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News Briefs

Left Beaver 'Santas' to give toys

The Left Beaver Fire Department and Rescue Squad will have its annual toy giveaway for needy children in that area of the county on Saturday. The event is set for noon to 2 p.m. at Station #2 in McDowell above the school. According to Will Parker, children will receive a toy, fruit and candy.

Group not part of KSP

Kentucky State Police Post 9 in Pikeville advises that a group called Puppy Patrol, which has been doing telephone solicitations, is not an organization of the KSP and KSP is not benefited by it. An advisory from KSP says it does not infer that Puppy Patrol is not a legitimate organization. Organizations affiliated with KSP include Trooper Island Inc., KSP Professional Association, and Kentucky Trooper Magazine. Call Post 9 if you question a solicitation by an organization purporting to represent the KSP, 606/433-7711.

Post-holiday date

Looking for something positive to do after Christmas? How about giving blood? The Prestonsburg Donor Center, located in City Hall, is sponsoring its "Donorama," Dec. 26-30. Hours are Saturday, 10 a.m.—2 p.m., Sunday 1—5 p.m., and Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, 11 a.m.—7 p.m. All donors will receive free gifts, including a chance to win an autographed Tubby Smith basketball. For more information, call 886-1557.

Escapee caught at hospital

When an escapee from the Big Sandy Detention Center sought medical attention for a gun shot wound to the leg, he got more treatment than he was after. Jeffrey Marshall, 25, of Magoffin County was taken into custody by Kentucky State Police at Paul B. Hall Medical Center in Paintsville Friday evening. Police took him to the University of Kentucky Medical Center and brought him back to the regional jail on Saturday, where escape was added to his original charges for burglary.

STP bottle ineffective weapon

Kevin Hopkins, 33, of Shelbiana used an STP gas treatment bottle in his attempts to rob three Pike County convenience stores early Friday morning. Hopkins reportedly put the bottle under his shirt, pretending it was a gun, and allegedly robbed the Western Express Mart at Justiceville and then the Holly Mart at Shelbiana. He proceeded to the Regina Happy Mart where he was arrested before trying the stunt again. According to Kentucky State Police, the money was recovered and the accused thief was taken to the Pike County Detention Center.

Public meetings

- Beaver Elkhorn Water District, Thursday, 5:30 p.m., Martin
- Wayland City Commission, Thursday, 7 p.m., City Hall
- Floyd County Fiscal Court, Friday, 10 a.m., Old Circuit Courtroom

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P'burg council swears in

by Pam Shingler
Editor

Mayor Jerry Fannin and the eight members of Prestonsburg City Council swore Monday night that they have not participated in a duel and will not do so while in office.

Floyd Circuit Judge John David Caudill administered the state's official oath of office to the city leaders, all of whom were re-elected in November, at the beginning of the regularly-scheduled meeting. He prefaced the swearing in with compliments to the body.

"The city has never looked better," Caudill said, adding that the administration was providing effective and progressive leadership.

Getting down to business, the council approved a recommendation from councilman Trent Naim to contract with the low bidder, Darrell Young of Versailles, to have signs made to welcome visitors to the area.

A large sign — 38 feet wide by 20 feet tall — is to be placed off US 23 at the KY 114 intersection. The sign, which will cost around \$34,000, will carry the city logo, the West Prestonsburg bridge, and a message of welcome to both Prestonsburg and Floyd County.

Three smaller signs, to be placed on roadsides at other entrances to the city, will have the same design and will cost \$3,000 each.

Councilman Bill Ray Collins emphasized the need to include

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Archer Park lights up the holiday season

by Janice Shepherd
Managing Editor

It may not be a white Christmas, but it will be a bright Christmas in Archer Park.



A Christmas tree lights the hillside at Archer Park. (photo by Pam Shingler)

The park has a d d e d numerous light displays for this year's Christmas season, according to Ralph Little, park manager.

"We're probably one-third bigger this year," Little said Tuesday. "We've scattered it out more."

Park employees began putting up the light displays as early as the first week of October, Little said. The Christmas exhibition draws a steady stream of visitors to the park, according to Little, and the annual Christmas in the Park brings in about 200 children and their families.

Christmas in the Park is scheduled for Thursday, December 17, from 6 to 8 p.m. in the Archer Park Skating Rink. Activities include face painting, ornament making, a train ride, and a visit with Santa Claus.

Gifts will also be distributed to children. Drawings will be held for large gift items. Refreshments will be available.

For those who want something a bit harder to ward off the winter chill Thursday evening, the Prestonsburg Senior Citizens Center, located in the park, will conduct a Chili Supper, also from 6 to 8 p.m.

Christmas in the Park is a cooperative effort between the Prestonsburg Women's Club, Archer Park, the Prestonsburg Senior Citizens Center, and the

(See Park, page two)



The Santa scene

Katherine Ann Wells was among children who got to meet with Santa Claus last Sunday at Jenny Wiley Theatre. She is the daughter of Frank Wells of Paintsville and the late Susan Wells. Her grandparents are Nancy and Earl Martin of Prestonsburg and Frank and Ann Wells of Flat Gap. Katherine wanted to know where Mrs. Claus was. The visits with Santa will continue at the theater at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park on Saturday and Sunday afternoons. (photo by Willie Elliott)

High school bleachers deemed 'unsafe' by local fire marshal

Larry Adams, fire marshal for the city of Prestonsburg, has placed the bleachers at Prestonsburg High football field off limits to all persons other than contractors until further notice and issued an order to remedy which would require the Floyd County Board to repair or remove the bleachers.

In a letter to Mike King, Interim Supt., Adams said he had been concerned with the condition of the football stadium bleachers since 1991.

Adams asked for an engineer's report on the structural integrity of the bleachers. "While the engineers gave a report approving them for the past season, I have some grave concerns," wrote Adams.

Adams expressed concern about the conditions of the bleachers.

"After considering the potential for disaster, which I truly believe is imminent if something isn't done to the stadium bleachers, I am ordering the bleachers closed," said Adams.

Adams said he has notified

Principal Coy Samons not to allow students to utilize the bleacher area. In a telephone interview, Adams said the school could not use the bleachers when it evacuates students even for a fire drill.

"If I tell my own family I don't want them on the bleachers, I don't

think I should let others," said Adams.

Adams said it was his duty to make such decisions. "If I see a hazard in any building, it's my job to bring people's attention to it. If I

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Condemnation

Sign warns public of condition of stadium bleachers at Prestonsburg High School. (photo by Willie Elliott)

Clerk's case is delayed

Floyd County Clerk Carla Robinson Boyd, who was indicted by a local grand jury last month, will have another four weeks in which to prepare her response to the charge of theft by failure to make required disposition, a Class D felony.

The arraignment which was originally scheduled for Dec. 14 at noon in Judge John David Caudill's Circuit Courtroom, has been rescheduled for Friday, Jan. 8 at 11:30 a.m.

According to the judge's office, the postponement was necessary because of a scheduling conflict for Boyd's attorney.

The charge against the long-time clerk was brought by the state attorney general's office. It alleges that Boyd received money — as much as \$26,000 — intended for property taxes from RIFKIN/CCCG Inc., parent company of the local CableVision, and that she apparently did not deposit it into the county fund.

Questions about Boyd's record-keeping were raised in 1995 by then-State Auditor Ben Chandler, who is now attorney general. Chandler's audit alleged a deficit of \$193,126 and criticized the clerk's office for having three accounting systems for delinquent tax collections that did not agree.

A Class D felony can carry a jail sentence of up to five years.

Abusers lose their hunting privileges

By Pam Shingler
Editor

The relationship between domestic violence and hunting wild game may not have connected in many minds until Monday.

That's when District Court Judge Eric Hall told a group of men before him on abuse charges that they cannot possess a firearm — even for hunting — if they are under a domestic violence order.

Hall cited Kentucky's adoption of the federal Laws Against Women Act, which, in fact, prohibits the possession of modern firearms by domestic abusers for three years. "That means no hunting," Hall said.

The law applies to anyone who is under a restraining order for

(See Abusers, page two)

Betsy Layne nativity tells Christmas story

The cast of the "Greatest Story Ever Told," will appear live — and in person — at Betsy Layne beginning today, Wednesday, when the congregation of the Calvary Southern Baptist Church dons costumes to deliver a Christmas

message.

The church will conduct a live nativity scene beside the Betsy Layne Fire Department through Friday, between the hours of 6 p.m. and 8 p.m.

"Many times we get caught up in the materialism that surrounds us, and we miss the meaning of our celebrations," the church's pastor, Troy Tackett, said this week.

The church will offer a break from the Christmas rush and a reminder about the beginning of Christmas.

"The manger scene is a reminder of God's greatest gift to mankind, one of peace, hope and love," Tackett said. "We'd like to stress that Jesus is the reason for the season."

Members of the church will alternate in depicting the characters of Mary, Joseph, the wisemen and Shepherds, in the setting of a stable. The performance will be under the direction of Susan Wallen, who is also choir director for the church.

George Hall Jr., who was in charge of building the set for the performance, said the church members are "working together to bring Christ to the community."

The event is open to the public and no admission will be charged.



Members of the Calvary Southern Baptist Church take turns portraying Biblical characters in a live nativity scene at Betsy Layne this week. Pastor Troy Tackett, Barbie Bow, and Beatrice Jacobs took their turns, respectively, as Joseph, Mary and a shepherd in this live nativity scene. (photo by Rhonda Kretzer)

Council

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Floyd County on the sign. "I want us to show we care about the entire county, that our community is the whole county," he said.

Councilman Robert Allen Jr. presented the report of the Administration and Personnel Committee, which informed of the hiring of four new persons:

- John Little, part-time, police department;
- Kenneth Patton, public works;
- Karra Berth Lafferty, part-time, receptionist; and
- Casey Duncan, public works.

The council approved the request for a zoning change for the former state Human Resources Building on University Drive at Webb Lane. The change from Residential-1 zone to Commercial-4 will allow the building to be used by a franchised pizza carry-out store.

Also approved was the second reading of an ordinance to close Hughes Street above Highland Avenue. The street is not paved and has not been in use.

The council voted in favor of the first reading of an ordinance to authorize the mayor to sign agreements relating to the extension of water lines to Buffalo Creek by Prestonsburg Utilities. Grant and loan funding was recently approved for the project.

An ordinance to amend a previous ordinance dealing with roadblocks for fund-raising was given a first reading. The amendment moves up the deadline for organizations to apply for roadblocks from the second Friday in January to the second Friday in December.

Likewise, the dates of the lottery to handle multiple requests for the same roadblock day would be changed to the third Friday in December, rather than January.

The council heard reports from Seldon Horne, director of Prestonsburg Utilities, and Bob Meyers, director of the Mountain Arts Center.

Horne said his operation has several projects going on, "most out in the county." He enumerated water line extensions to the new federal prison being constructed across the county line in Martin County, to the Prestonsburg Recreational and Economic Development Complex, to Buffalo Creek, and on KY 114 to the Magoffin County line.

He added that the utility company plans to let



Floyd Circuit Judge John David Caudill, left, Monday evening swore into office members of the Prestonsburg City Council (l-r) Bill R. Collins, Estill Carter, Ralph Davis, Robert Allen, Mayor Jerry Fannin (sworn in separately), Trent Nairn, Danny Hamilton, Gormon Collins Jr. and Hansel Cooley. (photo by Pam Shingler)

bids on the Allen sewerage system in the spring, with construction to begin in the summer and completion in about 18 months. Also, at the mouth of Rough and Tough Creek, Prestonsburg Utilities is relocating a four-inch water line to accommodate a new bridge.

In response to the report, Councilman Estill Carter said, "There can be no progress without utilities."

"We're out there digging," said Horne. Mayor Fannin pointed out that "a lot of growth out in the county is due to what we're doing."

Said Bill Ray Collins, "We're trying to help our neighbors because we're all in the same neighborhood."

As for the Mountain Arts Center, director Meyers said, "We're keeping our heads above water."

October and November, he said, were disappointing at the center box office, with some noted bookings not drawing as expected. December, however, "has been really good," he said, adding that all the Kentucky Opry shows had been sold out and that "The Nutcracker," set for last night, was also sold out.

Meyers reported that the addition to the build-

ing, which was backed by the council, is "about two-thirds complete." He also said that the organization is considering buying its own video equipment to tape and edit productions in house.

Councilman Carter said that along with the MAC, the whole area needs to be marketed. "East Kentucky has to pull together to show this is the place to come," he said. "If we don't work together to promote eastern Kentucky, we're in trouble."

The council applauded Ralph Little, manager of Archer Park, for the holiday decorations in the park.

Councilman Hansel Cooley added that he wanted to commend those who decorate the city. "I've gotten calls from people who've gone through here and they tell me how beautiful the city is," he said. "These things don't just happen. Somebody has to make them happen."

Also in attendance at the Monday meeting were council members Ralph Davis, Danny Hamilton and Gormon Collins Jr.

The mayor indicated that this would be the only council meeting in December. The next regularly-scheduled meeting will be Jan. 11.

Corrections

Incorrect score

An article regarding an academic team at South Floyd Middle School incorrectly listed a winning score. The team won a victory over Allen Central Middle School with a score of 23 to 16.

Misspelled Name

Timothy Mark Hasting's name was misspelled in a recently listing of birth announcements in the Floyd County Times. Hastings is the father of Chase Dalton Hastings, who was born November 29 at Highlands Regional Medical Center. The infant's mother is Jessica Lee Hastings. The family resides in Prestonsburg.

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Abusers

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harassing, stalking, threatening, or engaging in other conduct that would cause a partner to be afraid of bodily harm.

Further, it bars anyone under a restraining order from purchasing,

receiving and possessing a firearm.

The ban applies, according to the law, to "all types of firearms, destructive devices and ammunition." The only exception is antique firearms.

Hall warned that the law applies across state lines. "If you cross state lines to hunt while under an order, you are subject to federal penalties," he said.

The law also extends to persons who would knowingly give or sell a firearm to someone who is prohibited from having one because of a domestic abuse violation.

Hall called Monday's the "lightest docket" since he became district judge in September — only 19 persons were up on domestic violence

charges. The average slate of accused abusers on a Monday, he said, is 25.

Hall said he and District Judge James Allen have participated in recent education sessions on the law and have begun to attach information about the law to protective orders that they issue.

The short version of the notice tells recipients:

• You cannot have in your possession a modern firearm of any type for the duration of the Order, usually three years.

• This means you cannot hunt with a modern firearm for the period of the Order.

Bleachers

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didn't feel it was unsafe, I wouldn't serve an order to remedy.

Adams said with the football season over, the board has time to address the problem and get it taken care of during the off months.

King has indicated that the Floyd County Board will appeal the order.

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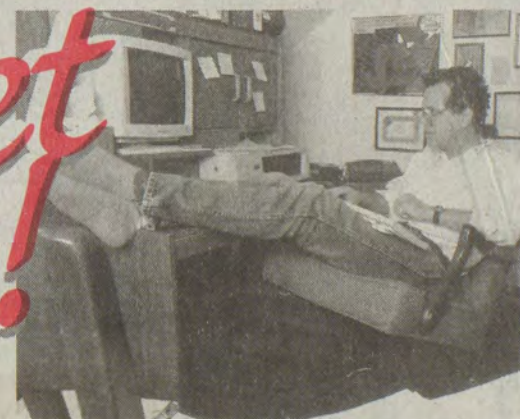
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Applications for substance abuse prevention grants sought

The Kentucky Governor's Youth Substance Abuse Prevention Incentive Project will award \$1.1 million grants in the second round of funding to community-based efforts focused primarily at youths ages 9 to 14. The Kentucky project is looking for applicants interested

in seeking grants of at least \$75,000 that may be renewed up to two years.

In September of 1997, the Office of the Governor, in cooperation with the Division of Substance Abuse, was awarded a three-year grant by the federal Center for Substance Abuse Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services. During the first round of funding, more than \$1 million was awarded to 11 communities. This project, known as KIP, seeks to:

- Coordinate and leverage substance abuse prevention resources in the Commonwealth to achieve cost efficiencies and program effectiveness.
- Promote the application of science-based prevention activities at the community level.
- Reduce the use of tobacco, alcohol, and other drugs among youth 12 to 17 years of age by 2001.

Applicants must propose science-based interventions which have demonstrated positive results in changing alcohol, tobacco, and other drug behavior and have implementation protocols, manuals, and evaluation instruments available. Applicants may propose interventions aimed at the general 9-14 year old population and high-risk groups.

Priority will be given to proposals that replicate interventions documented in at least one peer-reviewed journal article; consideration also will be given to proposals that replicate interventions documented in other professional publications.

A letter of intent should be no longer than three pages and include the information listed below.

- The organization's name, address, phone number, contact person, e-mail, and legal status (e.g., 501 (c) (3)).
- The community need the proposal meets.
- The program goals.
- The target population described in specific terms, and the service area (e.g., 9-14 year old youth living within a specific geographic area; youths exhibiting anti-social behavior, poor academic achievement; family members with a history of alcohol, tobacco and other drug abuse; families exhibiting conflict).
- List of community partners including, though not limited to, the local Regional Prevention Center, Champions group, and the school(s) to be included for the purposes of program evaluation. (To identify the RPC and Champions nearest you, call 800-432-9337.)
- Contact name, phone number, and address for each participating organization.

All letters of intent should be postmarked no later than Dec. 23, and sent to:
 Division of Substance Abuse
 100 Fair Oaks Lane, 4-E-D
 Frankfort, KY 40621
 Attention: Michael Hatchett

All applicants will be notified of a pre-application workshop tentatively scheduled for Jan. 18, 1999.

Appalachian Christmas



Angie Carriere, a teacher at the Mountain Christian Academy and conductor of the group Strings, provided students some violin (fiddle) music during PCC's Appalachian Christmas last Thursday. (photo by Willie Elliott)



Dr. Mabel Rowe Lineberger, who writes "Things To Ponder," dressed in Appalachian apparel as part of the Prestonsburg Community College's Appalachian Christmas last Thursday. (photo by Willie Elliott)

The Numbers Game: Kentucky Lottery Results

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CINEMA 2 "PG"
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 Sat.-Sun. 2:00, 4:15

CINEMA 3 "PG"
Star Trek: Insurrection
 Mon.-Sun. 7:15, 9:30; Fri. 4:30;
 Sat.-Sun. 2:15, 4:30

CINEMA 4 "PG-13"
Waterboy
 Mon.-Sun. 7:15, 9:15; Fri. 4:15;
 Sat.-Sun. 2:15, 4:15

CINEMA 5 "G"
Rugrats
 Mon.-Sun. 6:45; Fri. 3:30
 Sat.-Sun. 1:30, 3:30

CINEMA 6 "G"
Mighty Joe Young "Sneak Peek"
 Sat. 6:45; Sun. 1:30

CINEMA 7 "PG"
Jack Frost
 Mon.-Sun. 7:00, 9:00; Fri. 4:00
 Sat.-Sun. 2:00, 4:00

CINEMA 8 "PG"
The Prince of Egypt
 Mon.-Sun. 7:10, 9:10;
 Fri. 4:10; Sat.-Sun. 2:10, 4:10

CINEMA 9 "PG"
You've Got Mail
 Mon.-Sun. 7:05, 9:05; Fri. 4:05
 Sat.-Sun. 2:05, 4:05

CINEMA 10 "R"
Psycho
 Mon.-Sun. 7:10, 9:20; Fri. 4:20;
 Sat.-Sun. 2:10, 4:20

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Viewpoint

Quote of the week...
He is a wise man who does not grieve for the things which he has not, but rejoices for those which he has.
—Epictetus

Wednesday, December 16, 1998 A4

Editorial

'Tis the season to be jolly, so how about a seasonal brain-teaser?

It tests not only your knowledge of Christmas carols, but also of the English language.

We've borrowed it from a publication of the Kentucky Press Association, which, in turn, borrowed it from another publication — the way we all get much of our information.

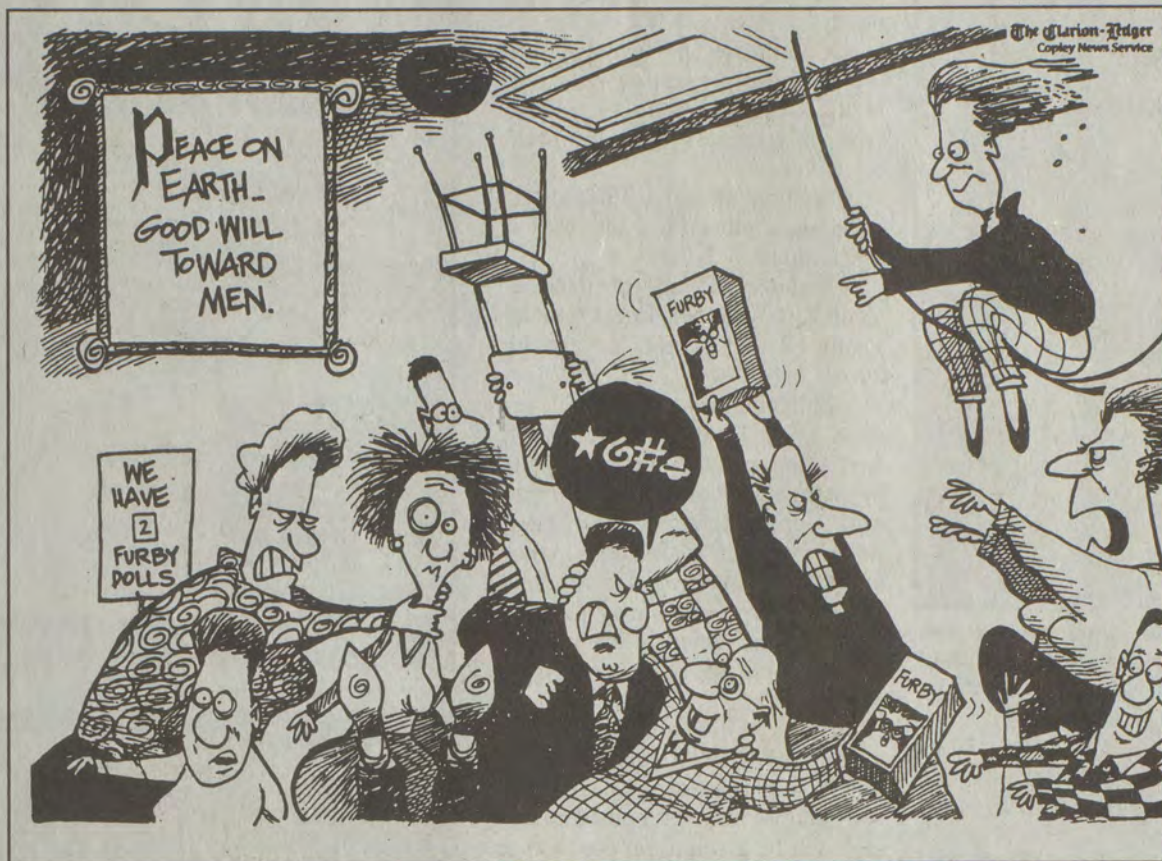
The author is unknown, but it was probably an English professor with a sense of humor and a good bit of time.

*Here we come
a-caroling*

Your job, should you accept, is to translate the obtuse language in the song titles listed below to the names we're more familiar with.

The answers, by the way, are on another page of this newspaper (we hope).

1. Small City in Judea
2. Colorless Yuletide
3. Singular Yearning for Twin Incisors
4. Loyal Followers Approach
5. Righteous Darkness
6. Weather: Cloudless, Arrival Time: 2400 Hours
7. Far Off in a Feeding Trough
8. Array the Corridors
9. Bantam Percussionist
10. Monarchical Triad
11. Nocturnal Noiselessness
12. Father Christmas on Route to Borough
13. Initial Christmas
14. Frozen Precipitation Commence
15. Proceed and Enlighten Upon the Pinnacle
16. The Quadruped with the Vermillion Proboscis
17. Query Regarding Identity of Descendant
18. Delight for the Third Planet
19. Give Attention to the Melodious Celestial Beings
20. Hence Arriveth Kris Kringle
21. To Decry Matriarchal Osculation of Yuletide Anthropomorphian
22. At the Zenith of the Domicile
23. Endocarps Vesicated on a Conflagration
24. Jehovah Dulcify Blith Chevaliers
25. The Dozen Festive Earthly Rotations of Yuletide



Letters to the Editor

AREA STUDENTS ENCOURAGED TO APPLY FOR SCHOLARS' PROGRAM

Editor:

The Governor's Scholars Program is a stimulating, five-week residential summer program for outstanding Kentucky students completing their junior year in high school. Each summer, 700 students spend five weeks living on one of two college campuses, where they participate in an intensive academic program.

The program is interdisciplinary and non-traditional, strongly emphasizing hands-on experience and discussion groups over classroom lectures. There are no grades or credits given.

We are writing to encourage all high-achieving juniors to apply for the Governor's Scholars Program. As concerned eastern Kentucky board members, we feel that too many of our successful students are failing to take advantage of this "life changing" opportunity.

It may be that the students and parents are not familiar with the selection criteria. Certainly, we are interested in those students who have scored well on a nationally standardized test, but we also look for success in several other areas.

The rating criteria includes four categories: Academic Achievement, Teacher Recommendations, an

Essay, and the Student Profile. The Academic Achievement section is comprised of a PSAT, SAT or ACT test score, GPA, Rank in Class and Difficulty of Classload. Although there is no minimum test score requirement, students must have taken one of the aforementioned tests.

The Student Profile includes sections for listing honors and awards, personal and unique interests, voluntary or paid work experience, and extracurricular activities.

Part of the mission of the Governor's Scholars Program is to enhance Kentucky's next generation of civic and economic leadership. It is our goal for the populations of scholars and Kentuckians to mirror each other in every part of the state.

We strongly urge high school juniors who excel in any of the above categories to pick up an application from their high school guidance counselor. The Governor's Scholars Program will provide an opportunity to benefit both academically and personally.

Sara Walter Combs
Judge, Kentucky Court of Appeals
Robert Michael Duncan
President, Inez Deposit Bank

'FAT CATS' SPENDING 'POOR PEOPLE'S MONEY'

Editor:

As we all know, it's tax time again. And we saw in the paper that the penalty is going to rise. The fat cats must have spent more of the poor people's money this past year.

We pay more school taxes and have the worst school system in the whole state. It couldn't be any worse anywhere. We have too many fat cats getting too much for nothing. We know the poor teachers don't get what they deserve.

With all the money that has been sent into Floyd County, it looks like someone would see that these creeks were cleaned out. The trees that have fallen across the creeks cause most of the flooding.

That's why we can't get flood insurance and I blame that on our government. They focus their eyes more on a rusty can or an old garbage dump that has been there for a hundred years and is not bothering anyone.

We need our creeks cleaned out. That would be the best thing they could do for us.

Well, let's focus on the 911 number. Let's don't! Every time I do, I could vomit a maggot.

Our fat cats just keep feathering their nest on the

poor people's hard-earned money.

I think our state police should get a raise. They are the only ones that will help us in time of need.

Everybody had a chance to change everything, but apparently they wanted to keep the same old, same old. So we'll have the same old, same old nothing.

What the poor people were supposed to get went to Prestonsburg. We would have to move there and honest people don't need to be there among the fat cats. We're under a dictator enough as it is.

I was hoping we wouldn't have to pay taxes on our cars this year, I guess we will.

Then they tell us how to sit in our own car. I think that it is my business whether I buckle a seatbelt or not. There have been lots of people who've lost their lives with seat belts on, it's not safe all the time.

How many children have been killed with air bags? We know they are not safe.

We live in the land of the free. Let's speak up and tell our government what we stand for.

Nora Martin
Printer

GOVERNOR RESPONDS TO STUDENT LETTERS

Editor's note: Kitty Frasure's class at Duff Elementary shares the letter students recently received from Gov. Paul Patton.

Dear Ms. Frazier and students:

Thanks to all of you for the wonderful letters you sent. I appreciate your making me aware of the traffic problem that exists on Route 80 in front of Duff Elementary. It is good to see our young people express their interest in community affairs.

I have taken the liberty of sharing a copy of your letters with Secretary Codell of the Transportation Cabinet. Be assured he and his staff will look into the situation you have described.

Again, thank you for sharing your feelings with me on this matter.

Paul E. Patton
Governor

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Letters to the Editor

Letters to the Editor are welcomed by The Floyd County Times. In accordance with our editorial page policy, all letters must include the signature, address and telephone number of the author.

The Times reserves the right to reject or edit any letter deemed slanderous, libelous or otherwise objectionable. Letters should be no longer than two type-written pages, and may be edited for length or clarity.

Opinions expressed in letters and other voices are those of the authors and do not necessarily reflect the views of the newspaper. Send letters to: The Editor, The Floyd County Times, P.O. Box 391, Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653.

Mountain Voices

by Willie Elliott
Staff Writer



Some time ago Paul Prather, who writes the column "Gospel According to Me," did a column mostly by copying material from the Internet.

I know Paul is closer to the Big Writer in the Sky than I am. Nevertheless, as soon as I saw the column, I said, "I can do that." I always say, "If you can't say something interesting or worthwhile, use somebody else's material."

So here is a collection of things that I found on the Internet.

We'll start with some ads that didn't come out exactly right.

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Announcements in church bulletins
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Remember in prayer the many who are sick of our church and community.

For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.

This being Easter Sunday, we will ask Mrs. Lewis to come forward and lay an egg on the altar.

Thursday night — Potluck supper. Prayer and medication to follow.

Headlines

Safety Experts Say School Bus Passengers Should Be Belted.

Teachers Strike Idle Kids.

Two Sisters Reunited after 18 Years in Checkout Counter.

If Strike Isn't Settled Quickly, It May Last a While.

Catchy Signs

At a number of military bases: "Restricted to unauthorized personnel."

Outside a country shop: "We buy junk and sell antiques."

In a Maine restaurant: "Open 7 days a week and weekends."

In a Pennsylvania cemetery: "Persons are prohibited from picking flowers from any but their own graves."

Sign on motor way garage: Please do not smoke near our petrol pumps. Your life may not be worth much, but our petrol is.

Seen in a park in California: "Weather Station: (A large sign with a rock hanging on a rope) Check the rock. If it's wet, it's

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Letters

'CHRISTMAS ANGEL' RESTORES FAITH

Editor:
It seems that the news media always present the dark side of human nature, and we seem to have more than our fair share of such sto-

ries emanating from eastern Kentucky. Perhaps your readers would be interested in a story emphasizing one of the people we don't read about in the paper, or hear about on TV or radio.

On November 21, I lost the diamond solitaire pendant which my

husband had given to me for my 40th birthday. I found the chain in the parking lot of the restaurant where I had stopped earlier in the day, but the diamond was nowhere to be found. I was convinced that someone had picked it up, and I would never see it again.

My family and friends all told me I would never see it again, and I was wasting my time to advertise its loss. Just in case, however, I posted signs at the restaurant.

On December 9, I received a telephone call from a lady who asked me if I had lost anything, having just seen my sign at Dairy Cheer. When I responded in the affirmative, she told me that she believed she had found my diamond. When I went to her home, I was amazed when she handed me my pendant.

I insisted that she take the reward I had promised, although she did not wish to accept it. As far as I am concerned, Bonnie Gibson is my Christmas angel!

The next time you hear someone decrying the supposed lack of integrity or honesty of Eastern Kentuckians, you can use Bonnie Gibson's virtues as your reply.
Robin Simpson Smith
Prestonsburg

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Voices

raining. If it's moving, it's windy. If you can't see it, it's foggy. If it's gone, it's a tornado."

And here is a good one to end on: Found written on the wall in front of a photocopier of a company going through hardships: "DOUBLE YOUR PLEASURE—XEROX YOUR PAYCHECK."

Have you seen any ad, headlines, or signs that need to be added to the list? Send them to us and maybe we can make a collection of local

bloopers. One that used to be quite common but not seen much now is this one: "No Trust Passing" for "No Trespassing."

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The children's book for this week is entitled **I'll Be With You ALWAYS** by Joni Eareckson Tada and illustrated by Craig Nelson. A lovely story to read and discuss. This will be an especially appealing book if either you or your children have talents in painting. Linda

always gets books for the younger children in the family for Christmas. A book is a gift that could last a lifetime. The first book I got as a gift was **The Box Car Children**, and I remember that book in vivid detail.

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Computer training offered at CAP

Free computer training is available for anyone in the Floyd County area who has ever worked for a coal mining operation or for any company that has provided any type of service to the coal mining industry.

Funding for the free classes has been made available from a federal grant administered by the Center for Rural Development in Somerset.

The 30-hour computer training program is co-sponsored by the Christian Appalachian Project and will be taught in the CAP facilities on Main Street in Martin.

The purpose of the free computer training is to give residents the necessary skills to upgrade their current employment or be able to seek new job opportunities.

The free training will begin the last week in December and will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. each night for two weeks.

To register, call toll-free 1-888-248-9438. All books, materials and training are free, but, classroom space is limited.

Morehead library joins statewide project

Morehead State University's Camden-Carroll Library will participate in an \$80,000 project to develop a statewide plan to enhance access to Kentucky-oriented archival and manuscript resources housed in the libraries of the eight publicly funded universities.

The plan will provide a framework for a cooperative system-wide approach that is hoped to be both feasible and cost effective. It also will provide training ground for critical professional skills essential to a digitizing project that would make materials directly accessible to the public via the Internet.

The project, called the Kentuckiana Project, will be financed with \$33,000 in funds from the National Historical Publications and Records Commission and \$47,000 in funds from the eight participating universities. The results of the project will be used in planning the Commonwealth Virtual Library which was recently funded by the Council on Postsecondary Education for more than \$6 million.

Additional information on the Kentuckiana Project is available from Myers at Eastern Kentucky University Libraries, 521 Lancaster Ave., Richmond, KY 40475, or by telephone at (606) 622-1778.

Setser is assigned to Fort Bragg

Joshua Michael Setser has arrived for duty at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, and is assigned to the 35th Signal Brigade Corps Airborne.

The 35th Signal Brigade is the only airborne signal brigade in the U.S. Army and one of the largest units of this type in the world. It is comprised of three signal battalions and two separate companies with a personnel authorization of approximately 2,400 soldiers.

Setser has been assigned to the most diverse and distinguished signal brigade in the U.S. Army. The 35th Signal Brigade has capabilities ranging from forced entry communications support of the XVIII Airborne Corps to a highly mobile, tactical communications network that extends communications to all the major subordinate commands of the XVIII Airborne Corps, to include its four combat divisions.

He is the son of Teresa Scott, of Prestonsburg.

