words can't possibly do justice to what this man meant to all of us. Although his years on this earth have come and gone, our memories will always be reserved, holding a very special place in each and every heart that he touched. There are hundreds of us who know him as family, and we will all rejoice once more, when we meet again, somewhere in heaven, on the shores of love:

Charles Taylor, we miss you, we love you, and you will always remain a part of who each of us have become. Adios!

By the way, are you driving a blue falcon in the sky?



God looked around his garden
And He found an empty place.
He then looked down upon this earth
And saw your tired face.
He put his arms around you
And lifted you to rest.
God's garden must be beautiful;
He always takes the best.
He knew that you were suffering,
he knew that you were in pain.
He knew that you would never get well
Upon this earth again.
So He closed your weary eyelids and
Whispered Peace be thine.
He then took you up to heaven
With hands gentle and so kind.
It broke our hearts to lose you;
But you did not go alone.
For part of us went with you
The day God called you home

DUSTIN ANDREW RICHARDSON
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Granny & PaPa

Moguls defeated by Stamford and Seymour last week

The Munday Varsity Moguls were defeated by the Stamford Bulldogs last Tuesday by a score of 62 to 46.
High scorers for Munday were Jason and Justin Josselet with 13 each, Jeffery Urbanczyk with 10, Junior Sanchez with 6 and Jeffery Toliver with 4.
On Friday the Moguls faced the Panthers from Seymour and were defeated by a final score of 46 to 40.
Jeffery Toliver was the leading scorer with 12 points while Jason Josselet put in 7, Chance Myers had 6, Justin King and Justin Josselet added 4 each and Junior Sanchez tipped in 3.



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TAKING IT TO THE NET. Jason Josselet moves the basketball toward two points for the Moguls last Friday night against a defending Seymour Panther. The Moguls will participate in the Jayton Tournament the week after Christmas.

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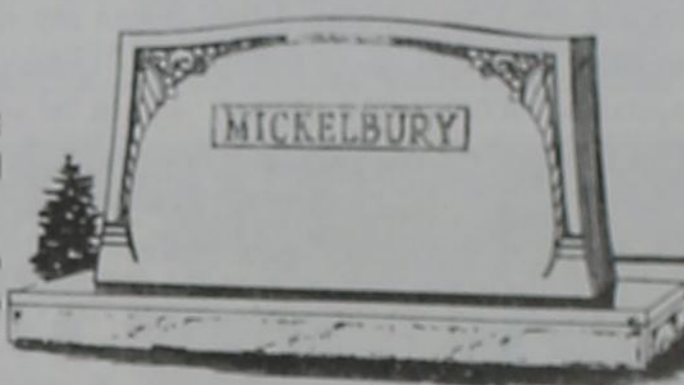
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ACCT 2402.019	Principles of Accounting II	TBA			
AGRI 1325.001	Marketing	11:00-12:30 TTh			
AGRI 1407.001	Agronomy	10:00-11:00 MWF 1:00-3:10 M			
AGRI 2317.001	Agricultural Economics	9:30-11:00 TTh			
AUMT 1410.001	Automotive Brake Systems	3:00-5:00 M 6:00-10:00 T			
AUMT 1445.001	Automotive Heating/AC	10:00-12:00 M 1:00-5:00 T			
AUMT 2437.001	Automotive Electronics	8:00-10:00 W 1:00-5:00 W			
CHLT 1347.016	Bilingual Interpreting Techn. II	5:30-9:00 T TBA			
BIOL 1322.001	Nutrition	N 5:30-8:30 W			
BIOL 1322.019	Nutrition	I TBA			
BIOL 1411.001	General Botany	10:00-11:00 MWF			
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BIOL 2402.002	Human Anatomy/Physiology	11:00-12:30 TTh 1:30-4:30 Th			
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BUSI 1301.013	Introduction to Business	T TBA			
BUSI 2301.019	Business Law I	I TBA			
BUSI 2302.001	Business Law II	9:00-10:00 MWF			
BUSM 1303.019	Principles of Management I	TBA			
CHEM 1412.001	General Inorganic Chemistry	10:00-11:00 MWF 1:30-4:30 M			
ITCC 1306.001	Bas. Router Config. Cisco 2	N 5:30-9:30 W			
ITCC 1346.001	Wide Area Mgt. Cisco 4	N 5:30-9:30 M			
ITSC 1305.019	Intro. PC Op. System	I TBA			
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DFTG 2450.019	Geometric Dim. & Tol.	I TBA			
COSC 1301.001	Microcomputer Applications Lab	8:00-9:00 MW 1:00-3:10 M			
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COSC 1301.004	Microcomputer App.	N 5:30-7:30 T 7:30-9:30 T			
COSC 1301.005	Microcomputer App.	N 5:30-7:30 W 7:30-9:30 W			
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CJSA 1312.019	Crime in America I	TBA			
CJSA 1313.016	Court Systems/Practices	NV 5:30-8:30 M			
CJSA 1322.019	Intro. to Criminal Justice	I TBA			
DRAM 1120.001	Rehearsal & Performance	N 7:00-10:00 TTh			
DRAM 1310.001	Intro. to Theatre	1:00-4:00 M			
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DRAM 2336.001	Voice & Diction	9:30-11:00 TTh			
ECON 2301.001	Princ. of Economics I	11:00-12:00 MWF			
ECON 2301.016	Princ. of Economics I	V 8:00-9:00 MWF			
ECON 2301.017	Princ. of Economics I	V 8:00-9:30 TTh			
ECON 2301.018	Princ. of Economics I	V 2:30-4:00 TTh			
ECON 2301.019	Princ. of Economics I	I TBA			
ENGL 1301.001	Comp. & Grammar	11:00-12:00 MWF			
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ENGL 1302.016	Comp. & Literature	V 9:00-10:00 MWF			
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ENGL 1302.019	Comp. & Literature	I TBA			
ENGL 2323.015	Survey of British Lit.	NV 6:30-9:30 M			
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ENGL 2323.019	Survey of British Lit.	I TBA			
ENGL 0300.001	Bas. Writing Skills I, II, III	12:30-1:45 TTh 6:30-9:30 M			
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AGAH 1453.001	Beef Cattle Production	11:00-12:00 MW 1:00-4:00 W			
AGCR 1307.001	Range Management	1:00-3:10 Th 3:00-5:00 M			
AGEQ 1315.001	Horse Evaluation I	I TBA			
AGEQ 2239.001	Horsemanship II	1:00-5:00 Th			
GOVT 2301.001	American Political Sys. I	12:00-1:00 MW			
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GOVT 2301.019	American Political Sys. I	I TBA			
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GOVT 2302.001	American Political Sys. II	11:00-12:00 MWF			
GOVT 2302.015	American Political Sys. II	NV 6:30-9:30 T			
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GRH 1422.001	Electronic Publishing I	N 5:30-8:30 W 8:30-10:30 W			
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HIST 1301.001	U.S. History to 1865	8:00-9:30 TTh			
HIST 1301.019	U.S. History to 1865	I TBA			
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HRPO 2307.019	Organizational Behavior	I TBA			
MRKG 1311.001	Principles of Marketing	11:00-12:00 MWF			
MATH 0301.001	Elementary Algebra	9:00-10:00 MWF			
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MATH 0305.001	Basic Mathematics	11:00-12:30 TTh			
MATH 0300.002	Basic Mathematics	N 6:30-9:45 Th			
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MATH 0302.002	Intermediate Algebra	N 6:30-9:45 Th			
MATH 0303.001	Basic Mathematics	11:00-12:30 TTh			
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MUSI 1152.001	Vocal Ensemble	11:00-12:30 MWF			
MUSI 1306.001	Music Appreciation	N 6:30-9:30 Th			
MUSI 1306.019	Music Appreciation	I TBA			
MUAP 1265.001	Organ	TBA Th			
MUAP 2161.001	Guitar	TBA Th			
MUAP 2169.001	Piano	TBA Th			
MUAP 2181.001	Voice	TBA Th			
MUAP 2261.001	Guitar	TBA Th			
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MUAP 2281.001	Voice	TBA Th			
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POFI 1349.001	Spreadsheets	8:00-9:00 MW 1:00-3:00 W			
POFI 2401.019	Word Processing	I TBA			
POFI 2431.001	Desktop Publish for Office	8:00-9:30 TTh 1:00-3:00 Th			
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POFI 1313.001	Phn. Dev. for Office Personnel	I TBA			
PHED 1102.001	Golf	11:00-12:30 TTh			
PHED 1103.001	Tennis	11:00-12:30 MW			
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PHED 1106.001	Physical Conditioning	8:00-9:00 MWF			
PHED 1107.001	Fitness Walking	9:30-11:00 TTh			
PHED 1114.001	Water Aerobics	11:00-12:00 MWF			
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Stout returns to Knox County Hospital as Administrator

After a full year of interim services the Knox County Hospital once again has a full-time Administrator on board.

Mr. Dick Stout has returned to familiar territory to head up the hospital, having been previously employed at the facility two separate times.

In the early 70's Stout worked at the facility as Chief Lab and X-Ray Technician. He left Knox County after a five year stint at the hospital to acquire a degree in business from West Texas State University.

Upon acquiring his degree Stout was employed at the hospital in Hilton, Oklahoma and also in Throckmorton, Texas.

In July of 1987 Stout returned to the Knox County Hospital to head up the operation and re-open the facility.

In late 1988 he was hired by Hamilton, Texas to re-open the hospital in that community. Stout

was employed there for 9 1/2 years before leaving to act as a consultant for other hospitals for several years.

His most recent administrative job was in Winters, Texas.

"I've always had a heart for the Knox County Hospital. After seeing that the hospital was re-opened in the late 80's it has always remained special to me," says Stout.

Stout's wife is a retired LVN and will be joining her husband here in Knox County.

"I believe this hospital has all the ingredients it needs - I would just like to get them in the right place," he says.