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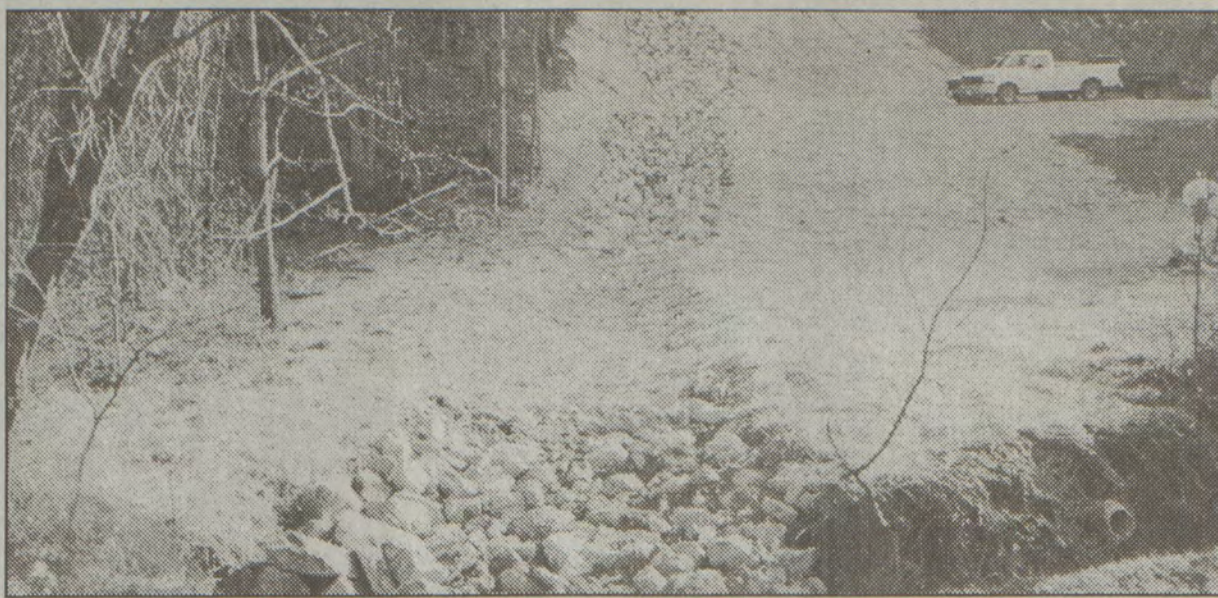
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—Henry Ward Beecher



Landslide repair

The Natural Resources Conservation Service recently repaired a landslide and closed two mine shafts on Stephens Branch. The project was completed through the Rural Abandoned Mine Program (RAMP), which allows work to be done on areas mined before Aug. 1, 1977. At this site, trees, rock and sediment were removed and the slide area shaped and seeded. A rock-lined waterway was installed to transport surface water off the site and reduce erosion. The two mine shafts were closed with subsurface drainage included. Closing the mine shafts eliminated the potential of injury or death at the site, and installing the subsurface drainage lowered the ground water table, thus reducing the potential for landslides, according to Chris Slone of the conservation service.

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Kentucky Arts Council

To inform the public of the importance of the arts to the Kentucky economy, the Kentucky Arts Council has published a user-friendly summary of "Arts and the Kentucky Economy," the economic impact study produced earlier in the year by the University of

Kentucky, Center for Business and Economic Research.

The "Economic Impact Statement" gives a concise picture of the Arts Council and its partnership role with the NEA for the public investment in the arts.

It gives hard numbers to how much Kentuckians value the arts, employment and earnings for those involved in the arts.

It also outlines the importance of arts education in building a better workforce, and the role the performing arts centers play in delivering the arts and producing arts dollars for the benefit to the economy of the state.

The statement clarifies the impact of arts and cultural events to the tourism and retail industries as well.

Copies of this publication are free and available to the public. To request a copy, contact: Kentucky Arts Council, 31 Fountain Place, Frankfort, KY 40601; toll-free 1 (888) 833-ARTS; or e-mail kyarts@arts.smag.state.ky.us.

The complete text to "Arts and the Kentucky Economy," is available on the Arts Council's Web site at www.kyarts.org.

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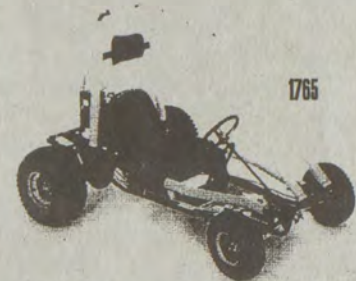
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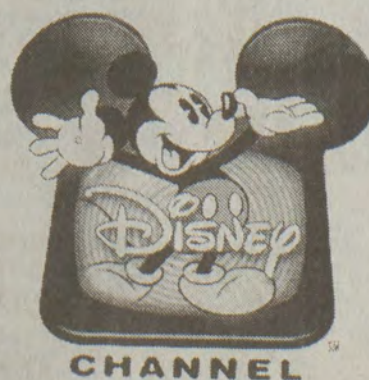
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Calendar items will be printed as space permits

Editor's note: As a service to the many clubs and committees that meet in our community, The Floyd County Times' Community Calendar will post meeting and public service announcements. Articles for the Community Calendar must be submitted in writing to The Times no later than 5 p.m. Monday for Wednesday's publication or 5 p.m. Wednesday for Friday's publication. These cannot be taken over the telephone.

Regular SBDM meeting date

The regular SBDM Council meetings for Duff Elementary has been changed. The meetings will be held on the third Thursdays of each month, from 6 p.m. until 7 p.m., in the school's library.

AMS will perform Christmas play

Christmas at Punkin Holler, by Elizabeth F. Guptill will be performed by Adams Middle School 7th/8th Grade Drama Club at the Adams Middle School Library on December 17, at 5:45 p.m. It is being sponsored by S. Denise Isaac. All parents and public welcome.

Allen Central Middle School to hold council meet

The Allen Central Middle School Youth Service Center is having an Advisory Council meeting Wednesday, December 16, at 5 p.m. in the center. The meeting is open to the public.

Live nativity scene

December 16, 17 and 18, beside Betsy Layne Fire Department. Presented by the Calvary Southern Baptist Church.

"Donorama" Blood Drive is scheduled, December 26-30

"Donorama" Holiday Blood Drive, Saturday, December 26-Wednesday, December 30, at the Prestonsburg Donor Center, 200 North Lake Drive, in the Municipal Building. Hours are Saturday, 10-2, Sunday, 1-5, and Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, 11-7. Free gifts for all donors. Prizes to be given away every day including an autographed Tubby Smith basketball. Call the Center at 886-1557 for more information.

Christmas Story

The Christ Story will be performed by Faith Freewill Baptist

Church on December 20, at 6 p.m. the church is located 1/4 mile south of East KentuckyMack on Rt. 1428.

BLHS council meet

The regular meeting of the Betsy Layne High School SBDM council will be held on Thursday, December 17, at 3:15 p.m. instead of 5 p.m.

Interdenominational meeting

The Lighthouse Temple Church of Wheelwright will host the December meeting of the 11 churches in the South Floyd area which participate in an interdenominational service on the third Friday of each month. The meeting will be held December 18, at 7 p.m.



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MAYO MOMENTS

by Linda Lyon
Marketing Director
Mayo Technical College

It's that time of year again...Christmas, December, end of another year. For many of us the flurry of spending, shopping, charging and paying overshadows the joys of giving. As I fight my way through the holiday crowds, I am sometimes startled by the looks on people's faces. Instead of happiness, joy and wonderment, I see pain, frustration, and stark determination. I suppose getting just the right doll or train or whatever toy is touted to be in short supply and big demand, is an all consuming mission. However, you have to wonder where the spirit of Christmas went and how we managed to misplace something so important in our culture?

As we approach this season of giving, I wanted to bring to your attention the plight of many young people here in eastern Kentucky who have a future, perhaps less bright than your children and grandchildren. These young men and women could benefit from a scholarship or grant for training at a local college. Such a gift could make the difference between a contributing productive member of society and another dependent on the social welfare of our already overburdened system.

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Kathryn Elizabeth Akers

Kathryn Elizabeth Akers, 76, of Stamping Ground, died Sunday, December 13, 1998, at her residence.

She was born on January 24, 1922, at Banner, the daughter of the late James and Bertha Meade Williams.

She is survived by her husband, Francis Akers; one daughter, Judy Gail Knapp of Nicholasville; two sons, Michael Akers of Stamping Ground, Douglas A. Akers of Kansas City, Missouri; one sister, Doris Akers of Dana; three brothers, Forrest Williams of Dana, Billy Williams of Dana, and John S. Williams Jr. of Senca Rocks, West Virginia; seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday, December 16, at 1 p.m., at the Tucker-Yocum & Wilson Funeral Home.

Burial will be made in the Masonic Cemetery at Stamping Ground.

Serving as pallbearers will be her grandchildren and nephews.

Pallbearers listed

Serving as pallbearers for the funeral of Dennis Eric Bentley, were Kevin Bentley, Allen Freeman, Bryon Bentley, Victor Bentley, Norman Bentley and Jackie Bentley.

Omar Mathews

Omar Mathews, 78, of Oak Grove, died Saturday, December 12, 1998, at St. Thomas Hospital, Nashville, Tenn., following an illness.

A native of Orkney, he was born May 8, 1920, the son of Nora Elliott Mathews of Oak Grove, and the late George Mathews.

He was a farmer, a Pearl Harbor survivor, a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Disabled American Veterans.

He was preceded in death by one son, Danny Dean Mathews, who died in 1992.

In addition to his mother, survivors include his wife, Velma Reynolds Mathews; a son, Omar E. Mathews, Jr. of Oak Grove; a sister, Gladys Jones of Hopkinsville; three grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, at 1 p.m., at Hughart and Beard Funeral Home at Hopkinsville, with the Rev. Bencie Rasnake officiating.

Burial was made in Green Hill Memorial Gardens, under the direction of Hughart and Beard Funeral Home.

Darlene Clay Angel

Darlene Clay Angel, 42, of Dandridge, Tennessee, died December 12, 1998, at the Park West Hospital, Knoxville, Tennessee.

She was born September 17, 1956, in Dwale, the daughter of Tom Clay of Wellington, and the late Ernestine Davis Clay. She was a member of the Trinity Assembly of God of Lake Worth, Florida.

In addition to her father and husband, Gary Angel, she is survived by two sons, Robin Angel and Anthony Angel both of Dandridge, Tennessee; one daughter, Falcia Angel of Dandridge, Tennessee; one brother, Donald Clay of Cincinnati, Ohio; four sisters, Linda Angel of Delray Beach, Florida; Shirley Bolton of Melbourne, Florida, Brenda Clay of Cincinnati, Ohio, and Paula Juenger of Wellington.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, December 16, at 1 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel of Martin, with the clergymen Earl Waugh and Arnold Turner, Jr. officiating.

Burial was made in the Davidson Memorial Gardens at Ivel, with the Hall Funeral Home of Martin, caring for those arrangements.

James E. Carter

James E. Carter, 67, of Pikeville, died December 8, 1998, at his residence.

Born in Pike County, July 4, 1931, he was the son of Pearl Carter and the late Estill Lee Carter. He was retired from the Pike County Board of Education, a contractor, and member of the Pikeville United Methodist Church. He was a member of Thomas C. Cecil Lodge No. 375, F&AM.

He is survived by his wife, Dorothy Walters Carter; one son, Jimmy Carter of Pikeville; and a daughter, Libby Carter of Pikeville; two brothers, Sam Carter of Pikeville, Estill L. Carter Jr. of Prestonsburg; four sisters, Sandra Toussaint of Lexington, Kathryn Prater of Pikeville, Dorothy Wells of Prestonsburg and Estellene Adkins of Detroit, Michigan and two grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday, December 10, at the Pikeville United Methodist Church, at 1 p.m., with Jay Stanley, Dr. James C. Stratton and Mark Walz officiating.

Entombment was made in the York Mausoleum-Johnson Memorial Park, Pikeville, under direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

Jay Conley Jr.

Jay Conley, Jr., 70, of Mousie, died December 6, 1998, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital at Martin.

He was born in Knott County, on December 16, 1927, the son of Jay Conley and Dovie Gayheart Conley.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Lee Conley; two sons, Johnny Conley of Culver, Indiana and Jerry Conley of North Judson, Indiana; one stepson, David Duncan of Mousie; two brothers, Raymond Conley of Mousie, and Bordie Conley of Lackey; one sister, Gladys Sandin; six grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, December 9, at 11 a.m., at the Ball Branch Regular Baptist Church at Mousie, with Coy Combs, Kelly Slone and Roger Hicks officiating.

Burial was made in the Jay Conley Cemetery at Mousie, under the direction of Hindman Funeral Services.

Grace Shepherd

Grace Handshoe Shepherd, 73, of Hope, formerly of Magoffin County, died December 13, 1998, at St. Claire Medical Center in Morehead.

Born April 8, 1925, in Magoffin County, the daughter of late Alex Handshoe and Dora Howard. She was a member of the Brushy Fork Missionary Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Ellis Shepherd and one brother, Fred Handshoe of Leburn; three sisters, Sallie Ousley of Lima, Ohio; Becky Sawyer of Lucasville, Indiana and Frankie Prater of Gunlock.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, December 16, at 1 p.m., with Ollie Watts officiating, under the direction of Dunn-Kelley/Prater & Dunn Funeral Home.

Burial was made in the Shepherd Family Cemetery on Brushy Fork.

Noma Jean Ousley

Noma Jean Ousley, 66, of Gunlock, died Thursday, December 10, at Central Baptist Hospital in Lexington, following a brief illness.

Born on April 5, 1932 in Magoffin County, she was the daughter of the late Sam and Sally Shepherd Howard. She was a homemaker.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Adis Ousley.

Survivors include one brother, Ivory Howard of Gunlock; two sisters, Martha Handshoe of Gunlock and Ida Wireman of Gunlock.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday, December 13, at 1 p.m. at the Living Word Pentecostal Church at Gunlock, with Tim Bailey, Kevin Hughes and Charlene Osborne officiating.

Burial was in the Howard Cemetery at Gunlock, under the direction of the Nelson-Funeral Home.

Dorothy Goble Crum

Dorothy Goble Crum, 78, of Ashland, died Thursday, December 10, 1998, at her residence.

She was born January 9, 1920 in Auxier, the daughter of the late Dave W. and Nancy M. Porter Collins. She was a member of the Wayside Baptist Church. She was a retired seamstress having worked for Topping Christian in Ashland and for King's Daughters Medical Center.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Charles Crum.

Survivors include two daughters, Doris Jean Collins of Howell, New Jersey and Ondalee Kelly of Ashland; one son, Bobby Gene Goble of Flatwoods; one brother, Lee Alvis Collins of Ashland; 14 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday, December 13, at 2 p.m., with Rev. McKinley Dean and Rev. Charles Jayne officiating.

Burial was made in the Kirby Flats Cemetery in Ashland under the direction of Evans Funeral Home.

Card of Thanks

The family of Lou Reynolds Vance wishes to thank all those friends, neighbors, and family who helped them in any way upon the passing of their loved one. Thanks to those who sent food, flowers, prayers and words of comfort expressed. A special thanks to the Samaria Regular Baptist Church, the Regular Baptist Ministers for their comforting words, and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

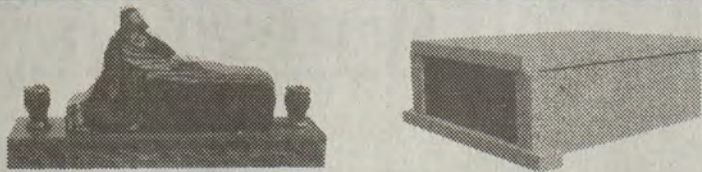
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The family of Orga Newsome would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their help in the loss of our loved one: those who sent food and flowers, prepared the grave or just spoke comforting words. We deeply appreciate you. A special thanks to Dr. Vicher and Staff, the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital Nursing Staff, Little Nancy Regular Baptist Church, the Regular Baptist Ministers for their comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control, to Hall Funeral Home and Staff for their kind and professional service and to Tommy and John Hall, Jr., for being such good friends to our mother and our family.

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Jenny Wiley Theatre is inviting area children to a special holiday celebration, called "Christmas with Santa."

Santa visited the theater this past Sunday and will be back this

Saturday and Sunday from 1 to 4 p.m. to hear wish lists and have photographs taken on stage with the children.

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On Sunday, Santa will select from all visitor entries one lucky winner of \$100 in Christmas cash, sponsored by Hall and Clark Insurance Agency.

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For information about "Christmas with Santa," call 606/886-9274.



House Majority Floor Leader and Container Deposit Task Force Chairman Greg Stumbo, D-Prestonsburg, studies environmental news during the December 2 meeting of the task force. The committee heard testimony concerning container-deposit legislation from Joe Despain of the Greenburg Bottling Company, a small Kentucky soft drink bottler, and Massachusetts's Northeast Hot Fill bottling cooperative President and General Manager John Webster. The committee also received copies of a California Beverage Recycling Survey to use in its research. (Photo by LRC)

Schools to receive latest version of interactive encyclopedia

Through a donation from the Microsoft Corporation, Forward in the Fifth is distributing nearly 400 copies of Microsoft's Encarta Reference Suite '99 to schools in southern and eastern Kentucky. The suite combines the Encarta Encyclopedia '99 Deluxe Edition, Encarta Virtual Globe '99 and Microsoft Bookshelf '99.

"Our schools have made great strides in implementing technology that can greatly enhance student learning. With this kind of resource, we can help them stay up-to-date on the latest materials available," said Ginny Eager, executive director of Forward in the Fifth.

Forward in the Fifth is working with its local affiliates, county-wide groups that organize to improve education in the counties of southern and eastern Kentucky, to distribute the encyclopedias to the schools. These affiliates also under-

take activities such as leadership programs, attendance incentive rewards, scholarships and academic recognition projects.

Microsoft has distributed 10,000 copies to the nation's public schools through the Public Education Network (PEN), of which Forward in the Fifth is a member. The Public Education Network is a national school reform association dedicated to improving student achievement for all children, especially those who attend the nation's most needy public schools.

Forward in the Fifth is a private nonprofit local education fund that serves 55 public schools systems in 39 eastern and southern Kentucky counties. It works to bring communities and schools together to ensure all children have the educational opportunities necessary to live full and productive lives.

New book tells the story of a country doctor of the year

Over the past 50 years, Dr. Claire Louise Caudill and nurse Susie Halbleib have traveled an isolated mountain region in eastern Kentucky by means of truck, sled, boat, and even on foot. Together they have assisted in the births of over 8,000 babies and worked to improve the health of innumerable women.

Now, through interviews and a one-woman play "Susie n' Me," author Shirley Gish chronicles the lives of two remarkable women in the new book Country Doctor: The Story of Dr. Claire Louise Caudill.

For her work in bringing health and prenatal care to the Morehead region, Dr. Caudill was named the Country Doctor of the Year in 1995. But long before that national award, Caudill and Halbleib were celebrated figures in their city, and the girls named Louise and Susie in honor of the doctor and nurse team are almost too numerous to count.

In 1957, Caudill and Halbleib established their own office in Morehead, but they soon realized that what the town really needed

was a hospital. The Catholic Church was investigating how they could participate, and Caudill remembers that all it took was one look at her office to convince church officials to start building.

The day Monsignor Towell came to visit, Caudill says, "we had two sets of twins and a singleton that night, and we had just had another one and someone in the labor room. So there were five babies all lined up. And [Towell] came in and went kind of pale. He thought surely we must need a hospital."

As a result, the St. Claire Medical Center was a reality by the early 1960s.

Doctor and nurse have had their share of unusual experiences. One young man remembers the story of how his father had to use a blow torch on the back door of Caudill's house during a blizzard so that she could attend his birth.

Halbleib tells of a woman in active labor who arrived at Caudill's mother's home at two in the morning. She was put into Caudill's mother's bed and deliv-

ered, but it took three days to convince the woman that she was ready to get up and move around.

Patients especially appreciated Caudill's approaches to medicine. As friend and patient, nurse Ellie Reser says that Caudill "is able to look at a patient as a total person. She has always practiced holistic medicine, before it was even known. She started a birthing center before people even talked about it. She was ahead of her time in many, many things. When I think of Louise Caudill, I think of a healer in the very best sense of the term."

Caudill and Halbleib still practice in Morehead today. Though Caudill no longer delivers babies, her other patients will not let her retire.

The book is set for publication in January by the University Press of Kentucky.

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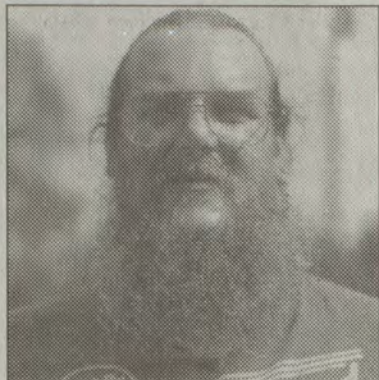
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The family of Lois S. Powers would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their help in the loss of our loved one: those who sent food and flowers, or just spoke comforting words. We deeply appreciate you all. A special thanks to the Joppa Regular Baptist Church, the Clergymen Ellis Holbrook and Monroe Jones for their comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

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Deskins speaks up for agriculture

Herbie Deskins of Pikeville, spoke out strongly before a recent Legislative Research Commission meeting supporting the agriculture industry in the Commonwealth.

Deskins, chairman of the House Committee on Natural Resources and the Environment, and his committee just completed a study of the state colleges' and universities' agricultural curricula.

Deskins, who is retiring after this term in the House of Representatives, told legislative leaders more attention should be given these academic programs as agriculture is still a major part of Kentucky's economy.

The committee, Deskins explained, did an in-depth study of the collegiate program and was impressed with the enthusiasm and diversity of the many agricultural opportunities.

"But, for example," Deskins said, "none of the regional universities offers doctoral degrees in agricul-

ture." "It would certainly enable more students to participate at that level if students weren't handicapped by distance and enrollment quotas," he added.

"And, I sincerely believe that to continue to stay on top of the agriculture industry, Kentucky must upgrade its programs to meet the needs of this nation and the world in the 21st century. We can no longer perceive Kentucky's agriculture system as the down home farm but a system that will participate in feeding the world," Deskins said.

Deskins said the report was extremely complimentary of the universities for obtaining the most with their limited resources. He pointed out the innovative projects in which many of the institutions are involved, citing the aquaculture venture at Kentucky State University in Frankfort, the extraordinary animal research center at the University of

Kentucky in Woodford County, sheep development at Eastern Kentucky University in Richmond, the unique veterinary technology program at Morehead State University in Morehead and the exemplary equine programs at Western Kentucky University in Bowling Green and Murray State University in Murray.

"Agriculture is the backbone of Kentucky's society," Deskins pointed out. "And, we cannot allow these phenomenal programs to lie fallow. We must move forward anticipating

the needs of the 21st century."

The natural resources committee visited most of the university programs to observe firsthand the effectiveness and enthusiasm of the students.

Deskins has chaired the committee since 1980.

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Retiring state House of Representative Herbie Deskins told members of the state legislature that they need to support agricultural education programs because agriculture plays a strong role in Kentucky's economy. (submitted photo)

New government internet service affects millions of men

At 10:30 a.m. on December 2, a "switch" was thrown, giving millions of young men an easier way to fulfill a civic and legal responsibility. As of that moment, 18 to 25-year-old male U.S. citizens everywhere (as well as male non-citizens residing in the U.S.) were able to register with the Selective Service System using the Internet.

"This is real, interactive, on-line registration," notes Gil Coronado, director of Selective Service, who activated the new, on-line service.

"For nearly two decades men have gone to post offices, completed and mailed a registration form, and waited 60 to 90 days to receive an acknowledgment card from us. A man can still register by mail, but now there is a better way," he said. "If he has a valid Social Security number, he simply connects to the Selective Service Web Site at <http://www.sss.gov>, which links him to the Agency's computers. He clicks on the "Submit" button which appears on the screen, and instantly receives his Selective Service number. "Additionally, he receives a formal acknowledgment postcard in the mail within two weeks.

The agency hopes that registration via the Internet becomes the primary way of registering. The system will accept on-line registrations starting 8 a.m. weekdays.

Coronado activated the new system during a visit to a Washington, D.C., area high school for a special kick-off event. Using personal computers at the school's computer lab, several young men turning 18 years old "raced" to become the very first man to register on-line with Selective Service.

The winner was Conor McCullough, who received confirmation of his on-line registration within 1 minute 45 seconds after

entering the web-site.

Federal law requires virtually all men to register with Selective Service within 30 days of turning 18. About 1.8 million men are required to register each year. Although late registrations are accepted, a man cannot register after reaching age 26. Failure to register is a felony.

Registration is linked to many federal and state benefits. For example, a man must be registered to be eligible for federal student loans and Pell grants, job training programs under the Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA), and federal jobs in the Executive Branch of the government, including jobs with the U.S. Postal Service.

Male immigrants who fail to register as required, cannot obtain citizenship. Half of the states have supporting legislation which precludes men who are required to register, but who have not done so, from receiving many state benefits, like state tuition assistance, eligibility for state jobs, and (in some cases) enrolling in state post-secondary institutions.

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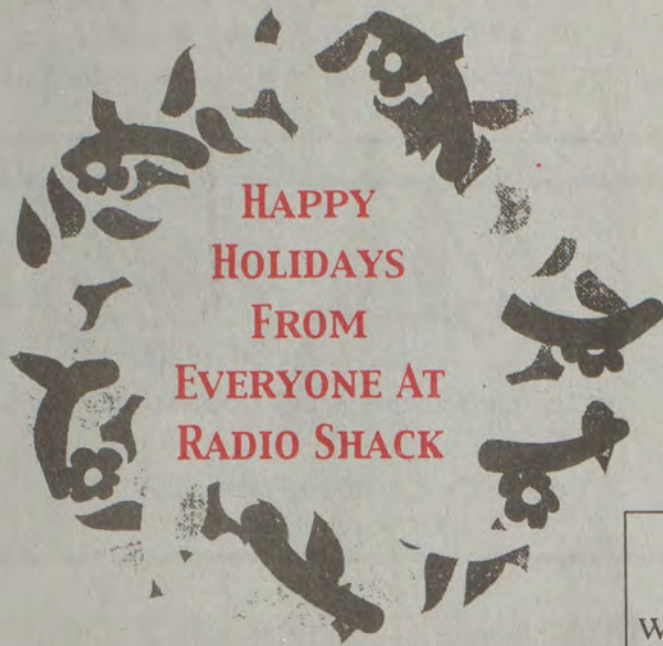




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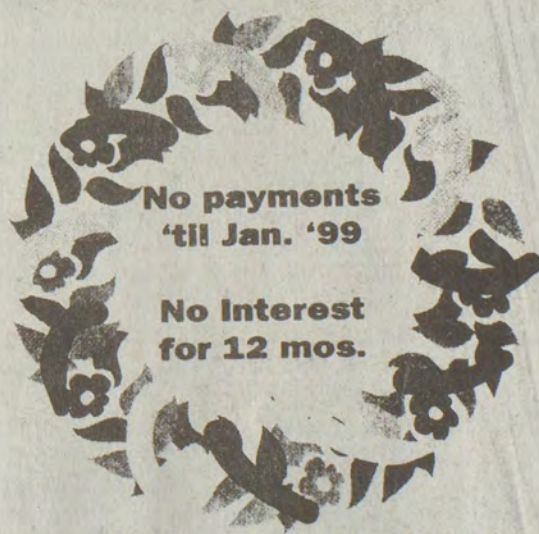
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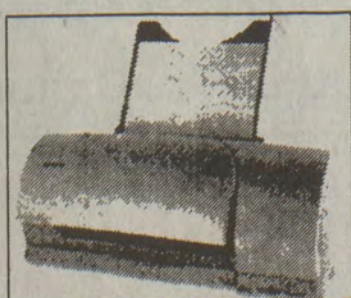
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Rebels survive second half drought

Rebels gets two second half field goals in 55-49 scare



Allen Central's Rodney Scott made his way up the court to score. Scott had 12 points in the game. (photo by Ed Taylor)

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

You could have put both the Atlantic and Pacific oceans together and still the Allen Central Rebels would have had trouble getting the ball to go in this past Friday night.

At least that must be what Allen Central coach Johnny Martin thought after his Rebels struggled big time offensively in the second half against host South Floyd in a big and early conference game for both teams.

The Allen Central coach was not a happy camper during and after the game, which saw his Rebels open hot and then can only two field goals in the second half to pull out a heart stopper, 55-49 win over the Raiders.

The Rebels went the entire third quarter with only three points, all from the charity stripe.

Their lone field goals in the second half came in the final period, and both were big ones as South Floyd failed to take advantage of the cold shooting of the Rebels in the final two quarters.

Josh Howell hit a six-foot jumper with 5:22 to play in the game that gave Allen Central a 45-40 lead. With 1:59 to play, Larry Mullins hit a baseline eight-footer that put the Rebels in front 50-47 after South Floyd pulled to within one, 48-47 with 2:29 to play.

The strange part of this game for the Rebels was they dominated the first half with their stingy defense and excellent shooting from the outside. It was as

though they left their touch in the locker room at half-time.

Allen Central had built a 20-point lead, 32-12, on Rodney Scott's basket with 3:34 to play in the first half. Nathan Tackett had just buried two consecutive three-pointers that seemed to have buried the Raiders, as well. A confident Allen Central team went to the locker room with a solid 38-23 lead only to return to the floor searching for any way to score and pull out the win.

It was from the free throw line that Allen Central managed to stay in the game and avoid a blowout.

South Floyd, stunned at what happened to them in the first half, was even more shocked at what they saw of Allen Central in the third quarter.

Jesse Hall opened the Allen Central third quarter by hitting the front end of a two-shot foul that gave the Rebs a 39-25 lead.

South Floyd could not take care of the ball against the Rebel press and they failed to get a shot off with four consecutive turnovers. However, Allen Central could not take advantage of the miscues as they could not find the basket.

Allen Central went just over five minutes without a score and played the entire eight minutes of the third without a field goal. South Floyd, realizing they had a chance, started to chip away at

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Justin Paige, South Floyd Raider, leaped for the basket and the points Friday night. Paige had 15 points for the game, but Allen Central pulled out the victory, winning in a heart-stopper, 55-49. (photo by Ed Taylor)

A LOOK AT SPORTS

From my vacation seat



Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

As I sit at home and behind my computer, I was just thinking about the basketball game last Friday night between Allen Central and South Floyd.

What a game it was. Not that each

team played so well, they really didn't. The game was close and the fans were into it, but neither team played like they are capable of playing.

Can you imagine a Johnny Martin Allen Central team playing an entire half with only two field goals; or, an entire quarter with zero field goals? That is something you would expect in grade school or at the junior pro level, but not in high school.

The game before (Tuesday at Pike Central) Allen Central put 91 points on the scoreboard. Against the Raiders, they scored 55.

They couldn't have shot more than six percent in the second half. It wasn't that

South Floyd kept them from getting their shots. They were getting good looks at the basket. They were getting uncontested jumpers. The shots would not fall. I was sitting at the media table, behind the Allen Central bench, and I don't think I ever saw the look of bewilderment on the face of coach Johnny Martin. He was helpless.

Allen Central played without leading scorer Gary Hunter, who is out with a back injury. But I don't know if Gary could have helped his team.

Hunter is probably going to miss the next two Allen Central games (Fleming-Neon and Cawood) before returning to face Betsy Layne before the Christmas break.

The Prestonsburg Blackcats went to Magoffin County and won over the Hornets, who beat Paintsville in a previous game. The win over the Tigers by the Hornets has all 15th Region coaches thinking that their teams have a shot this year. While everyone was playing for second place the past four seasons (four Paintsville regional titles), now they feel they have a shot at the top spot.

It was the first district win for Magoffin County

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Eagles defeat Bobcats

by Jason Blanton
Contributing Writer

Betsy Layne coach Tim Rice has seen almost enough of the Johnson Central gym.

Rice's squad has played in the Clarence Rice Tip-Off Classic - losing to Harrison County - the first week of the season and visited the Golden Eagle Fieldhouse last Friday night.

The coach hopes to see the Golden Eagles Fieldhouse only one more time, come March during the 15th Regional Tournament.

The undefeated Golden Eagles (4-0) jumped out to an early advantage and defeated Betsy Layne, 84-66, Friday night.

"We just missed too many three and four foot shots," said Rice. "We had a lot of second chances, but the short shots just didn't fall."

Johnson Central junior Mitchell Coleman opened the game red hot. The 6-foot-1 forward scored 13 of his team's 22 first quarter points.

"Mitchell had just a super game," Johnson Central coach

(See Eagles, page two)

Combs, Prater lead Lady Rebs past South Floyd

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

The last time coach Anthony Moore brought his Allen Central Lady Rebels to Raider Arena on the campus of South Floyd High School, prior to last Friday night's meeting, was last March and the occasion was the championship game of the girls' 15th Region basketball tournament against Pike County Central. The Lady Rebels fell to the Lady Hawks.

"I did remember that when we arrived here tonight," said Coach Moore.

"As we were walking up the stairs, I looked back at the floor and thought what could have been."

But that wouldn't be the case Friday night with Allen Central posting a 67-42 win over the host Lady Raiders in conference basketball play.

Allen Central had to play without leading scorer, Jennifer Hopkins, but two young players stepped to the forefront and led Allen Central to their first district win this year. Freshman Beth Combs and sophomore Barb Prater combined for 39

points in the victory. Combs finished with 20 points to lead all scorers, Prater added 19.

Allen Central had to overcome a late charge by the Lady Raiders, who did not place a player in double figures, but got a good balanced attack from seven players. Coach Ronnie Patton had his team ready to face the Lady Rebels.

Brooke Hamilton and Misty Berger led South Floyd with nine points each.

Martha Crawford netted six points.

South Floyd turned the ball over 32 times against the Allen Central stingy defense. But the Lady Raiders stayed close, fell behind, made a comeback, only to lose by 25 points.

Combs, the point guard, dominated the game with her quickness, inside game and outside shooting. She buried two three-pointers and had several steals and six assists (unofficially).

Prater drilled three treys in the game and was the needed help for Combs. Prater played a strong defensive game off the bench and had seven rebounds.

Allen Central had to hold off the young Lady Raider team as they held a slim 16-15 lead after the first quarter. The game was tied three times and the lead changed hands four times. Shawna Hall gave South Floyd the first lead at 2-0 on two free throws as the two teams battled in the opening period.

The Lady Raiders' biggest lead was 13-10 on a three-point basket by Crawford, the first of two. The lead came at the 1:49 mark but Allen Central went on a 6-0 spurt that netted them a 16-13 lead with some help from four consecutive South Floyd turnovers. Berger scored on a layup just before the first quarter ended.

Allen Central scored the first four points of the second quarter on their way to a 20-15 lead. Shanna Howell hit one of two free throws and Prater buried a three-pointer.

In the next two minutes of the period, Allen Central built a 30-15 lead with help from seven straight South Floyd turnovers. Prater and Combs had three-point baskets in the 10-0 run. South Floyd got to within seven, 33-26, before a basket by Combs, and Susan Scarberry's turnaround jumper ahead of the horn gave the Lady Rebels a 37-26 lead at the half.

Berger scored the first five points to begin the third quarter that narrowed the margin to six points, 37-31. Berger hit a three-point basket and a short jumper to get her team back in the game. Combs and Natalie Cooley took charge and moved the game back to 10 points before a rebound basket by Lindsey Hall. Combs drained a trey and a 16-footer to open up a 46-33 margin for Allen Central. The Lady Rebs led 47-38 after three quar-

ters, as South Floyd cut the margin to nine points, 47-38, on a trey by Crawford and Hamilton's steal.

South Floyd could not take advantage of three straight Allen Central turnovers at the onset of the fourth quarter but did manage to get the lead to seven points, on two Hamilton free throws. But the seven points would be as close as South Floyd would get as Combs, Prater and Cooley built a 56-41 lead. Prater's trey and layup gave Allen Central the 15-point advantage. Angie Greene completed the Allen Central scoring with a long three-point basket.

Green finished with five points in the game as did Cooley. Scarberry had six and Jessica Martin netted eight points. Shanna Howell finished with one while Kari Osborne tossed in two points.

Hall totaled seven for South Floyd. Olivia Stewart scored four points, one three-point basket, and Monica Newsome had two points.



No 24, Olivia Stewart, watched as a teammate scored for the South Floyd Lady Raiders in action against Allen Central Friday night. (photo by Ed Taylor)



In girls' basketball action Friday night, the Lady Rebels and the Lady Raiders scrambled for the basketball. Allen Central won the game 67-42. (photo by Ed Taylor)

Rebels

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the 15-point deficit and cut the margin to five points after three quarters.

Seniors Ryan Shannon and Justin Paige awoke from their first half sleep and took charge scoring nine points between them in a 9-2 spurt that cut the lead to five points. Coach Martin searched frantically for an answer to the dilemma.

It was all P.J. Hall in the fourth quarter for South Floyd. The 6'5" center was a terror on both ends of the floor as he was blocking shots and getting offensive rebounds over a shorter and tired-looking Allen Central team. Hall had seven points in the game and they all came in the final period as South Floyd saw a chance to climb back in.

The last field goal for Allen Central before the fourth period, came on a jumper by Josh Howell

with just over three minutes to play in the second quarter.

Howell hit the next one, this time in the fourth quarter, with 5:22 to play. Allen Central went over 14 minutes before they scored a field goal in the final period.

Hall hit a layup with 5:38 to play to pull the Raiders to within three as the Raider faithful applauded their approval. With 4:55 to play, Hall hit a free throw and had a rebound basket with 3:22 remaining for a 45-43 game. With 1:40 to play, Hall connected on two free throws to make it a 50-49 game.

Allen Central's last field goal was Mullins' jumper with under

two minutes to play. But, down the stretch, the Rebels hit five of six free throws to seal the 55-49 win over South Floyd.

After Tackett had made two free throws that gave Allen Central a 52-49 lead with 19 seconds to play, the Raiders had the ball and a chance to tie. However, South Floyd threw the ball out of bounds on an inbounds play for their 17th turnover. A Hall free throw and two by Scott gave the Rebels the

win. Allen Central led 16-7 after the first quarter as they smothered South Floyd with their defense. Tackett and Nick Samons hit back-to-back treys that gave the Rebs a 8-1 lead.

In the second quarter, Tackett, a sophomore, hit three, three-point baskets in scoring all 12 of his points. It was the Raiders who felt the field-goal drought in the second stanza, with only three. South Floyd attempted 13 free throws in the quarter, connecting on 11.

Howell led the Rebels scoring with 13 points. Tackett finished with 12 and Scott had 11. Samons netted nine points with Jesse Hall scoring four. Brian Jones, who fouled out, Mullins and Jeremy Hayes had two points apiece.

Ryan Shannon and Kyle Tackett led South Floyd with 10 points apiece.

Hall had seven with Jimmy Stumbo and John Meade tossing in four each.

Shawn Tyson had three points. Byron Hall finished with two.

Allen Central improved to 4-0 overall and 2-0 in conference play. South Floyd dropped to 2-2 overall and 0-1 in conference action.

Sports

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over Paintsville the last four years. Coach Danny Adams' team has always been a thorn in the side of the Tigers, it didn't matter if they had Vanhoose and Tackett.

It will be a wide open region this year and the team that is playing the best basketball come March, will be the likely favorite.

Don't get down on the Prestonsburg Blackcats. Coach Jack Pack's team will be in the hunt for the title come March.

I like the (William) Bilerich kid from Pike County Central. He is a good one for a 6'2" center.

What a great game P.J. Hall played for South Floyd last Friday night!

Hall is still looking for his basketball legs after completing the football season. Wow! I counted him with seven block shots and 12 rebounds.

Beth Combs. She is just a freshman and, if she keeps her head on straight, could be one of the best girls basketball players to come out of the 58th District (and

there have been a lot of good ones) as well as the 15th Region. Already, she can do a lot of things with the basketball — drive the lanes, hit the threes, the short jumpers (which seems to be a lost art). But one area of the game Beth does not get credit for is her assists. She can get the ball to the open person. She is going to be a good one, folks!

Catch the 15th Region Sports Forum tonight over Channel 5, Tele-Com. It airs at 8:30 p.m. Give me a call and we will talk about basketball or whatever sport you want to discuss.

Here is a worthy note! The CWA Wrestlers (our local gang) are putting forth an effort to gather toys for needy children around the area for Christmas and will put on a benefit show at the National Guard Armory Thursday night (tomorrow). Get out and help out with the price of a toy. You will be glad you did.

Until (when I get back) good sports everyone and be good sports.



Eagles

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Johnny Ray Turner said. "That's something about this team, you can't just can't stop one (of the players) because someone else will step up."

The Golden Eagles hit three 3-point buckets in the opening quarter.

With seven seconds remaining in the first period, Brett Butcher canned a trey to put Johnson Central ahead 22-13.

Coleman started the second period with back-to-back 3-pointers for the Golden Eagles. His second basket pushed the advantage to 28-19 with 5:49 left in the first half.

Betsy Layne got two straight hoops by Scott Collins and was within 28-19 around the five-minute mark.

Johnson Central, however, went on an 11-2 run led by Rick O'Bryan, who scored six during the span.

Jason Shepherd's 3-point-play with 1:34 ended the run and the Golden Eagles were up 39-21 and led 42-26 at the break.

Whatever coach Rice told his players at the half must have worked as the Bobcats opened the second half on a 10-4 run.

Four different players - Adam Tackett, Anthony Tackett, Collins and Michael Gross - scored in the run.

Gross hit a pair of free throws with 5:12 left in the third period that brought Betsy Layne to within 46-36.

Ahead 48-38, Johnson Central scored six straight and Tommy McKenzie's jumper pushed Turner's club in front 54-38 with four minutes to play in the third quarter.

Betsy Layne couldn't get any closer than 14 for the remainder of the quarter and trailed 67-50 head-

ing into the final period.

In the fourth period, Johnson Central its biggest lead of 84-61 with 2:00 left, but the Bobcats scored the final five points of the game - four by Adam Collins - to make the final margin, 84-66.

"We played a little better in the second half," Rice added. "Coleman had around 20 at half and we held him to only one basket in the second half."

Coleman led all scorers with 26 points. McKenzie finished with 18 while O'Bryan added 14 and Shepherd had 12 for Johnson Central.

"We need to work on our rebounding," said Turner. "Tonight it showed, because they have a big physical team."

"Overall, I think our defense will be the key for us. Offensively, we have several players who can score," he added.

For Betsy Layne, which fell to 1-4, Collins finished with 23 points while Adam Tackett added 14.

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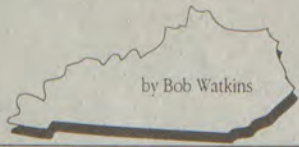
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Kentucky-Indiana. A kick at the scorer's table (you know who). UConn, Maryland and Stanford. College kids, college crowds, college campus. Not perfect, but oh so beautiful (Kentucky-Maryland).

How can it be improved? Keep the NBA Luckout in place. Get rid of Vitale. Keep Bob Knight to kick around. And hey, find money to get (unbeaten and NAIA top-ranked) Georgetown on television.

KENTUCKY-MARYLAND

Passing ... passing. Lovely game to watch, Kentucky and Maryland. Thirty-four assists, 20 by the winners.

Michael Wilpon, columnist for the Washington Post had some views on the game: "They (Terps) let a decent but hardly intimidating player named Jamaal Magloire block six of their shots, to successfully back up his assertion that Maryland ain't no Kentucky. Even worse, the Terrapins let a nice but hardly great player named Heshimu Evans walk all over them.

"A real contender will take a loss like this to heart," Wilpon wrote. "Kentucky has a mental toughness and, yes, arrogance that comes from having been to the Final Four three straight years.

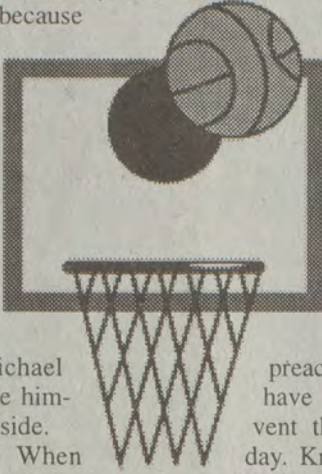
"By the way, all that stuff about Kentucky being a paper champ, not up to really defending its crown, is junk."

Views from here...

• UK's loss to Pitt in Puerto Rico was perfect except for Ralph Willard's team. The Panthers have lost three of four since beating Kentucky while UK has marched over five high caliber foes and risen to No. 4 in the polls.

• Scott Padgett finally has 'his stroke' back because the senior has been patient and because: Heshimu Evans emerged as a scorer, Wayne Turner is stretching defenses, Tashaun Prince is being patient, and Michael Bradley has made himself a presence inside.

• Say what? When UK built a 17-point lead against Maryland midway through Saturday's game, UK radio voice Ralph Hacker said, "We have a long way to go, folks, before they circle the cows tonight."



BOB KNIGHT

It was written last week, "(the coach) is stubborn, domineering and nasty..."

Words about Bob Knight, right? Wrong. New York Jets coach Bill Parcells. One more authority figure we love to hate.

Certainly it would have saved the lives of countless trees the last 20-plus years, but I'm rather pleased Indiana's Bob Knight has been here to kick around for 1,000 games. Americans we see most frequently on Biography are those who swaggered, talked in technicolor and had the audacity of Jessie Ventura. Let us confess, we admire a loud-mouth commandant-type if he backs it up.

Knight draws the ire of column writers because he is rude, defiant, a smart-aleck and unrepentant. But there are more reasons why

Knight's presence works.

✓ He craves attention, gets it and he sells newspapers.

✓ Some of us must have another's neck to stand on to make ourselves taller and demonstrate how seamlessly perfect our own character is. Knight is 6-feet-5.

✓ The IU-game script is classic good cop-bad cop. Knight's flaws make fill-in-the-blanks writing for hometown columnists to endear themselves to eager locals. A blind eye is cast on the fellow who coaches down the street. Of course he will get his too after he has been sent packing (see Bill Curry).

✓ The pompous and preachy scribes among us must have a bad boy over which to vent the spleen on a headachy day. Knight is prime meat. Billy Tubbs, you're next.

Yet, from the landscape of athletics, a sampling of those who have merited judgement from thin-blooded high priests of sports sections is mind-boggling: Bear Bryant, Vince Lombardi, Muhammad Ali, Adolph Rupp, Denny Crum, Mike Ditka and the list goes on. Each is in a Hall of Fame, including Knight.

Finally, on wintry days after Knight is gone to guest at what will surely be a marathon roast ... on days after IU's cantankerous old poop is lauded for achievement, lionized by gray-haired men and is sculpted into bronze at Bloomington campus, who will replace him? Who?

Maybe then metro sportswriters will have cleansed the land of the likes of Bob Knight. Then more trees will be let alone and pious writers will tell you, college basketball is a safer, better place.

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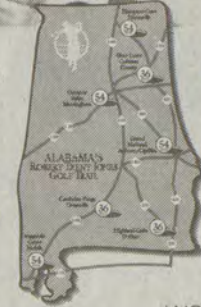
UK coach Hal Mumme grum-

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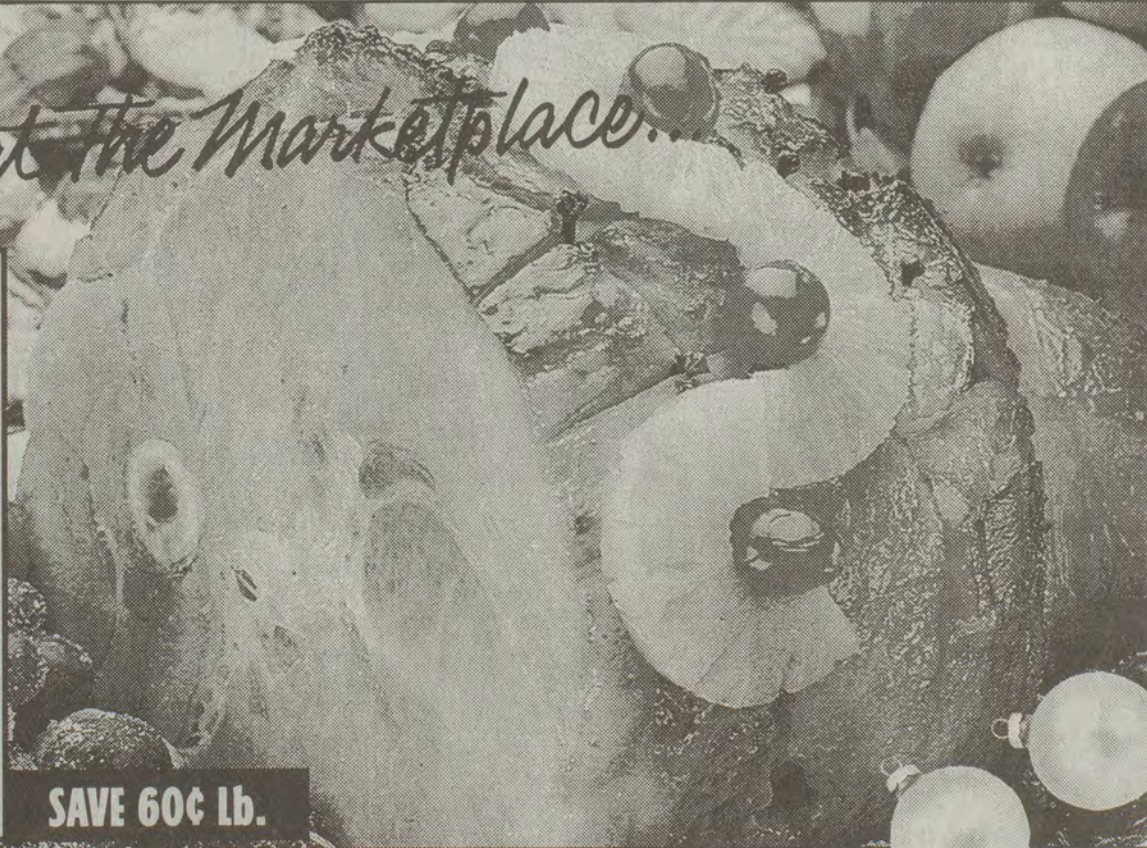
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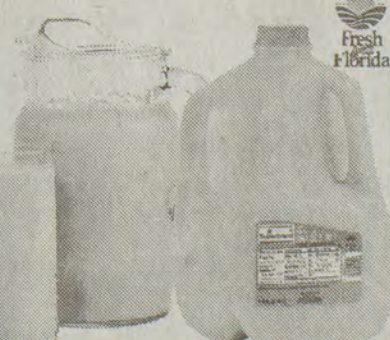


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Kentucky

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bled last week because the NFL declined Tim Couch's request for an extension on deciding (before Jan. 8) to turn professional. Couch's camp wants to know who Cleveland's coach is going to be before announcing he's leaving UK and Mumme thinks it's "pretty sad to put a kid in that position."

What a laugh. Mumme is merely trying to keep his quarterback, of course, and that's fine. Certainly we

all love Tim Couch and admire how he has handled success and celebrity, but let's get real. Only one person has put Couch "in that position."

Besides, by what stretch of the imagination leads one to believe a Fortune 500-level industry like the NFL would stop its grand machinery and consider making an exception for one underclassman football player from the University of

Kentucky who wants to know who Cleveland's coach is going to be?

WORTH REPEATING

• "IU Coach Bobby Knight is the 'Bill Clinton of college basketball. How much can this imbecile get away with?" Mike Bow, Sugarland Tex.

• "Here in Central Kentucky we're kind of wondering about the (NBA players) benefit game to help the poorly paid professional players who are suffering so miserably. The ones making \$300,000 per year. Would anyone attend? If no one attends will they hire winos off the street to populate the stands?" Greg Smith, Lawrenceburg.

• 51,037 Dollars per inning Texas Arizona's Randy Johnson will make if he matches his single-season high of 255 innings through 2002. (Sports Illustrated)

BITS 'N PEOPLE

✓ If I had one and today was deadline for casting Mr. Basketball votes, mine would say Rick Jones, Scott County.

✓ Class action. Danville coach Sam Harpe hastened to take blame for fumbled fake punt that fired Caldwell County to 38-28 victory in Class 2-A football title game.

✓ As good as the movie is, too bad Hoosiers made it to film before the legends of Carr Creek and Cuba.

✓ Definite sign of progress: UK offers scholarship to a place kicker. He is Dustin Wynn of Middlesboro who nailed 23 field goals during four seasons with the Yellow Jackets. One less than the state record.

✓ Saddest spectacle? Once proud Western Kentucky Hilltoppers losing six of first eight.

✓ Kentucky-Indiana, Kentucky-Maryland. Did you choose Dick Vitale, Ralph Hacker or mute?

son's delectables...

• The BCS. College football's wobbly and barely conclusive formula for crowning a national champion ended up with the best of both worlds. Controversy, criticism, accusations of lunacy and, in the end, a Fiesta Bowl with Tennessee and Florida State. And, the BCS refueled controversy by shafting Kansas State.

• Ft. Thomas Highlands 1998 might be Kentucky's finest high school football team of all time. Up for discussion however — 3-A kingpin Highlands and 4-A champion Louisville Male met in their season opener and the Bluebirds won 41-31. Having won their class championships fuels winter football conversation about which was the best team at season's end.

• After Male crunched Lexington Tates Creek 31-7 for the 4-A title, Bulldogs' coach Bob Redman said his team won because it played a superior schedule. Intended or not, it is this attitude which smacks of arrogance and is a major reason why Jefferson County athletic teams are often cast as villains.

PARTING SHOT

David Van Horn, attorney for Helen and Jim Haney in the Jason Watts case, told reporters after a meeting with the Pulaski County grand jury: "... football players are like the Baptists. You know they're out drinking and dancing, you just can't catch them at it."

And so it goes. If you have a point of view you would like to share, write to Sports In Ky, P.O. Box 124, Glendale, Ky, 42740, or e-mail Sptsinky@aol.com

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In pool two, Morgan County and Pike County Central will battle it out on the hardwood at 5 p.m. Johnson Central High School and Russell will compete in a 6:30 p.m. tipoff.

On Tuesday, Rowan County and Paintsville will battle it out at 2 p.m.; Knott County will take on Prestonsburg in pool one. In pool two, Pike County Central and Johnson Central High School will take the floor at 5 p.m.; and the Russell-Morgan County game tips off at 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, December 30, the action gets underway at the Johnson County Middle School for pool one when the rivalry between Paintsville and Prestonsburg erupts into a 10 a.m. competition. Pike County and Knott County's clash will get underway at 11:30 a.m.

Basketball action in pool two continues at Johnson Central High School. Johnson Central High and Morgan County will vie for a chance at the championship in a 10 a.m. tipoff and Pike County Central and Russell will battle it out on the floor at 11:30.

Championship games will be played at Johnson Central High School.

At 3 p.m., pool one and pool two fourth place winners will compete for the seventh and eighth spots; 4:30 action will be for fifth and sixth place when pool one and pool two third place teams compete; 6 p.m. pool one and pool two second place will vie for fourth and third place spots; and at 7:30, pool one and pool two first place teams will compete for the number one and two positions.

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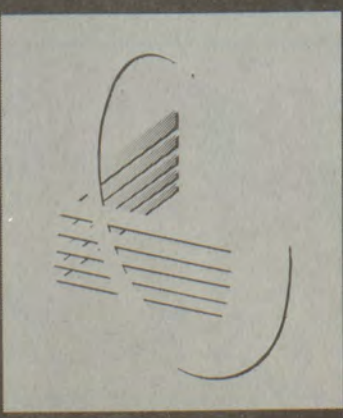
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Basics

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- Take once daily. Once daily most likely means once every 24 hours, not once every time the date changes. Be sure to take medicine around the same time every day unless directed otherwise by the physician.

- Take three times a day. This may mean every eight hours, not breakfast, lunch and dinner. Because maintaining a consistent level of the medication in the bloodstream is essential to effective treatment, ask the doctor or pharmacist for the correct frequency and timing.

- Never exceed the recommended dosage. More is not necessarily better when it comes to taking medication.

- Take on an empty stomach. Forgetting this can interfere with the body's ability to absorb the drug.

- Take with food. Heeding this precaution can prevent irritated stomach, nausea, diarrhea or ulcers—side effects of some drugs.

- Pay attention to possible side effects. Side effects include allergic and adverse reactions. The allergic reactions include symptoms such as:

- abnormal swelling, rash, irritation or other extreme symptoms when the body is unable to accept the medication. Seek immediate attention, because taking another dose of the drug after an allergic reaction can be life-threatening.

- With an adverse reaction, the body's response may include side effects, such as:

- loss of memory, fatigue and confusion can be warning signs of an overdose, especially in older people who are particularly sensitive to drugs such as antidepressants, tranquilizers and sleeping pills.

- nausea, vomiting or minor irritation. But unlike an allergic reaction, a patient experiencing an adverse reaction may be able to take that drug or related medication again as directed by a physician.

- Take until the bottle is empty. Patients often believe that when they feel better, there is no need to continue to take the medication. Always follow the doctor's guidelines on when to discontinue a prescription.

- Keep track of all medicines. Sometimes over-the-counter drugs can alter the effect of prescription drugs.

- Do not drink alcohol. Mixing alcohol with some medications reduces or eliminates the drug's effectiveness. In some cases, certain drugs boost alcohol's effects. In some instances, the combination of alcohol and drugs may cause drowsiness.

- Do not drive. Certain medicines, including sedatives and antihistamines, increase drowsiness and slow judgment and reflexes.

- Stay out of the sun. Some drugs may make the skin especially sensitive to sunburn, a side effect that can be overcome by using sunblock.

- Do not save drugs to take later. With prescriptions, "leftovers"

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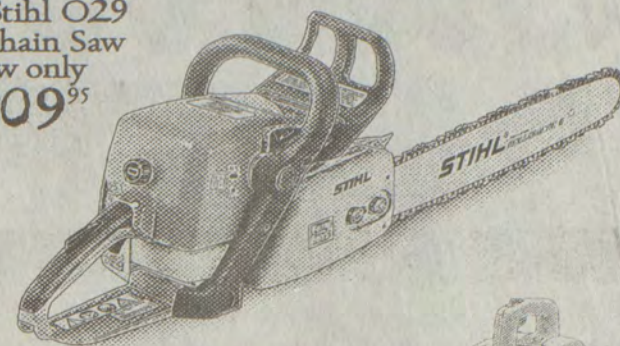
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- In Lapland, reindeer are used as pack animals. People drink reindeer milk and use the milk to make cheese.
- Reindeer live together in groups called herds. In a family, the male is called a buck, the female is a doe, and a baby reindeer is a fawn.
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December 16, 1998




I Love Christmas
 Christmas is God's birthday
 Happy Christmas everyone.
 Racing to see the snow
 I saw Santa last night
 snow flukes sparkles down
 This is my sister first Christmas
 Merry Christmas to my family
 A big bell ringing.
 Santa bring my present.

Heather Howell
 in Renee Allen room




by Whitney Howell R4
Miss Sandy Stone's Class

It was the night before
 Christmas and I could not wait
 until tomorrow, it was Christmas.
 My mom was fixing
 Christmas dinner for all
 of our family. Finally it
 was bed time and I went
 to bed and I woke
 up and it was time
 to open presents. The first
 one was mine I opened it and it
 was a Beutiful teddy Bear. This
 was my favorite toy until this year



Christmas is a fun day.
 Happy new year everyone
 Rainiers clat on the roof
 I am looking forward to Christmas day
 Santa comes on Christmas night
 Tonight he will come to every one's house.
 Merry Christmas to all of you.
 As I say this again
 Santa's coming tonight.

written by Trista Damon
 in Wanda Johnson's room



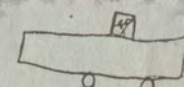

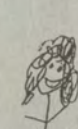

I believe in Santa Claus because I
 saw him before last Christmas. On
 Christmas Eve night I saw him with
 his suit and hat on and sack.
 He was putting Christmas presents
 under the Christmas tree and then he
 turned around and saw me. I ran
 up stairs and sat into bed and
 pretended to go asleep.



Tanja Little's Class by Kristan Losinger

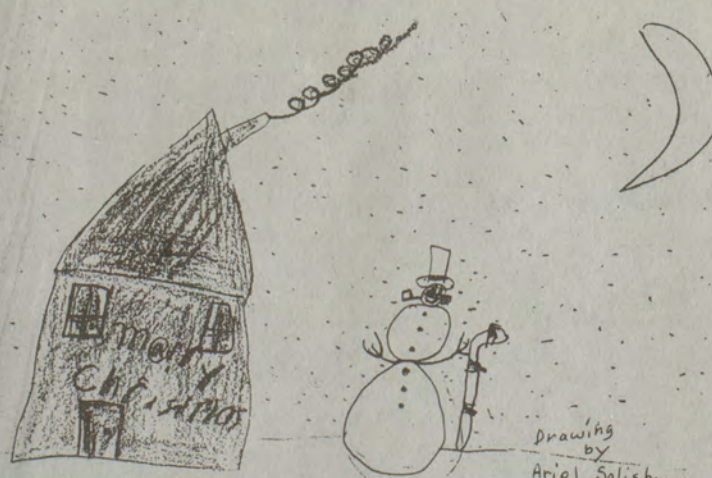
In preparing for this holiday season students in
 Mrs. Patti Duff's primary class illustrated and wrote about
 things they wish for their families, friends, themselves
 and the world. Everyone had such wonderful ideas
 and here are four such examples from Brittany Tackett,
 Steven Harris, Kellen Maggard, and Breonna Johnson.

Christmas Wishes

<p>Family</p> <p>I wish that MY AUNT WOULD WARE HER SET BELLS.</p> <p>Brittany Tackett P2</p> 	<p>Friends</p> <p>to be nice to each other</p> <p>Steven Harris P1</p> 
<p>Myself</p> <p>Lots of Presents.</p> <p>Kellen Maggard P2</p> 	<p>World</p> <p>Cap it clen</p> <p>Breonna Johnson P1</p> 

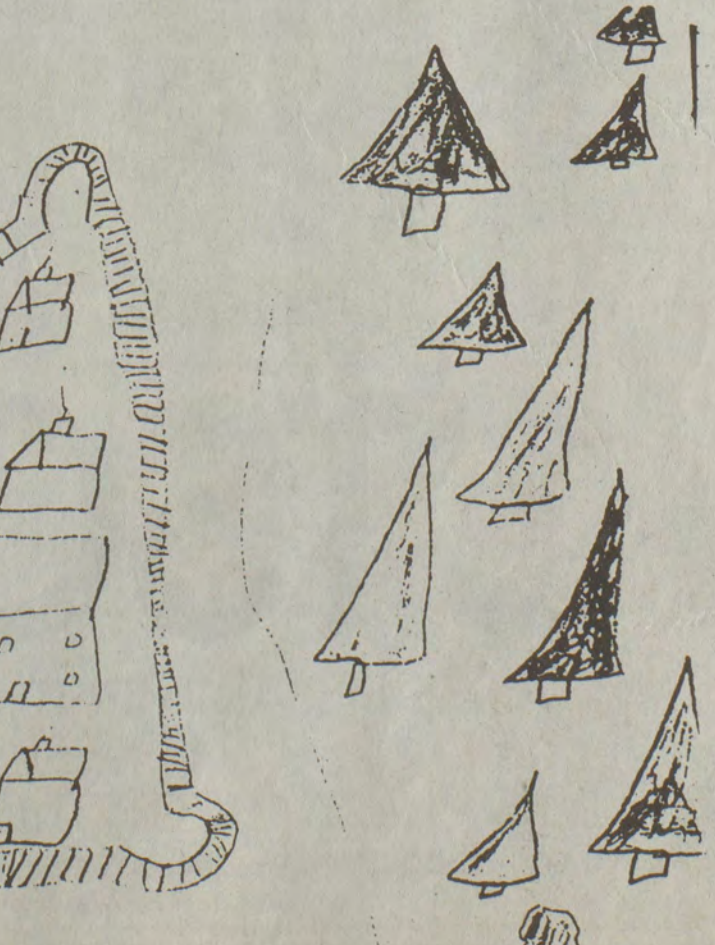
Martin 11/5 IX Good
 The pilgrims cross
 the Atlantic ocean.
 They got on
 the Mayflower
 and went too
 the new world.
 If they don't
 have no food
 they would die.

Blake is a 6 year old student from Mrs. Elliott's Primary Class.

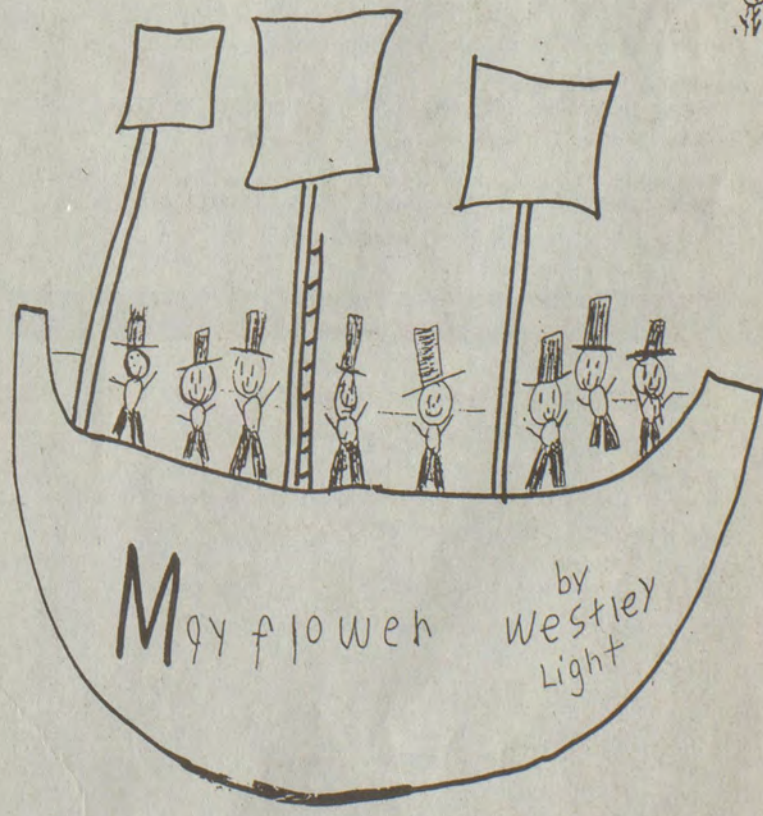


Drawing by Ariel Salisbury Rhonda Peise's Room

Santa claus is coming to town
 By Shannon Turner
 McDowell Resource Center
 After School Care



An early
 Pioneer settlement.
 By Kyle Howell
 in Mrs. Rhonda
 Tackett's P3/P4
 Classroom.



The Mayflower came across
 the ocean blue.
 With Pilgrims wanting to
 be free.
 They found a new land
 for me and you.
 And everyone sang with
 glee.

by Cory Boyd
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BRIEFS

Student Auto Skills contest

More than 6,000 of the nation's top high school automotive technicians, including 75 from Kentucky, will be competing for \$8 million in scholarships and prizes in the 1999 AAA/Ford Student Auto Skills contest.

The contest begins with written qualifying exams at state-level competitions in February and March. The top teams from the written exams in each state will qualify for state hands-on competition in April and May. The finalists will compete in teams of two side-by-side to quickly and accurately repair identically disabled new cars.

The contest is open to high school seniors who are in a high school or vocational school automotive technician program. Registration for the Student Auto Skills state-level written qualifying exams ends December 17.

For registration information, call (407) 444-8378; fax (407) 444-8030; or write to Student Auto Skills, MS 75, 1000 AAA Drive, Heathrow, FL 32746-5063.

Revival at Town Branch Church

Town Branch Church will be holding a revival with Evangelist Ron Daugherty from December 13th through the 16th, beginning at 6 p.m. each evening.

The church will also be having their annual Christmas Give-A-Way of new coats and clothing for children sizes 4 through 8, on Saturday, December 19, beginning at noon.

Little known facts about Dewey Lake

Even though many people visit Dewey Lake throughout the year, there are many significant facts about Dewey that most people don't know. These facts include:

- Dewey Lake was the first Engineer reservoir in the Big Sandy basin. Congress authorized Dewey

(See Briefs, page four)

Backstage at the MAC



Mountain Arts Center volunteers participated in dressing up for the Halloween show. Pictured, from left, are Perlinda Collins, Barb Roop, Marvin Sturgill, Marcella Skeens, Mary Martin, and Betsey Collins.



Mountain Arts Center volunteers dressed in the 50's when Sha-Na-Na performed. Pictured from left in front row are Marshall Fugate, Ann Callihan, Betsey Collins. In back row are Perlinda Collins, Jackie Fugate, Marcella Skeens, Bethel Click and Louise Egbert.

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Pikeville Methodist mock disaster

Many area emergency services officials participated in last week's disaster drill which simulated a fire that was caused by a malfunction in some holiday decorations.

Pikeville Fire Department, Pikeville Police Department, Pike County Sheriff's Department, Pikeville Methodist Hospital Ambulance service and Pikeville Methodist Hospital responded to the mock disaster. Pikeville College School of Osteopathic Medicine students posed as the victims.

Training is conducted twice a year in order to ensure that all emergency response personnel are prepared in case of a real emergency.

Pikeville Methodist Hospital Safety Officer Mary Bee Combs said that decorations add to the enjoyment and the beauty of the

holidays, but added that people must always be aware of the danger of decorations.



"Parents must consider how safe the decorations are and remove any items that could cause potential risks to your family, especially small children and pets," Combs said. "Be careful with fragile glass ornaments, make sure they are out of reach of small children. If you are using older ornaments, make sure they are not made with toxic materials such as lead-based paint and remember, tinsel that is hung on low branches of your tree is a choking hazard to

children and pets."

Combs also offered other tips on the hazards. "Place candles in holders that will not tip," she said. "Never put a lit candle on your Christmas tree and remember to extinguish all candles before leaving your home or going to sleep."

While you are decorating your home, do a quick check of your smoke detectors. Press the test button to ensure that your batteries are in working order. Make sure that your home is equipped with an ABC fire extinguisher and that each member of your family is trained in its operation.

Pikeville Methodist Hospital Co-Chief Operating Officer Joann Anderson said, "These drills are vitally important to this community. The feedback and information we gain from these mock disasters will only help us respond appropriately and efficiently if a real disaster ever occurs."

Holiday safety tips

One of my responsibilities as a professional insurance agent is to help my customers keep themselves, their families and their property safe.

Holiday time with all of its happy festivities is not a time when we want to think about safety. But this special time can bring unique hazards that can mar a family's joy. As an agent, I have special knowledge of risk management and want to share with everyone a few tips that can help you avoid some of the

special perils that come this time of year and some other tips that can be useful year around.