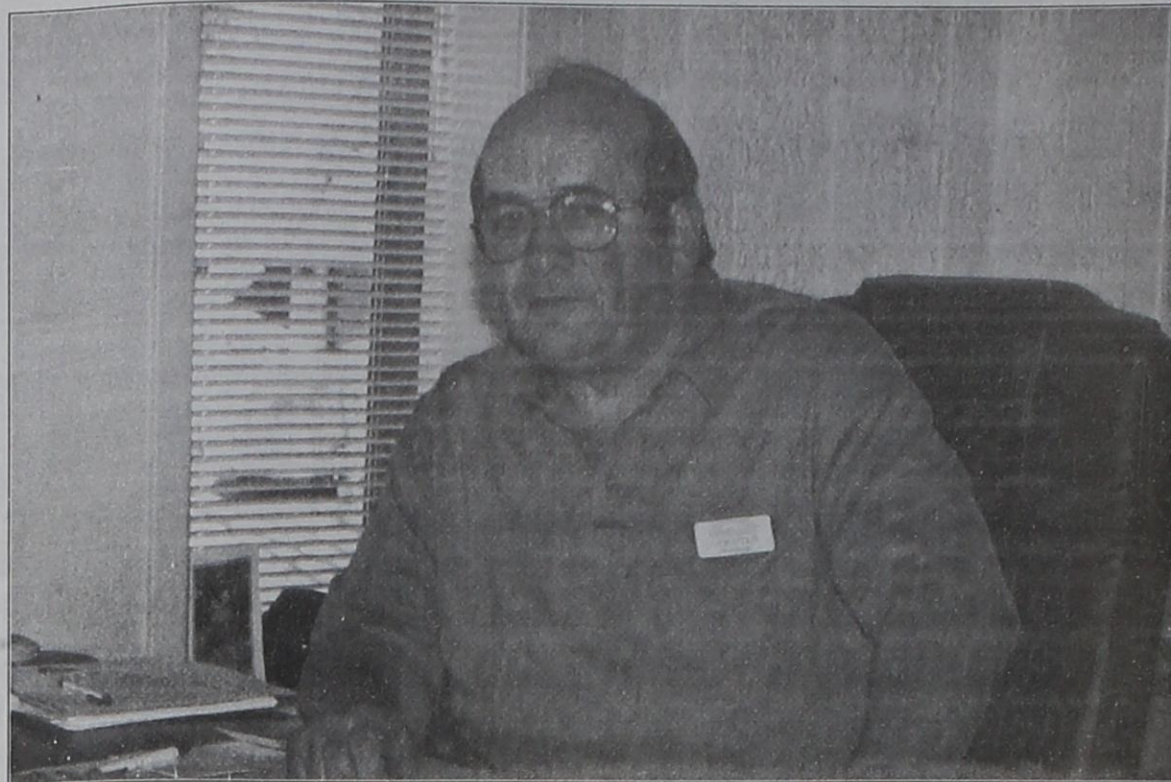
Stout knows full well the financial problems that have recently plagued rural hospitals. "the financial problems will be the first priority and utilization will also be on my list. We need to look into adding new services that might be available." Stout ex-

plains. "I'm very optimistic - I see a lot of potential here at the Knox County Hospital."

Stout is pleased that Knox County has four doctors on staff and one Physician's Assistant. "We have a lot going for us," he says. "The excellent staff members are a real plus. There are challenges but it's not too bleak. We have a good county wide and district wide community and that's what it takes to run a good business."

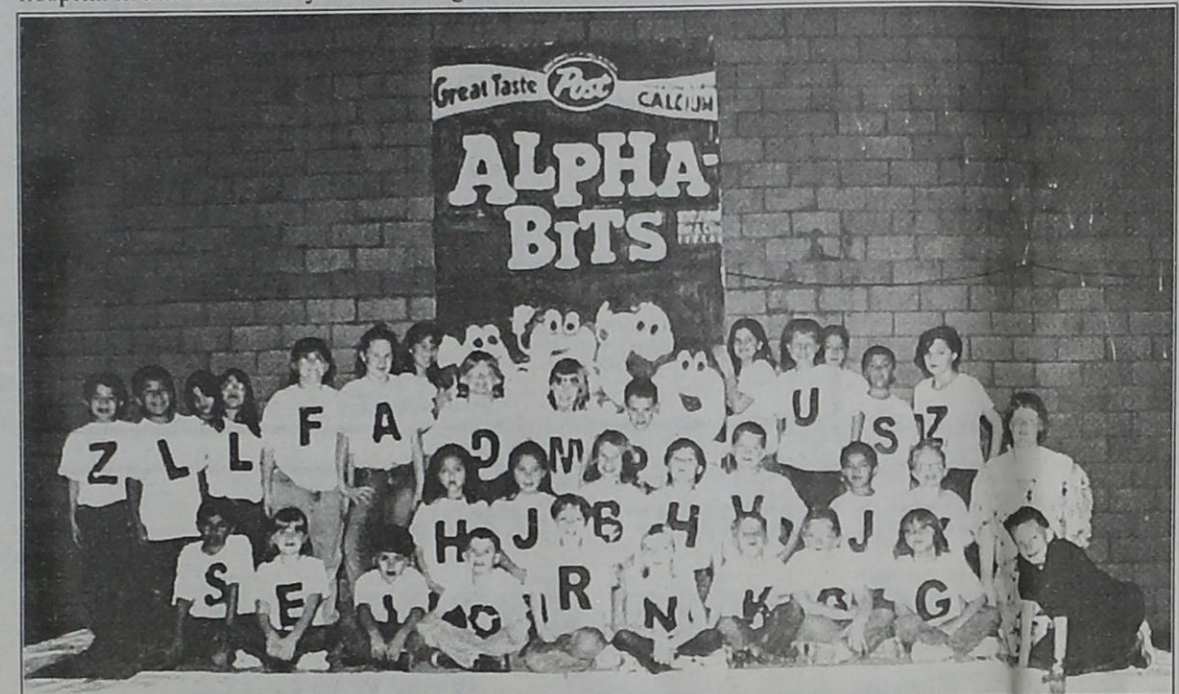
Stout has been involved in the medical industry since he was 17 years old. At that young age he joined the military and served as a medic with the Marine Corp for 4 years.

As for now, Stout seems to be quite comfortable in the surroundings that are familiar to him and is ready to serve the Knox County Hospital as Administrator.



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NEW KNOX COUNTY HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATOR Dick Stout is on the job and settling into his new duties. Stout has been previously employed by the hospital and he is glad to return to Knox County. Stout comes back to Knox County after serving as administrator at Winters, Texas.



St. Joseph's Junior Youth Group

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"DANCER" - A. K. A. ALESSANDRA MATEOS gets tuned up for her part in the Munday Elementary Christmas Program last Thursday evening.

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"Granny's Cat" was the mischief maker that overturned the box of cereal featured in the play, *B is for Bethlehem*. The cast members appeared as "letters" at the appropriate time and also sang traditional Christmas Carols such as O Come Emmanuel, O Little Town of Bethlehem, Away in a Manger, The First Noel, We Three Kings, Silent Night, and Joy to the World.

Practice began in early November and involved cast members: Judit Acevedo, Julia Acevedo, Raquel Acevedo, Robert Acevedo, Emilio Avalos, Raymon and Sarah Aguilar, Kelly Bejar, Katelyn and Jade Brown, Maribel Carranza, Rob, Rian, and Ryder Dillard, Joe Fernandez, Cassandra and Bryan Fetsch, Elizabeth Gulley, Will and Kristen Kuehler, Ashleigh, Lindsey, and Kimberly Myers, Jake Myers, Krystynn Myers, Amye and Alyssa Moore, Rechele Raynes, Kyler Urbanczyk, Lari Dee Welch, and Alonzo Zavala. Raci Dillard served as Program Distributor.

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YOU (AND EACH OF YOU) ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the County Court of Knox County, Texas, at the Courthouse being located at 100 West Cedar Street, in the City of Benjamin, Knox County, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10:00 o'clock A.M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from the date of issuance of this citation, the date for answer being the 14th day of January, 2002, to the Petition of **GERTRUDE ADAMS WHITE** for the determination of heirship of **ALVIN ADAMS, SR., RUBY MAE ADAMS, and RALPH EDWARD GRAY**, which petition was filed in said Court, on the 28th day of November, 2001, in this cause numbered 2358 on the docket of said Court and styled in **THE MATTER OF THE ESTATES OF ALVIN ADAMS, SR. AND RUBY MAE ADAMS, DECEASED.**

A brief statement of the nature of said suit is as follows, to-wit:
Suit for the determination of heirship of **ALVIN ADAMS, SR., and RUBY MAE ADAMS**, both of whom are deceased.

The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Witness, **RONNIE VERHALEN**, Clerk of the County Court of Knox County, Texas.

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said Court at office this 29th day of November, 2001.

RONNIE VERHALEN, CLERK
COUNTY COURT
KNOX COUNTY, TEXAS

BY **MITZI WELCH, DEPUTY**
P.O. Box 196
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Knox Prairie "Trail of Lights" winners announced

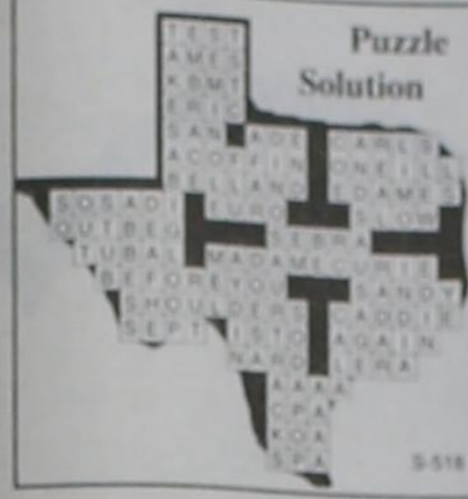
The "Trail of Lights" produced an abundance of brilliant winners when the towns of Knox City, Munday, Benjamin, and Goree had their judging on Saturday.

Munday winners were Mr. and Mrs. Merle Lambeth. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dillard were the Rhineland winners and Mr. and Mrs. Eduardo Rodriguez were the winners in Goree. In Benjamin Mr. and Mrs. W.T. Cartwright were awarded first place for their efforts and Mr. and Mrs. Sid Richardson were the Knox City winners.

Best neighborhood went to the community of Rhineland for their decorative efforts.

Best business in Munday was Smith Drug. While the First Methodist Church in Knox City captured the title in that community.

Special recognition goes to all who decorated in a patriotic theme this year including Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Melton, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Anderson, Gayle Morgan, and Mr. and Mrs. Gary Crawford.



Munday High School girls basketball replay

7th grade girls versus Olney - final score, Munday 11 - Olney 49.

Leading scorers for Munday: Brittany Navarete - 5, Destiny Collier - 2, Elizabeth Gully - 2.

Munday versus Burkburnett - final score, Munday 6 - Burkburnett - 28.

Leading scorers for Munday: Brooke Rocha, Amayda Prieto, Destiny Collier - 2 each.

8th Grade
Munday versus Olney, Munday 29 - Olney - 51.

Leading scorers for Munday: Tamara Dockins - 13, Katie Myers - 8, Jalenn Earle - 6.

Munday versus Holliday, Munday 26 - Holliday - 24.

Leading scorers for Munday: Tamara Dockins and Jalenn Earle - 8 each, Katie Myers - 6.

The 8th grader girls were Consolation Champions at the Olney Tournament.

Junior Varsity
Last Tuesday, Stamford - 33, Munday - 15.

Leading Munday scorer's: Kuehler - 7, Carlson and Gray - 4 each.

"Stamford did a good job of execution. We were dead legged and didn't move well," said Coach Kent Josselet.

Friday - Seymour 27 - Munday 35.

Leading Munday scorers: Kuehler - 10, Wilde - 9, Moore 8.

"Did a much better job of execution than on Tuesday. Rebounding was much better and we hit some shots from the perimeter which helped."

Saturday at the Seymour J.V. Tournament. Seymour - 16 - Munday 26.

Leading scorers: Moore - 10, Kuehler - 5, Carlson - 4, Gray - 3.

"Played well early in the game. Had a poor 3rd quarter but bounced back in the 4th and played well to get the win," stated Josselet.

Throckmorton - 20 - Munday 24.

Leading scorers were Kuehler and Moore with 8 each.

"Girls played hard and did a good job on rebounding. They earned the Tournament Championship," said Josselet.

Varsity
Last Tuesday, Stamford - 26 - Munday - 35.