- Fire safety includes selecting a fresh Christmas tree. If the needles are falling, the tree is too dry. Be sure the tree is securely fastened in a sturdy holder filled with water. Trim at least an inch from the bottom of the tree after you get it home to increase its ability to absorb water. Water it regularly. Don't place it near a heater or woodstove. Be sure

you don't block exits or doorways with the tree.

- Garland is even more of a fire hazard than Christmas trees. Garland, unlike a tree, is not sitting in water so it gets dry and flammable even more quickly. Decorating magazines show beautiful displays of garland draped across the fireplace—dried out garland next to a roaring fire can be a dangerous combination. Votive candles distributed through garland are likewise a big hazard. Opt for silk versions for safety's sake.

- When decorating your tree, use lights that use low wattage bulbs or "twinkle" type. They generate less heat under prolonged use. Be sure all light strings are in good condition and operate properly. Tighten bulbs in sockets to prevent arcing. Never use candles or any open flame device on your tree. Don't overload electrical circuits by plugging in too many cords into a single outlet. Turn lights off when no one is home and when you go to bed at night.

- Decorating outside the house presents its own, even bigger hazards. First, make sure that lights you're using for outdoors are designed for the outdoors; do not use indoor tree lights outside. You must check the wiring connections. If you've left lights up throughout the year, you must check every inch of cord for damage from squirrels and other animals which may have gnawed the wire. Check all connections, then to be extra secure use electricians tape or duct tape around the connections to seal out moisture. Don't use real candles in windows. Battery operated candles are best. Many people use electrical ones then close the window on the cord; if you're going to use electric, carve a small indentation for the



wire to prevent damage to the cord that can result in a fire.

- Space heaters are a major cause of house fires. If you use electric ones, look for the UL label. Watch the placement of these heaters; they are usually on the floor where people can drop clothing, wrapping paper and other inflammable items. Keep area around space heaters clear. Kerosene space heaters are the No. 1 carbon monoxide killer in the winter. All space heaters should be turned off at bedtime and when people are not at home.

- Shopping with young children is always a challenge, but with increased crowds during the holidays it becomes even more difficult to keep them closely supervised. The best advice I can offer is: Leave them at home with a baby-sitter! It is worth the expense in terms of their safety and your sanity. Plus, you are more vulnerable to purse snatching and pickpockets when you are busy with children and packages. If you must take young children with you, it's easier to manage if you are not overloaded with bundles. Make several trips

(See Tips, page three)

Poison Oak

by Clyde Pack

Tinsel-laden Christmases unnecessary

Despite ageless efforts to relay the true miracle of Christmas, I doubt seriously that, short of the Bible itself, it's ever been better expressed than through these words by Max Lucado in *The Glory of Christmas*.

"An ordinary night with ordinary sheep and ordinary shepherds. And were it not for a God who loves to hook an 'extra' on the front of the ordinary, the night would have gone unnoticed. The sheep would have been forgotten, and the shepherds would have slept the night away.

"And God dances amidst the common and that night he did waltz.

"The black sky exploded with brightness. Trees that had been shadows jumped into clarity. Sheep that had been silent became a curiosity. One minute the shepherd was dead asleep, the next he was rubbing his eyes and staring into the face of an alien.

"The night was ordinary no more."

I like to think these words serve as much-needed reminder that all the regal, tinsel-laden Christmases we have come to expect in today's society, when put into this simple perspective, are perhaps not only misplaced, but also unnecessary.

Now don't get me wrong. That's not to say that I'm opposed to plugging in the tree lights and playing lively holiday music. No adult has more kid in them and enjoys the sparkle anymore than I; as a matter of fact, I feel there are times, and the dead of winter in this part of the world is one of them, when we absolutely need the brightness of the season. Christmas glitter becomes a problem when we tend to start thinking in terms of glitter alone.

Big Crosby's White Christmas reminds us of home and hearth; of family gatherings; of those hassle-free days of years gone by. While the lyrics are not biblical by any means, there's absolutely nothing wrong with them. But lest we all get wrapped up in colorful cellophane, we need to let Lucado's words remind us that the true story can be expressed without all the commercial hype. Of course, in this respect, those of us who grew up in Eastern Kentucky, where spires of community churches are as common as the rugged hills that tower over them, may have a bit of an advantage over those unfortunate enough to have been reared elsewhere. After all, a lot of meaningful learning resulted from the major productions presented by coal miner's kids in those little Sunday school classes. Over the years the story of the Christ child became a part of our early education, and it's not likely we'll ever forget His humble beginnings.

Yet, as long as we keep in mind exactly what it is we're supposed to be celebrating, what harm can there be in exchanging a gift with someone you love, or in humming a tune to lift your spirits?

May we all approach the season in a manner that reflects our knowledge that we are indeed remembering an extremely extraordinary event.

THINGS TO PONDER

by Mable Rowe
Lineberger, Ph.D.

As the children's holiday break from school approaches, the excitement and rush increases to get "everything" done. The well known stressors begin—over spending, over partaking of food and alcohol, and over expectation of time and energy. Also, there seems to be that unwritten law that each Christmas is suppose to be even better than the last. Families usually want to come together to celebrate the Holiday season with great joy and good will toward each other. However, the stress on finances, health, and relationships can make the Holidays a struggle. Often, the likelihood of alcohol and drug use, child abuse, and spouse abuse increases with these stressors since many individuals tend to have poor or no coping skills.

Recent statistics from the local spouse abuse shelter revealed that for the month of November, 1998, 64 percent of the victims lodged there had been abused by someone who had been using alcohol, drugs, or a combination of both, immediately prior to or during the abusive incident. Based on their past experiences, the staff of the local spouse abuse center predict that five women and five children are likely to need their shelter the week of Christmas. They also

expect to receive 65 calls for related services.

Many things can contribute to the possibility of alcohol or drugs being involved with spouse or child abuse during the Holiday season. For instance, there are family members who only attend family gatherings once a year because

activities that do not include alcohol or drugs, utilize support groups more; attend functions as a family that center around the children and their accomplishments; plan quality time to share positive family stories associated with the Holidays; and develop new family traditions which include everyone having a

mission. Notice if children have bumps or bruises on them. Leave extra clothes, money, car, house keys, and identification with a trusted person somewhere besides your home.

Another concern that has been popping up is that of children who might be left alone for long periods during the three week Holiday break from school. A guess is that most working parents will be on the job during that time since so much of the break is after the actual Christmas holiday. Hopefully, parents who normally do not need child care/supervision will be planning ahead and not wait till the last minute. An opinion is that our children and young adolescents need supervision of a trustworthy adult. If they had the judgment and insight to be on their own for long days for a week a time, then they would not be called minors. This would be a good opportunity for neighborhood family resource centers to be open or for local churches and clubs to plan functions similar to those they have during the summer. Think now about what your family and children's realistic needs are likely to be over the Holidays and begin making reasonable arrangements so all family members can have the best Holiday yet!

Creative planning: Happier Holiday

they have personal differences that have been left unresolved. Other times, relatives who use alcohol and drugs may come to the home of a family member who is working on their sobriety and conflict arises. While other times, the Holidays may signal the beginning of thoughts that turn to a deceased relative or the onset of "Holiday Blues." While all of these things may bring about strong feelings, they are not the types of things which will be resolved easily and it may be best to talk about them after the Holidays.

Ways in which people can cope better and remain safe during the Holidays are: arrange children's activities they enjoy, elsewhere, when adult parties may include alcohol; participate in Holiday

chance to relax. Try to create new activities that avoid the usual Holiday stressors and with the same individuals having to do all of the physical work for preparation.

If you believe you or someone near you may be harmed over the Holidays or may be at risk for harm now, there are things you can do to educate yourself or others about personal safety. Some examples are: keeping emergency numbers by the phone; informing your neighbors, family or friends if any person is not allowed to be at your house or around you; and being observant of any dramatic or unusual physical or emotional changes of those around you. Make a safety plan in case someone does enter your home without your per-

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OUR YESTERDAYS

(Items taken from The Floyd County Times, 10, 20, 30, 40, 50 and 60 years ago.)

Ten Years Ago (Dec. 21, 1988)

In a special meeting last week, the Floyd County Board of Education approved the sale of \$3.5 million in construction bonds for the new Right Beaver (Garrett-Wayland) Elementary School. . . The body of a 33-year-old Prestonsburg woman, Sharon Kay Robinson Spradlin, was found lodged in the window opening of the Wildcat Lounge early Thursday. The woman apparently died of suffocation while trying to climb out the window. . . A 21-year-old Hager Hill man died Thursday afternoon after being struck by a train at a crossing in Dwale. Aster L. Hill Jr., who was trimming trees in the area for his employer, Asplundh, was pronounced dead at the scene by Floyd Coroner Roger Nelson. . . Wheelwright City Council members were told that residents should be using water from the new source on Jack's Creek by mid-week but that the new supply was only a "short term solution." . . There died: Louverla Bryant Adams, 34, of Grethel, Dec. 17, at UK Medical Center; Carl Akers, 75 of Harold, Dec. 15 at his residence; Mary Hall Bolen, 74, of Garrett, Dec. 13, at Central Baptist Hospital in Lexington; Edith Sharon Mullins Boyd, 45, of St. Mary's Ohio, formerly of Wheelwright, Dec. 3, at St. Rita's Medical Center in Lima, Ohio; Earnest "Cat tail" Campbell, 60, of Prestonsburg, Dec. 18; at Highlands Regional Medical Center; James "Jim" Brennan Donahoe, 77, of Prestonsburg, Dec. 18 at his residence; Ella Mae Hall, 78, of Beaver, Dec. 19 at the Fleming County Hospital in Flemingsburg; Lucy Hall, 87, of Kite, Dec. 17 at her residence; Minnie Thompson Hall, 87, of Harold, Dec. 14 in Riverview, Mich.; Eli Hicks, 99, of Minnie, Dec. 20 at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Tom Ratliff Jr., 51, of Prestonsburg, Dec. 17, at his residence; Lucian Rice, 83, of Goldsboro, N.C., formerly of Floyd County, Dec. 20, in Wayne Memorial Hospital; Buell Courtney Spears, 64, of Langley, Dec. 15 at his residence; Opal Spears, 72, of Barnetts Creek, Dec. 18; at her residence; Raymond Harvey Spears, 56, of Emma, Dec. 18 at his residence; Sharon Kay Robinson Spradlin, 33, of Prestonsburg, Dec. 15; Robert Stephens, 65, of Pierceton, Ind., formerly of Floyd County, recently at Whitley County Memorial Hospital; Charlie Tackett, 71, of Grethel, Dec. 16 at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Otis Lee Jamup Wallen, 49, of Prestonsburg, Dec. 19 at Highlands Regional Medical Center; William Younce, 59, of Melvin, Dec. 15 at his residence.

Twenty Years Ago (December 20, 1978)

A water shortage which began flooding of streams was almost ended Sunday, when service was restored to hundreds of cus-

tomers...Warrants were issued last Friday for three persons charged with selling marijuana...One of the early blood donors at Highlands Regional Medical Center is a busy man this time of year, Santa Claus...Bodies of two Mud Creek residents were found early last Wednesday morning in an automobile in Teaberry...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Stewart of Morehead, formerly of Langley, a son, Thomas Edwin, Wednesday, Dec. 9...Died: Elder Crofford Mosley, 79, of Dema, at U. K. Medical Center; Lucy Hyden, 75, of Van Lear, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Mary Newsom Smith, 96, of Martin, in Lexington; Leonard "Dock" Bryant, 65, of Hi Hat, at St. Josephs Hospital in Lexington; Miles Moore, 82, at his home in McDowell; Lorraine Turner, 74, of Minnie, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Tennis S. Hatfield, 60, of Emma, at the Charleston Medical Center in W. Va.; John Paul Compton, 59, managing editor of the Pike County News, in Pikeville.

Thirty Years Ago (December 19, 1978)

The groundbreaking ceremonies to mark the beginning of a \$1,386,276 construction project was made in rain and mud. The project will add to the P.C.C. campus here a two-story academic building and a one-story student activities structure...U.S. Department of Agriculture aided 183,481 needy persons during October in 77 counties...The first check due under a contract with the Kentucky Department of Libraries which may, over a 20-year period benefit Floyd County in excess of \$140,000 is expected to be received here shortly by the Floyd County Library Board...Clark Elementary on Middle Creek, is one of the few schools in Eastern United States originating a new method of teaching 75 early-age school children, Charles Clark, superintendent of Floyd County schools, said this week...The new sanctuary of the Prestonsburg Church of Christ, under construction at Lancer, is expected to be completed and ready for occupancy by Feb. 1, the minister, Bennie Blankenship, said this week...There died: Mrs. Ethleen Woody, 43; formerly of Floyd County, at Ridge Osteopathic Hospital, Ypsilanti, Michigan; Mrs. Rebecca Jacobs, 87, daughter of the late Billy and Catherine Jacobs Sparkman at Mountain Manor Convalescent Home; Mrs. Nannie Newsome, 60, of Teaberry, at the Appalachian Regional Hospital. She was a daughter of the late Burt and Cindy Hall Newsome; Pearl Davis, 82, Zebulon, Pike County, formerly of Floyd County at the Methodist Hospital, Pikeville. She was a daughter of David and Mattie Stevens McKee; Bill Vanderpool, 90, at his home at Garrett. He was a son of Robert and Kathy Allen Vanderpool; Mrs. Maggie Hall Hopkins, 78, of Minnie, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Thomas B.

Blackburn, 75, formerly of Floyd County at Hot Springs, Arkansas. He was a son of Levi and Malissa Stanley Blackburn.

Forty Years Ago (December 18, 1958)

County Judge Henry Stumbo wired Governor Chandler this week, asking that Floyd County be declared an emergency area...Eleven Floyd Countians touring Boyd County farms and hatcheries found the commercial egg and poultry production at its best in the area, according to county agent Robert M. Jones...Floyd County's tree-planting program may have received a setback at the recent practices-formulated meeting of the county ASC Committee last week, persons interested in reforestation say. The local group voted to limit the number of acres allowable for payment to five...County Judge Henry Stumbo said this week that the State Highway Department has rejected bids submitted on construction of a bridge across Beaver Creek at Allen to support the span which partially collapsed last year...Wednesday brought a break in the winter weather which has held this section and a large part of the country in a tight grip for the last ten days. Local temperatures hit a reported low of 6. The river and Dewey Lake were frozen...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Herald, a daughter, Rhonda, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital...There died: Otis Fitzpatrick, 48, of Garrett. He was a son of the late G.C. and Fanny Watkins Fitzpatrick; Anna Hamilton, 80, daughter of Granville and Martha Artist Rice; Oscar Hayes, 70, former Lackey merchant at his home in Holly Hill, Florida. He was a son of Madison and Rebecca Martin Hays.

Fifty Years Ago (December 16, 1948)

The Inland Steel Company proposed this week to construct a steel and concrete bridge at Buckingham if the county will contribute \$5,000 on the project. The project was accepted by the fiscal court at its meeting Monday. Total cost of the span was estimated here at \$15,000...Democrats of the county put in a busy few hours Saturday with legislative district party leaders being named by precinct chairman. Tax commissioner Clive Akers, of Drift, was named county chairman, and John Allen, of Prestonsburg, secretary...Six murder cases are docked for trial during the January term of the Floyd Circuit Court which convenes Jan. 3...With the approach of a new session of Congress, interest probably mounted higher here this week in Big Sandy river canalization that at any previous time. Part of this heightened interest stemmed from the doldrums Eastern Kentucky's coal industry is facing...Enforcement of the state health code

regulation requiring first-grade pupils to undergo physical examinations is giving Callia S. Branham, health co-ordinator, Floyd County Board of Education, recurring headaches...The Floyd County Fish and Game Club will spend \$3,370 next year if the club membership approves the budget planned by its board of directors here Friday night...The Princess Elkhorn Coal Company is looking out for its "family" again this Christmas and it is spending in excess of \$7,000 to see that all 610 members of the family—those on the payroll—have Christmas turkey...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Denver Sammons, their first child, a son, Stephen Dennis, Dec. 2, at Prestonsburg General Hospital; to Mr. and Mrs. James Camicia, a daughter, Katherine Hodges, Dec. 7, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital...There died: Marion Martin, 53, of Jack's Creek, son of C.C. and the late Cordelia Martin; Pvt. Henry Holbrook, 22, Middle Creek road, while conducting a search for wounded American in Italy; Richard Bingham, 28, in Sicily, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Bingham, of Lancer.

Sixty Years Ago (December 15, 1938)

With an "almost undreamed-of goal" in sight—the convening of a Floyd grand jury without a slaying to investigate—three murder warrants were issued last week, marring the county's longest "peacetime record" in approximately 15 years...The fight for two positions on the Floyd County Board of Education was resumed last week as both John Coburn and Wesley Campbell, defeated candidates, filed suits...Unreasonably slow driving speeds on the highway are more and more being recognized as a traffic menace by legislators and already 22 states have adopted minimum speed laws...For the benefit of drug store coaches and "cracker barrel second guessers," Walter Price, local athletic official, gave out his selections for an all-time, all-Prestonsburg high gridiron team. Russell Rice, current All-Big Sandy conference tackle, is the only member of this year's squad to be placed on Price's all-time team, which includes: Backs—Harkie Mayo, now playing for Navy, whose booming punts will long be remembered here; Frank "Red" Branham, bone-crushing full-back who could toss a football like a baseball. Price's linemen, each a tower of strength, are Tom Marshall, center; Harold Williamson and Jim Dotson, guards; Victor Hale and Russell Rice, tackles. For ends he chooses Wendell Spurlock and John Hunley, who perhaps is best remembered for his backfield work...There died: Mrs. Drendy Slone, 69, mother of Dr. C. R. Slone, of Prestonsburg; Mrs. Nancy Nelson Campbell, 95, who died at her home at Water Gap, was probably Floyd County's oldest woman; James Hackworth, 51, Bonanza, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hackworth.

FOR THE RECORD

Marriage Licenses

Pamela J. Martin, 33, of Hueysville, and Clayton E. Teel Jr., 19, of Hueysville.
 Maryann Hamilton, 22, of Grethel, and Donald G. Williams, 22, of Grethel.
 Roberta A. Nelson, 27, of Prestonsburg, and Jeffrey R. Collins, 30, of Prestonsburg.
 Carla J. Bailey, 19, of Prestonsburg, and Billy J. Stapleton II, 19, of Prestonsburg.
 Pamela M. Dailey, 19, of Ligon, and Anthony Douglas Johnson, 22, of Wheelwright.
 Candy Fields, 20, of Harold, and Jamie Howell, 23, of Harold.
 Linda H. Anderson, 30, of Garrett, and David A. Anderson, 37, of Garrett.
 Juanita Ratliff, 36, of Martin, and Kenneth A. Taylor, 35, of Prestonsburg.

Dispatch Logs

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1

9:37 a.m. hit & run in front of town center building. Subject was captured.
 10:10 a.m. diesel leak from Court Street traffic lights up to Archer Park traffic lights
 10:27 a.m. person picked up for

possible DUI
 12:08 p.m. alarm activated at PCC.
 12:14 p.m. person suspected of reckless driving at Adams Middle School. Individual is diabetic and had reaction. Individual had taken insulin, but didn't eat lunch.
 12:28 p.m. accident with injuries at the Family Dollar Store
 12:36 p.m. Job Corps subjects intoxicated causing a disturbance
 2:14 p.m. intoxicated subject leaving MAC
 4:05 p.m. motorist at Colorama locked keys up in vehicle
 6:08 p.m. Kentucky State Police cruiser, parked at jail, with keys locked up
 10:50 p.m. intoxicated subjects at the Job Corps

DECEMBER 2, 1998

6:04 a.m. alarm activated at Prestonsburg Grade School
 7:18 a.m. motorist with keys locked up at Briarwood Addition
 9:21 a.m. motorist with keys locked up at Little Caesars
 9:41 a.m. motorist with keys locked up at the post office
 11:59 a.m. vehicle parked in no parking area at North Arnold
 1:27 p.m. domestic call at Archer Park
 2:06 p.m. accident without injuries at Court Street traffic lights
 3:47 p.m. car broken down at Court Street traffic light
 5:08 p.m. domestic call
 5:52 p.m. motorist with keys locked up at Wal-Mart

6:16 p.m. complaint about a dog.
 6:41 p.m. accident with injuries at Wildcat Tire
 7:14 p.m. motorist with keys locked up at junction of US 23 & 80
 8:29 p.m. motorist with keys locked up on US 23 North off 114
 9:40 p.m. shoplifter at Food City
 9:48 p.m. domestic call at Archer Park
 11:70 p.m. vandalism to car at Archer Park.

DECEMBER 3

1:40 a.m. disturbance at Hardees
 2:10 a.m. attempt to locate vehicle at Paintsville Park
 8:06 a.m. stalled vehicle at Bert Combs Bridge
 10:43 a.m. accident with no injuries at Farm Bureau
 12:32 p.m. hit & run at post office
 2:44 p.m. accident with no injuries behind IGA
 3:16 p.m. motorist with keys locked up at McDonald's
 3:58 p.m. stalled vehicle at 114/1428 intersection
 3:58 p.m. motorist with keys locked up at municipal lot
 5:20 p.m. motorist with keys locked up at McDonald's
 5:36 p.m. debris in the road at the four way stop at Lancer
 7:25 p.m. complaint of subjects in the middle of the road at Somerset Gas
 7:36 p.m. accident with injuries at Cardinal Drive
 9:19 p.m. intoxicated person at the Holiday Inn
 9:58 p.m. attempt to locate stolen

vehicle at Paintsville Wal-Mart
 11:51 p.m. 911 hang-up call

DECEMBER 4

0:04 a.m. DUI at Thunderridge
 0:55 a.m. suspicious vehicle at US 23 & 80
 1:03 a.m. motorist with keys locked up at 329s Central Ave
 1:19 a.m. intoxicated person at Tiger Mart
 4:33 a.m. accident with injuries at US 23 N of lights
 8:10 a.m. car stalled in front of unemployment office
 12:26 p.m. shoplifter resisting arrest at Wal-Mart
 1:30 p.m. accident with injuries around old uptown mining
 2:22 p.m. special detail behind IGA looking for a blue/yellow truck
 3:14 p.m. accident without injuries at US23 entrance to PCC
 4:31 p.m. motorist with keys locked up at Skating Rink
 4:51 p.m. motorist with keys locked up at Food City
 5:20 p.m. reckless driving at US 23 Southbound
 5:34 p.m. woman locked out of home on the corner of University & Jackson
 8:47 p.m. suspicious person at Ray Howard's parking lot
 7:42 p.m. reckless driver at Farm Bureau
 10:43 p.m. reckless driver at Wendy's
 11:10 p.m. suspicious person at Ray Howard's Building
 11:16 p.m. advised Job Corps subjects that the City Park closes at 10:00

DECEMBER 5

8:55 a.m. accident without injuries at Food City lights
 8:56 a.m. accident without injuries at US 23 S
 10:03 a.m. accident without injuries at Green Acres apartment #17
 11:44 a.m. accident with injuries at the entrance at PCC
 12:24 p.m. debris in the road at S Lake Dr
 1:54 p.m. domestic call
 3:32 p.m. 911 hang up at Job Corps
 3:49 p.m. motorist with keys locked up at Job Corps

4:11 p.m. accident with injuries at Route 321 at Vitos
 4:52 p.m. 911 hang up at 119 Wells Dr/ Highland Heights
 4:56 p.m. 911 hang up at Village Dr
 5:13 p.m. burglar alarm activated at Matewan Bank
 6:19 p.m. shopping cart in road in front of IGA
 7:54 p.m. assisted fire dept with brush fire
 8:40 p.m. intoxicated person disturbing others at IGA
 8:42 p.m. drug related subject around Pin Zone Bowling Alley
 9:02 p.m. disturbance
 9:36 p.m. car hit guide wire at N Arnold Ave
 9:41 p.m. motorist with keys locked up at Court St
 10:21 p.m. several subjects in back of parking lot disturbing the peace and possible drinking

DECEMBER 6

1:15 a.m. suspicious person at 240 West Minister St
 1:27 a.m. domestic call at Cliff
 1:34 a.m. suspicious person at Highland Heights
 2:03 a.m. DUI at the courthouse
 4:35 a.m. assisting fire dept in front of Wal-Mart
 5:59 a.m. tried to locate male subject who possibly had a heart attack
 10:39 a.m. accident without injuries at the Food City intersection
 12:02 p.m. caller advised that church will be blocking road at the Methodist Church at Burke Rd
 12:50 p.m. 911 hang up at 143 S Central Ave
 1:28 p.m. domestic call at 134 Haywood Ln
 2:13 p.m. car alarm went off at municipal lot
 2:52 p.m. 911 hang up at Glenview Plaza
 4:14 p.m. motorist with keys locked up at McDonald's
 8:34 p.m. report of an assault behind Highland's Plaza
 8:55 p.m. smoke coming around city garage
 9:14 p.m. motorist with keys locked up at Highland's Plaza
 10:28 p.m. vandalism at RES

1:29 a.m. suspicious persons at Highland's Plaza
 6:35 a.m. accident with injuries at US23/80 off ramp
 9:50 a.m. wallet stolen from parked vehicle at Foodland parking lot
 9:53 a.m. complaint about dogs tied up
 10:47 a.m. male needed an escort after being threatened
 12:29 p.m. motorist with keys locked up at Foodland
 12:51 p.m. motorist with keys locked up at Dollar Store
 1:40 p.m. motorist with keys locked up at Wal-Mart
 2:07 p.m. 911 hang up at 734 N Arnold Ave
 3:25 p.m. person left Skeans Shell Mart without paying
 4:23 p.m. car broke down at 114 lights
 5:23 p.m. motorist with keys locked up at Green Acres apartment
 5:27 p.m. motorist with keys locked up at 46 West Minister St
 6:41 p.m. traffic light coming out of Food City isn't functioning properly
 7:00 p.m. DUI at Food City
 7:09 p.m. items stolen from vehicle at Taco Bell
 7:46 p.m. 911 hang up at Super 8
 8:42 p.m. accident without injuries after hitting a deer at Somerset Gas
 9:19 p.m. accident without injuries at US 23/1428

DECEMBER 8

1:53 a.m. vehicle has interior lights left on and window down a little
 6:34 a.m. soda machine broken at Winn Dixie
 6:56 a.m. accident without injuries at 114/Food City entrance
 8:07 a.m. accident with injuries on US 23 N
 1:25 p.m. motorist with keys locked up at MAC
 1:46 p.m. accident without injuries in front of Rampage
 2:10 p.m. accident without injuries in front of Potter clinic
 2:24 p.m. pick up stray dog at trailer park at GR
 2:58 p.m. motorist with keys locked up at Sally Gate lot

DECEMBER 7

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Small World



by Aileen Hall

Isn't it good that, in the busyness of life, the time keeps rolling around for us to celebrate Christmas again? It's a time for us to put in proper perspective the things that seem so important, but really are not. Sure, the laundry needs to be done, the garbage taken out and things gathered in from the store. It's important that we go to work and pay our bills and take care of varied obligations.

But the book of Ecclesiastes teaches us that to everything there is a season and a time to every purpose under Heaven. There must also be a time for goodwill, for remembering the milestones and for reaching out beyond the ordinary scope of our lives. We were created with a body, soul and spirit and, probably more than any other season of the year, Christmas is a time to nourish the spirit.

It is a time to remember all the best things that ever happened to us. This would have to begin with that wonderful holy birth of a babe, sent to such a humble place as a stable in Bethlehem for the beginning of an earthly sojourn. Had He been sent to some royal palace at the start, we might forever say we can't attain or even relate to such a high estate. But He came in humility, and it is left to each of us to say if we can be humble enough to know Him.

When we think of other good things in our lives, we might feel inclined to say things have sometimes been too hard. It's been a lot like swimming upstream or running against the wind, but where would

we be without the forces that prove us and make us stronger?

I once saw a bumper sticker that read, "WE ALL LIVE DOWNSTREAM." I wasn't able to read the fine print under that statement for I was in moving traffic, but I have my own ideas of what it might have been. If we wanted excuses for not being all we can be, we'd have it right there. We could say we were born downstream. Or we could count it good fortune for the challenge, the satisfaction of overcoming and the joy of achieving something. You might be thinking, what does all this have to do with Christmas? It has to do with being born downstream, where sometimes things were hard but where the elements were also present for dreaming, for learning and doing. It has to do with a mother who made those first holidays so special—who didn't live to reach the age of 45, but who was careful to instill in the lives of her children those ideals for honesty and work, the eagerness to move upstream and appreciation for the really good things in life.

Christmas is such a special time in my life and, with each succeeding one, I find myself remembering all the others. I remember the special smells that permeated our home during those earliest years, like the baked turkey and dressing my mother made. My sisters and both

my daughters come close to that,

but it's not quite the same. There was also the smell of her apple pies that no one else has ever matched. Strange that I always remember these at Christmas.

There were the smells of cedar from a tree we went into the woods and cut for ourselves. I thought it was the sweetest smell in the whole world. No store-bought tree or decoration could ever seem half so elegant to me as the pretty aromatic ones we hauled in and decorated with the simple baubles we had to use.

And there was the music of Christmas. We didn't have stereos and all the components of a great sound system, but our means for making music was the best we had heard at the time. I remember being in a school Christmas program when I was very small and how and I decided that Silent Night was the most beautiful carol I ever heard. Maybe it's all these impressions together that make it still my favorite carol.

And then there was the gift of friendships to be treasured and enjoyed, and simple pleasures to be shared. Our world was smaller back then and our circle of acquaintances more limited, but the qualities of love and friendship are no different today. The real thing is still genuine. That's why, with each Christmas card I write, I put part of myself into the message. I want to express how special, in different ways, each friend is to me.

It's Christmas again!—a time to savor the past and the present, and to say Happy Birthday once more to the King who came to such a lowly place that we would be able to find Him.

It's Christmas again!

Tips

to the car so you reduce your physical burden.
 • Even with the most careful watchfulness, a child can get separated from parents; teach your child what to do if they ever get lost. Tell them to approach a sales clerk with a name badge and wait with him or her while they notify security. A young child in a panic can forget instructions so fashion a "business card" for your child that lists his or her name, address and phone number and put it in his or her clothing. Again, instruct the child to give the card to someone with a name badge or a security guard. Putting parents names on the card can make paging in the mall easier.

Adults need to protect themselves in crowded shopping malls too. Stay alert and be aware of what's going on around you. Park in a well-lighted space, lock your car, close the windows and store shopping bags and gifts in the trunk away from view. If your car doesn't have a trunk, put packages in the foot wells and cover them with a blanket. Avoid carrying large amounts of cash; pay for purchases with a check or credit card whenever possible. Carry your purse close to you body and fastened, not dangling by the straps; put a wallet in an inside coat or front pants pocket.
 • This time of year there's a lot more cooking-ovens

and stovetops working overtime. As you do all year, make sure ovens and stoves that are on are not left unattended. Young children can reach up and pull something hot off the stove onto themselves or knock a flammable item onto the lighted stovetop.

• If you're hosting a holiday party try to ensure your guests get home safely by serving plenty of food, offering non-alcoholic beverages available for designated drivers and finding alternative transportation for intoxicated guests.


• If you are traveling at holiday time, get an automatic timer for your lights, ask a neighbor to watch your home and perhaps park their car in the driveway, have the mail and newspaper delivery stopped, but don't say it's because you're going out of town. A better option is asking a trusted neighbor to collect your mail and newspaper.

• The holidays are a good time to update or create your home inventory list. You can do this with paper and pencil or with a video or still camera. Be sure your list includes descriptions and serial numbers. Make sure you get it all—TV's, VCR's, stereo equipment, cameras, camcorders, sports equipment, jewelry, silver, computers, home office equipment and power tools. And don't forget to take an inventory of any valuable new presents. Burglars know that this time of year brings lots of new, valuable merchandise into homes.




Somebody's gonna win.


Might as well be you.




Kevin Cooper, Portsmouth, OH
\$6,000 PICK 3



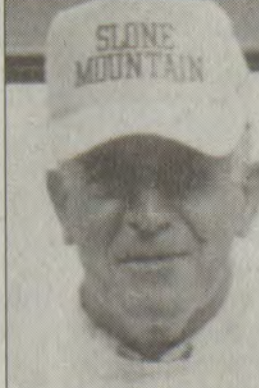
John Owens, Prestonsburg
\$5,000 POWERBALL




Sandra Reed, Shelbiana
\$2,700 PICK 4




Francine C. Mays, Ashland
\$1,000 DOUBLE TIC-TAC-TWO'S



Eddie Shelton, McDowell
\$1,000 LOTTO KY



Linda Redman, Ashland
\$1,000 LOTTO KY



Theada Barnett, Martin
\$1,000 DOUBLE BLACK JACK

Louis Davis, Martin
\$5,000 POWERBALL

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NEW ARRIVALS

PIKEVILLE METHODIST HOSPITAL

October 22: A daughter, Abigail Lynn, to Becky and B.J. Hamilton.

October 25: A daughter, Kenna Brooke, to Lois Marie and Kenny Wayne Wright.

November 2: A daughter, Letichia Ann, to Patty and Larry Wolford.

November 3: A son, Roger Cameron, to Karen Sue and Roger Darrell Tackett; a daughter, Haley McKee, to Heidi Tripp McKee and Rohn Tyler McKee.

November 4: A son, Bryon Dylan, to Angie Renee and Byron Ellis Potter.

November 5: A daughter, Hannah Jo, to Misty Dawn Compton and Joey Edwin Howell; a son, Dalton Jason, to Crystal Renee Little and Stanley Jason Meyers; a daughter, Julia Ree, to Darlena Rena and John Clark Flanery; a daughter, Emily Elizabeth Morton, to Haley Dawn Cure and Billy Morton; a son, James (Jay) Gregory II, to Stacy L. and James Gregory Compton; a son, Payten Matthew, to Stephanie Rae and Ralph Justin Thacker; a son, Tyler Vernon, to Bula Ann Case.

November 7: Twins, a son, Brandon Lee and a daughter, Stephanie Dawn Price to Emma Lee and Jackie T. Price; a daughter, Morgan Wayne, to Angela Bedina and Mark David Fannin; a daughter,

Brooklyn Cate, to Lori and Brad Newsome.

November 8: A son, Eric Shawn Landon, to Amanda Dawn and Alex Shawn Spencer.

November 9: A son, Braxton Stephen, to Gina Kaye and Paul Stephen McKee; a daughter, Alexis Paige, to Melissa Renee and Timothy Ray Lewis.

November 10: A daughter, Chloe Alyson, to Hollie Michelle and Kevin Randall Salyer; a son, Ryan Edward Hurley, to Loretta Renee Duty and Brian Edward Hurley.

November 12: A daughter, Krystal Leeann, to Connie Lynn and Teddy Bruce Damron; a daughter, Kaylee Brook, to Mary Melissa and Kermit Lee Ratliff; a son, Benjamin Grant, to Stephanie Ann and Eddie Greenhill.

November 13: A son, Austin Dewayne Thacker, to Patsy Sue Thacker and Lawrence George Barnes; a daughter, Haliejo, to Vivian Michelle and Morris Joe Hall.

November 14: A daughter, Lynessa Kennera Sanders, to Melody Dawn Prater and Kenneth Dewayne Sanders; a son, James Tyler, to Richard Lynn and James Willard Adams.