Leading scorers: Brown - 12, Welch - 8, Hernandez - 7, M. Myers - 6.

"Good team effort," said Josselet. "Rebounded well - defensively we really played hard in the front court."

Friday, Munday - 53 - Seymour - 25.

Leading scorers: Brown - 15, Welch - 13, Toliver 11.

"We got out to an early lead and then let up a bit. We emphasized rebounding on the defensive end at half-time and the girls responded well. The girls did a nice job of executing offensively in the 2nd half and we played really good defensively, holding Seymour to 9 second half points."

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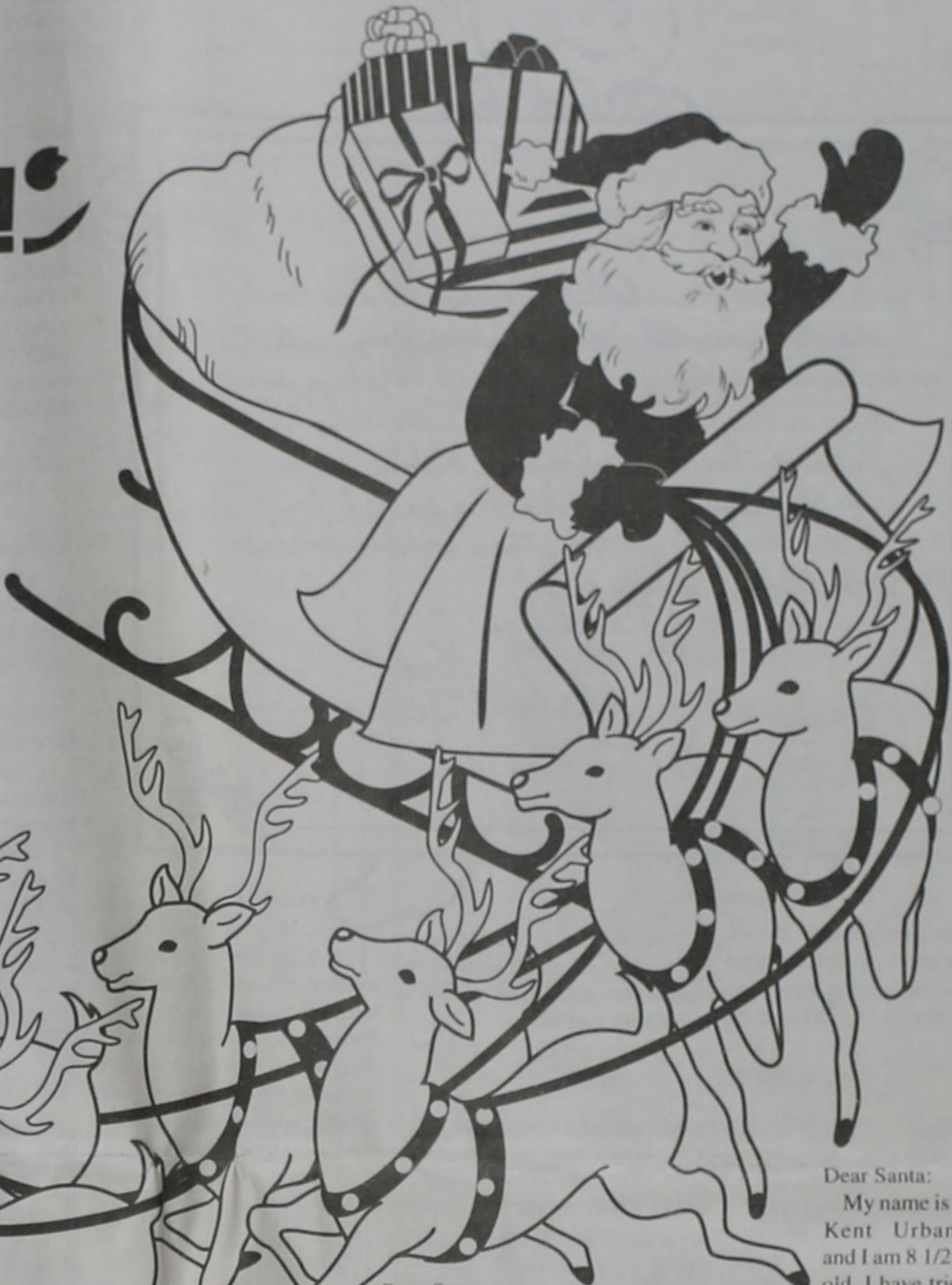
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Can you bring my sister something she has been good. I guess! I hope you can find us this year. I will leave mild & cookies by the Christmas tree. OK?
Oh, Santa our dog Scamp doesn't bite.

Love,
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(4 years old)

Dear Santa,
My name is Parker. I was really good this year. Please bring me lots of presents. Here is my list: toy robot, army gur, army truck. I promise to leave a special treat for you and your reindeer. Thank you very, very much Santa! Merry Christmas

Love,
Parker

Dear Santa,
I have tried to be a good boy so for Christmas I want a Buzz Light Year, a Woodie, a doggy that barks, a Bulls Eye, and thats it.

Love,
Anthony

Dear Santa,
Hi! My name is Kamille Redder and I'm 4 years old. I try to be good, so would you please bring me a baby doll, a Barbie Magic Key House, a Cinderella doll, and a Barbie bike with a flag on it? Please bring my big brother, Ryan, some toys too! My mom said I could help her bake some cookies for you! Have a nice trip!
I love you, Santa.

Kamille

Hi Santa, my name is LeeAnna. I would like for you to bring me a stroller, a little one, for my doll.
My sister, Mandy, wants some clothes, for when we go to Wichita, cause we got our new car fixed, but not yet. My mom is going to buy her birthday for herself, but we have to go with her, she wants clothes too.
Thats it.

Love,
Leeanna

Dear Santa,
My name is Kyler Kent Urbanczyk and I am 8 1/2 years old. I have tried really hard to be a good boy this year. For Christmas, I would like some new rollerblades, a Pogo stick, and a radio controlled Jackknife. If you think I've been good, please leave me something in my stocking. Please remember all of the other boys and girls and my sister Kaylan. We will leave you a sandwich and some chips.

Love you,
Kyler

Hi Santa,
My name is Meranda and I am 3 years old.
I am good. I want some toys for Christmas, some Candies, I think my mom wants some Candies and some glasses cause I broke them, but my daddy might buy her some more.

Love,
Meranda

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Darin



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My name is Clarissa and I live in Weinert.

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Love,
Clarissa



My name is Isabel, I am a good girl most of the time.

How have you been? I am doing fine.

I would like some pink dishes and would you get some blue ones for my cousins in Mexico, I also want a play kitchen, a sweater for my mother, and oh, pink dishes for my cousin Diana.

Love,
Isabel

Dear Santa,

My name is Eduardo Daniel Rodriguez. I am 3 years old. All I want for Christmas is a baby Chichua, a Powerwheel Jeep, and all the Power Ranger stuff. I have been a good boy this year. And I have mild and cookies for you waiting at my house.

For my baby brother Gabriel Rodriguez, he is 13 months old. All he wants for Christmas is a Powerwheel Tractor that blow bubbles. And a toy Lawnmower. And to have a white Christmas.

Dear Santa,

My name is Dane Leija. I am 18 months old. My mommy is helping me write this. My mommy says that I have been as good as can be expected. I will try harder next year. Sorry I cried when I saw you at the John Deere place. For Christmas I would like a dump truck. Please remember my sister Darian. She really wants a rock tumbler. We will leave you cookies and milk.

Love,
Dane

Dear Santa,

I want a car toy, some green gum, a green water hose so I can water my daddy's plants, some chips, and a clip for my mom.

Love,
Vicente

Dear Santa,

Hi Santa, my name is Tabathy and I am 4 years old. Where is Rudolf?

I want Rudolf the reindeer for Christmas. I also want candy, stickers, blankets for my feet, cause they get cold, and flowers for my daddy.

Love,
Tabathy

Dear Santa,

How are your reindeer. I know you pull the string. I would like some presents. I want a Blue's Clue's toy and thats it.

Love,
Mary

Dear Santa,

My name is Madison Paige Thompson and my mommy and daddy tell me that I have been a good girl this year. Since this is my first Christmas, I don't have a big list yet! I would like to have my own baby doll and stroller, so that I don't have to fight over my big sister's. Please don't forget my sister, Kendall, and all of my cousins.

Love,
Madison

Hi Santa, my name is Robert and I have been trying to be good boy. I would like some presents for Christmas. I like all the stuff.

Love,
Robert

Dear Santa,

I have been a little bit good, so I would like two tractors, a little horse, and one tractor puzzle for Christmas.

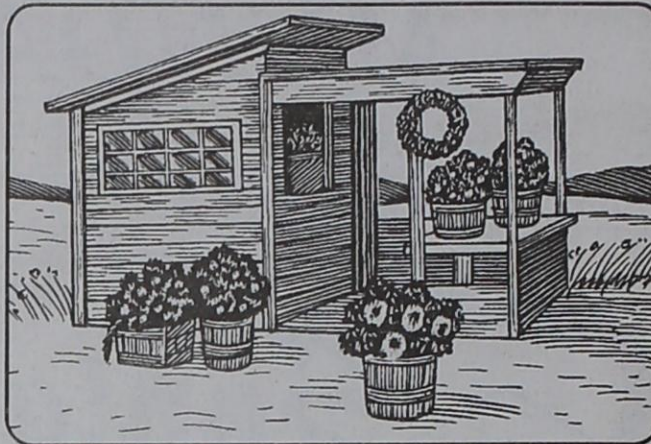
Love,
Juan

Hi Santa,

My name is Christopher, for Christmas I want some puzzles, a little car, some shiny Christmas stickers like my teachers, some pizza to eat and that is all.

Love,
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3 cups sugar
3/4 cup water
1 cup white Karo syrup
3 egg whites beaten stiff

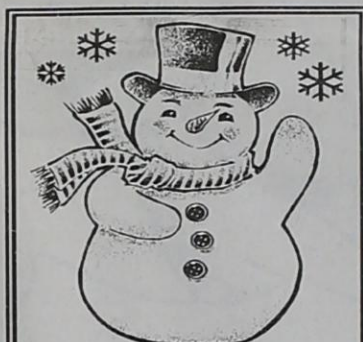
Mixture Two
1 cup sugar
1/2 cup water
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 cup coarsely chopped pecans

Cook sugar, water, and syrup of mixture one until hard ball or spin a thread, stirring only until sugar dissolves. Remove from heat and pour slowly with constant beating over egg whites. At this time start mixture two cooking to a very hard ball, 265 degrees F. Pour in first mixture which has been beaten all the while. Continue beating until candy begins to hold it's shape. Add vanilla and nuts and drop by teaspoonfuls or pour into buttered pan and cut into squares when cold.

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Dear Santa,

My name is Emily Scott. I am 9 months old. For my first Christmas I would like a Little Splash-N-Shivers baby, a Farm Animal See-N-Say, Baby Tad, a Glow Worm, and a toy box to put all my new toys in. I would also like some new clothes and anything else you think I might like.

Thank you,
Emily

Dear Santa,

I would like to say hello to you Santa.