November 16: A son, Danny Trent, to Rose Mary and Ricky Dorton; a son, Connor Izaiah, to Bralynda and Brian Looney; a son,

Jeremy Randall, to Remona Sharlene and Randall Sargent.

November 17: A daughter, Kiana Jade, to Kristie and Anthony Bolden; a daughter, Hannah Shianne, to Shawn Ramey and Roger Dean Norman.

November 18: A son, Nathaniel Chase, to Tonia Rose and Paul Dean Bevins; a daughter, Samantha Nicole, to Leslie and Kevin Pinion.

November 19: A daughter, Casity Nichole, to Talya Renee and Johnny James Baker Jr.; a daughter, Kaitlyn Hannah Grace, to Jennifer and Gary Tackett; a son, Adrian Kyle, to Jessica Michelle Sturgill.

November 20: A daughter, Phoebe Cayia, to Sandra and Joel Craig Thornsbury; a daughter, Cierra Bree, to Amy Michelle and Max Edward Smith.

November 21: A son, William Tyler, to Brenda Joyce and William Hall; a daughter, Kendra Renea, to Jennifer Nicole and Virgil Lee Thacker.

November 22: A daughter, Lytricia Faye Lynn, to Rebecca Lone Hopkins; a son, Ricky Alan Campbell Mullins, to Bridgett Baker; a daughter, Faith Christian, to Jill and John Ferrari.

November 23: A daughter, Sarah Dawn, to Tina May Williamson.

November 24: A son, Benjamin Jude, to Robin Jean and Wayne Ellis Jones; a son, McKinley Nathaniel, to Krystal Leigh and Johnny Edward Webb; a daughter, Taylor Jannell, to Stacy Jannell and William Chadwick Robinson.

November 25: A daughter, Madison Leeann, to Melissa Ann and Matthew Lee Newsome; a daughter, Lisa Sue, to Lizzie and Ken Mullins; a son, Vaughn Webster, to Lula Francis and Clyde Vernon Conn.

November 26: A daughter, Amy Faith, to Donna Lynn and Turner Robinson II; a daughter, Rachel Nicole, to Danita Rae and James Raymond Hampton.

November 27: A daughter, Kori Nicole, to Angela and Bill McCoy; a son, Jaggar Benton, to Belinda Jean and Jearl Benton Stiltner.

November 28: A daughter, Kayla Nicole, to Dedra Lee and Gary Franklin Johnson; a son, Jonathan Virgil, to Catrina Renae and Virgil Dale Ray.

November 29: A daughter, Lauryn Paige Blanton, to Terressa Lynn Quillen; a daughter, Talicia Adale, to Taylora Gayle and Dale Edward Coleman; a daughter, Jennifer Lenn Kidd, to Gwenetta Rose Smith and Bryan Winford Kidd.

November 30: A son, Seth Alexander, to Betty Carole and Michael Scott Barnett; a daughter, Shalyn Taylor Hamilton, to Janet Gay Estep and Frank Andrew Hamilton Jr.

Adults need immunizations, too

Immunizations aren't just for kids. In fact, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimates that more than 31,500 adult deaths could be prevented annually if adult immunization recommendations were followed.

United HealthCare of Kentucky Ltd. urges all adults to obtain vaccinations that will help protect them from preventable, serious routine infections. Immunizations are available for influenza (flu), pneumococcal (pneumonia), hepatitis B and hepatitis A. Some adults even need what are often thought of as childhood vaccinations, such as those for measles, mumps, rubella (German measles), tetanus, diphtheria and chicken pox.

"Even healthy adults can be at risk of contracting serious illnesses," said Dr. Allen Grimes, medical director for United HealthCare of Kentucky. "It makes sense to take advantage of the precautions that help protect you from many common illnesses. You can get most immunizations from your family doctor and/or internist."

Dr. Grimes suggests that all adults carry a permanent immunization record. "This helps keep track of the immunizations we all need to protect against preventable diseases," he said. "It can also help eliminate the risk of someone receiving a needless re-vaccination during a health emergency or when changing physicians."

BIRTHDAYS



Kathy Sparks celebrates birthday

On November 28, Kathy Sparks was given a birthday party at the Third Avenue Church.

Mrs. Sparks is married to Tommy Sparks. The couple have two children: Justin and Joshua. Mrs. Sparks is the daughter of Betsy Melnick and the late Billy Ray Whitt.

Turns ten
Tiffany Victoria Owens, daughter of Joe and Teresa Owens of Garrett, celebrated her tenth birthday on November 17, at her home. She is the granddaughter of Margaret Conley of Garrett, and the late Virgil Conley and Molly Owens and the late Ralph Owens of Langley.



Tyler turns one

On December 9, Tyler John Preston celebrated his first birthday. Tyler is the son of John and Candi Preston of Wheelwright. His grandparents are Robin Clemons of Wheelwright, Lewis Clemons of South Carolina, Paul and Ruby Preston of Wheelwright. His great-grandparents are Virginia Holbrook of Wheelwright and Lois Preston of Boons Camp.



First birthday

John Thomas Hancock celebrated his first birthday at the home of his grandparents, November 26. John is the son of Melissa Hancock of Martin and Stanley Collins of Eastern. He is the grandson of Oscar and Barbara Hancock of Martin. His great-grandparents are Eugene and Betty Thompson of Warren, Michigan. John's birthday theme was Barney.



"Everyone ignored those wimpy 'Thank you for not smoking' signs."

POET'S CORNER

Holiest time

Christmas is the Holiest time of the year. Families and loved ones gather together to give gifts, to celebrate Jesus' birth; God, sent his only begotten Son, to bring peace to a troubled world.

It was foretold by the Prophet, in the Old Testament, about the coming of the Messiah, and that he would be the Saviour of all mankind. We didn't know anything about this Baby Jesus, when he was

Born in a stable. For there was no room for them at the inn. But our knowledge of him now has no end.

The animals that surround the baby Jesus made their presence known while his Mother Mary rocked.

The baby Jesus, to sleep. The Shepherds were in the country keeping watch over their sheep. They said one to another this "Baby Jesus we ourself must go to Bethlehem, to see." While the wise men came and placed their gifts of love at the baby Jesus feet.

Christmas, is a gift of peace, joy, and love given to us by Jesus' Birth.

St. Luke 2-15: The Shepherds said one to another, let us now go unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which has come to pass.

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Christmas

Listen to the sounds of Christmas!

It will brighten up your day. Just think of the Holy Christ Child.

That was destined to come our way.

Lets humbly come before him, and

Praise his Holy name.

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Lake to be built in 1938. Work was interrupted in 1941 by the war and resumed in March 1946. Dewey Dam was completed in 1950. Dewey Lake and Lake Cumberland were the first lakes in Kentucky impounded by the Corps.

Dewey Lake was named after Dewey Post Office. Dewey Post Office was established October 3, 1904, and closed September 30, 1938. It was located on Johns Creek, 3 1/2 mile, NNE of Prestonsburg. The site is now under water 1 mile south of Dewey Dam.

In the late 1950's, Dewey Lake State Park changed to Jenny Wiley State Park to commemorate a Big Sandy heroine of frontier days.

Dewey Lake is the only lake in the Huntington District with a scenic roadway on one side of the

lake and shoreline camping, accessible only by boat.

One story says Brandy Keg got its name from a keg of brandy that floated up the creek with backwater from the Big Sandy River. Early maps list the creek as "Cag."

Johns Creek has a total length of about 64 miles with its source in the mountain region of Kentucky just north of the Virginia border.

The largest birch tree in Kentucky is located on Corps of Engineers property at Dewey Lake.

Whether its your first trip to Dewey, or you're a regular visitor, these little-known facts are interesting to know. To receive a map and more information on Dewey, call the ranger staff at (606) 886-6709 or (606) 789-4521.



AG NEWS



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Poinsettias are one of the most popular plants used for decoration during the holiday season. The most frequently grown is the standard three to six boom, red poinsettia, but there are several other sizes, shapes and colors available. Colors can range from creamy white to yellow, through shades of pink, to the traditional red.

The showy red, pink or white portions commonly referred to as the "flower" actually consist of modified leaves, called "brackets." The yellow center is really the flower part. When buying a poinsettia, choose a plant with small, tightly closed yellow buds in the center. Plants with wide open

buds are more mature and won't last as long. Also look for foliage that is crisp, brightly colored, and undamaged.

After the poinsettia is brought home it should be given optimum growing conditions which includes plenty of sunlight and adequate water. Ideally, foliage needs an hour or more of sunlight each day. It's also important to give plants a regular, thorough watering when the soil becomes dry. If the plant is wrapped in foil, poke a hole through the foil so water will drain out of the

pot drainage hole.

Keep poinsettias out of drafts and away from heat sources such as appliances, heaters and fireplaces, because these dry plants out. Avoid putting plants on top of a television or other appliances that emit heat.

Poinsettias brighten the holiday season

Dropping the night-time temperature by 10 degrees is probably the most beneficial thing you can do for the plants.

Contrary to the rumor that often surfaces around the holidays, the poinsettia isn't poisonous to people or pets. Concern about poinsettia safety dates back to 1919 when a child reportedly died after eating a leaf from

a poinsettia plant. The report was never confirmed and research conducted at several universities showed no toxicity, no behavioral changes, and no mortality even at extremely high doses from the plant.

However, the poinsettia is classified as non-edible. Like other non-edible plant materials, the poinsettia can cause some discomfort if eaten by people with sensitivity to the plant. Milk or ice cream usually helps ease the discomfort. All non-edible plant materials should be put out of reach in homes with curious children or pets.

For more information on caring for holiday plants, contact Pat Spicer at the Extension office at 606-886-2668 or stop by the office at 921 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg.

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ANNIVERSARIES



14th wedding anniversary

John and Tommie Bailey of David, recently celebrated their 14th wedding anniversary in the Smokey Mountains. They stayed in Gatlinburg, Tennessee, and watched the Christmas Light's parade.



Joe and Rebecca Arnett of West Prestonsburg, will be celebrating their 65th wedding anniversary on Monday, December 28, at 6 p.m. The celebration will be held at the Mountain Arts Center in the Band Room. The family requests "No gifts, please."

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For the Record

3:08 p.m. motorist with keys locked up at Prestonsburg Grade School
 3:56 p.m. intoxicated person at Super 8
 4:05 p.m. drive off at Tiger Mart
 5:13 p.m. motorist with keys locked up at Post Office
 5:27 p.m. accident with injuries on US 23 south of 80
 6:35 p.m. alarm going off at Cooley Apothecary
 7:20 p.m. motorist with keys locked up at Wal-Mart
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 • Baptist Day Care, 98: Upright mixer and white refrigeration unit, and freezer only in storage area not clean.
 • Sport Zone Pizza, 96: Inside ceiling of microwave and mixer head not clean. A ceiling tile not constructed or designed for food preparation. Needs to be smooth and easily cleanable. Lights not properly shielded in preparation area.
 • Floyd County DCCP Day Care, 91: Food items uncovered below wire rack shelf in upright refrigeration. Can opener blade (electric) not maintained. Seemed to be shaving off metal from cans. Not clean inside ceiling of microwave and freezer portion of upright refrigeration unit. Some shelving has soil accumulation in preparation areas. No soap or hand-towels provided for handsink in preparation area.
 • Wesley Methodist, 96: Boys restroom has no towels for hand drying. First aid kit lacks some supplies.
 • McDonald's of Martin, 90: Food in cooling unit stored uncovered. Food preparation counters slightly soiled. Microwave slightly soiled. Areas around equipment slightly soiled. Soiled utensils stored with clean utensils. No garbage can in men's restroom. Floors in food preparation dining area and restrooms have some soil accumulation. Single-service trays improperly stored.
 • Dairy Queen, Prestonsburg, 91: Uncovered desert condiments in reach-in refrigeration units stored below wire rack shelves. Some employees preparing food without proper restraints. Improper three-compartment sink operation (wash, rinse, sanitize is proper sequence) and third compartment observed soil accumulation of food. Extinguisher arms on vent hood has accumulation of grease. Base tile around walls in preparation areas in disrepair. Lights not properly shielded near cake decorating section.
 • May Valley Elementary cafeteria, not rated: Personnel wearing hair restraints improperly. One light in kitchen out. Mop improperly stored.
 • May Valley Elementary, 86: Improper waste receptacle in restroom. One light out in Room B49. Cleaning supplies stored unlabeled. Electric outlet behind computers in library in disrepair.
 Investigation of complaint that raw sewage was present revealed no evidence of improper sewage disposal. Treatment plant at the time of this inspection appears to be operating properly.
 • Dollar Store, Stanville, not rated: Food items stored on floor in display and storage areas. No soap in women's restroom. Men's restroom lock in disrepair. Mops improperly stored.
 • Hobert's Pizzeria, Martin, not rated: Follow-up visit. Second bathroom installation has begun, but is not complete. Follow-up for completion in 10 days.

Hartford, CT, Compensation due to auto accident that occurred on or about Aug 20, 1998
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 Danny Lee Ousley Vs Denver Ousley & Judith Ousley all of Floyd Co, Rightful ownership of vehicle and compensation damages
 Donna Morris MEEK of Pikeville Vs Russell Jason MEEK of Thelma, Petition for dissolution of marriage.
 Commonwealth for Ruth A Robinson of Langley Vs Todd Lucas of Langley, Petition for dissolution of marriage.
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District Court

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 • Baptist Day Care, 98: Upright mixer and white refrigeration unit, and freezer only in storage area not clean.
 • Sport Zone Pizza, 96: Inside ceiling of microwave and mixer head not clean. A ceiling tile not constructed or designed for food preparation. Needs to be smooth and easily cleanable. Lights not properly shielded in preparation area.
 • Floyd County DCCP Day Care, 91: Food items uncovered below wire rack shelf in upright refrigeration. Can opener blade (electric) not maintained. Seemed to be shaving off metal from cans. Not clean inside ceiling of microwave and freezer portion of upright refrigeration unit. Some shelving has soil accumulation in preparation areas. No soap or hand-towels provided for handsink in preparation area.
 • Wesley Methodist, 96: Boys restroom has no towels for hand drying. First aid kit lacks some supplies.
 • McDonald's of Martin, 90: Food in cooling unit stored uncovered. Food preparation counters slightly soiled. Microwave slightly soiled. Areas around equipment slightly soiled. Soiled utensils stored with clean utensils. No garbage can in men's restroom. Floors in food preparation dining area and restrooms have some soil accumulation. Single-service trays improperly stored.
 • Dairy Queen, Prestonsburg, 91: Uncovered desert condiments in reach-in refrigeration units stored below wire rack shelves. Some employees preparing food without proper restraints. Improper three-compartment sink operation (wash, rinse, sanitize is proper sequence) and third compartment observed soil accumulation of food. Extinguisher arms on vent hood has accumulation of grease. Base tile around walls in preparation areas in disrepair. Lights not properly shielded near cake decorating section.
 • May Valley Elementary cafeteria, not rated: Personnel wearing hair restraints improperly. One light in kitchen out. Mop improperly stored.
 • May Valley Elementary, 86: Improper waste receptacle in restroom. One light out in Room B49. Cleaning supplies stored unlabeled. Electric outlet behind computers in library in disrepair.
 Investigation of complaint that raw sewage was present revealed no evidence of improper sewage disposal. Treatment plant at the time of this inspection appears to be operating properly.
 • Dollar Store, Stanville, not rated: Food items stored on floor in display and storage areas. No soap in women's restroom. Men's restroom lock in disrepair. Mops improperly stored.
 • Hobert's Pizzeria, Martin, not rated: Follow-up visit. Second bathroom installation has begun, but is not complete. Follow-up for completion in 10 days.

Hartford, CT, Compensation due to auto accident that occurred on or about Aug 20, 1998
 Garfeild J Potter of Floyd Co Vs AT Massey Coal Co Inc., Disability benefits as a result of the injuries sustained in the mining accident of Feb 28, 1995
 Clinard Stewart of Elkhorn City Vs Henry S Burkett of Prestonsburg & Freddy Garrett of Auxier, Compensation due to an auto accident that occurred on or about Aug 31, 1998
 James Bevins of Banner Vs Ramona Kay Bevins of Royalton, Petition for dissolution of marriage.
 James E Gould of Dorton Vs Sabrina R Chaney Gould of Shelbyana, Petition for dissolution of marriage.
 Connie Lynn Allen Hall of Mt Vernon Vs Clifford Louis Hall of Topmost, Petition for dissolution of marriage.
 Crystal Nelson of Prestonsburg Vs Michael Allen of Martin, Compensation due to auto accident that occurred on or about Dec 29, 1997
 Danny Lee Ousley Vs Denver Ousley & Judith Ousley all of Floyd Co, Rightful ownership of vehicle and compensation damages
 Donna Morris MEEK of Pikeville Vs Russell Jason MEEK of Thelma, Petition for dissolution of marriage.
 Commonwealth for Ruth A Robinson of Langley Vs Todd Lucas of Langley, Petition for dissolution of marriage.
 Ford Motor Credit Co of Livonia MI Vs Anna M Brown of Garrett, Collection of debts
 The Estate of Robert Cooper by James Cooper of Salyersville Vs Lodestar Energy Inc of Louisville, Compensation due to an accident that occurred on or about May 22, 1998
 PNC Bank of Pittsburg, PA Vs Sandy M Woods of Prestonsburg, Contract dispute
 Rebecca Greer Gayheart of Ivel Vs Randall Dean Gayheart of Martin, Petition for dissolution of marriage.
 Billy Joe Keathley of Teaberry Vs Gina Lea Tackett Keathley of Teaberry, Petition for dissolution of marriage.
 Allene Hall of Harold Vs Western American Insurance Co of Hamilton, Ohio, Compensatory damages
 Inez Deposit Bank Vs Linda Kilburn of Martin, Collection of debt
 Janet Lea Conley of Allen Vs Charles Anthony Schmidt of Allen, Petition for dissolution of marriage.
 Tammy Hall King of Wheelwright Vs Randy King of Byro, Petition for dissolution of marriage.
 Joan Hicks of Langley Vs Ella Mae Hicks of Pikeville, Petition for dissolution of marriage.

Property transfers

Sarah Derossett to Mae D. Flanery, property on Bull Creek.
 Rural Economic and Community Development to Glenda Pitts and Goldie Handshoe, quitclaim deed to property in the Little Creek Subdivision.
 Anna Marie Martin North to Loretta M. Martin, property on Right Beaver Creek.
 Nora Music to Jerry L. Williams and Neila Nadeen Williams, property location not listed.
 Willa Mae Branham to Timothy Lee Branham, property on Spradlin Branch.
 Bonnie Holsen and Joe Holsen to Ronny Goble and Sharon Goble, property on Ivy Creek.

Wallen has poetry published

Sammy Wallen from Prestonsburg, has recently had three poems published by The National Library of Poetry in Owings Mills, Maryland.
 One poem, "I Can Still See Grandma," dedicated to his late grandmother Mattie Wallen, was published in The Peace We Knew, Another, "Pa Pa Is Always There," for his little granddaughter, Davonna Nicole Wallen in

Captured Moments.
 A poem, "A Place To Go," in Outstanding Poets of 1948 is about childhood memories. Other poems by the author are in the process of publication.
 Wallen lives on Little Paint with his wife Freddia Jo. He is a 1968 graduate of Prestonsburg High School and is currently employed by Kentucky West Virginia-Gas Company.



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Restaurant, School, and Mobile Home Park Inspections

Editor's Note: All inspections are made by Floyd County Health Department environmentalists Russell Wallace, Mark Johnson, and Janet Conley.
 • Hardee's Restaurant, not rated: Follow-up inspection revealed critical item corrected. Extermination measures started. No immediate rodent activity observed.
 • Prestonsburg Elementary, 97: Outside dumpster not provided with lid. Ceiling in bad repair (peeling paint) near hood in preparation area.
 • Prestonsburg Elementary, 84: Inadequate water pressure on outside fountain and fountain in new addition. Hand rails in bad repair at the music mobile unit and Chapter I unit. Safety hazard, loose handrails at mobile units. No lid provided for dumpster. Water ponding in central area of basement. Floor in bad repair in auditorium.
 • Allen Elementary, 96: Mixer head and can opener blade not clean. Floors not clean in storage area. Ceiling not clean near vents on baking side of hood. Ceiling tile missing in storage area entrance. Ceiling showing evidence of leaks in cafeteria area.
 • Pin Zone Bowling Center, 96: No thermometers in refrigeration units. No soap or handtowels provided at handsink. Ceiling tile missing in preparation area.
 • Giovanni's Pizza House, 85: Hood filters not maintained, accumulation of grease. Ceiling tile in preparation area soiled. Floor covering in preparation area in disrepair. Outer



Beauty winner!
 Lakeisha Janay Crum was crowned Beauty Winner at the 1998 Starburst Pageant held Sunday, December 6, in Allen. She also won Best Dress and Photogenic. Lakeisha is the 6-month-old daughter of Albert and Clara Crum of Banner, and the sister of Jay Lee Crum. Keisha was sponsored by her parents.



Pageant winner
 Kelsey Danna Martin was sponsored by Thunder Ridge Raceway in the Wee Miss Patriotic Pageant. Kelsey won the title of "Queen" and was crowned Wee Miss Patriotic. She was also pronounced Little Miss Thunder Ridge. Kelsey is 15-months-old and is the daughter of David and Sarah Martin of Minnie. She has one brother, Blake, and two sisters, Kristi Martin of Bevinville and Debbie Hall of Wheelwright.

Suits filed

Editor's note: Suits filed are not indicative of guilt, but represent only the claims of those filing the action.
 Pamela Elizabeth Lawson Kazee of Harold Vs Roy Douglas Kazee of Lexington, Petition for dissolution of marriage.
 Irene Kiser of Teaberry Vs Fred Rife of Weeksbury, Compensation due to auto accident that occurred on or about Nov 30, 1996
 Greenpoint Credit Vs James Meadows & Kristy Blackburn of Auxier, Collection of debts
 Elizabeth Tackett & Barry Tackett of Byro Vs David Little of Melvin, D&L Inc d/b/a Life line Ambulance Service of Prestonsburg, & Hartford Underwriters Insurance Co. of

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House Speaker Jody Richards, D-Bowling Green, (left) talks about the responsibilities of state representatives with newly-elected House member Ira E. Branham, D-Pikeville. Branham was among 26 incoming members of the legislature who attended a three-day orientation session, which began on December 1, to meet fellow legislators and learn more about the inner workings of the legislative process. Branham, who will be sworn in along with other new members of the General Assembly on January 5, will represent Kentucky's 94th House District in Floyd and Pike counties. (Photo by LRC.)

Kentucky Manufacturing:

Plants increase, while jobs slip for second straight year

Kentucky's industrial employment has dropped for the second straight year, according to the 1999 Kentucky Manufacturers Register, recently published by Manufacturers' News, Inc. The state now has a total of 349,516 industrial jobs, 443 fewer than one year ago.

The Register indicates growth over the same year in the number of Kentucky manufacturing establishments. A net of 78 industrial plants opened across the Bluegrass State, representing a 1.33% increase and bringing the total plant figure to 5,850.

"This is a trend we've seen in other states," says Thomas Dubin, President of Manufacturers' News. "Even though manufacturing activity and output are at record highs, industrial employment is stagnant or declining."

"Much of that has to do with the nature of today's manufacturing. Thanks to automation and technology, fewer employees are needed. Instead of four low-skilled workers on an assembly line, you may have one worker entering numerical codes into a computer that controls the manufacturing process."

Louisville, with 74,866 manufacturing jobs, remains the state's industrial stronghold, despite a net

loss of 328 jobs, down .44% from the Register's '98 figures. Lexington places second in manufacturing jobs, with 21,071, a net gain of 91, up .43% from last year. Georgetown is in third, with 11,029 jobs, up 1,049, an increase of 10.51% since last year. Bowling Green ranks fourth with industrial employment of 8,925, up 259, an increase of 2.99% from last year. Florence is fifth with 8,347 jobs, up 72, an increase of .87% from last year.

Of the top 25 cities ranked by industrial employment, Georgetown is the leader this year in industrial employment gains. The city experienced a net increase of 1,049 jobs, up 10.51% from last year's figures, thanks to the 2,200 new positions that opened a Toyota Motor Mfg., Kentucky, Inc., automotive plant. Franklin places second in net job gains, with 377, up 11.27% from last year. This is mainly due to the 80 new jobs at Franklin Precision Industry, Inc., automotive component plant. Hopkinsville is third in the running with a net gain of 315 jobs, up 5.52% from the previous year. 75 of

Hopkinsville's new jobs appeared at Copar Inc., industrial radiator plant. Bowling Green is fourth in job gains with 259 new over the past year, up 2.99%. 60 of these new jobs in Bowling Green were created at American Sunroof, Inc., automotive parts plant. Berea is fifth place in employment gains, with 263 jobs, up 8.03% from last year. 178 of Berea's new jobs opened at Berea College Crafts.

Erlanger is the winner for the net number of new manufacturing companies, with a gain of 6 plants, a loss of 1, for a net gain of 5. Somerset and Madisonville tie for second, with net gains of 4. Somerset gained 7 plants and lost 3, while Madisonville gained 5 and lost 1. Florence, Henderson, Elizabethtown, Frankfort, Hopkinsville, Russellville, and Louisville, all tie for third place, with net gains of 3 plants. Florence gained 5 and lost 2; Henderson gained 4 and lost 1; Elizabethtown gained 5 and lost 2; Frankfort gained 4 and lost 3; Hopkinsville gained 6 and lost 3; Russellville gained 3 with no losses, and Louisville gained 34 and lost 31.

Give-aways could be costly

Sign-ups for free give-aways could take-away a lot more! You see them everywhere—sign-up boxes offering everything from 'free' vacations to debt consolidation. If you are

The BBB has several sign-up boxes that have been found throughout the state.

tempted to stop and sign up, the Better Business Bureau warns that you could be signing up for much more! "The BBB has found that many of these offers use misleading tactics to obtain personal information about you so that they can sell you a product or a service," says BBB President/CEO Tracey McLarney. Entry sign-up boxes for Cape Canaveral Cruise Line, for instance,

have been found in area restaurants and malls. This offer enhances you to enter for a chance to win a free cruise vacation, but you actually receive a vacation package with a

required timeshare presentation. On Florida firm, the BBB has received numerous complaints over the customer's inability to cancel the package within the allotted 30 day time frame. Other disagreements are over the advertising, sales and billing practices, contractual obligations, and service of the company. Other sign-up boxes seen by the

BBB use your signed entry form as written authorization to purchase additional services without your consent. If you read the fine print, you may find that you are authorizing the switch of your long distance phone carrier or purchasing a calling card. The BBB encourages you NOT to sign up for such offers until you check out their reliability with the BBB. BBB warns college-bound students of scholarship scams! College-bound high school students seeking sources for college funding need to do their homework, early! The Better Business Bureau advises high school juniors and seniors and their parents to be cautious about responding to any unsolicited offers from scholarship services that require application fees.

For advance fees ranging from as little as \$12 to as much as three hundred of dollars, some scholarship companies are "guaranteeing" to "match" students with sources of funding, regardless of their academic qualifications, scholastic credentials or family economic status.

However, the BBB has found that students rarely receive funds but instead receive lists of possible scholarship sources. "Be suspicious of any 'guaranteed' offers," says BBB President/CEO Tracey McLarney. "Prospective applicants should understand that only the sources actually granting the funds can guarantee approval."

These scholarship companies do not assist students in obtaining scholarships and they do not screen applicants. Investigate the background of any unknown company by calling the BBB for a reliability report, 1-800-866-6668.

Free classroom training offered by television

The Center for Rural Development in Somerset, has received a federal grant to provide free instruction in real estate sales or business management to anyone in the area who has ever worked for a coal mining operation or for a company that provided services to the coal mining industry.

The 96-hour real estate classes are designed to provide the student the necessary hours and instruction to be eligible to test for state certification and licensing in this growing profession.

The 60-hour business management course will give necessary skills to upgrade their current employment or be able to seek new job opportunities.

The classes will be taught by television, using the distance learning process.

Those interested should call Bruce Gover, assistant training director, Center for Rural Development, Somerset, 1-888-248-9438. All books, materials and training are free, but space is limited.

Kentucky homeowners 62+ give themselves a "raise"

Thousands of homeowners, 62 years of age and older, are giving themselves a "raise" with a Federally insured reverse mortgage through the Federal Housing Administration (FHA). The Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) has a program of its own which is quickly growing in popularity.

Although the FHA program has been extremely popular throughout the country, the program places lending caps which can be restrictive. Lenders and senior advocacy groups are lobbying to have these limits increased, so homeowners will be able to draw more benefit from the program. The limits differ from county to county and are usually increased periodically. In February 1996, Congress increased the number of reverse mortgages to be insured from 25,000 to 50,000 nationwide. These figures do not include the Fannie Mae program.

A reverse mortgage is designed to allow homeowners, 62 years of age and older, to draw equity from their homes. The homeowner can receive monthly checks, a lump sum, the very popular line of credit or a combination of these plans. The popularity of the line of credit is due to the fact that under the FHA program, the line of credit actually increases as the months go by. This rate is currently about 7 percent. However, unlike a conventional home equity loan, the homeowner never has to make a repayment back on the money they use. The loan gets paid back when the borrower no longer resides in the home.

Gloria and Ray Linebaugh, reverse mortgage clients, said "We are very pleased with our decision to secure a reverse mortgage. We deposit our check each month into a savings account and when our real

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Attend training

Three officers with the Floyd County Sheriff's Department, along with the Wayland Police Chief, attended Crisis Negotiators School in Louisville Nov. 9-20.

They are William Howell of McDowell, Steve Toy of Wheelwright and Ricky Thornsberry of Water Gap, all sheriff's deputies, and Wayland Chief Aaron Kidd.

Brief Stanville man is honored

William Bradford Barker, a 1994 graduate of Pikeville College, was honored at the fall awards banquet of the Kentucky Society of Certified Public Accountants, which spotlighted persons who had recently passed the Certified Public Accountants exam. He is employed by Collins and Love, CPAs, of Pikeville and is the son of William H. and Emma G. Barker of Stanville.

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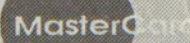
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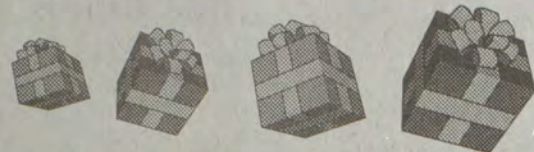
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PROPERTY FOR SALE

Lots For Sale

FOR SALE: Large lot at Auxier. Blacktop drive, chain link fence, shop building, sewer, water, gas & electric hookup on premises. Call 789-7113 for appointment. Asking \$15,000.

BUILDING LOTS FOR SALE: Wilderness Heights Development at Stanville, KY. 1/4 mile up Mare Creek Rd. Call days 478-5600 and evenings and nights 478-4450.

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NEW FLEETWOOD 14X60 - 2 Bdrm, 2 Bath, Central Air, Skirting, 5 Year Warranty, Delivered and Set-Up - Low Down Payment. Less Than \$179 mo. The Affordable Housing Mart, 537 New Circle Rd - Lexington. Call (606)293-1600 or (800)755-5359.

FOR SALE: 1979 mobile home, 12x60. Very good condition, 2 BR, new counter top, new bath tub. Call 606-447-2793.

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The Big Sandy Area Development District is seeking to fill the position of Communications Coordinator. Applicants with an associate degree or professional certification in business or 3 years work experience in related field may apply by resume. Applicants must have experience in switchboard management, receptionist responsibilities, basic business protocol, **fluent use of Microsoft Word**, some exposure to Microsoft Access and Internet Explorer to be eligible to apply. The ability to develop or edit web pages a plus. Extensive experience in dealing with current communications technology in an office setting and working directly with the public is required. Competitive salary and excellent benefits. For consideration, qualified individuals must submit a resume and three references by December 25, 1998 to Big Sandy Area Development District, ATT: Terry Trimble, 100 Resource Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. No phone calls please. An Equal Opportunity Employer M/F/H.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

The Floyd County School District has two openings for Level II Secretary at Central Office. Each position is 20 hours per week and includes sick leave, vacation, health insurance, and retirement benefits. Starting salary is \$9.01 per hour.

Brief Job Description: Perform advanced-level secretarial duties related to human resources, set up and maintain databases, plan, organize and coordinate office activities, and any other duties as assigned by supervisor.

Minimum Requirements: Any combination equivalent to: Forty-eight hours of college courses that include course work in computers and current office software programs, such as Microsoft Word, Excel, Powerpoint, Publisher; or three years secretarial/computer work experience. Must be able to work with the public and possess excellent oral and written communication skills.

Additional Job Requirements: Must pass criminal records check.

Applicant must submit an updated, signed application and resume to Jane Meek, Director of Human Resources as soon as possible to be considered. Best qualified applicants will be notified of an interview.

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FOR SALE: Older, 14x70. 2 BR, 1 bath. Nice home. Can be left on rented lot. \$5,500. 285-3605.

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PROPERTY FOR RENT

Apartments For Rent

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FOR RENT: Mobile home lot. \$125 month. 4 miles out Old Middle Creek Rd. Farm setting, Clark School. 606-886-6219, 886-8459 or 281-538-4405.

FOR RENT: Large trailer lot. Located on Cow Creek. \$95/month. Call 874-2802, J. Davis.

TRAILER LOTS FOR RENT: All hookups available. Abbott Creek, Left Fork. \$100/month. 889-9902.

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Please send resume or apply to:
Human Resources
Big Sandy Health Care, Inc.
1709 KY Route 321, Suite 3
Prestonsburg, KY 41653
Deadline for receipt of application is December 23, 1998

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Legals

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Branham & Baker Coal Company, Inc., 148 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, has applied for Phase I bond release on Permit Number 836-5106 which was last issued on 7/11/96. The application covers an area of approximately 17 acres located 1 mile Southeast Pyramid in Floyd County.

The permit area is approximately 0.75 southeast from Rt. 850 junction with Pitts Fork Road and located on North of Left Fork of Middle Creek. The latitude is 37°33'50". The longitude is 82°51'36".

The bond now in effect for the Increment 1 is \$40,400.00. Approximately 60% of the original bond amount of \$40,400.00 is included in this application for release.

Reclamation work performed includes: grading and seeding.

Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by 1/29/99.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for 2/2/99, 9:00 a.m., at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. The hearing will be canceled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by 1/29/99.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

The following item will be offered at public sale on December 18, 1998 at 11:00 a.m. to satisfy the unpaid balance of an installment contract signed 7/31/98.

1991 Ford Bronco 4x4 S/N.

All items are sold "as is where is." Seller reserves the right to bid and to reject any or all bids. Items are to be paid following the sale, or satisfactory arrangements are made with the seller. Announcements at the sale take priority over ad. Purchaser to pay all taxes and transfer fees.

Call Mike Haney for location, 606-886-2321.

First Commonwealth Bank

313 North Arnold Avenue Prestonsburg, KY 41653

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

The following item will be offered at public sale on December, 1998 at 11:00 a.m. to satisfy the unpaid balance of an installment contract signed 11/2/96.