For Christmas, I would like a bicycle, some Christmas lights for my house (the outside), a Christmas tree in my house, and some books. That is all.

Love,
Josue

Dear Santa Claus,

I am fine. I am ready for Christmas.

I would like a box of make-up to use when I get bigger, some candy corn, a barbie and some make-up for my sister Janie.

Love,
Sorralla

Dear Santa,

I've been a very good boy. I want a Playstation. For that I want, MX 2002 featuring Ricky Carmichael, NFL 2K2, and NBA 2002.

I also want crazytaxi2 and some Harry Potter Legos. I want Shrek on DVD, Harry Potter on playstation2, and James Bond, Agent Under Fire, and Smugglers Run.

I am 8 but my niece Baileigh is almost 7 and my nephew Aiden is nearly 3. Please bring them some good things 'cause they have been pretty good, too.

I also hope that if there are any children in Afghanistan that believe in Christmas I hope that you will deliver them a gift and something warm to wear.

Love,
Lee

I love you Santa Claus. My name is Kendra Dockins, I am 5 years old. I really want to see you, and I want to go to North Pole.

I want some play money, make-up, a book about Santa, a baby doll, a Barbie house with Barbies in it, and Angelica doll, and thats all.

Love,
Kendra

Santa's on his Way!

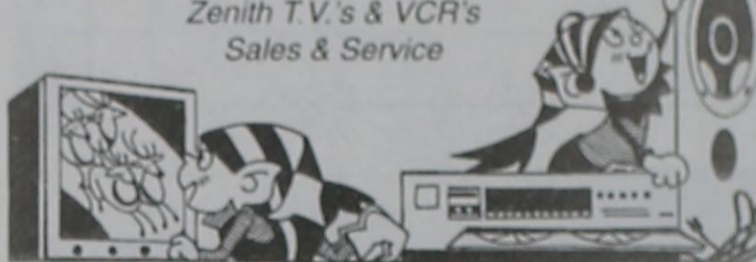



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Love you Santa,
Rebecca and David Serrato

Dear Santa,
Hi, my name is Jolene. I am 3 years old. For Christmas I would like a Baby Doll with a bottle. I would also like a phone. I really like to talk, just ask my mommy! Please bring my two sisters something too.
I will leave you some cheese!
Your friend,
Jolene

Your friend,
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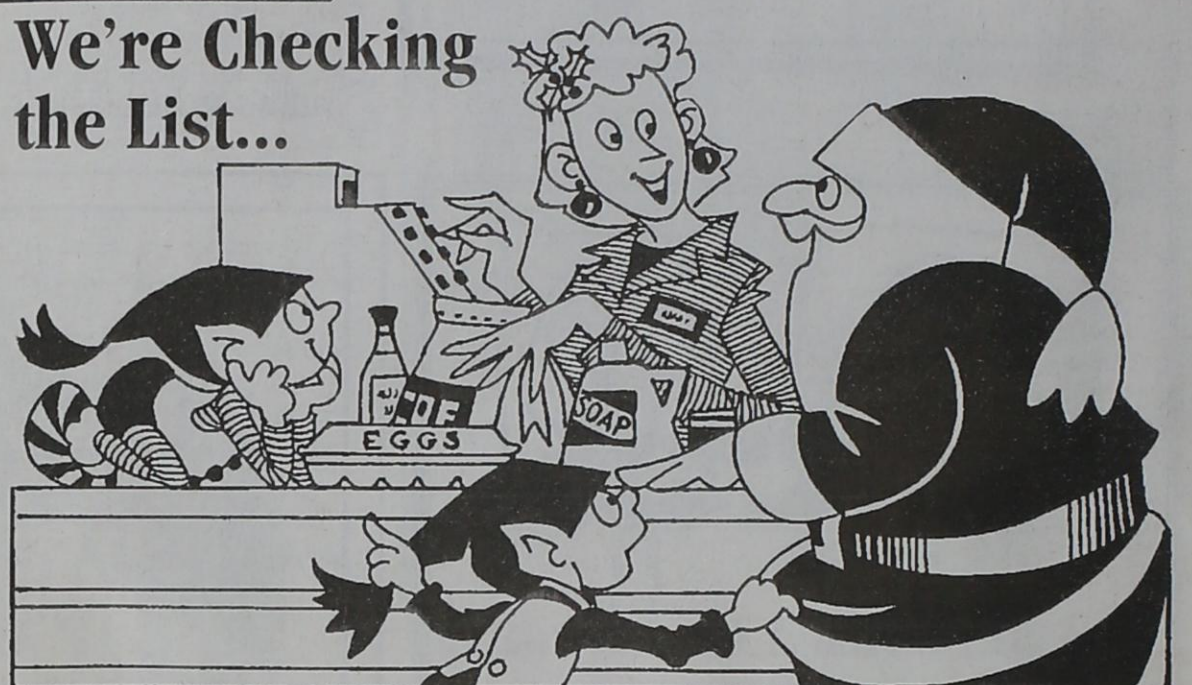


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Dear Santa,

My name is Brooke Richardson I am 7 years old and I want a doll and a princess, Barbie and a Big Barbie house and a computer and a doll with legs that talk.

Dear Ho Ho,
Golly, I've been so busy I nearly forgot to write you! Now, don't ask me what I've been doing; because, it "really" doesn't matter. Grandpa says I am one spoiled little two-year old boy, but that's what happens when you are the last of five kids. The main thing I need is a big hammer, a really big hammer. In case I can't "fix" enough stuff with that, would you put it in a toolbox with some other tools? I really love to farm, too, Ho Ho; so please find me a tractor. Farming is pretty bad these days so I'll even settle for a second hand tractor. Don't forget my brother, Scott, my sisters, Angela, Rebecca, and Sara.

and all my cousins. We'll be at Dotmama's and Grandpa's Christmas Eve. Thank U.
Your friend,
Adam Cuba

Dear Santa,
I've been a good girl! (?) Please bring me a real baby, a candy cane, toys for my baby dolls, clothes, and music. Thank you for all my goodies last year. I'm not scared of you anymore! Please bring Val some treats. Don't forget all my cousins and neighbors either! But, especially bring me some presents.
I love you,
Taylor Thompson XOXO
(I'm almost 4...)



Dewayne C.
Dear Santa Clause
I want a soccer ball,
And with a football suit
And a ram suit,
And a ram
hermit.

Dear Dewayne

Dear Santa,
Contrary to popular belief, I really like mommy's, so I can do my part in helping her exercise.
Mommy says that movies are a great Christmas present since they keep me entertained for at least an hour.
Anything you bring me will be appreciated, but please make sure it is sturdy and well-made so it can endure much also.
I would really like a new Buzz Light Year, but mommy says I already have one and that's enough. I guess I will leave Buzz Light Year for another deserving child.

What I would really like is a bicycle like mommy's, so I can do my part in helping her exercise.
Mommy says that movies are a great Christmas present since they keep me entertained for at least an hour.
Anything you bring me will be appreciated, but please make sure it is sturdy and well-made so it can endure much also.
Thank-you for everything.

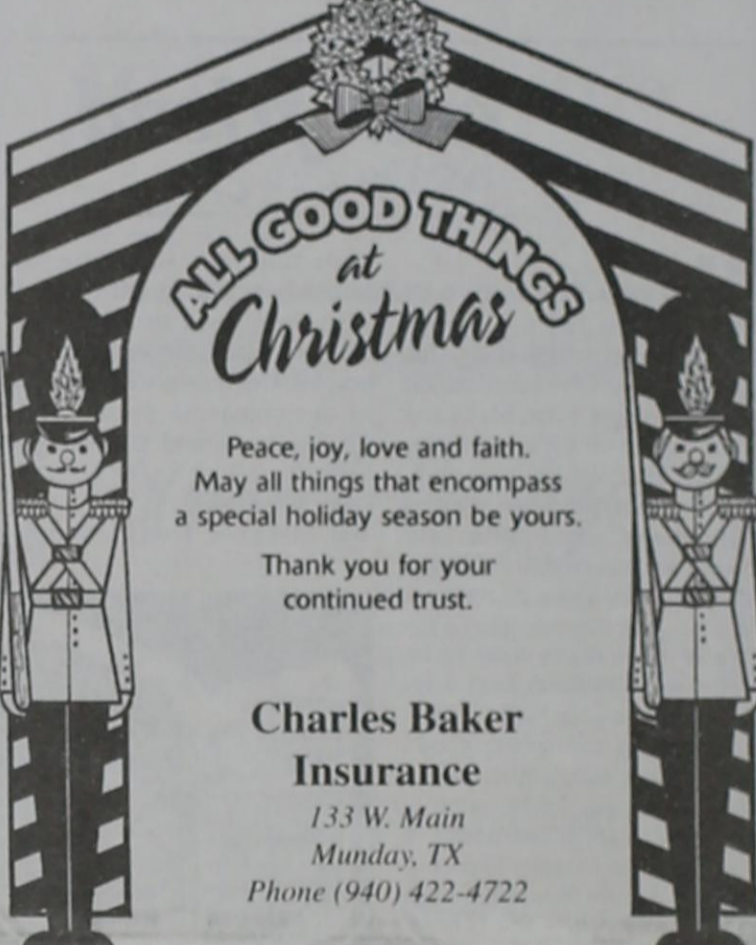
Love,
Austin
Age 3 & 1/2

Merry Christmas

In Full Bloom

Sending you a bouquet of best wishes for the holidays.
You really helped us blossom, this year!

Buds For You
Perry, Pat, Earlene, & Jeannette
120 N. Birch
Munday, TX
422-4712



ALL GOOD THINGS at Christmas

Peace, joy, love and faith.
May all things that encompass a special holiday season be yours.

Thank you for your continued trust.

Charles Baker Insurance
133 W. Main
Munday, TX
Phone (940) 422-4722

IT'S CHRISTMAS DOWN ON THE FARM!

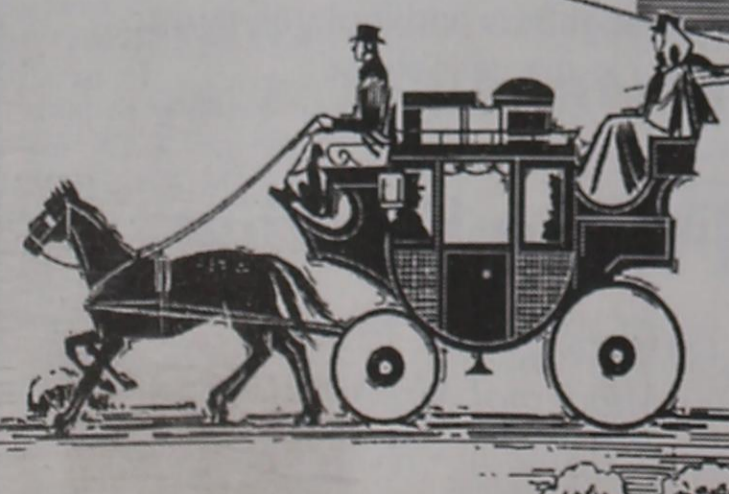
To all our farm families, we offer our best wishes for a joyous season and a prosperous new year. Thank you for your hard work and dedication and for helping us grow along with you.

Quality Implement Co.



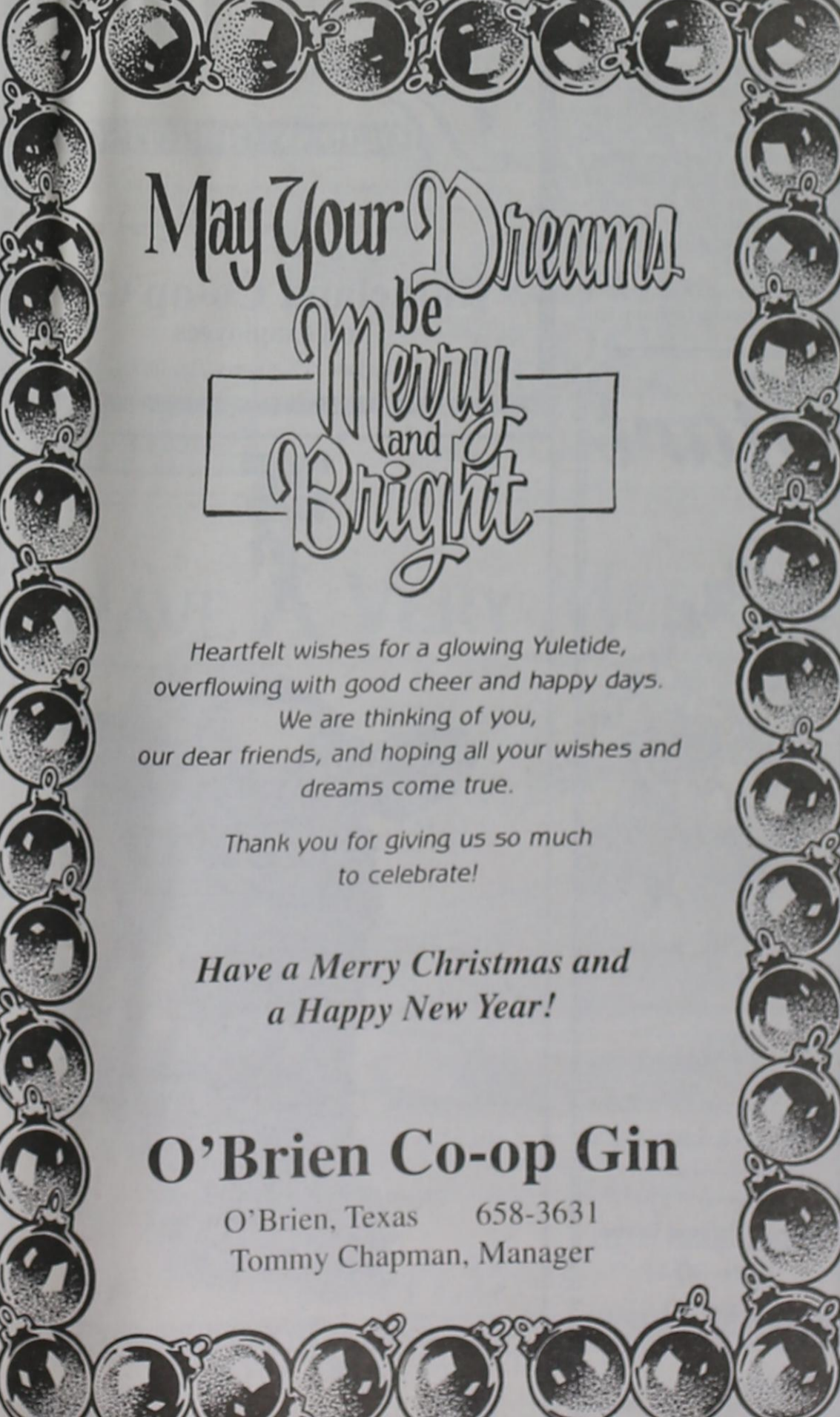
Munday (940) 422-4534
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Stamford (915) 773-2788
Rotan (915) 735-2252

Here Comes Christmas
...And we wouldn't want to miss this chance to say, "thanks!"



Farmers Grain Co-op
422-4822
Corey Moore, Manager

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Brady. I am 3 years old. I have been a very good boy this year. Please bring me a toy car and a toy four wheeler. I would like a toy army man and truck.
Love,
Brady Finley



May Your Dreams be Merry and Bright

Heartfelt wishes for a glowing Yuletide, overflowing with good cheer and happy days.
We are thinking of you, our dear friends, and hoping all your wishes and dreams come true.

Thank you for giving us so much to celebrate!

Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

O'Brien Co-op Gin
O'Brien, Texas 658-3631
Tommy Chapman, Manager

*Dear Santa,
I want a girl friend
for Christmas
because she
is pretty and
I just want one.*

Raci S. Dillard
Dear St. Nick,
Thank you for the presents you gave me last year. This year I would like a bicycle that's red, a another baby doll any kind, Oh, and the dvd prince diaries.
Love,
Raci S. Dillard
age 5
Rhineland, Tx

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Elida and I have been a good girl. I live in Munday and I want presents for Christmas. I will continue to be a good little girl. I will also leave you some cookies and milk by the tree. Bring something special for my cousin Joshua in Haskell. He has been a good boy.

Thank you!
With Love,
Elida Hernandez

Dear Santa,
Hi this is Angel Navarrette im been a good girl this year.

What I want for Christmas is a doll from from the stor and a Babi head phones set wit hthe micorphone and a car.

I want the movi the grinch and a real vido camra. And I got to sister and I like you to get them something.

Love,
Angel Elizabeth Navarrette

SEASON'S GREETINGS

SAVOR THE SEASON

Christmas cheer is all around; Presents, stockings and laughter abound. May joy and happiness light your way, Not only on Christmas, but every day.

RAM TRUCKING
422-4583
Henry Ramirez
Family & Employees

Your friend,
C. N. P.

Dear Ho-Ho,
Merry Christmas from the Wild Flowers of West Texas. We prefer to be called pretty Flowers but for some reason we have been labeled the wild Flowers. First, Myca and I want thank you for our goodies from last year. We just love playing with them. Also, we want to really thank you for the late delivry we received in February, our sister Temi. She is pretty great too!

again this year. Hopefully, our Ma-Ma and Pa-Pa will make it from Greenwood also to see you. We are looking forward to seeing you. Please remember to bring all of our cousins a present, too. Thanks again and tell Rudolph hello.
Love and kisses,
Tod, Myca and Temi Flowers



BANDY MOELLER & BRIT-TANY WAGGONER (aka Santa and Mrs. Claus ham it up at the elementary Christmas program.

Ho..Ho..Ho..
Merry Christmas!



Greetings, Friends!

With old-fashioned warmth and lots of good cheer, we wish you a Merry Christmas, and thank you for your continued friendship and patronage.

Automotive Plus

Hwy. 277 • Munday • 422-4953
Jeff, Ellen, and John

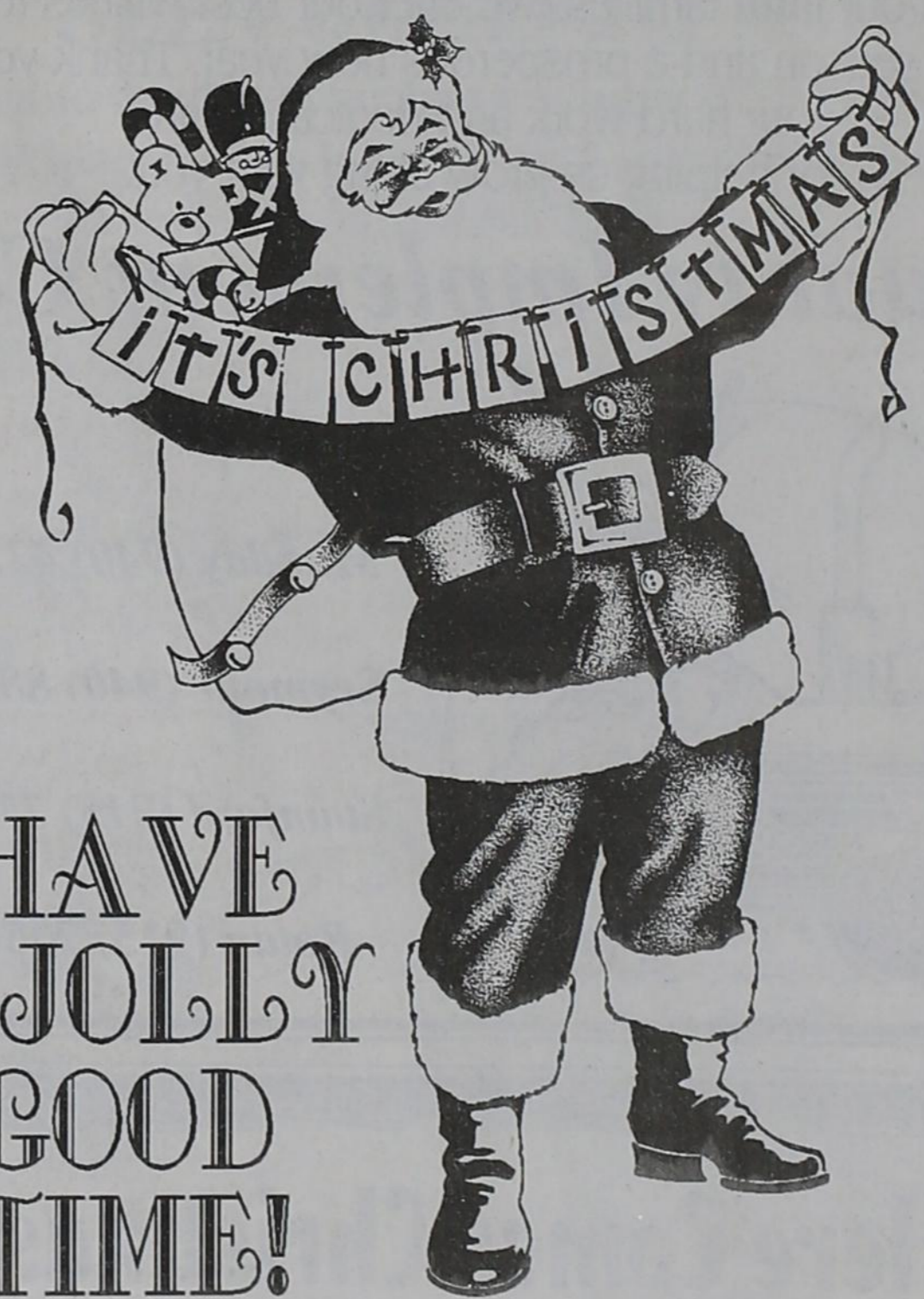


HOLIDAY GREETINGS

At this festive time of year, it is our tradition to express the gratitude we feel for the privilege of serving our fine customers and friends.
Thanks, folks!

Rhineland Co-op Gin and Employees

422-4207 • Rhineland, TX • Larry Tomlinson, Manager



HAVE A JOLLY GOOD TIME!

Here's hoping your holiday will be filled with all the wonderful things that spell **CHRISTMAS!** We're really thankful for all the good times we've shared with our friends and neighbors and look forward to serving you in the year ahead.