1996 Camaro (wrecked) S/N 4347.

All items are sold "as is where is." Seller reserves the right to bid and to reject any or all bids. Items are to be paid following the sale, or satisfactory arrangements are made with the seller. Announcements at the sale take priority over ad. Purchaser to pay all taxes and transfer fees.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

The following item will be offered at public sale on December 18, 1998 at 11:00 a.m. to satisfy the unpaid balance of an installment contract signed 7/15/97.

1995 Chevy Z71, Pickup 4x4 S/N 9534..

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

The following item will be offered at public sale on December 18, 1998 at 11:00 a.m. to satisfy the unpaid balance of an installment contract signed 3/19/98.

1994 Toyota Pickup 4x4 S/N 2176.

All items are sold "as is where is." Seller reserves the right to bid and to reject any or all bids. Items are to be paid following the sale, or satisfactory arrangements are made with the seller. Announcements at the sale take priority over ad. Purchaser to pay all taxes and transfer fees.

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 860-0312 Amendment #3

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that CONSOL of Kentucky, Inc., P.O. Box 130, Mousie, Ky. 41839, has applied for an amendment to an existing surface, auger, and underground coal mining and reclamation operation located 2.84 miles southwest of Lackey in Knott and Floyd Counties. This amendment will add 2.0 acres of surface disturbance and will underlie an additional 394.0 acres, making a

total area of 1909.54 acres within the amended permit boundary.

The proposed amendment is approximately 1.0 mile southeast from KY 550's junction with Big Springs Branch Road and located 0.01 mile south of Big Springs Branch. The latitude is 37°26'32". The longitude is 82°50'11".

The proposed amendment is located on the Wayland U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle maps. The operation will use the underground method of mining. The surface area to be disturbed by the amendment is owned by CONSOL of Kentucky, inc. The area will underlie land owned by CONSOL of Kentucky, Inc., Sally Wallace, Gordon Howard Heirs, Ernest Keen, Knott Flood Land Company, Inc., Ray Lute et al, David Martin, Big Sandy Wholesale Co. et al, Viola Crum, Jack and Mary Ratliff, Carl Martin, Kathleen Smith, Shirley Rogers Martin, Charles Watkins Heirs, Elisha Thornsberry Jr., Homer Gibson, and Violet Moore. The operation will affect an area within 100 feet of public road Big Springs Branch Road. The operation will not involve relocation of the public road. The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653-1410. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. II CIVIL ACTION NO. 96-CI-479 BEVERLY PATTON CRUM

PLAINTIFF

VS:

NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

THOMAS CRUM

DEFENDANT

BY VIRTUE OF Order of the Floyd Circuit Court entered on the 8th day of September, 1998, in the above styled cause, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, 3rd Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest bidder, at public auction on Thursday, the 17th day of December, 1998, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., the following described property, lying and being in Floyd County, Kentucky, to-wit:

One house plus utility building and lot. Beginning at driveway, running 83 ft. along, with Tom Conn and Lola Conns line; thence running 67 ft. wide with Tom Conn and Lola Conn's line (his wife) with one drilled well belonging to Elmer Crum excepted out on Tom and Lola Conns property.

Being the same property conveyed to Thomas Crum and Beverly Crum from Randall Keith Samons and Linda Samons; and Kenneth Ray Crum by Deed dated May 5, 1995, and recorded in Deed Book 386, Page 853, records of the Floyd Court Clerk's Office.

The property hereinabove described cannot be divided without materially impairing its value and therefore will be sold by the Master Commissioner of the Court with the proceeds therefrom distributed to the parties as set out

hereinbelow.

The property hereinabove described shall be sold by the Master Commissioner as more particularly set forth in order to satisfy marital debts, interest, costs and attorney fees owed by the Petitioner and Respondent, jointly and severally, as set out in the Second Amended Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Decree of Dissolution of Marriage entered with the Floyd Circuit Court on July 9, 1998.

TERMS OF SALE:

(a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Petitioner or Respondent, shall either pay cash or make a cash deposit of ten percent (10%) of the purchase price, with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days.

(b) The successful bidder shall be required to execute a bond with good surety thereon for the unpaid purchase price of said property, if any, bearing interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum from the date of sale until paid, having the force and effect of a Judgment.

(c) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 2410 or KRS 426.530.

(d) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all real property taxes for the fiscal year 1998, and any prior years for which taxes are due and owing, and subsequent years.

(e) In the event the successful bidder is a party to this action, he/she shall have credit for such interest against the purchase price.

Any announcements made on date of sale takes precedence over printed matter contained herein.

THIS THE 23RD DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1998.

WILLIAM S. KENDRICK
Master Commissioner
P. O. Box 268
Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653
(606) 886-2812

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that the original was forwarded to Floyd Circuit Court Clerk, with true and correct copies of the, foregoing duly mailed, certified, postage prepaid, this the 23rd day of November, 1998 to:

Hon. Sheridan Martin
P. O. Box 506
Prestonsburg, KY 41653

Hon. John Harlan Callis, III
P. O. Box 606
Prestonsburg, KY 41653

WILLIAM S. KENDRICK
Floyd County
Master Commissioner

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. II CIVIL ACTION NO. 98-CI-0455

MARJORIE LYNCH, WIDOW; LISA LYNCH HOWELL and FRANKLIN HOWELL, her husband PLAINTIFFS

VS:

NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

CHALMER LYNCH and the UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF CHALMER LYNCH; LOIS LYNCH and the UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF LOIS LYNCH; and EMOGENE LYNCH CASE, and QUENTIN CASE, her husband; or the

UNKNOWN HEIRS OR DEVEISEES OF EMOGENE LYNCH CASE DEFENDANTS

BY VIRTUE OF Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court entered on the 12th day of October, 1998, in the above styled cause, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, 3rd Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest bidder, at public auction on Thursday, the 17th day of December, 1998, at the hour of 9:15 a.m., the following described property, lying and being in Floyd County, Kentucky, to-wit:

TRACT NO. 1

Certain tract or parcel of land located at Betsy Layne, in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly bounded and described as follows, to-wit:

BEGINNING at a point in center of private road twenty-five (25) feet wide said point also being situate on line of tract containing 30.00 acres about to be conveyed to Fannie Scott; thence by a line through one of the tracts known as the Melvin Woods tract of 48.6 acres, more or less, of which a small portion of the herein described tract is a part, and in the center of said private road and along line of said tract conveyed to Fannie Scott North three degrees fifty-five minutes west (N. 3° 55' W.) one hundred eighty-six and thirty-two hundredths (186.32) feet to a point in the center and at the northern terminus of said private road; thence by a line through said Melvin Woods tract of 48.6 acres, more or less, and the M.T. Cecil tract of 81.885 acres, of which the major portion of the herein described tract is a part; thence up the point, said beech marking a corner common to the Melvin Woods tract of 48.6 acres, more or less, and the M.T. Cecil tract of 81.885 acres, of which the major portion of the herein described tract is a part; thence up the point along the line divided said Melvin Woods tract of 48.6 acres, more or less, and said M.T. Cecil tract of 81.885 acres, said dividing line also being the line dividing the tract herein described and tract conveyed to Fannie Scott the following six (6) courses and distances, viz: North two degrees forty-five minutes West (N 2° 45' W.) one hundred ninety-one and forty-two hundredths (191.42) feet to a maple, North six degrees fifty-four minutes West (N 6° 54' W.) fifty-six and three-tenths (56.3) feet to a sugar, North eight degrees thirty-three minutes West (N 8° 33' W.) fifty and twenty-seven hundredths (50.27) feet to a black oak. North fourteen degrees sixteen minutes West (N. 14° 16' W.) eighty-seven and thirty-two hundredths (87.32) feet to a beech, North fourteen degrees seventeen minutes West (N. 14° 17' W.) seven hundred ninety-four and forty-seven hundredths (794.47) feet to a chestnut oak, North twenty-one degrees thirty-three minutes West (N 21° 33' W.) one hundred eighty-nine and forty-nine hundredths (189.49) feet to a hickory on top of a knob at the head of J.J. Stratton's Branch, said hickory marking a corner common to tract now or formerly J.J. Stratton, the Melvin Woods tract of 48.6 acres, more or less, the M.T. Cecil tract of 81.885 acres, and tract now or formerly James Lewis; thence along tract

now or formerly James Lewis and along the ridge the following seven (7) courses and distances, viz: South forty-nine degrees twenty-two minutes East (S. 49° 22' E.) one hundred eighty-seven and five tenths (187.5) feet to a large rock, South sixty-seven degrees sixteen minutes East (S. 67° 16' E.) one hundred thirty-eight and no tenths (138.0) feet to a point, South seventy-two degrees forty-one minutes East (S 72° 41' E.) two hundred seventy-two and forty-nine hundredths (272.49) feet to a chestnut oak, South fifty-eight degrees thirty-nine minutes East (S. 58° 39' E.) two hundred forty-six and six tenths (246.6) feet to a point, South sixty-two degrees thirteen minutes East (S. 62° 13' E.) one hundred fifteen and seventeen hundredths (115.17) feet to a hickory, South fifty-eight degrees fifty minutes East (S. 58° 50' E.) one hundred eighty-eight and seventy-four hundredths (188.74) feet to a hickory, South sixty-three degrees fifty-nine minutes East (S. 63° 59' E.) ninety-three and thirty-three hundredths (93.33) feet to a corner common to said James Lewis tract, the Thomas Layne tract of 82.3 acres, more or less, and the M.T. Cecil tract of 81.83-5 acres, the latter tract being one of the two tracts of which the herein described tract is a part, said corner of tract containing 5.269 acres conveyed by the grantor herein names to Elmer H. Ferrell, et ux., by Deed dated June 13, 1938; thence along ridge and along said tract conveyed to Elmer H. Ferrell, et ux, South seventeen degrees forty-nine minutes West (S. 17° 49' W.) fifty-nine and ninety-eight hundredths (59.98) feet to a cross on a large rock at corner of tract containing 18.36 acres conveyed by the grantor herein named to Walter Rice, et ux, by deed dated December 29, 1937, thence continuing along said tract containing 18.36 acres conveyed to Walter Rice, et ux, as aforesaid and along the ridge the following six (6) courses and distances, viz: South one degree thirty-nine minutes West (S. 1° 39' W.) one hundred sixty-seven and twenty-six hundredths (167.26) feet to a stake South no degrees thirty-three minutes West (S. 0° 33' W.) one hundred thirty-five and three tenths (135.3) feet to a stake, South nine degrees thirty minutes East (S. 9° 30' E.) one hundred sixty and no tenths (160.0) feet to a stake, South thirteen degrees fifty-seven minutes West (S. 13° 57' W.) one hundred ninety-one and sixty-six hundredths (191.66) feet to a stake, South eleven degrees fifteen minutes West (S. 11° 15' W.) one hundred thirty-three and eight hundredths (133.08) feet to a maple stump, and South thirty-three degrees forty-one minutes East (S. 33° 41' E.) ninety-three and three tenths (93.3) feet to a beech, said beech being a corner common to the 18.36 acres conveyed to Walter Rice, et ux, by Deed Dated December 29, 1937, and a certain other tract containing 7.21 acres conveyed by grantor to Abel Hall, et ux; thence continuing along ridge and along the line of tract conveyed to Abel Hall, et ux, South one degree thirty-nine minutes West (S 1° 39' W.) two hundred ninety-eight and twenty-eight hundredths (298.28) feet to a stake corner common to tract conveyed to Abel Hall, et ux., as aforesaid and a certain other tract containing 2.01 acres conveyed to H.J. Wakeland, et ux; thence down the

hill by a line through the original tracts of which the herein described tract is a part South eighty-four degrees thirty-four minutes West (S. 84° 34' W.) eight hundred nine and seventy-five hundredths (809.75) feet to a point in the center of private road at the place of beginning 28.823 acres.

This being the same property conveyed to Arvid Lynch and Marjorie Lynch, his wife, by Pid Lynch, dated 9/15/62, of record in Deed Book 222, Page 113, in the office of the Floyd County Clerk.

There is excepted from the above described property a portion conveyed to Lisa Lynn Howell, by deeds dated 7/1/93 and 4/22/98, of record in Deed book 367, Page 677 and Deed Book 418, Page 236, in the office of the Floyd County Clerk.

TRACT NO. 2

Beginning at the southernmost point of the mid property at blue cement marker #1, thence running northward 228 feet with the privately owned road that adjoins said property to another blue cement marker #2, thence turning right eastward 75 feet to another blue cement marker #3, next turning right and westward 113 feet to another blue cement marker #4, next running in a straight line 150 feet back to the beginning of said property joining marker #1 at the beginning of property. All buildings on this property at this point and time include but are not limited to house and garage.

This being the same property conveyed to Lisa Lynn Howell by deed of conveyance from Marjorie Lynch of record in Deed Book 418, Page 236, in the office of the Floyd County Clerk. See also Deed, Book 367, Page 677 in the same office.

The property hereinabove described, can be divided without materially impairing its value and therefore will be appraised and sold separately by the Master Commissioner of the Court with the proceeds therefrom distributed to the parties as set out hereinbelow.

The property hereinabove described shall be sold by the Master Commissioner as more particularly set forth in Order of Sale.

TERMS OF SALE:

(a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or make a cash deposit of ten percent (10%) of the purchase price, with the balance on credit for sixty (60) days.

(b) The purchase at the sale shall have the right to pay cash for the property by payment of the amount of his bid, plus accrued interest, if any, on the date of the sale or at any time before maturity of the bond.

(c) The successful bidder shall be required to execute a bond with good surety thereon for the unpaid purchase price of said property, if any, bearing interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum from the date of sale until paid, having the force and effect of a Judgment.

(d) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 2410 or KRS 426.530.

(e) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all real property taxes for the

fiscal year 1998, and any prior years for which taxes are due and owing, and subsequent years.

(f) Subject only to the payment of costs, Plaintiffs shall be entitled to take credit up the value of their undivided interest in bidding at the sale.

(g) Plaintiffs have the right, in their sole discretion, to cancel the sale without further court intervention by contacting the Master Commissioner.

(h) The purchaser of the property, upon confirmation of the sale, shall have a writ of possession.

Any announcements made on date of sale takes precedence over printed matter contained herein.

THIS THE 23RD DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1998.

WILLIAM S. KENDRICK
Master Commissioner
P. O. Box 268
Prestonsburg, Kentucky
41653
(606) 886-2812

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT
DIVISION NO. 1
CIVIL ACTION
NO. 98-CI-00180**

JIM MUSIC,
LORA JEAN BURCHETT,
and PHYLLIS ANN BRANHAM
PLAINTIFFS

VS:

NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

RALPH L. BOWEN,
DORA A. BOWEN,
COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY,
WORK FORCE DEVELOPMENT CABINET,
EX. REL. DIVISION OF UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE;
and
FLOYD COUNTY, KENTUCKY
DEFENDANTS

BY VIRTUE OF In Rem Summary Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court entered on the 21st day of September, 1998, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled cause, for the sum of One Hundred Forty Two Thousand Nine Hundred Thirteen Dollars Sixty Two Cents (\$142,913.62), as of December 31, 1996, together with accrued interest thereon at the current rate of 7% per annum from January 1, 1997, and continuing thereafter until fully paid, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, 3rd Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest bidder, at public auction on Thursday, the 17th day of December, 1998, at the hour of 9:30 a.m., the following described property, lying and being in Floyd County, Kentucky, to-wit:

Being a parcel of land on the waters of Abbott Creek in Floyd County, Kentucky, and being more particularly described as follows as shown on a drawing entitled "PLAT OF SURVEY OF PORTION OF PROPERTY OF MATTIE MUSIC" prepared by Lowell P. Knipp, Registered Land Surveyor No. 2289, and dated September 1, 1993:

Beginning at an iron pin set on the south side of Kentucky Route 1427 and at the northwest corner of Lot No. 18 of Creekside Development as recorded in Plat Cabinet 1, Map 103;

thence running approximately parallel to said Kentucky Route 1427 (5 calls) North 66°46'40"West, 161.83 feet to a point; thence North 70°31'34" West 50.81 feet to a point; thence North 89°56'23"West, 95.72 feet to a point; thence South 75°32'58"West, 102.64 feet to a point; thence South 68°37'36"West, 24.54 feet to a point at the center of the face of a concrete headwall; thence running along the center of the branch and along the line of Nancy H. Howard as recorded in Deed Book 290, Page 694 and Page 696 (6 calls) South 27°35'29"West, 26.25 feet to a point; thence South 70°54'30"West, 45.05 feet to a point, thence South 43°19'40"West, 177.50 feet to the inlet of a 48 inch culvert; thence South 47°49'29"West, 29.52 feet to the outlet of said culvert; thence South 49°10'51"West, 36.78 feet to a point, thence South 31°01'16"West, 51.50 feet to a point in the center of Abbott Creek; thence along the approximate center of Abbott Creek (3 calls) South 54°41'46"East, 92.89 feet to a point; thence South 87°10'51"East, 69.22 feet to a point; thence N 83°13'54"East, 144.10 feet to a point in the line of the aforementioned Creekside Development; thence along the line of Creekside Development (3 calls) North 71°26'36"East, 98.18 feet to an iron pin set at the base of an 18 inch white walnut; thence North 60°24'56"East, 303.10 feet to a large fence post; thence North 18°25'13"East, 71.71 feet to the point of beginning, and containing 3.19 acres, more or less.

Being the same property conveyed to Ralph L. Bowen and Dora A. Bowen, his wife, by deed dated September 15, 1993, of record in Deed Book 370, Page 354, in the office of the Floyd County Clerk.

The property hereinabove described cannot be divided without materially impairing its value and therefore will be sold by the Master Commissioner of the Court with the proceeds therefrom distributed to the parties as set out hereinbelow.

The property hereinabove described shall be sold by the Master Commissioner as more particularly set forth in order to satisfy the debt owed Plaintiffs, interest, costs and attorney fees owed by the Bowen Defendants, jointly and severally.

The liens herein adjudged shall attach to the proceeds of said sale of the real estate in priority as follows:

(1) Floyd County, Kentucky, delinquent ad valorem taxes, if any, and current 1998 taxes which are due and payable as of November 1, 1998.

(2) The Plaintiffs in the amount of \$142,913.62 (as of December 31, 1996), together with accrued interest thereon at the current rate of 7% per annum from January 1, 1997, and continuing thereafter until fully paid.

TERMS OF SALE:

(a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or make a cash deposit of ten percent (10%) of the purchase price, with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum.

(b) The successful bidder shall be required to execute a bond with good surety thereon for the unpaid purchase price of said property, if any, bearing interest at

the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum from the date of sale until paid, having the force and effect of a Judgment.

(c) Upon default of said deposit or posting of bond by the purchaser, the Commissioner shall immediately resell the property upon the same terms and conditions set out herein.

(d) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office and such right of redemption as may exist

in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 2410 or KRS 426.530. Plaintiffs reserve right to later claim sums expended per KRS 426.525, others costs and levies.

(e) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all real property taxes for the fiscal year 1998, and any prior years for which taxes are due and owing, and all subsequent years.

(f) In the event the

successful bidder is the Plaintiffs, then and in such event, said party or parties shall not be required to make any cash deposit or bond.

Any announcements made on date of sale takes precedence over printed matter contained herein.

THIS THE 23RD DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1998.

Master Commissioner
P. O. Box 268
Prestonsburg,
Kentucky 41653

(606) 886-2812

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that the original was forwarded to Floyd Circuit Court Clerk, with true and correct copies of the foregoing duly mailed, postage prepaid, this the 23rd day of November, 1998 to:

Hon. Ralph H. Stevens
P. O. Box 427
Prestonsburg, KY
41653

Ms. Dora A. Bowen
858 3rd Street
Apt. No. 271
Chula Vista, CA
91911

Mr. Ralph L. Bowen
858 3rd Street
Apt. No. 271
Chula Vista, CA
91911

Hon. Keith Bartley
P. O. Box 1378
Prestonsburg, KY
4165-3

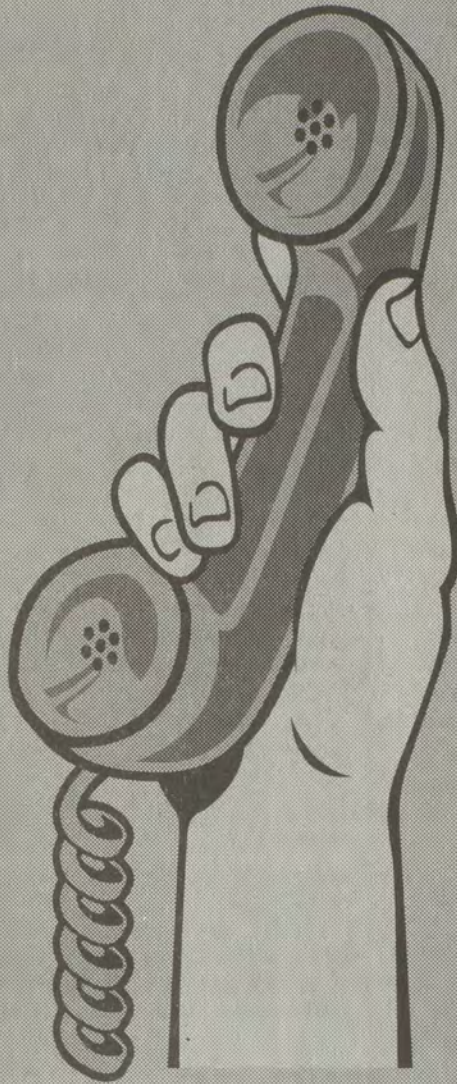
WILLIAM S. KENDRICK
Floyd County

Master Commissioner

BIDS

Bid Proposals are now being accepted on forty (4) used gas furnaces. Additional Information can be received by contacting the Housing Authority of Martin at (606) 285-3681 or by Fax (606) 285-0502 (TDD 1-800-247-2510). Bids are due by 4:00 p.m. on January 4, 1999.

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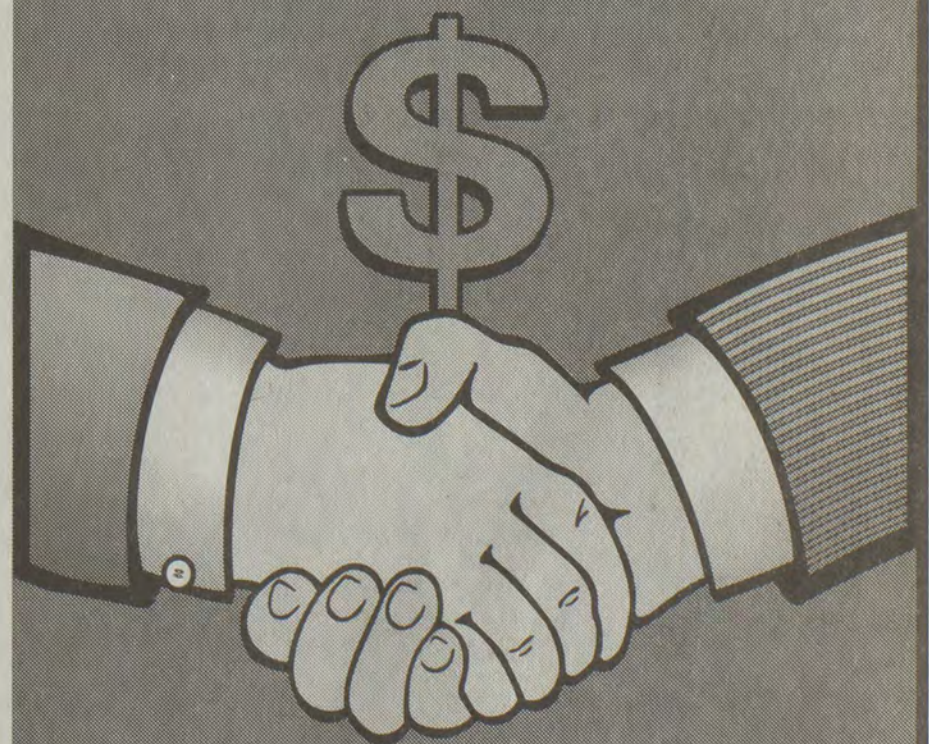
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The Floyd County Times

SELL



TOMORROW.

KOUNTY KETTLE

The Floyd County Health Department is selling cookbooks, "Recipes From the Hearts." Proceeds from the sale go to the March of Dimes.

The cookbooks cost \$10 each. An additional \$2 fee is added if the cookbook is to be mailed.

For more information, call Bonnie Lynch or Randi Jarrell at 886-2788, ext. 275 or 223.

CHRISTMAS ROCKS

1 c. margarine
1 1/2 c. sugar
1 tsp. cinnamon
1 tsp. cloves
3 eggs, beaten
1 tsp. soda (dissolve in 1 tsp. very hot water)

Dash salt
1 lb. pecans
1 lb. golden raisins
1 lb. chopped dates
1/2 c. candied cherries (red and green)

3 c. all-purpose flour
Mix ingredients in order, margarine, sugar, cinnamon, cloves, eggs, soda, pecans, raisins, dates and cherries. After mixed, add salt and flour mixture. Bake on greased cookie sheet at 350° for 8-10 minutes.

Ailene Cole

CRISPY HOLIDAY TREATS

1/4 c. margarine
1 (10 oz.) pkg. miniature marshmallows
6 c. cornflakes

Melt margarine in large saucepan over low heat. Add marshmallows and stir until com-

pletely melted. Remove from heat. Add cornflakes. Press into buttered dish. Cut into squares.

Matthew Prater

BUCKEYES

2-lb. bag powdered sugar
1 lb. soft butter
1 T. vanilla
1 1/4 c. creamy peanut butter
1 bar Gulf wax
1 pkg. semi-sweet chocolate chips

Combine powdered sugar, butter, vanilla and peanut butter into balls. Melt chocolate chips and Gulf wax in double boiler. Dip peanut butter balls into chocolate.

Julie Ryan

MAPLE ROASTED HAM

1/2 c. applesauce
3 T. maple syrup
1 T. prepared mustard (horseradish)
4 thick ham slices

Preheat the oven to 350°. In a small bowl, combine the applesauce, maple syrup and mustard, stirring until well blended. Pour half of the mixture evenly over the bottom of a 9 x 13-inch baking pan. Place the ham slices over the mixture. Pour the remaining mixture evenly over the ham. Bake for 20-25 minutes or until heated thoroughly.

Deborah Wallen

CIDER BAKED HAM

5 to 6-lb. ham
1 1/2 c. apple cider
1/2 c. soy sauce

Preheat oven to 450°. Place ham

in a large roasting pan. Bake 30 minutes or until outside is crisp. Remove from oven. Reduce oven temperature to 325°. In a large bowl, combine cider and soy sauce. Pour over ham. Basting ham frequently with mixture, cover and bake 2-3 hours or until meat thermometer inserted in center of ham registers 185°.

Ella Prater

TURKEY DRESSING

5 c. cornbread
1 c. bread crumbs
1/2 c. onion, diced
1/2 c. celery, diced
1/4 c. butter
1 1/2 tsp. sage
1 tsp. salt
1 tsp. pepper
3 1/2 c. turkey broth

Sauté diced onions and celery in butter. Mix cornbread, bread crumbs, sage, salt and pepper. Add sautéed onions, celery and broth. Blend together. Place dressing in greased baking dish. Bake at 400° for 30 minutes.

Angela Smith

COUNTRY CHICKEN & DUMPLINGS

4 c. all-purpose flour
1 T. salt
1 1/2 stick margarine
2 c. boiling chicken broth
1 whole chicken, cut up

Boil chicken in large pot with several chicken bouillon cubes added to water. Remove chicken when tender. Let broth continue to simmer while preparing dumplings. Mix flour and salt. Add margarine. Strain 2 cups of boiling broth. Pour over flour and butter

mixture. (No need to blend margarine and flour, just pour broth directly over mixture.) Mix until dough leaves sides of bowl. Generously flour a surface and knead dough until no longer sticky. Pinch dough into several balls and set aside. Roll one ball of dough at a time. Roll out very thin and cut with pizza cutter in small squares. When all dumplings are cut, add a few drops of yellow food coloring to broth and drop dumplings in broth one at a time. When all are in broth, stir gently and simmer until done.

Bonnie Lynch

ORANGE CANDIED SWEET POTATOES

1/2 c. margarine or butter
1 c. brown sugar
2 T. brown Karo syrup

1/2 c. orange juice
6-8 sweet potatoes
1 tsp. grated orange rind
1/2 tsp. cinnamon
1/4 tsp. clove
Dash salt

Boil sweet potatoes in water till done. Leave overnight. Peel sweet potatoes and slice in half. Place the halves in butter pan. Mix all ingredients and let boil till melted. Pour over sweet potatoes and bake in 350° oven for 30 minutes.

Marguerite M. Sharp

HAM & CHEESE WRAPS

4 lg. whole-wheat flat bread wraps
1 (4-oz.) pkg. reduced fat garlic and herb cheese spread
8 lg. romaine lettuce leaves
8 oz. thinly sliced ham
2 T. whole grain mustard

1 (3-oz.) pkg. broccoli sprouts
1 c. shredded carrots

Spread each flat bread with 2 tablespoons cheese spread. Top with lettuce and ham. Spread mustard over ham. Top with sprouts and carrots. Roll tightly, starting at a short end and serve immediately. Serves 4.

Leslie Hunter

PEANUT BUTTER CANDY

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This and That

Love me, don't reward me

by Bill Francis

I think parents and society have been rewarding children far too much. We have conditioned children by rewarding them for helping themselves. If they behave or perform certain tasks, they are rewarded. Awards, of course, are different from rewards. Awards are fine, and probably rewards are fine. Parents and society reward children for good behavior with trips, clothing, food and automobiles for behaving like good citizens and adults. After attending four years of high school, they can go on a senior trip (an all-expense paid vacation). With their enrollment into college, we reward them by trying to force them to help themselves get an education by giving them a car. Now it can't be a used car, it needs to be a new auto.

Churches reward our kids also in their many different ways, some rewards include certificates and once again, trips. The schools reward them for everything, for standing up straight, for brushing their teeth, for being on time, for attending school, and for swallowing their food at the school cafeteria. Again, these things in themselves

are not bad. "I believe they are good," I wanted to emphasize they are good, by placing quotation marks around that statement and hope that clears that up. The point I am trying to make is the lasting effect that it (the reward) has on our children.

Instead of children visiting their parents or grandparents, they are rewarded with a gift at "Christmas." If their parents are ill, just send them a \$1.50 Hallmark Get Well Card. If the "Grandparents" are about to depart this life, the grandchildren reward them with a pot of "Winn Dixie" flowers. If you notice I said "grand" children, I feel that may overstretch things a little.

The point I am trying in a feeble way to make is, we need to take stock of ourselves and visit "Mom and Dad," and especially our "Grandparents." The \$1.50 card is fine and so are the flowers, but a visit with some love will go much further toward the parents' well-being and will make the young'ns feel better about themselves, than a card will.

"Tis the season," of course, all the time is the season, but make an

extra effort this year to visit before either their lifetime or yours—runs out. I hope you enjoyed your parents during "Thanksgiving." Make a special effort to enjoy your family during the Christmas season, not with a telephone call, you know the kind where you force the kids to get on the line and say "thank you" to their grandparents.

Well anyway "I want my young'ns to "Love me and Not Reward Me" and that they do. It's easy to point a finger or tell someone else about the rules, as long as we don't point at ourselves.

Well, I guess I wore this one out. Let me say again awards and rewards are fine in our society and by our parents, (I think?) Don't reward them, get out and see them. Right parents and grandparents?

I don't know how I got into this. I didn't plan it; this just rolled out, sorry. Young people have grown up with men's burdens on their shoulders and no time to discover wisdom.

Editor's note: Bill Francis is a Garrett native and is retired from the University of Kentucky and resides at Mousie.

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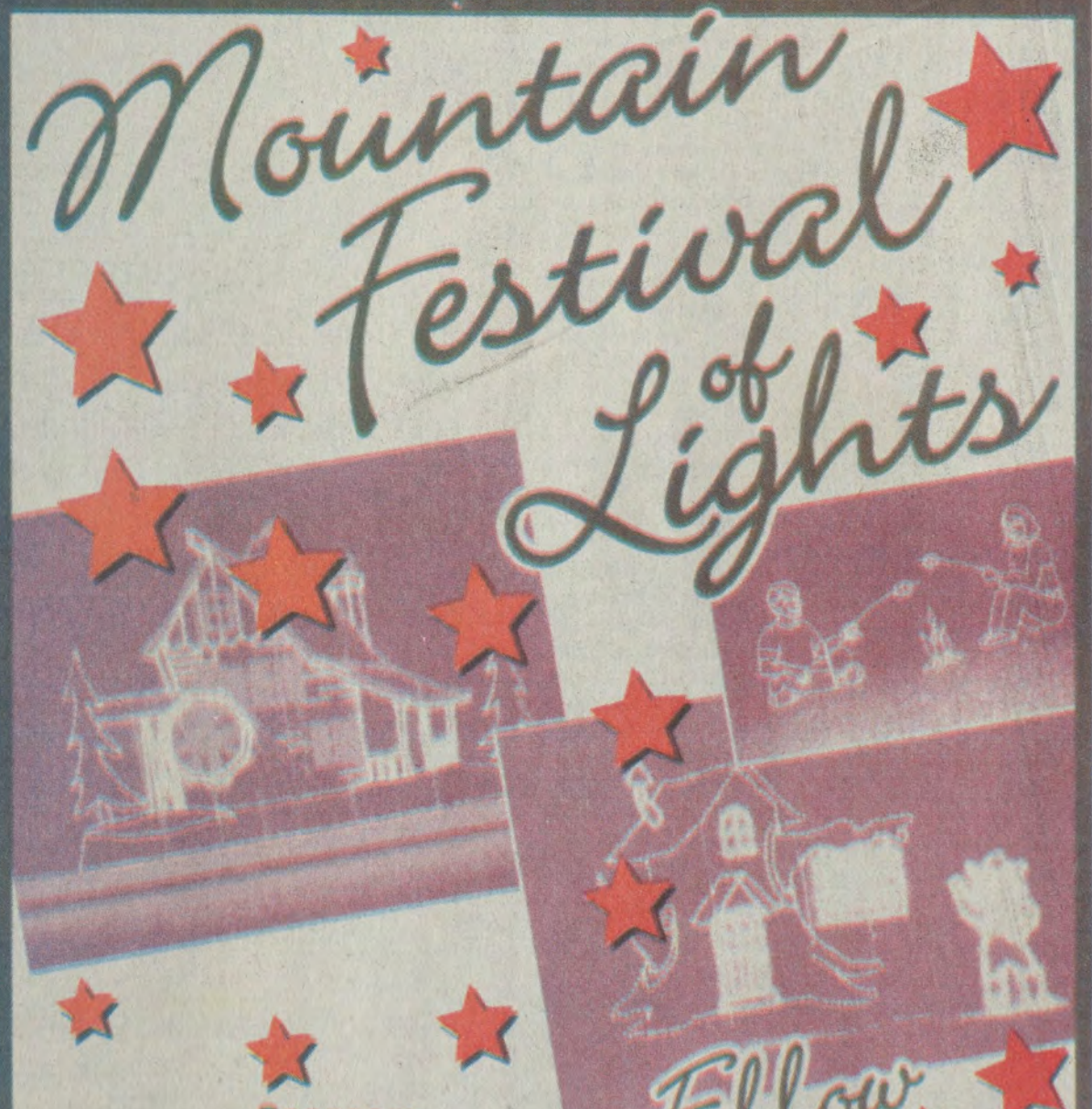
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Dear Santa,
 My name is Jessica Danielle Hall, and since I am only 2 1/2 years old, my mommy is helping me with this letter. I have been a very good girl this year. At least I have tried real hard to be good, 'cause sometimes I just can't. This year I want a purple bicycle, a pink Barbie swimming pool, a ball pit, a new Barbie doll, a playhouse, and some baby dolls. My mommy and I will be making homemade cookies and candy. I'll leave you some by the tree.

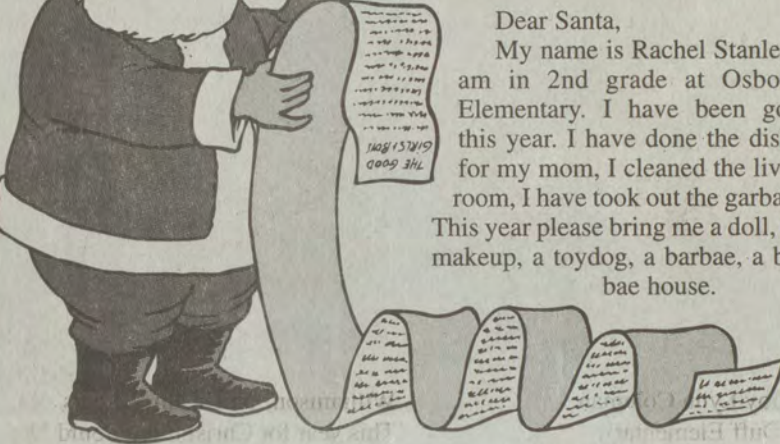
Be careful in the snow and hurry up to my house for Christmas.
 Love, Jessica

Dear Santa,
 My name is Rachel Poston. I live at 11 First Street, Apt. 37, Prestonsburg. I have a brother, name is Harvey Jr. and a sister, name is Cassander, and he is 2, and she is almost 1, this is her first Christmas.

Bike, dress shoe, clothes, boots, toys. My sister: doll, socks, clothes, sippy cups, diapers. Brother: Cars, trucks, clothes, socks, sippy cups.
 Rachel Poston
 Age 6
 Prestonsburg

Dear Santa,
 My name is Emily Huff. I am in 2nd grade at Osborne Elementary. I have been very good this year. I walk my dog, feed my gerbils, I take care of my baby

Dear Santa,
 My name is Nathan William Johnson. I want rugrats, dolls and Chuckin and Pill and Liland Ange and Spike. The End.
 Nathan William Johnson



Dear Santa,
 My name is Alanna. I am in the 2nd grade at Osborne Elementary. I've been a good girl this year. I've fed my cat, I helped my mom, I've remembered my manners. For Christmas I would like a pokeman beanebaby and a stuff animal dog. Have a Merry Christmas.
 Your friend,
 Alanna Meade

Dear Santa,
 My name is Chelsie Ann Hunt. I am in 2nd grade at Osborne Elementary. I have been good this year. I have done what teacher told me. I have done what my teacher has had me to do. I have cleaned and I share my stuff.
 For Christmas please bring me a formy doratner, makeup bord.
 Chelsie Ann Hunt

Dear Santa,
 My name is Nathan William Johnson. I want rugrats, dolls and Chuckin and Pill and Liland Ange and Spike. The End.
 Nathan William Johnson

Dear Santa,
 My name is Rachel Stanley. I am in 2nd grade at Osborne Elementary. I have been good this year. I have done the dishes for my mom, I cleaned the living room, I have took out the garbage. This year please bring me a doll, toy makeup, a toydog, a barbae, a barbae house.
 Your friend,
 Rachel Stanley

I will leave you milk and cookies.
 Dear Santa,
 My name is Coretta. I am in 2nd grade at Osborne Elementary. I have been good. This year I help mom watch the Baby. Beany Babies and I will leave you a snak under the tree.
 Your friend,
 Coretta Trammell

Dear Santa,
 My name is Steven Hamilton. I am in 2nd grade at Osborne Elementary. I have been good this year. I help my dad on the garage. For Christmas, please bring me motorcycle, clothes, and a little wheeler, that is all.
 Your friend,
 Steve Hamilton

Dear Santa,
 My name is Rebecca Dutton. I am in 2nd grade at Osborne Elementary. I have been good this year. I help my mom. I have been to the aution with my cousins. I have been good in school. I would like a Barbie for Christmas. Have a happy holiday!
 Your friend,
 Rebecca Dutton

Dear Santa,
 My name is Anthony King. I am in 2nd grade at Osborne Elementary. I have been good this year. My dog jump up on me and I pet my cat. For Christmas please bring me toys and a ball.
 Anthony King

Dear Santa,
 My name is JoAnna Tackett. I have been a very good girl this year. All I want for Christmas is a play kitchen set and a set of play dishes.
 P.S. I love you Santa.
 Love,
 JoAnna daughter of Bryan and Susie Tackett

Dear Santa,
 My name is Josh Blevins. I am in 2nd grade at Osborne Elementary. I have been good this year. I have picked up my room and I help my mom. I take the grocs out of the car. For Christmaas I would like a shotgun. Have a happy

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 Your friend,
 Josh Blevins

Dear Santa,
 My name is Billy-Joe Evan Duty. I am in 2nd grade at Osborne Elementary. I have been good this year. I've did my work. I've obeyed my mom. I've been good all year. If you can please get me a furby, Daytona 500, and body havest. I will leave you milk and cookies.
 Your friend,
 Billy-Joe Eveen Duty

Dear Santa,
 For Christmas I want Spice Girls toys. I have been a good girl this year.
 Love,
 Summer Noakes

Dear Santa,
 My name is Elizabeth Hamilton. I live at Auxier. Santa, I have been a good girl this year. I would like for you to bring me a baby with diapers, a bottle and powders, and clothes. Also, to bring my brothers and sister something nice. I will leave you cookies and milk by the tree.
 Merry Christmas Santa
 From Elizabeth Hamilton

Dear Santa,
 My name is Shawn Lee Prater. I am 7 years old. All I want for Christmas is Peace on Earth and something for my mommy and one toy. It don't matter what kind. I want my mommy to get me a race car track. I will leave you some cookies and milk. I love you Santa.
 Shawn Lee Prater

Dear Santa,
 My name is Charles Hamilton. I live at Auxier. Santa, I have been a good boy this year. I would like for you to bring me a bicycle, a gold chain with au. K. Charme, and to bring my sisters a baby doll, and something nice. I will leave you cookies and milk by the tree.
 Merry Chrstmas Santa,
 From Charles Hamilton

Dear Santa,
 My name is Christy Hamilton. I live at Auxier. Santa, I have been a good girl this year. I would like for you to bring me a barbie, bicycle, clothes and shoes. Also, to bring my sister and brother something nice. I will leave you cookies and milk by the tree.
 Merry Christmas Santa,
 From Christy Hamilton

Dear Santa,
 I have been good this year. I want a belt, a go-cart, a dirt bike, a Christmas tree, a basketball, a tool set, a pumpkin, tigger, a new book, bag clothes, 4-wheeler, a toy tool, talking Bubba, a computer set or nintendo 64, a wagon.
 Love, Devin Tilley
 Age 6
 Allen Elementary
 Mrs. Collins

Dear Santa,
 I have been good this year. I want roller blades, a grasshopper, and a teletubby.
 Love,
 Brandon May
 Age 6
 Allen Elementary
 Mrs. Collins

Dear Santa,
 I've been a good boy this year. I want war games, Godzilla, night Bulba.
 Godzilla toys, Ingielin, Spider, Tokyo Monsters, Godzilla movie.
 Love, Nickolas Crum
 Age 5
 Mrs. Collins, Allen Elem.

Dear Santa,
 I have been good this year. I want a baby doll and a pumpkin, and Teddy bear.
 Love,
 Lisa Bray
 Mrs. Collins, Allen Elem.

Dear Santa,
 This year I want a choo choo train, pocketbook, a bear, Talking Bubba and Titanic stuff.
 Love,
 Kenenna Stewart
 Age 5
 Allen Elem.

Dear Santa,
 I have been good this year. I want a toy Car, Batman, and a

Bill Clinton watch.
 Love, Brandon Quillen
 Age 5, Allen Elem.

Dear Santa,
 I have been good this year. I want a real snake, a motorcycle, and a raccoon.
 Love,
 Nathan Jarrell
 Age 7
 Allen Elem.

Dear Santa,
 I have been good this year. I want a shotgun, a white and a blue ball, and a train, a Titanic boat, and a drum set.
 Love, Jeff Burchett
 Age 7
 Allen Elem.

Dear Santa,
 I have been good this year. I want a 64 Titanic game, Titanic purse, Titanic ink pen, Titanic dog, and a real dog, Cat, a Titanic, sinking book, a basketball, a Titanic movie, a Teddy Bear, a train, a Facodog, a talking parrot, and a hamster, a real frog, and a Talking Bubba, and Sleeping Ernie, and a Titanic shirt and a Pound Puppy City. I love Santa.
 I love you.
 Brittany Osborne
 Age 7
 Allen Elem.

Dear Santa,
 I have been good this year. I want Finger Nail Fun, clothes, Pooh Bear, The Purse and Purses, shoes and Daisy doll.
 Heatner Hunt
 Age 6
 Allen Elem.
 Mrs. Collins

Dear Santa,
 I've been good this year. I want a game, and a cat, and a dog, clothes, and a game of Titanic.
 Love, Ashley Stewart
 Age 7
 Allen Elem.
 Mrs. Collins

Dear Santa,
 I have been good this year. I want Lion Kings, and a motorcycle, and a Nintendo '64, and Super Nintendo games, Titanic movie, and a 4-Wheeler, and a Talking Bubba, and a train, and a cat, and do Winnie-the-Pooh movie, and a Godzilla toy, and a Godzilla movie, and a dinosaur movie, and a Batman toy, and a Small Soldiers toy, and a toy dinosaur, and a Small Soldiers movie, and one million dollars, and a Puppet Lion, and a Talking Lion and a Tigger.
 Love,
 Roger Hayton
 Age 8
 Allen Elem.
 Mrs. Collins

Dear Santa,
 I have been good this year. I want Teddy Bear Barbie, horse, cat, Fingernail Fun, watch, Barbie tent, blocks, coat, new shoes, rugrats.
 Merry Christmas, Santa.
 Love, Brittany Hagans
 Age 6
 Allen Elem.
 Collins

Dear Santa,
 I have been good this year. I want a Silver Ranger, Red Ranger, computer, remote control car, Play Station.
 Thanks, Santa
 Your friend, Kevin Marsillett
 Age 5
 Collins, Allen Elem.

Dear Santa,
 I have been good this year. I want large castle, trucks, and airplane, a jeep, a little tank.
 Love, Ronnie Blevins
 Age 6
 Allen Elem.

Dear Santa,
 I have been good this year. I want Red Ranger, Small Soldiers, Green Ranger.
 Love, Gary Wright
 Age 5
 Allen Elem.
 Collins

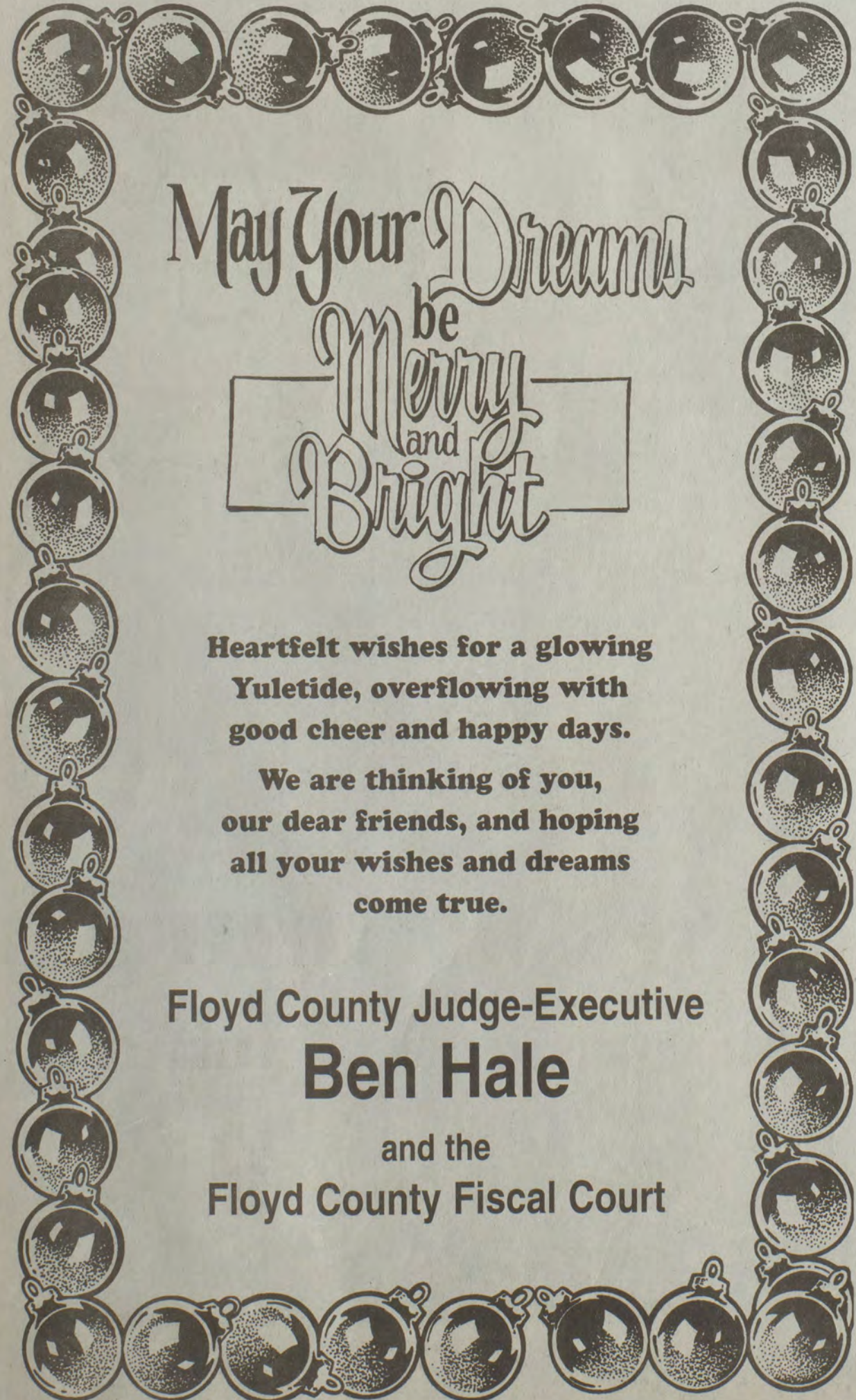
Dear Santa,
 I have been good this year. I want a Silver Power hi Ronger, go-cart, Red Power Ranger, a wagon, motorcycle, 4-wheeler, WWF men, turkey and dressing, gressa for dad.
 Love,
 P.D. McCoy
 Age 6
 Allen Elem.
 Collins

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Dec. 25

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a new bike, clothes, car, trucks.
Shane LeMaster
Age 5
Allen Elem.
Collins

Dear Santa,
What I want for Christmas is Rugrat stuff, and Barbies and some Spice Girls suckers and Spice Girls shirts and Spice Girls dolls and a Hanson bedroom.
Thank you!
Your friend,
Karyn Mills
Duff Elementary

Dear Santa,
How is it going? Can you wait for Christmas? All the little children are waiting for their presents. How do you do it, delivering all the presents? Speaking of presents, will you deliver me a computer?
Your friend,
Jarrod Parsley
Duff Elementary

Dear Santa,
Hi I am Jami. For Christmas I want a Furby, and a computer of my own. That's all I want. I will leave you sugar, cookies and milk. Tell everyone in the North Pole I said hi. Bye Santa!
Your friend,
Jami Meade
Duff Elementary

Dear Santa,
How do you do? How do you deliver all the presents in one night. On Christmas can you leave me a Rudolph doll. Happy Holidays.
Your friend,
Amber Meade
Duff Elementary

Dear Santa,
Are you going to come to my house? I want a computer and an Amy doll. Santa, I will leave you milk and cookies. Merry Christmas.
Your friend,
Lakeesha Shepherd
Duff Elementary

Dear Santa,
Hi my name is Tess Gibson. Here is what I want for Christmas. An Amazing Amy doll and a computer and printer and a Play Station. Santa how are the reindeer doing? Tell me how is Mrs. Claus doing? I'm fine.

Well I've got to go now Santa. Good night, Reindeer, Mrs. Claus, and Santa.
Your friend,
Tess Gibson
8 years old
Duff Elementary

Dear Santa,
Santa, what I want for Christmas is Friday, the 13th, the first one. I will be good. Please do this for me!
Your friend,
Justin Owens
Duff Elementary

Dear Santa,
Here's what I want for Christmas, a Banjo Kazobie game, can you please get me that? what I was wanting to ask you was how are you doing? Is Rudolph getting his voice back? How are the reindeer doing? What is it like in the North Pole? Don't forget my night clothes.
Your friend,
Madeline Patton
Duff Elementary

Dear Santa,
Hi Santa. On Christmas I want a Play Station, and 3 tapes, Off Road Challenge and Nascar 99. Then I want a motorcycle game.
Thank you
Santa.
Your friend,
Justin Cooley
Duff Elementary

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a computer, Toss and Tickle Me Elmo, Super Nintendo and a Furby is all I want but a Game Boy camera too. How are your reindeers? Are you coming to my house for Christmas? I will leave you milk, cookies, and Reese cups.
P.S. Write back please Santa Claus!!!
Your friend,
Brittany Hunt
Duff Elementary

Dear Santa,
Keep cool with reindeer, but the fat has to go! Cool Mrs. Santa that rules, but you're cool at school.
Your friend,
Patrick Wright
Duff Elementary

Dear Santa,
Hi it's me. Remember me. I will tell you one thing I want for Christmas is to see my daddy. Well I have to go now. Good bye.
Your friend,
Steffany Bailey
Duff Elementary

Dear Santa,
I love you Santa Claus. I've been a good boy. I'm 8 years old. I want to tell you what I want for Christmas. Power Ranger in Space, Mega Winger, Crossfires, Nascar cars, Power Ranger in Space toys, Tetron, Jack Frost the movie, A Goosebump video.
Your friend,
Nathan Conley

Dear Santa,
Hi my name is Ashton Frasure. I am eight years old. What I really want for Christmas is a Furby and a puppy dog. Her name would be Mercedes and I would take very good care of her. My mom won't let me have it because she don't like animals. But I do. Well, I have to go. See ya, bye.
P.S. write back Santa Claus, please!!!
Your friend,
Ashton Frasure
Duff Elementary

Dear Santa,
Are you going to make it an Christmas Day? I have been waiting all year for Christmas. Is Rudolph all right? I was just checking. I'll write to you after Christmas.
Your friend,
Adam Osborne
Duff Elementary

Dear Santa,
All I want for Christmas is my mom and dad to get back together. And I want a big Telatubbie, and a Rose doll.
Your friend,
Deanna Davis
Duff Elementary

Dear Santa,
I am going to have food for the reindeer and I will have cookies and pop for you Santa. Thank you.
Your friend,
Chris Thornsberry
Duff Elementary

Dear Santa,
My name is Kaitlyn Nicole Williamson, and I am 3 1/2 years old. This year for Christmas I would like to have Breakfast loving baby, Happy meal baby, remote control barbie car and anything else you would like to bring me. My sister (Kristen) and I will leave cookies and milk on the table for you.
Love,
Kaitlyn

Dear Santa,
My name is Kristen Danielle Williamson, and I am 2 years old. This year for Christmas I would like

to have Burp and Slurp baby, Pretty Lovable Lashes, Little Bunny tea set and anything else you would like to bring me.
My sister (Kaitlyn) will leave cookies and milk on the table for you.
Love,
Kristen

Dear Santa,
Hi, my name is Taylor Spurlock and I am 4 years old. I have been a pretty good girl this year. So, I would like an Easy Bake Oven. Amazing Amy doll, a Barbie car and the movie, Pocahontas II. I will leave cookies and milk under the tree for you.
I love you Santa.
Taylor Spurlock
Harold

Dear Santa,
My name is Chelsea Breane Click. I'm 6 years old and in the first grade. I'd like for you to bring me a pair of roller blades, a Barbe Motor car, whatever you want to bring me. If you can't bring these, it will be ok.
Chelsea Breane Click
Hueysville

Dear Santa,
Guess what I want for Christmas.
Small soldiers and Godzilla. Power Rangers in space with their galaxy gliders, wrestling figures, Shawn Michaels costume and for my brother, a Kane costume and all of the W.W.F. belts, Arizona cloths, toys, and a few games on N-64 and a CD player, and alarm clock, and a watch, some movies, a ten speed, my own basketball goal, an electric guitar, and a pair of shoes and my teacher, a one of those teach shirts.
Josh Rudder, Age 8
Emmalena

Dear Santa,
Can you guess what I want for Christmas? You know I have been good this year, and that I made good grades. Well, in case you can't guess what I want for Christmas, I will tell you. Power Rangers toy's, a truck, Godzilla toy's and a sled. I will leave you a nice treat under the tree, My daddy say's double Oreo's are you favorite. If you give gifts to good dogs, please bring Comet some-

thing.
Your Friend,
Dylan Rudder, Age 5
Emmalena,

Dear Santa,
My name is Brittany Miller. I am 6 years old. I have been good this year. I want anything this year. I will be happy with anything you bring. I love you! I will put a snack out for you.
Love,
Brittany Miller
Prestonsburg

Dear Santa,
My name is Tiffany Jarrell. I am 9 years old. I am in the 4th grade. For Christmas I would like a Lill doll of the Rugrats show. The reason I want her is because she is very cute and sweet. If you could, please bring my Mom something too.
Your friend,
Tiffany Jarrell, Age 9
Allen

Santa,
My name is Christian. I am 3 years old. I want a train for Christmas. And some Hot Wheels. I've been a good boy. I'll leave some cookies under the tree.
Christian Collins, Age 3
Prestonsburg, KY 41653
P.S. I had to get my NAY to help me write this letter.

Dear Santa,
My name is Kayla Shea Nelson and I am 3 years old.

What I want for Christmas more than anything is a talking Little Bear. Also I would like to have the Puppy Racers game and Mr. Potato Head Electronic game.

Santa, my mommy & daddy say that I have been a good girl all year.

A l s o Santa I'll leave you some milk & cookies out, in case you are hungry.

Love,
Kayla Shea Nelson, Age 3
Auxier

P.S. Have a safe trip Santa. Hope you don't get cold.
Merry Christmas.



With Best Wishes For a Happy Holiday

May the meaning of Christmas be deeper, its friendships stronger, and its hopes brighter, as you and your loved ones revel in the magic of the holiday season.

It's been a privilege and a pleasure serving you this past year. We're really grateful for your kind support and look forward to your continued friendship.



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Dear Santa,
My name is Chelsea Breane Click. I'm 6 years old in the first grade. I'd like for you to bring me a pair of roller blades, a Bar Ba Motor car. What ever you want to bring me. If you can't bring these, will be ok.

Christmas is God's birthday.
Love, God bless you.
Tammaka
My address is Tram.

Dear Santa,
Me and my Bubby have been good this year. Please bring me a Crow and Walk Baby. Please bring my Bubby a train.

We love you.
Toni Danielle Scott, Age 6
Wilgus Matthew Couch, Age 2

Dear Santa,
I have been a very good boy. Please bring me Two-Face and Joker. I would also like a Night Wing. There will be milk and cookies for you under the tree.

I love you,
Nathan Ryan Kidd, Age 4
Dana

Dear Santa,
Please bring me the Mickey Mouse Light up Telephone, and the Amazing Amy doll, and the Barney Banjo. Please get my brother, the Blues Clues dog. I love you very much.
Brittany Williams, Age 3
Mousie
I love you Santa.

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy, please bring me a Jeff Gordon remote control Race Car, watch, clothes, remote control Godzilla. I will leave you some milk and cookies under the tree. I love you!
Brandon Osborn, 7 years old
Betsy Layne

Dear Santa,
My name is Trinity Stewart. I am 5 years old. I go to school at Clark Elem. My teacher is Miss Key and Ms. Hutchins.

Santa, I love you and I wish I could see your reindeer.

Santa, please bring me a fishing pole, a motorcycle, a dump truck, a saw, a spaceship. Also remember to bring my little sister something, too.
Thank you, Santa!
Love,
Trinity Allen Stewart
Prestonsburg

Dear Santa,
My name is Destinee Stewart. I am 3 years old.

I love you Santa Claus. I want a new baby doll and an Angel Barbie, also a new bicycle, a Baby Crawl and Walk, Amazing Amy, and a Trike and go baby.

Please remember to bring my big brother something, too.
I'll leave you some milk and cookies under the tree in case you get hungry.

Love,
Destinee Hope Stewart
Prestonsburg, KY 41653

Dear Santa,
My name is Kyle Christian Wallace and I like Bat Man. Batman is good, he fights the bad guys.

I have been a very good boy this year. I want to fight the bad guys like Batman does.

Would you please bring me Batman's car, a race track, Blue Race Cars (because blue is my favorite color), a Backhoe, and a Batman suit with a cape.

I will be leaving you a snack beside the fireplace. You can have a Tigger Tail, crackers, and milk. If you like pepsi or juice you can have that, too.

See you on Christmas, that's my birthday, too!
Love,
Kyle

Dear Santa,
I want Batman and Yoyo, blocks. Get mamal Yoyo.
Channing VanWinkle, Age 4
Paintsville

Dear Santa,
My name is Adam Hubert Thomas. I will be 4 years old on December 20, 1998. I live at Hueysville. I go to preschool and I can't write yet, so mommy is helping me, but I can draw pretty things. I love you, Santa, please brings me lots of toys. Please send me some building blocks, get me a truck, please bring me some fire trucks, so I can put fires out.
Thank you.
P.S. Here is a picture of me.
Adam Hubert Thomas
Hueysville

Hi Santa,
My name is Miranda Gayheart, I am 10 years old and I go to May Valley School. I live in Printer, Ky. 41655. I want a NSY A.C. tape and some clothes and shoes, and a stereo and a T.V. I have been real good so far.

I see you soon.
By Miranda Lynn Gayheart
Printer

Dear Santa,
What I want for Christmas is a "WWF In your House" Playstation game and I also want "WWF War Zone," "Twisted Metal 3," and "NBA Live 99," also "O.D.T."

Playstation games I want for Christmas.
Justin Morrow
Galveston

Dear Santa,
My name is Amanda Rose Bellamy. I am 6 1/2 years old. I would like you to bring all the girls and boys lots of nice gifts. My mom said I've been a pretty good girl. I would like you to bring me a Barbie Super Talking Purse set, Barbie Dance-With-Me Talking Boom Box, Barbie Super Talking Answering Machine, Telephone, Barbie and Kelly Dance Recital, Barbie tea set, Very Velvet Barbie, Barbie ring set, Barbie necklace, Kelly Power Wheels, Ferris Wheel, Barbie kitchen and dining room set, Barbie dinnerware set and flatware set, Barbie dairy, Barbie watch, Barbie backpack, Baby Spice doll, Geri Spice Girl doll, Spice Girls sound stage, Spice girls deluxe organizer and make up set. I love you Santa. I'll leave milk and cookies under the tree and carrots for reindeers.

Amanda Rose Bellamy
Martin

Dear Santa,
Our class at May Valley Elementary has made a list for you. Please listen carefully, each and everyone of us love what you bring to us each year. To make it a little easier for you, we are sending you a list of our Christmas Wishes from Lisa Thornsberry's Kindergarten class.

Merry Christmas, Santa, and don't work too hard bringing all those toys to all good boys and girls.
Christmas Wishes:
Austin: Godzilla and a dinosaur
Emily: Blues Clue Dog and Happy Meal Baby
Alex: Blue train, volcano and velcro shoes
Jenna: Ice cream maker, an angel and a Pooh Bear
Kathryn: Swing set, Barbie doll and shoes
Sean: Hot Wheels truck, Playstation and Hot Wheels cars
Steven: Batman stuff and Superman
Andrew: 4-Wheeler, Batman and a kite
Brianna: Barbie doll, Barbie car and a Jack-in-the-box
Drake: Power Ranger, Beatle Band and clothes
Racheal: Ice cream maker, car and a truck
Phyllis: Ice cream maker, computer, and a toy bed
Katlin: Air Bud movie, an angel, and Batman
Brandi: Pooh Bear, car and an ice cream maker
Casey: A book bag, Boy bear, and a Power Ranger
Cody: A bear, book bag and Batman
Celia: toy dog, bunny rabbit and toy house
Dallas: Batman, Superman and a truck
Jaimie: A bike and toy truck
Natasha: Monkey, doll and Winnie-the-Pooh
Bob: A computer and a truck
We are trying to be good all the time, so Santa, don't forget us.
Sincerely,
Lisa Thornsberry's Kindergarten Class

Dear Santa,
I really like Christmas, but people have forgot the real meaning of Christmas is the birth of Jesus.
Sincerely yours,
Nikki Spurlock

Dear Santa,
My name is Haley Akers. I go to May Valley Elementary in Martin. I am 8 years old.

I was wondering if you could come here Christmas. I would like to see you because so many people say that you are not real. I believe in you, Santa, so please come and see me!
Hope to see you,
Haley Akers

Dear Santa,
My name is Haley Akers. I go to May Valley Elementary in Martin. I am 8 years old.

Christmas isn't just about getting presents. Christmas is about family and friends. I wish for my papaw to get better. That is all I want for Christmas.
Sincerely yours,
Brittany Collins

Dear Santa,
My name is Whitney Conley. I go to school at May Valley Elementary in Martin., I'm 8 years old.

Santa Claus this is what I want for Chgristmas: shoes, clothes, dolls, roller blades and Barbie dolls. I think Christmas means fun, love and happiness. I can't wait until Christmas is here.
Sincerely yours,
Whitney Conley

Dear Santa,
My name is Danielle Lynn Lafferty. I am 8 1/2 years old. I am a third grader at May Valley Elementary.

I have been an angel this year. I have been good to my teacher, my mom and dad and my brother.
I would like Santa to bring Amanda a Tommy doll. I would like a Tommy doll that talks and sings stories. Also I would like a Barbie that you can dye her clothes. I would like a computer with a mouse.
Your best kid,
Elizabeth Dingus

Dear Santa,
My name is Elizabeth Dingus. I am 8 years old. I am a third grader at May Valley Elementary.

I've been a good boy about behavior this year. Bring my mom a ring, bring my dad a watch.
I want a WWF Revenger and spend time with my family.
Your friend,
Dustin Rowe

Dear Santa,
My name is Dustin Rowe. I am 8 years old. I am a third grader at May Valley Elementary.

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Your friend,
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Dear Santa,
My name is Kayla Slone, I go to May Valley Elementary School. I am in Mrs. Fulks' classroom.

Santa, I like you because you bring me presents for me and my family.
Sincerely yours,
Kayla Slone



Dear Santa,
I want a new car! I also would like a Dalmation puppy. Could you bring me a remote control car, too?
Your friend,
Andrew Sparkman

Dear Santa,
My name is Derick Sheperd. I am 8 years old. I think Christmas is about Jesus Christ birthday.
Love,
Derick

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Jennifer Moore. I go to school at May Valley Elem. in Martin., I'm in Mrs. Fulks' third grade class. I can't wait until Christmas so that I can get presents! Santa Claus, I got to go. Have a Merry Christmas.
Love,
Jennifer Moore

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Scott Little. I go to May Valley Elementary. I am nine years old. I'm in CaSandra Fulks' room. I think Christmas is about visiting families and for kids to have fun.

I want some roller blades, some baseball cards, a remote control car and some other baseball stuff. Have a great Christmas, Santa!
Sincerely yours,
Scott E. Little

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Byron Hall. I go to May Valley Elementary in Martin. I like school a lot. I always want to come to school but, I am sick sometimes. I would like a cool toy car for Christmas. I'm in Mrs. Fulks' classroom.

Your friend,
Byron Hall

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Sincerely yours,
Whitney Conley

Dear Santa,
My name is Brittany Collins. I go to May Valley Elem. in Martin. I am in Mrs. Fulks' third grade class. I am 8 years old.

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Sincerely yours,
Brittany Collins

Dear Santa,
My name is Elizabeth Dingus. I am 8 years old. I am a third grader at May Valley Elementary.

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Your best kid,
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Your friend,
Dustin Rowe

I am 9 years old and all I want for Christmas is for my family to be together for Christmas!
Love,
Jennifer Wright

Dear Santa,
My name is Sarah Bolen. I go to May Valley Elem. in Martin. I am in Mrs. Fulks' third grade class. I am 8 years old.

This year I can't wait until Christmas because I am going to Ohio, Michigan, and Indiana, to spend time with my family.
Love,
Sarah Bolen

Dear Santa,
My name is Whitney Slone. I go to May Valley Elem. in Martin. Kentucky. I'm in Mrs. Fulks' third grade class. I can't wait until Christmas so that I can get presents!
Love,
Whitney Slone

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Audrea Ousley. I go to school at May Valley Elem. I am in Mrs. Fulks' third grade class. Can you bring my mom a ring and put my dad's name on it? My dad's name is John Ousley and my mom's name is Jennifer. I think this would be a neat gift for my dad to give to my mom.
Love,
Audrea Ousley

Dear Santa,
My name is Keesha Kaye Powers. I go to May Valley Elem. in Martin. I am in Mrs. Fulks' third grade class. I am 8 years old.

Christmas is my mom's birthday. The most thing I really want for Christmas is a computer.
Sincerely yours,
Keesha Kaye Powers

Dear Santa,
My name is Meranda Damron. I go to school at May Valley Elem. in Martin., I am 8 years old and I am in Mrs. Fulks' third grade class.

I get to see my family from Indiana. We are going to celebrate Jesus's birthday and exchange presents too. I can't wait until Christmas is here.
Sincerely yours,
Meranda Damron

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Desiree Sheperd. I go to May Valley Elementary School. I can't wait until Christmas because of all the presents, and I get to see all of my family and friends. I just can't wait until Christmas.
Sincerely yours,
Desiree Sheperd

Dear Santa,
My name is Hailey Salisbury. I go to May Valley Elem. in Martin. I am in Mrs. Fulks' third grade class. I am 8 years old. This year all I want is for my Nanny not to die and for all of us to be happy with Nanny.

Dear Santa,
My name is Danielle Lynn Lafferty. I am 8 1/2 years old. I am a third grader at May Valley Elementary.

I have been a little angel all year. I have been good to everybody. I would like you to give Amanda the Stone Cold doll.
For Christmas I want a computer, CD's, Rugrat watches, dolls and money.
Your friend,
Danielle Lafferty

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Your friend,
Dustin Rowe

Dear Santa,
My name is Dustin Rowe. I am 8 years old. I am a third grader at May Valley Elementary.

Dear Santa,
My name is Marissa. I am going to be 7 on Dec. 12. I am in the first grade. I go to school at May Valley. I want a Barbie boll and a teddy bears. I love you, Santa.
From Marissa Gayheart
I live at Printer.