Petty Flying Service

(940) 422-4511

Munday Municipal Airport

Jim • Ricky • Gene • Brandon • Ryan • Leeann

FIRST AG CREDIT
Merry Christmas from all of us here at First Ag Credit.
www.agmoney.com

Start CELEBRATING!

Hope Christmas brings the best of times, above and beyond your expectations, just as you've brought us this past year!

We look forward to serving our friends and neighbors, all through 2002.

Ascension Internet Services
658-3041

Don and Marla Hawkins & Will Vacek



DEAR SANTA
 MY NAME IS
 RYLIE DECKER
 AND I TURNED 6
 LAST SATURDAY
 I WANT A LEAP
 FROG PAD, A COOL
 CARRY ALL BAG,
 ROLLER SKATES
 AND A CHUCKY
 CHIC PLACEMAT.
 I HOPE IVE GOT
 SOMETHING FOR ALL
 THESE THINGS
 KOBIE HAS BIG PAD
 FOR THE BIRD
 A BIRD

Dear Saint Nick,
 Thank you for all the presents that you
 gave me last year. This year,
 I would like a army man,
 And a basket ball,
 And the movie Catwag Dogs.
 Love Ryder Dillard
 age 6
 Rhineland, Texas

Santa,
 I forgot to tell you what I want
 and if I'm nice. Please don't get for
 me could you give me a 6646T
 POWER MOWER, a pellet grill, a
 A bird hunting game for computer,
 and if I'm not good give it for me
 Jurassic Park 3, and a movie
 for mom.
 Love, Jacob

Ashley
 Dear Santa please
 You may what I want
 for Christmas is a
 mail maker
 And a lipstik and
 a capstik maker.
 And a mibler and
 nenge I want real things
 Oh.
 And a love the best
 Kana mail
 And a cheer liter
 suit like the cheer
 liter.
 And my little brothers
 too to feel better.
 Dear Santa,
 I am
 3 years old. For Christmas I
 want a truck, a blue cat, a belt,
 a Strawberry cake, and some
 meat to eat. Oh and a Chuckie
 (Rugrat) doll.
 Love,
 Justin




Merry Christmas, Everyone!

Our Yuletide greeting to you this year, Brings every good wish for joy and cheer. We know we'll enjoy a very good season And your kind friendship is the reason. We thank you for sending goodwill our way. And hope you enjoy a great holiday!

MUNDAY COTTON Co.
 422-4076

THANKS FOR YOUR BUSINESS



Hope you're fixing to have a good time, all through the season. You have our gratitude for helping us put together a great year!

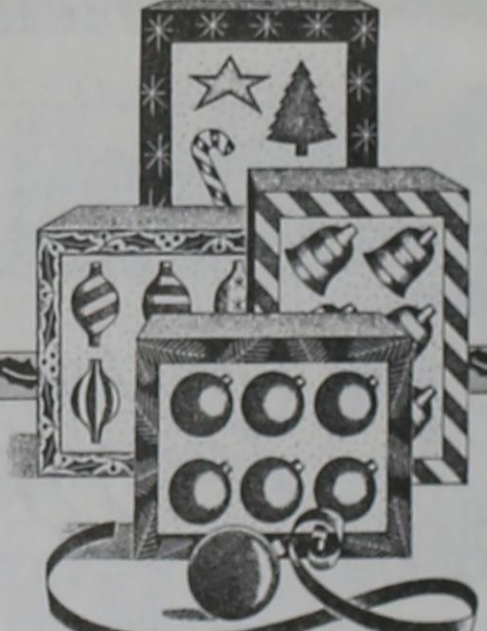
Terry Buffkin
 Construction
 422-4080

Terry, Kristi,
 Ty, Trey, & Tatum

Wrap Up the Joy!

As yet another holiday season unfolds, we are reminded that it's what's on the inside that counts, and give our thanks for the gift of your friendship. Thank you so much for helping us put the wraps on a really great year. Merry Christmas!

R.A.S. Trucking
 422-4501 • Rhineland



Dear Santa,
 Cotton
 Stripper
 real
 Four
 Wheeler
 Love,
 Jarett Earle
 age 6

Dear Santa,
 My name is Rebeca Raynes. I am 5 years old.
 I would like for you to bring me a TV & VCR, a Leap Frog Pad and a beauty shop station. Please bring this to my mom's house.
 Thank you for everything you brought me last year.
 Also please don't forget my sister Rechele. She will like anything you bring her.
 Love & Kisses
 Rebeca Raynes
 P.S. There will be a Diet Dr. Pepper and Crackers waiting for you.



FOR GOD SO LOVED THE WORLD, THAT HE GAVE HIS ONLY BEGOTTEN SON, THAT WHOSOEVER BELIEVETH IN HIM SHOULD NOT PERISH, BUT HAVE EVERLASTING LIFE.
 - John 3:16


God bless you and yours in this holy season and beyond

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HAVE A VERY MERRY!



What better time than Christmas to let you know just how much we value and appreciate your loyal support! With best wishes and heartfelt thanks to all of you.

Robert Hall
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 Tall Ellison, Sales Manager - Robert Hall, Dealer
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Rian E. Dillard

Dear Santa Clause,

Thank you for the all the things you gave me last year, this year I would like a buton for my outside toy at Pat mamas house. I've been good enough this year. Since I can ask for three presents my second thing I would like an all about baby and it comes with a bathtub, soap, a towel and rubber bath toys. My final thing is a movie called League My Blond.

Love,
Rian E. Dillard, age 8
Rhinecland, Tx

P.S. Santa Clause you're the greatest and I love you.

Dear Santa,

I want for Christmas
a Baby Beanie? ~~Be case they~~
as kyo? ~~Be cas~~
zhay ar kyo? ~~sn chofe~~

Your friend,

Sofia, 14

Dear Santa, I want a wrestling ring, with wrestlers a jiffy disk, some solder, and a play station foot ball and boxing. Please bring kmille some toys too

Merry Christmas
Ryan Redder

Dear Santa,
how are you Santa I love my Presins loser hiser I want a Jombax and eddy my bruthr wants a gach we will icive ys snaf
Love Tavin and Chase Wilson

**HERE COMES
SANTA CLAUS...**



MUST BE SANTA! These happy Santa imposters are really Kaitlyn Brown, Alyssa Moore, and Chelsea Ford taking part in the elementary Christmas program.

Let Us Adore Him!

May your Christmas be filled with the joy of Christ's birth and the light of His love. With warm gratitude we wish you peace, and ask His blessing for you at Yuletide. We feel truly blessed to share your kind friendship.

Michels Corner Inn
Collis & Ernesteen Michels
940-422-5542

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy this year. I have stayed out of Mr. Dillard's office and out of detention. I got in trouble at home a few times, but I will try to do better next year. For Christmas, I would like a drum set, a trampoline, an Eddy George jersey, Harry Potter toys, G.I. Joe action figures, and G.I. Joe vehicles.

Thank you for everything you brought me last year. I hope to get to ride my bicycle again real soon, cause I sure do miss it.

I love you,
Douglas Moore

Dear Santa,
I have been a good little girl this year. I got my name put on the board in Mrs. Murphy's class a few times, but I will try to do better. For Christmas, I would like a trampoline, a Gameboy, Bob the Builder stuff, an ironing board, a housekeeping cart, some dress up clothes, and a Barbie doll. Thank you for all the neat things you brought me last year. We will leave some Dr. Pepper and a snack for you.

I love you,
Brandy Homstad

**Peace
On
Earth**



Jingle All The Way!

May the old-fashioned delights of Christmas, makes yours a wonderful holiday. Our sincere thanks for your kind patronage.

BOOE ROOFING

AVENUE G • MUNDAY, TEXAS
(940) 422-4500

Christmas Blessings

Let the message of that Holy Night light the way for us today, to the blessings of lasting peace and goodwill to all men.

With appreciation for all the goodwill you've shown us this past year. Thanks!

Catholic Life Insurance
JUNGMAN INSURANCE AGENCY
111 W. INGRAM ST. • SEYMOUR, TX
(940) 888-2069

Glad Tidings

WHEREVER YOU GO THIS HOLIDAY SEASON,
OUR BEST WISHES ARE WITH YOU.

**Munday Nursing Center
& Employees**
940-422-4541

**Unwrap
The
Splendor
Of The
Season**

While we wrap up a merry year, may you receive the gifts of happiness, love and cheer.

We value your friendship and patronage.

CELLULARONE
Authorized Dealer

THE MUNDAY COURIER

111 E. B STREET
MUNDAY, TX
(940) 422-4314

CHRISTMAS IS CARING!

With healthy admiration, we send our well wishes to our patients, neighbors and friends as we thank you for your trust. Happy Holiday!

Knox County Hospital Clinic
(Munday & Knox City)

**Knox County Hospital
Knox County Home Health
Knox County EMS**
(Munday & Knox City Stations)

Dear Santa,
 I want a bike and a scooter and a Bastit Ball gold because to play Bastit Ball gold.

Dear Santa,
 We are writing you from our hometown of Munday, Texas! We know it is a long way from the North Pole but we feel sure that you will make the flight down here just fine and, oh, boy, are we looking forward to your visit!
 Santa, our mommy and daddy have been hoping that our new little sister will be here in time for your visit but right now we are getting anxious about that. It looks like she may make it home with about five days to spare before Christmas and all we want for her is good health, dry diapers, a pacifier, and, most importantly, a soft little cry so that she doesn't wake the entire house up during those late night feedings. We also hope that this baby has hair since the other two of us didn't have

much when we were born.
 As for what I want for Christmas, well, let me explain - My name is Baileigh and I am 6 years old. Please bring me a new baby doll, a bicycle, some pretty new linens for my bedroom, and some clothes.
 Aiden is almost 3 years old and he wants some new trucks, some tools, and a new tool workshop.
 If you would bring us a trampoline we would be good little children and share it! We would also teach our new baby sister to jump when she got old enough.
 Santa please bring our uncles, Jay and Lee, some really neat presents, too. They have been pretty good this year - well, at least part of the time!
 Love,
 Baileigh and Aiden Hunter

Your friend,
 Tyrone

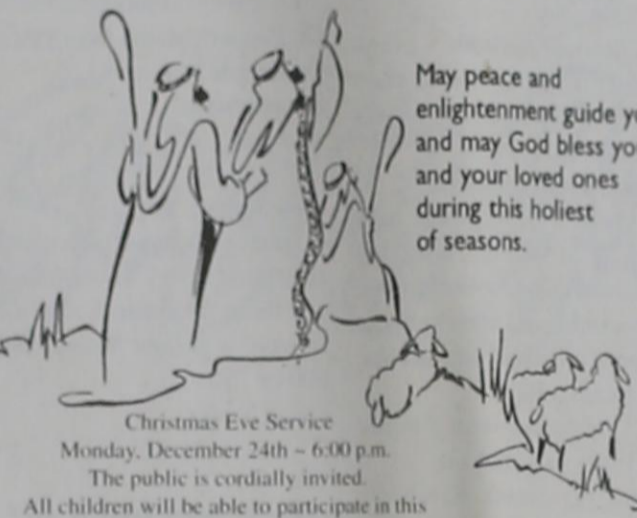
Dear Santa
 Hi! I am Abby Richter and I am 1 year old. I am a pretty good girl most of the time but am quickly going into my red hair!
 Could you please bring me a Magic Discovery Desk, a Little People Play Set, a doll and stroller and anything else that you think a little girl might want?
 Thank you for talking to me the other day...it wasn't so bad. Maybe next year I'll be able to talk to you, too!
 We will leave a snack for you and Rudolph, too.
 Love,
 Abby Richter



SEASON'S BEST

As snow blankets the earth, and the Christmas season arrives bringing wonderment, we extend our best wishes for a happy and healthy holiday to each and every one of you.

LEWIS PAINT & BODY
 940-658-3342
 Sterling, Josie, Clint, Tonya & Carson



May peace and enlightenment guide you, and may God bless you and your loved ones during this holiest of seasons.

Christmas Eve Service
 Monday, December 24th - 6:00 p.m.
 The public is cordially invited.
 All children will be able to participate in this meaningful family service.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
 in Munday
 220 S. 5th • 422-4559



In This Holy Season

May all your prayers be answered during this season of miracles.

Schoolmarm Antiques

210 W. Main - 940-422-4474
 Bob & Ann Therwhanger

Merry Christmas & A Happy New Year



Happy Holidays

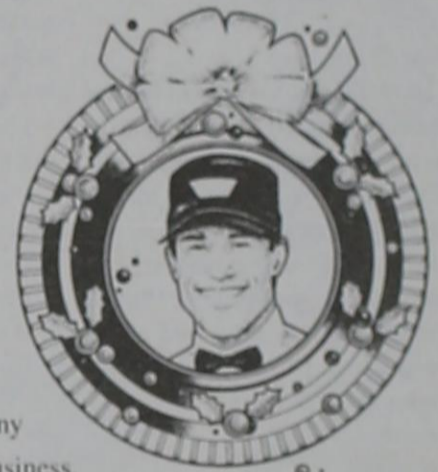
May your home be filled with warmth and love, plus joy and laughter, throughout the season and forever after!

Thank you for visiting us this past year.
Munday Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture
 Staff & Board of Directors
 940-422-4540

MERRY MOTORING

At Christmastime and anytime, we're always proud to be of service and offer the following tip for a trouble-free holiday season:

Fill up on good cheer. Shift into holiday gear. But remember to think... Don't drive and drink! Merry Christmas and many thanks for your valued business.



Peek's Service Station
 Goree • 422-8009

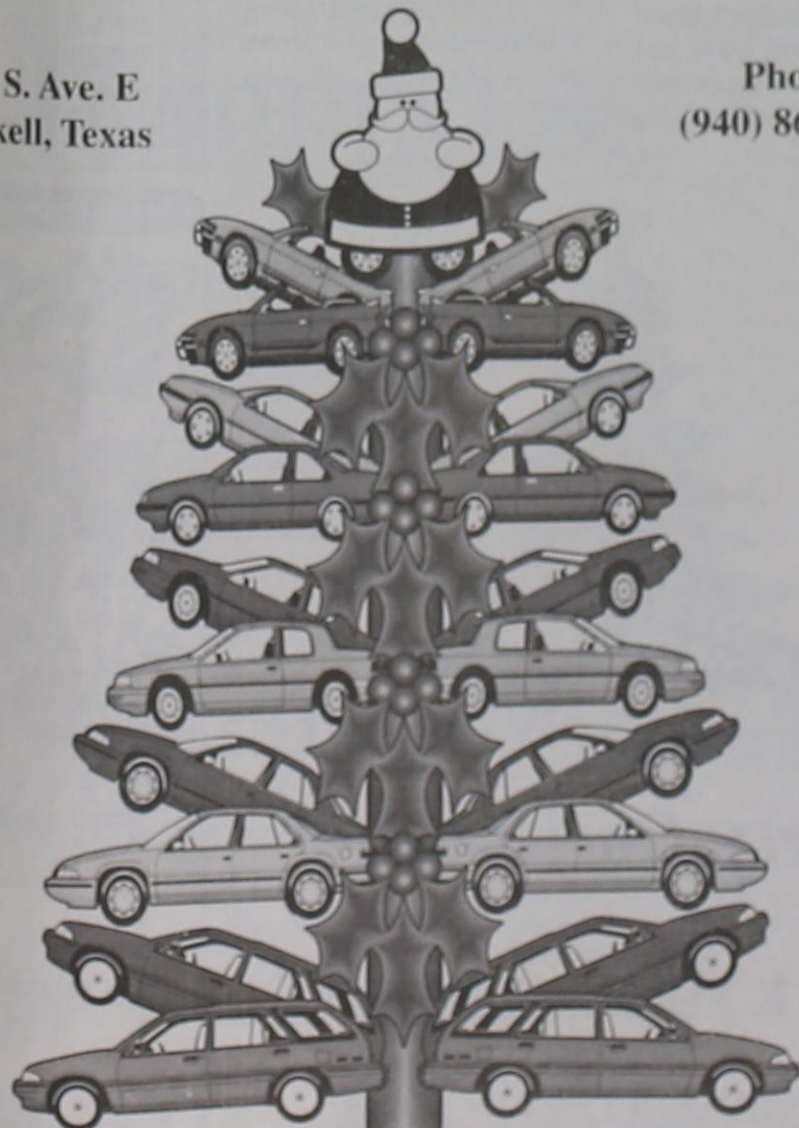
Shift Into Holiday Gear

Wishing you a high-powered holiday loaded with extras like good times, great friends and fond memories. We thank you for your steadfast support.

Bill Wilson MOTOR COMPANY
FORD MERCURY
 HASKELL TEXAS

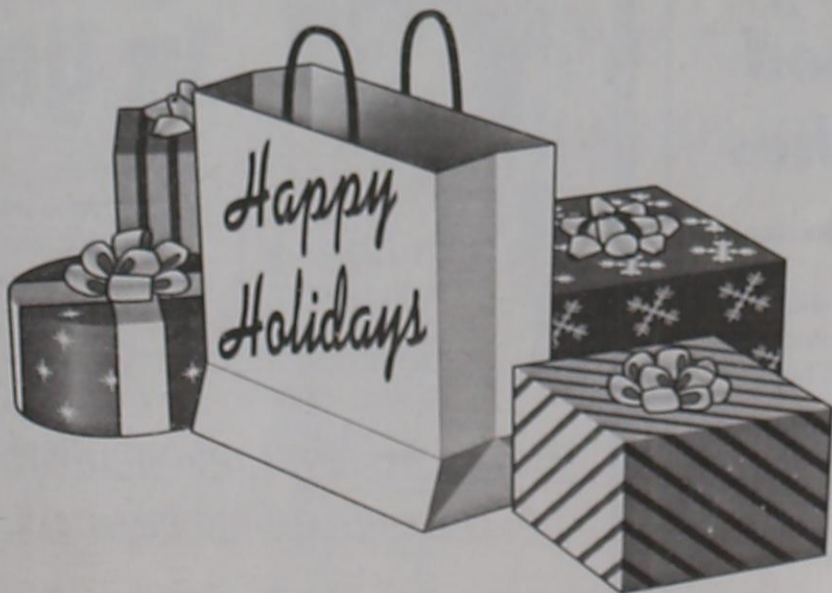
209 S. Ave. E
 Haskell, Texas

Phone:
 (940) 864-2611



FILLED WITH Good Wishes

Here's hoping lots of merriment is in-store for you and your loved ones this year. We really appreciate your shopping here!



Smith Drug & Gift
 120 W. Main ~ 940-422-4552

Don, Linda, Viola, Larue, Gayle, Shirley, Terri & Evelyn

Dear Santa,
Thank you for all of the wonderful things you brought me last year. I have rally enjoyed playing with them. I have tried to be nice this year and Mommy & Daddy said that I have been a good boy. This year for Christmas I would like a whole bunch of Hot Wheels, a Blue's Clue's Movie, some new puzzles, and a shiny new tricycle that my puppy dog hasn't chewed up. I will leave some milk and cookies for you under my tree. Merry Christmas!
Kevin Christensen
Tulsa, Oklahoma

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas! My name is Ryan Richter and I am 4 years old. No matter what Mommy and Daddy say I really have tried to be good this year. It sure has been hard! Hopefully you think I've been good enough to have a Rescue Heroes Command Center, Power Ranger Control Center, a Stretch Screamer (Frankenstein), a basketball, and some board games.
I will appreciate anything you bring me! Have a safe trip! There will be some milk and cookies for you.

I Love You,
Ryan Richter

Dear Santa,
Hi! My name is Kendall Nicole Thompson, and I have been a pretty good girl this year. For Christmas, I would really like to have a Nutcracker Barbie and my own kitchen - so that maybe I can stay out of mommy's! Please don't forget my sissy and all of my cousins: Chace, Tori, Tyson, Taylor, and Brendan.
Love,
Kendall
P.S. Madison and I will leave you some cookies and milk.

Dear Santa,
I have been a very good boy. Please bring me "Toots" the Talking Train, a red dually with a flatbed trailer, and a fire truck like Mandy and Levi's with a siren.
Please be careful on Christmas Eve. Thanks for coming all the way to Gilliland just for me. We will leave you some milk and cookies.
Love,
Ryan Paul Heard (age 3 1/2)
P.S. I also like tractors.

Dear Santa,
My name is Bethany Josselet and I am 5 years old. Please bring me a Nutcracker Barbie & Ken, a Power Wheels car, a movie, and some candy. My little sister, Allison, is only 4 months old but she needs a Kick and Crawl Gym, an Exersaucer, and some clothes. We will be at my Nanny's house in Haskell. We will leave you some Oreos and Dr. Pepper. Also don't forget my cousins, Kalee and Rebecca.
Love,
Bethany

Dear Santa:
My name is Andrea Kaylan Urbanczyk and I will be 6 years old on January 11th. I lost my first tooth on December 11th. I have tried really hard to be a good girl this year. For Christmas, I would like a girl's bike, (I have been riding my Bubba's old one), a new Leap Pad, and an Imagination Desk. If you think I've been good, please leave me something in my stocking. Please remember all of the other boys and girls and my brother Kyler. We will leave you a sandwich and some chips.
Love you,
Kaylan

Dear Santa,
I have been a very good little 2 1/2 year old boy.
I am wishing for a football, a toy horse, and books. I love for my MeeMaw to read to me!
Please don't forget my Uncle Jon and Uncle Tyler! Also, don't forget all my cousins - we will be at Granny's house during Christmas!
Love,
Shaun
Lubbock, Texas

Dear Santa Claus,
I do not want to be greedy. Could I please have NCAA Football 2002, Tony Hawk ProSkater, Backyard, basketball, and a I Spy book.
I have been a very good 8 year old boy this year.
Please don't forget my brother Hunter. He is wishing for a new gun.
Love,
Harrison Scheffler
Hurst, Texas

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas! My name is Ryan Richter and I am 4 years old. No matter what Mommy and Daddy say I really have tried to be good this year. It sure has been hard! Hopefully you think I've been good enough to have a Rescue Heroes Command Center, Power Ranger Control Center, a Stretch Screamer (Frankenstein), a basketball and some board games.
I will appreciate anything you bring me! Have a safe trip! There will be some milk and cookies for you.
I love you,
Ryan Richter

Dear Santa,
My name is Brett. I have tried so hard to be good this year. It is really hard when you are 5 and have a little brother.
I would like a Hot Wheels race track, Rescue Hero's, and anything with Thomas the Tank Engine, Power Rangers, or Harry Potter on it, and new video games.
Please bring my brother Jayden some fun toys so he will leave mine alone.
Love,
Brett Workman

Dear Santa,
My name is Heather Richardson and I am almost 3 years old. I have tried to be good this year but it has been hard since my Mom and Dad say I have been going through the terrible two's. This year I would like to have a baby doll and stroller. Also I would like to have a bed for my dolls and all the things to take care of a baby like diapers, bottles, pacifiers, cups, plates and anything else you think I would like. Please don't forget my big sister Brooke, she has tried to be good and this year she is writing her own letter to you. Please don't forget all the other boys and girls who have been good this year and don't forget my cousins in Munday and Oklahoma. Have a safe trip and tell Mrs. Clause I said "Hi."
loves, hugs & kisses,
Heather Richardson
Seymour, Texas
P.S. I will leave you brownie christmas trees and milk by the tree.

Dear Santa,
I'm Stormie Andrade - everyone calls me Sissy. I'm 2 years old. Can't write yet so mama's writing for me.
How are your reindeer?
I've been a good girl at baby care and at home. Although sometimes my brother Jordan causes trouble and tries to blame it on me. I'm only 2 - what trouble could I cause. Right?
For Christmas I want a potato head: Elmo doll, that's it.
Bring my sister Kimberly (she's 7 years old) something because I love her.
I love Jordan too, but he's bad sometimes. I'll leave that up to you.
Bring Kayla (my cousin) something too! She's good too! I guess.
All my cousins want presents too. Don't forget Alec (my

cousin).
I'll leave you some cookies and milk. Don't eat all the cookies. I might want one in the morning.
See you soon!
Stormie

Dear Santa,
My name is Jordan Andrade. I'm 3 years old. I started school this year. My mom's writing this because I haven't learned to write yet, learned only my ABC's and calendar.
Back to business! How have you been? How about Mrs. Claus - all the reindeer? Can you say "Hit!" to Frosty the snowman?
I've been a good boy at school and at home. Just overlook the fights I had the first of school. Also don't ask my sister, Stormie, she blames everything on me.
For Christmas I want a potato head and a motorcycle. Bring Kimberly (my sister) something - she's always good! Stormie too (I guess), she's only 2. Don't forget my cousins and my new cousin Baby Mickey. You might not know about her yet!
I'll leave you some cookies and Dr. Pepper! Mama says you like Dr. Pepper (not milk)
See you soon!
Jordan

Dear Santa,
This year I think I have been a very good boy. I would like only one thing this year. I would like to have a yellow Suzuki 64XR 600 or 750.
Oscar Nunez

**He's making a list...
checking it twice...
gonna find out who's
naughty or nice...
Santa Claus
is coming to town!**

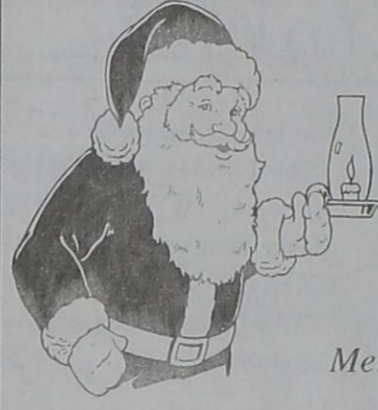
CHRISTMAS BLESSINGS

With Our Gratitude

Christmastime is the perfect time to let you know how much we value your business and enjoy having you as customers. Merry Christmas and best wishes.

Affordable Quality Home Repair
Michael Moore
(940) 422-4436

LIGHT UP YOUR HOLIDAY!



We ho, ho, hope you enjoy a season illuminated with much love and laughter.

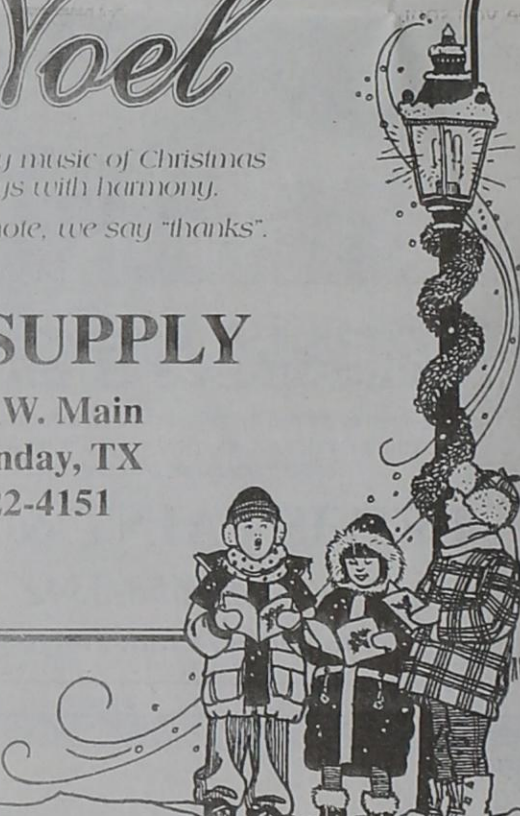
Merry Christmas from...

Decker Electric & Motor Co.
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Noel

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Dear Santa,
My name is Caleb Sosa. I am 4 years old, so my mom is helping me write this letter. I have been a good boy this year, it's been rough but I've managed.

For Christmas this year I would like the Animal Planet Dinosaur jumbo playset and a hand controlled dinosaur and some Star Wars action figures.

And for my 2 year old sister, Heather, who has tried harder than me to be good, would like the Fisher Price Talking Chef Magic Kitchen and Dream Dazzlers Dress Up Trunk and a Hoover Vacuum.

Dear Santa,
My name is Jayden and I am 2. I try very hard to be good but it is so much fun to tease, especially my Nanny and Papa, my brother, Brett and my cousins Kaysen, Colten, Baylie, Dakota, Kaleb, Sheena, Ashley, and Brittany.

I would love to have some new toys. I would like some Blue's Clues sheets, Rescue Hero's and some talking Tonka Toys.

Don't forget my brother and cousins cause their toys are sure fun for me to play with, too.

Love,
Jayden Workman

Dear Santa,
Hello! My name is Paige Ramirez and I am 3 1/2 years old. I have been a pretty good girl, but at times a little bit of trouble, but I am looking forward to Christmas this year. I love presents!

I would like a Sugar Plum Princess Barbie, some new movies to watch and anything to do with Barbies or anything the color pink. Pink is my favorite color. Also, maybe some new colors and coloring books.

Please remember my brothers, sister and cousins and also "My Jenny's" baby, Kysen. See you soon!

Love,
Paige

Dear Santa,
Hello! It's your friend Jaydon Fronterhouse. I want to thank you for my gifts you brought me last year. I have really enjoyed them. In fact, I have enjoyed them soooo much that I have worn them out. So, I figured now might be a good time to put in dibs on some new ones. I have tried really hard to be a good boy, but my mom and dad might tell you otherwise. Just pleeeeee try to remember that I am going through the TERRIBLE TWOS, so if you would give me a little slack, okay? So, with all of that out of the way, I would like a train set, a remote controlled tractor, a see-saw, new clothes, and some new books.

Well, I hope to see that you have come to visit on Christmas morning. I will leave you some milk and cookies and some carrots for your reindeer. Have a safe trip.

Your friend,
Jayden Tate Fronterhouse
P.S. Please don't forget my friends Shelby, Morgan, and RheaLea Hendrix.

Dear Santa,
My name is Britni Adams. I would like a Barbie Phone and a spinning Barbie for Christmas. And Santa, I have a Bubba named Brody and I love him very much, so please bring him a car to ride on and some football stuff. Oh, please bring me a Barbie Club house (for girls only) and a paint set. My brother and I will be at Granny Edie's on Christmas Eve, so you can find us. We will be at my mom's with Aunt Cathy's kids on New Years (If you want to come see me twice).

Love,
Britni

Also, Santa, don't forget our 5 month old cousin Teaghan. She has been a good girl and I think she would enjoy the Sparkling Symphony Gym and the Playzone Crawl-Along Drum Roll and the Fisher Price Kick and Play Piano. I also need to let you know that we will not be in Abilene this year - we will be in Munday at our Grandmother and Pepa's house. Merry Christmas.

Love,
Caleb, Heather & Teaghan
P.S. There will be some brownies and a Cherry Coke under the tree.

Dear Santa,
My name is Heather Richardson and I am almost 3 years old. I have tried to be good this year but it has been hard since my Mom and Dad say I have been going through the

terrible two's.

This year I would like to have a baby doll and stroller. Also, I would like to have a bed for my dolls and all the things to take care of a baby like diapers, bottles, pacifiers, cups, plates, and anything else you think I would like. Please don't forget my big sister Brooke, she has tried to be good and this year she is writing her own letter to you. Please don't forget all the other boys and girls who have been good this year and don't forget my cousins in Munday and Oklahoma. Have a safe trip and tell Mrs. Clause I said "Hi".

Love, Hugs & Kisses,
Heather Richardson
Seymour, Texas
P.S. I will leave you brownie christmas trees and milk by the tree.

Dear Santa,

My name is Kristen Renea Kuehler. I was a really good little girl until I turned 2 years old in September. Since then I have had a hard time keeping my angel wings on. All I want for Christmas this year is a baby doll, a small table and chairs, and some makeup just like my big sister Kari. Also please bring me a John Deere tractor like my big brother Cody has. If you think Kari and Cody have been good enough you can bring them something too.

Love,
Kristen Renea Kuehler

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



Cheering on Santa! Paloma Perez, Kaylan Urbanczyk, and Rylie Decker are eager to show Santa their appreciation. The cheering session took place at the elementary Christmas program.

Season's Greetings

WISHING YOU A WEALTH OF HAPPINESS

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 My name is Molly
 I was really good this year.
 Please bring me lots of presents.
 Here is my list:
 Doll
 Story book
 tal ar
 Stomach
 Dad
 KATLAK
 I promise to leave a special
 treat for you and your
 reindeer. Thank you very
 very much Santa!
 Merry Christmas!
 Love, M. Denmark

Dear Santa

I want a
 ohm and a
 Watch and a
 army set and
 cd player and
 two pen + pen.

Love Jake

Dear Santa,

I want
 a game for
 a game for
 I want it
 it is fun to play

Your friend,
 Davidcast Reed

Your friend,
 Garret Weaver

Dear Santa,
 My name is ROS
 I was really good this year.
 Please bring me lots of presents.
 Here is my list:
 NEW LOBE
 - KAN
 I promise to leave a special
 treat for you and your
 reindeer. Thank you very
 very much Santa!
 Merry Christmas!
 Love, ROS



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 Hope your holiday is filled with laughter, action, adventure and lots of happy endings. Thanks for hopping by to see us this past year.
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Merry Christmas

and many happy wishes
 for the new year!

From Munday ISD Teachers and staff.