Hi, Santa,
My name is Tammaka Dianna Potter. I am 4 years old. I love you! Take care of my special Ruduooff Raindeer. Please take every child a gift for Christmas. I want three toys Blue, Scubby Doo, Little Bear. I love the musical things, Santa, if you can't get these things for me. Tell Mrs. Santa and your elves hello. Give them a special gift. Remember

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Dear Santa,
My name is Cody Pack. I am 8 years old. I am third grader at May Valley Elementary.
I have been trying to be good. Santa, I wish we had more money. I want a Sony Playstation and a mean Chunky 4 doll.
Love,
Cody

Dear Santa,
My name is Brandon Spears. I am 8 1/2 years old. I am a third grader at May Valley Elem.
I am really good this year. I'm going to be good every year. I want my mom to have a job.
I want a skateboard and a snowboard, also a Playstation.
Your friend,
Brandon Spears

Saved as More Osborne Santa Lets.

Dear Santa,
My name is Kiana Shanice Hall. I am four years old. So mom is writing this letter to you. I have been good this year—(well sometimes.) For Christmas I would like a small soldier toy, Bugs life toy, computer cookie cop game, cherry game, microwave oven, and any other toys that you think I would like. I also want to wish everyone a Merry Christmas. There will be pizza under the tree for you to enjoy along with some of my homemade cookies/milk. Thank you, Santa.
Kiana Shanice Hall,
Melvin

Dear Santa,
I am in Ms. Hall's first grade class at Osborne Elem. This year for Christmas I would like: Power Ranger in Space, Wrestler set WWF, reptur wagon, cars and trucks. I have been bad and good.
Jacob Tackett

Dear Santa,
I am in Ms. Hall's first grade class at Osborne Elem. This year for Christmas I would like: Barbies, stilts, toys CD, computer and drums. I've been good.
Britney Little

Dear Santa,
I am in Ms. Hall's first grade at Osborne Elem. This year for Christmas I would like: Wrestlers, games, watch, shoes, and revenge.
Cody Spears

Dear Santa,
I am in Ms. Hall's first grade class at Osborne Elem. This year for Christmas I would like: a ball, and bat, motorcycle boots, glasses, small soldiers, motorcycle suit, a new motorcycle, crash back, helmet and gloves. I will put you some milk and pizza by the tree.
Cody Bartley

Dear Santa,
I am in Ms. Hall's first grade class at Osborne Elem. This year for Christmas I would like: spinning top, boots, legos and shoes. I am good.
Devin Burke

Dear Santa,
I am in Ms. Hall's first grade glass at Osborne Elem. This year for Christmas I would like: Power Ranger in Space, Beast Wars, Robocop, tape, games and Mega Voyager. I will leave you some cookies and milk under the tree.
Demetrius Adams

Dear Santa,
I am in Ms. Hall's first grade class at Osborne Elem. This year for Christmas I would like: WWF ring with the figures, WWF four pack, WWF Karate and fighters, Mega Voyage, Tonka mine set with video games—comes with 3. I've been good. And I will leave pop/cookies and mom's homemade chocolate milk.
Nathan Hall

Dear Santa,
I am in Ms. Hall's first grade class at Osborne Elem. This year for Christmas, I would like: Barbie home, candy house, Barbie doll, Barbie movie, Barbie dress and makeup, Barbie van and anything else thats Barbie. I do not know if I have been good or bad.
Thank you,
Natasha Hunt

Dear Santa,
I am in Ms. Hall's first grade class at Osborne Elem. This year for Christmas I would like: Scooby-Doo, Rugrats, doll-on bike, a dog, a cat, McDonald doll, Winnie-the-Pooh stuffed animal, Playhouse and for all my family to be there.
Krishta Johnson

Dear Santa,
I am in Ms. Hall's first grade class at Osborne Elem. This year for Christmas I would like: Barbie home, candy house, Barbie doll, Barbie movie, Barbie dress and makeup, Barbie van, and anything else thats Barbie. I do not know if I have been good or bad.
Thank you,
Natasha

Dear Santa,
I am in Ms. Hall's first grade class at Osborne Elem. This year for Christmas I would like: Furby, Mega Wringer, Mega Voyager, WFW Fashion, crash bank, Dooms Day, toy



lion, new book bag, rugrat toy and rugrat watch. I have been good.
Nicholas Orsborn

Dear Santa,
I am in Ms. Hall's first grade class at Osborne Elem. This year for Christmas I would like: A ball and a bat, Barbie doll house, rugrat, Barbie car, rugrat watch and clothes.
Shea Mullins

Dear Santa,
I am in Ms. Hall's first grade class at Osborne Elem. This year for Christmas I would like: Cars, toys, WWF, WCW, NWO, tapes and wrestling. I been good.
Brandon Meade

Dear Santa,
I am in Ms. Hall's first grade class at Osborne Elem. This year for Christmas I would like: Cars, toys, WWF, NWO, WCW, movies. I been good Santa.
Alexander Johnson

Dear Santa,
I am in Ms. Hall's first grade class at Osborne Elem. This year for Christmas I would like: Tapes, Action figure, Power Ranger, Vampire movie, wrestling and WWF.
Thank you,
Joseph

Dear Santa,
I am in Ms. Hall's first grade class at Osborne Elem. This year for Christmas I would like: spinning top, boots, legos and shoes. I am good.
Devin Burke

Dear Santa,
I am in Ms. Hall's first grade class at Osborne Elem. This year for Christmas I would like: Toys, watch, remote control car, wrestlers, 22 rifle and a lump of coal.
I have been good.
Timothy Tackett

Dear Santa,
I am in Ms. Hall's first grade class at Osborne Elem. This year for Christmas I would like: Barbie angel, Barbie make-up, computer and ball. I like you Santa. I will leave cookies and milk under the tree. I will leave some for your reindeers.
Misty Mitchell

Dear Santa,
I am in Ms. Hall's first grade class at Osborne Elem. This year for Christmas I would like: Barbie home, candy house, Barbie doll, Barbie movie, Barbie dress and makeup, Barbie van and anything else thats Barbie. I do not know if I have been good or bad.
Thank you,
Natasha Hunt

Dear Santa,
I am in Ms. Hall's first grade class at Osborne Elem. This year for Christmas I would like: Skates, toy cars, mega ford, Power Ranger in Space. I've been good.
Derek Hatfield

Dear Santa,
I am in Ms. Hall's first grade class at Osborne Elem. This year for Christmas I would like: Computer, makeup, lipstick, Barbie and Talking Bubba. I'll leave pizza.
Thelma Hall

Dear Santa,
I am in Ms. Hall's first grade class at Osborne Elem. This year for Christmas I would like: Doll, bear, rugrat watch, rocking chair, computer. I've been good.
Elizabeth Newsome

Dear Santa,
I would like a puppy and the movie "Titanic." I want a puppy to play with. My favorite movie is "Titanic." I have watched it two times.
Sincerely,
Billy Randolph

Dear Santa,
Christmas is a holiday to be nice and helpful to other people. I would like for there to be peace in the world, because some people are mean. This would be a good present for everyone.
Merry Christmas,
Scotty Baril

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a Sega. Then I could play with it. Then I could spend time with my family. So good job Santa.
Sincerely,
Dallas Marsillet

Dear Santa,
I would like five big toys. I want a Winnie the Pooh, Piglet, Eeyore, Rabbit, and Tigger. I would like a big, soft chair because my back hurts, and a big computer. Happy holidays.
Sincerely,
Chris Mullins

Dear Santa,
Christmas is not about gifts. It is about Jesus being born in the manger. I would like for my family to have a good Christmas. It is a fun holiday.
Merry Christmas,
Brittany Webb

Dear Santa,
Christmas is special because you send a lot of presents to everybody. It is about Jesus and enjoying Christmas Eve. I would like a drum set for my room so I can play music. This would make my Christmas special.
Your pen pal,
Jordan Chaffins

Dear Santa,
Christmas is a special day. I wish you could help all of the old people who don't have enough money to buy Christmas decorations. Most of all, I would like for you to help my Papa Shepherd because he is very old and needs someone to stay with him. I visit him every day and give him a hug. He gives me one or two dollars. This makes me feel good.
Merry Christmas,
Brett Shepherd

Dear Santa,
Christmas is special because it is a holiday where I get a lot of presents. I help put ornaments on the tree. My wish for Christmas is for my dad to get a safer job because he has to climb electric poles. This makes me nervous.
Merry Christmas,
Daryl Prater

Dear Santa,
I am in Ms. Hall's first grade class at Osborne Elem. This year for Christmas I would like: Toys, watch, remote control car, wrestlers, 22 rifle and a lump of coal.
I have been good.
Timothy Tackett

Dear Santa,
I am in Ms. Hall's first grade class at Osborne Elem. This year for Christmas I would like: Computer, makeup, make up kit, canopy bed and lip stick.
Santa, I also have some milk and cookies for you.
Thank you for my Barbie last year!
Autumn Eads

Dear Santa,
Christmas is not about gifts or Santa. It is about a baby that was born in a manger, named Jesus. The King said to the people, "Let him be our light." Now on every Christmas we worship the Lord Jesus. I wish that my mom would get better. Also, I wish all the sick kids and people would get better, for the homeless to find homes and have something for Christmas, and to be with family. One more thing I wish is that my mamaw, papaw, and Uncle Ronnie would get better and be able to come for Christmas at my house.
Merry Christmas,
Kimberly Patrick

Dear Santa,
Christmas is all about families getting tyo see people they haven't seen in a long time. For Christmas I would just like to be with all of my family. I would also like a few toys in my stocking and under my tree.
Love,
Tori Castle
P.S. I hope families everywhere get toys to play with on Christmas morning.

Dear Santa,
Christmas should be when family and friends get together and have a good time being with each other. All I want for Christmas is for my family to have a great Christmas. It would mean a lot to me. It would be special because everyone would be happy and able to enjoy being with each other.
Sincerely,
Carl Little

Dear Santa,
I hope that the people who are sick and in the hospital get well for Christmas so that they can have dinner with their families. I also hope that people who don't have enough food, get to eat dinner with someone. This would make my Christmas special.
Sincerely,
Sara Johnson

Dear Santa,
I am writing to tell you what will make my Christmas special. Going to my mamaw's would be special because it makes her happy to see my sister and me. I love to eat Christmas dinner with her because I love my mamaw. One more thing I want for Christmas is three tickets to go to see WWF.
I love you,
Brittany Johnson

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Prestonsburg

Dear Santa,
I was wanting you to know what would make my Christmas better. My Christmas would be better if there was peace on earth and all the people who don't have some food had some. Let all the people that don't have families find a friend. Also, watch over them and my family. That's what would make my Christmas special.
Sincerely yours,
Jeremy Pack

Dear Santa,
Christmas is a special time of the year when families get together. My dad is in the Navy and lives in Japan. For Christmas I would like my dad to get stationed in Virginia Beach. This would make both of us happy because I could spend summer vacation with him. This would be the best Christmas ever.
Yours truly,
Clinton Turner

Dear Santa,
Christmas is not about getting gifts. It is about spending time with your family and all of the kids who don't have families. Maybe someone would want to keep them so that they could have nice, warm homes to rest in and spend Christmas. This would make my Christmas special.
Merry Christmas,
Blake Davis

Dear Santa,
I like Christmas because I get presents, but that is not what it is all about. It is about spending time with your family. I would like for my cousin, John Grant, who lives in Florida, to come home. This would make Christmas special.
Your pen pal,
Landon Slone

Dear Santa,
I would like to know how to make medicine for the common cold so no one will be sick on Christmas Day. I think this would help make everybody's Christmas more special.
Merry Christmas,
Corey Hayes

Dear Santa,
My wish for Christmas is that all of the kids in the world who don't have parents get adopted before Christmas. If they do, they will be very happy. I will be happy too!
I love you,
Jessica Conley

Dear Santa,
I wish that everyone could have a very merry Christmas. I also wish that the people in nursing homes will be visited by their families so they will have a better Christmas.
Sincerely,
Heather Johnson

Dear Santa,
Christmas is a time to celebrate with families. I really want my dad, my papaw, Jack, Johnny and David to be home for Christmas instead of going hunting. They make me feel more at home and more special. I think they would enjoy being at home too.
Merry Christmas,
Kayla Howard

Dear Santa,
Christmas is a special day in which families get together to share memories of the past Christmases and make more special memories. All I want for Christmas is for my four grandparents to get well and be happy.
Sincerely,
Jessica Martin

Dear Santa,
I am 3 years old and I want a Teletubby for Christmas (Yellow La

La.) and a baby doll and my little brother wants a Telectuby also for Christmas and talking Big Bird. I love you Santa.

Kayla Jo Campbell,
Prestonsburg
3 years old

Dear Santa,
I am 5 years old and I want you to bring me a Big Spider Man for Christmas and a Super Ninto tape and a whole lot more things. Bring my big brother Ray some cologne for Christmas. I love you Santa.

Shawn Ratliff
Prestonsburg
5 years old

Dear Santa,
I've been a good boy this year. Make sure you eat the cookies and milk we leave for you. They will be very good—chocolate cookies, milk and orange juice. Santa, will leave out carrots for your reindeer, so they don't get hungry. Please tell your reindeer that I said hello and Merry Christmas.

I want Volcano Blowout, some toys from the movie "A Bugs Life." I would like videos like Blues Clubs, Simbas Pride, Rescue Heroes videos and toys. Lady and Tramp Video and Elephant Videos. I would like the Hungry Hippos.

Love, Michael
P.S. I will be a good boy for the rest of the year.
Michael DeJesus
River Ronge, Mi.

Dear Santa,
My name is Donald and I'm 7 years old. I would like to have a Sky Driver car and a Sony play station for Christmas. If you can't bring me them, I will like whatever you get me.

Love, Donald Hall
Age 7
Betsy Layne

Dear Santa,
I want a Peddle Go-Cart, a riding toy, a hat, slinky, hearts, a Walk and Crawl doll and a bicycle doll. Bring Kayla a N-Sync CD, Mama some cloths and mommy a doll so Caitlyn can play with it. I will leave you some milk and macaroni on the table.

Love: Tiffani Johnson
Gunlock, KY 41632
Age 4

Dear Santa,
My name is Jessica Kidd. I am 8 years old. I go to John M. Stumbo Elementary School. I would like for you to bring me a Betty Spagetti, a Hanson tape, a Spice Girls tape, a Rugrat key-chain and a Talking Tomy doll. I would like for you to surprise me.

P.S. I will leave you some milk and cookies.
Love, Jessica
Grethel

Dear Santa,
My name is Katrina. I'm 6 years old. I would like for you to bring me a Gymnast Jamie Doll, talking doll, a Barbie and a Rugrats movie, or whatever you bring me will be ok. I will leave you some cookies under the Christmas tree. I love you Santa.
Katrina Hall
Age 6
Betsy Layne

Dear Santa,
I am 10 years old, and I want clothes and remote control car, and toys and games for Christmas.
I love you, Santa.
Zachary Carroll
Prestonsburg
10 years old

Dear Santa,
I want a play station with the Rug Rats 3d game, Roca Puppy and some surprises.
Your friend,
Michael Linzie Tussey
Garrett

Dear Santa,
I have been a very good boy this year. Will you bring me a bike, computer, bulldozers, Walkie Talkies, and a N-64 game.
Love, Casey Gayheart
Age 6
McDowell

Dear Santa,
My name is Byron Oneil Caudill. I have been a very good boy this year. I would like to have a Ride Along Peanut and a teletubby also. A Push-N-Go Butterfly. Me and my mommy will leave milk and cookies under our tree. Don't forget my big brother, Alex, and our new baby.
Thank you.
Byron Caudill

Melvin
Dear Santa,
My name is Alex Wade Mullins. I have been a very good boy this year. If you don't mind I would like a recliner chair for a child. Anything else good you can think of for me. Me and my mommy will leave milk and cookies under the tree. Also don't forget my new baby mommy's going to have or my brother Byron.
Thank you.
Alex Mullins
Melvin,



Dear Santa,
My name is Emily Ann Hall. For Christmas this year, their are a few special things that I would like. I would love to have the movies, Mulan, and Camelot. I also want Angel My Size Barbie, and Baskin Robbins Ice Cream Maker. Don't forget my little brother, Seth too. I'll leave cookies and coffee under the tree for you.

Love,
Emily Ann Hall
Eastern

Dear Santa,
My name is Seth Douglas Hall and this is my second Christmas. I love Barney, and anything with Barney is sure to please me this Christmas. Little Bear, a rock n' roll 3 wheeler, and a remote control bulldozer are just a few things on my list. I'm looking forward to Christmas and I'll put home made fudge and strawberry kiwi juice under the tree for you. Please remember my big sister, Emily this year too.

Love,
Seth Douglas Hall
Eastern



Dear Santa,
My name is Austin. I've been a good boy. Would you please bring all the girls and boys lots of toys for Christmas. Here is what I would like for you to bring me.

Play Gym, Tickle Me Elmo, Tickle Me Big Bird, Tickle Me Cookie Monster, Tickle Me Earmie, Cookie Monster that walks and talks, a lion that talks, Winnie the Pooh Bear, toys for bath tub, Babe the Pig that talks, fire truck that talks, Blues Clue Dog that talks, Barney that talks, phone, firetruck, car, ball, train all that makes sounds, clothes, toy box, high chair. I will leave you some milk and cookie beside the fire place.
Austin Tyler Martin
5 months old
Eastern

Dear Santa,
What's new at the North Pole. I was just wanting to tell you what I want for Christmas. O.K., here we go—I want a Play Station, computer, a La-La Tellutubbie, and if you get me a Play Station I want Nascar 99, and Crash Back. Well that's all I want.
Good-bye. P.S. I will leave some milk and cookies out.

Love,
Jennifer Belcher
Age 9
Prestonsburg

Dear Santa,
My name is Blair Johnson. I'm 3 years old and live at Wheelwright, Ky. My babysitter is helping me with my letter.

I have been a good girl this year. I would like for you to bring me a Cinderella doll, Barbie, and clothes with a bride-maid outfit. A Precious Moment Bible for church. I have two brothers, their names are Ryan and Josh. Ryan wants some wrestling figures; Josh wants a new

girlfriend, (Ha, Ha). I will leave some milk and cookies under the Christmas tree for you.

Blair Johnson
Wheelwright

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Miranda Coburn. I live at Estill, Ky. All I want for Christmas is a real puppy and a newborn Diaper Surprise doll. I will leave milk and cookies by the tree.

Miranda Coburn
My age is 7
Wayland

Dear Santa Clause,
My name is Brian Coburn. I live at Estill, KY. All I want for Christmas is a real puppy and a WCW Bashin Brawler. I will leave milk and cookies by the tree. My age is 4.

Brian Coburn
Wayland

Dear Santa Clause,
My name is Wallace Coburn Jr. I live at Estill, KY. All I want for Christmas is a WCW Bashin Brawler and a Sock 'Em Bopper Sword. I will leave milk and cookies by the tree.

Wallace Coburn Jr.
My age is 6.
Wayland

Dear Santa,
My name is Martha Newsome. I am in Mrs. Janice Hall's class at Osborne Elementary School. Please bring me a baby doll and some dishes. For Christmas I have been good this year. Just ask Mrs. Hall.

Love you Santa,
Martha Newsome

Dear Santa,
My name is Cody Little. I am in Mrs. Janice Hall's class at Osborne Elementary School. Please bring me lots of games and a shirt for Christmas. I have been good this year. Just ask Mrs. Hall.

Love you Santa,
Cody Little

Dear Santa,
My name is Justin Short. I am in Mrs. Janice Hall's class at Osborne Elementary School. Please bring me a Four Wheeler and a race car for Christmas. I have been good this year. Just ask Mrs. Hall.

Love you Santa,
Justin Short

Dear Santa,
My name is Bryan Daniels. I am in Mrs. Janice Hall's class at Osborne Elementary School. Please bring me a race car and a Power Ranger for Christmas. I have been good this year. Just ask Mrs. Hall.

Love you Santa,
Bryan Daniels

Dear Santa,
My name is Tiffanie Rogers. I am in Mrs. Janice Hall's class at Osborne Elementary School. Please bring me a Barbie doll Jeep and a four wheeler for Christmas. I have been good this year. Just ask Mrs. Hall.

Love you Santa,
Tiffanie Rogers

Dear Santa,
My name is Ashley Shelton. I am in Mrs. Janice Hall's class at Osborne Elementary School. Please bring me a Nintendo and a teddy bear for Christmas. I have been good this year. Just ask Mrs. Hall.

Love you Santa,
Ashley Shelton

Dear Santa,
My name is Nikessha Hurt. I am in Mrs. Janice Hall's class at Osborne Elementary School. Please bring me a teddy bear that sings and a Nintendo for Christmas. I have been good this year. Just ask Mrs. Hall.

Love you Santa,
Nikessha Hurt

Dear Santa,
I want computer, computer diary, and a game boy and games and a Notedo 64 box and game.

Love,
Amber Rose
Berger
Bevinsville

Dear Santa,
My name is Breanna Moore. I am in Mrs. Janice Hall's class at Osborne Elementary School. Please bring me a toy truck and a car for Christmas. I have been good this year. Just ask Mrs. Hall.

Love you Santa,
Breanna Moore

Dear Santa,
My name is Brittany Moore. I am in Mrs. Janice Hall's class at Osborne Elementary School. Please bring me a computer and a piano for Christmas. I have been good this year. Just ask Mrs. Hall.

Love you Santa,
Brittany Moore

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12:45 Minnie Park-Minnie
1:00 McDowell ARH Parking Lot
1:30 Left Beaver Fire Dept. Station 2
2:00 Pilgrim Rest Church-Price
2:15 G & C Grocery-Hi-Hat
2:30 Little Nancy Church-Hi-Hat
2:45 Bud Reynolds Store-Ligon
3:00 Church of God of Prophecy-Ligon Hill

Dear Santa,
My name is Whitney Walker. I am in Mrs. Janice Hall's class at Osborne Elementary School. Please bring me a Rugrat tent and a Rugrat notebook for Christmas. I have been good this year. Just ask Mrs. Hall.

Love you Santa,
Whitney Walker

Dear Santa,
My name is Timmy Hall. I am in Mrs. Janice Hall's class at Osborne Elementary. Please bring me a toy shot gun and some toy keys for Christmas. I have been good this year. Just ask Mrs. Hall.

Love you Santa,
Timmy Hall

Dear Santa,
My name is Quvaughn Watts. I am in Mrs. Janice Hall's class at Osborne Elementary School. Please bring me a Nintendo and a Game boy for Christmas. I have been good this year. Just ask Mrs. Hall.

Love you Santa,
Quvaughn Watts

Dear Santa,
My name is James Hall. I am in Mrs. Janice Hall's class at Osborne Elementary School. Please bring me a Nintendo and a B-B gun for Christmas. I have been good this year. Just ask Mrs. Hall.

Love you Santa,
James Hall

Dear Santa,
My name is Andrew Tackett. I am in Mrs. Janice Hall's class at Osborne Elementary School. Please bring me a B-B gun and a book for Christmas. I have been good this year. Just ask Mrs. Hall.

Love you Santa,
Andrew Tackett

Dear Santa,
My name is Billy Henderson. I am in Mrs. Janice Hall's class at Osborne Elementary School. Please bring me a B-B gun and a bicycle for Christmas. I have been good this year. Just ask Mrs. Hall.

Love you Santa,
Billy Henderson

Dear Santa,
My name is Sarah Caldwell. I am in Mrs. Janice Hall's class at Osborne Elementary School. Please bring me a Teddy Bear, and lots of Barbie Dolls for Christmas. I have been good this year. Just ask Mrs. Hall.

Love you Santa,
Sarah Caldwell

Dear Santa,
My name is Kendra Meade. I am in Mrs. Janice Hall's class at Osborne Elementary School. Please bring me a talking babe and a puppy for Christmas. I have been good this year. Just ask Mrs. Hall.

Love you Santa,
Kendra Meade

Dear Santa,
My name is Keisha Johnson. I am in Mrs. Janice Hall's class at Osborne Elementary School. Please bring me some Barbie Dolls and a Barbie house for Christmas. I have been good this year. Just ask Mrs. Hall.

Love you Santa,
Keisha Johnson

Dear Santa,
My name is Lacey Spears. I am in Mrs. Janice Hall's class at Osborne Elementary School. Please bring me a bike and some blocks for Christmas. I have been good this year. Just ask Mrs. Hall.

Love you Santa,
Lacey Spears

Dear Santa,
My name is Santanna Meade. I am in Mrs. Janice Hall's class at Osborne Elementary School. Please bring me a Barbie Doll and Mickey Mouse for Christmas. I have been good this year. Just ask Mrs. Hall.

Love you Santa,
Santanna Meade

Dear Santa,
My name is Jacob Dye. I am in Mrs. Janice Hall's class at Osborne Elementary School. Please bring me a Play Station and Nintendo 64 for Christmas. I have been good this year. Just ask Mrs. Hall.

Love you Santa,
Jacob Dye

Dear Santa,
My name is Josh Newsome. I am in Mrs. Janice Hall's class at Osborne Elementary School. Please bring me a Play Station and some wrestling dolls for Christmas. I have been good this year. Just ask Mrs. Hall.

Love you Santa,
Josh Newsome

Dear Santa,
I want a Karaoke achine, blue P.J.'s, a Shania twain tap and the Dixie Chips, tape a blue dress and wite high hill's and some Mikey Mouse overalls and stuff.

Love,
Faith
Bevinsville

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a computer, some CD's, games for my 64, a furby, movies, chaper books, and a four wheeler. And a neckless, ring, and a pair of earrings.

Thank you,
Tia Salisbury
Bevinsville

Dear Santa,
Will you get me a C.D., player, Santa doll, camra any kind of games. I need a new bookbag, and shoes.

I want summer dress, and that's just about it.

Love,
Your friend,
Charise Tackett
Bevinsville

Dear Santa,
I want a million dollars and a 64, Play Station and finger gloves, real cowboy boots and trench coat, WCW bashen bodys, and bee bee gun—a rifle.

Thank you,
Joseph Allen
Bevinsville

Dear Santa,
The only thing I want for Christmas is my brother Jordan, my sister Cassidy, my mom Laura, my dad Harold, my granny Lois, my aunt Kim, my uncle Joe, my cousin Bekah, my other cousin Rachel, my aunt Sheila, my uncle Ray, my cousin Micah, my other cousin Cody, my other cousin, Jared, and my great-granny Imogene, my pa Charlie, and that is the only thing I want for Christmas.

Yours truly,
Eden Johnson
Bevinsville

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Nintendo 64 and a Batman and Robin toy. I want a heat-up glove that runs on batteries. I also want Batman and Joker Karate Fighters.

I have been good this year.
Kelly Johnson
Bevinsville

Dear Santa,
I want a Nintendo 64 with WCW/NWO Revenge and a game boy with mortal combat 3.

Timothy Daniel Isaacs
Bevinsville

Dear Santa,
I want a Tanatula, a sony Play Station and the movie Blood Sport.

Thank you,
Westley Hunt
Bevinsville

Dear Santa,
I asking for a N 64 and a WF Raw is war play place and a dog and a cat and spider. The end.

Kyle Ray
Bevinsville

Dear Santa,
I want a four-wheeler for Christmas. I would like a few hot wheels cars and I want remote control cars. I have been a good child.

Thank you,
Joshua
Stanley
Bevinsville

Dear Santa,
I wish I had a basketball goal and a pair of shoes and a playcar and a hat and a Dreseranda motorcycle and a lion and a pair of boots and a Play Station and a Nintendo Sixty Four and a Sega Sater and a Sega and Super Nintendo and four-wheeler and some clothes and a new house for my mmom and a new foder and a trand a 16 carat gold.

That's all.
Thank you,
Ryan Hurst
Bevinsville

Dear Santa,
I want a N64 with WCW and NWO revenge and a WF tape with stone cold and undertaker on it and I want a Trouble game and a ten speed bike and a four-wheeler and that is all.

Love,
Ryan
Bevinsville

Dear Santa,
I want a N64 with WCW and NWO revenge and a WF tape with stone cold and undertaker on it and I want a Trouble game and a ten speed bike and a four-wheeler and that is all.

Love,
Ryan
Bevinsville

Dear Santa,
I want a doll and a Barbie. And a 100 dollar, a C.D. for a computer, a map of the USA, for my leg to get better and new shoes.

Thank you,
Jerianne
Bevinsville

Dear Santa,
I want 12 robots. I want a Silver Ranger and want a Red Ranger in Space. I want a color game boy.

Mark Johnson
Bevinsville

Dear Santa,
I would like you to get me a Play Station with WFW/NWO game. 4-10-shells with it and vanish EJ. Tia, Amber, B. and Son

and I would like 5,000,000 dollars in cash. A mercedes, and Jagua Black Mustang, silver and gold statues. Example, lions tigers. that would be all.

The end.
Austin
Bevinsville

Dear Santa,
I want a ten speed bike for Christmas and I want a lot more stuff for Christmas too and I want a pair of Adidas shoes and a jogging outfit at bus adidas on it. I want a hat that says adidas on it that says adidas on it too. I want a lot adidas stuff and Santa Claus and I just want one more thing and here is the biggest thing I want for Christmas. I want Jerianns legs to fill better soon.

Thank you,
Amber Tackett
Bevinsville

Dear Santa,
I want a Play Station system with mortal Kombat 4, Sega game, it's Power Rangers, a game Genie with Sega Genises 16-bit. a copy machine with pappers, a CD rom computer with hot wheels game, a batman and Robin movie.

Thank you,
Timmy Cook
Bevinsville

Dear Santa,
My name is Joshua Shane Akers. I am 4 years old and live at Wheelwright. I have been a good boy all year. Please bring me a VCR and a Hot Wheels Firestation for Christmas. Also bring my mommy a ring and a necklace. I will leave you some milk and cookies under the big Christmas tree. Santa, please bring my toys to my mamaw and papaw Burke's house. (It is the white house with the black top.) Put them under Mamaw's tree. Bring my brother, Mamaw, papaw and daddy something also.

I love you Santa,
Joshua Akers
son of Andy and Teresa Akers
Wheelwright

Dear Santa,
My name is Chelsie Ann Hunt. I am in 2nd grade at Osborne Elementary. I have been good this year. I have done what the teacher has told me to do. I have cleaned and I share my stuff.

For Christmas, please bring me a formy dorotner makeup board or dress, a Barbie, a telephone.

Chelsie Ann Hunt

Dear Santa,
My name is Marissa. I go to school at Orsborn Elementary School and I'm in 2nd grade. And I should have a good Christmas because I am good. And I helped mom around the house. And my mom takes care of me. I would like a puppy for Christmas. And I would like a pair of roller skates for Christmas. I will leave you a snack under the tree.

Have a Merry Christmas.
Your friend,
Marissa Spears

Dear Santa,
My name is Dakota Moore. I am in 2nd grade. I have been good. I have rode the rides with my sister at Tennessee. I played with my sister for mom, and raked the yard. I've been kind of nice in class this year. For Christmas please bring me a lot of toys and love from my family. I will leave a snack on the table.

Your friend,
Dakota Moore

Dear Santa,
My name is Brandi Frasure. I am in 2nd grade. I've been good this year. I have done my work in class. I have cleaned my room and raked the yard for my dad. I would like you to bring me a benie baby tweety bird. And a pair of roller blades.

Your friend,
Brandi
P.S. I will leave you a snack under the tree.

Dear Santa,
I want a Erin beany babie, the Rugrats movie and the Docktor Doe Little movie. The Rugrats gigapet, the Spice Girl Barbie and watch, Fashion Magic kit, Clueless hands free phone, the Barbie doll, some blue adidas shoes too, a CD player with head phones, some Nike shoes, soe CK perfume, neckaces, MTV CD's, a Spice Girls kit, a feather purse and a Salth flod purse, some tommy girl outfits, the Barbie Hot Tub, a Clueless Skirt. The game Mall Madness and Pay Day, French fingernails, Klips for my hair, little ones, a new 10 speed bicycle, a little monkey, a Pomaranyam dog—a real one, Calvin Klein jeans and a purse, polo shoes and socks, Adidas socks to a VCR for my TV, the game Tic Tac Toe and connect 4, a nothe lazer lite, Spice Girls shoes and a Cross necklass Rugrats, Walky Talkys, The Barbie doll Cinderella, Nike necklaces, a million dollars, Walk'n Crawl Barbie, The Barbie bed and bath, a Mustang, some pen pencils and feather, pens, another set of them, some Nike earrings, tommy socks, a tommy hill figure, watch, because I lost mine. Some Express pants, shirts and socks, CK socket the game, getting into trouble and sorry, some puzzles, Rugrats, flute, tick tac toe, a set of Clueless hats, a sabrina's hands free phone, the Barbie that you can rock with her, a new pair of roller blades, some CK overalls and a taco bell dog.

Terri Stone
Bevinsville

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Terri Stone
Bevinsville



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Dear Santa,
My name is Jacob Johnson. I am in 2nd grade at Osborne Elementary. I have been good. I played with my sister. I will let you have cookies and milk. I want some toys and other things. I like toys.
Your friend,
Jacob Johnson

Dear Santa,
My name is Mickeah and I am 4 years old. I guess I've been a little mean, but I will try to be really good from now on. I would like for you to bring me Bouncy Baby, Happy Meal Baby, a bunch of play with Barbies, and some collectible Barbies, and anything else that you would like to bring me. My 2 brothers aggravate me sometimes, but I would still like for you to bring them some gifts. Santa, I love you and Mrs. Santa very much. Also, I love Rudolph. I will leave you and Rudolph some cookies and milk beside the fireplace. I will draw Mrs. Santa a picture and leave it with your snack.
Lots of love,
From Mickeah Desirae Johnson
Bevinsville

Dear Santa,
I want a computer, books to read.
Kalan

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To all our valued patients
go our bright wishes
and gratitude.

**Dr. Marty Minix, DMD
and Staff**

North Lake Drive
Prestonsburg
886-0808

Dear Santa,
I want The Spice Girls Barbie. I also want a Play Station and Mario.
Brittany

Dear Santa,
I want a Baby Alive for Christmas.
Tabit Howell

Dear Santa,
I would like a Barbie Truck and Barbie Slippers and a sweater.
Hallee Hall

Dear Santa,
I want a Stone Cold Steve Austin for Christmas.
Brian

Dear Santa,
I want a Blue Dog for Christmas.
Brandi

Dear Santa,
I want a furbee and a baby.
Elizabeth

Dear Santa,
I want a Brawler for Christmas.
Brad

Dear Santa,
Barbie and an Angel and horsey.
Desirae

Dear Santa,
I want a swimming pool and little house.
Austin DeRossett

Dear Santa,
I want a computer and a drum for Christmas.
Grant Blair

Dear Santa,
I want a Tanker and a toy for Christmas.
Adam

Dear Santa,
I want a swimming pool and swing set.
Emma

Dear Santa,
I want a pool table for Christmas.
Adam

Dear Santa Claus,
For Christmas I want to get a baskenrobin's ice-cream maker and I want some beane-babys and from my mom I want to get rugrats movie and the gigapet and totiona lley shirt and skirt and I'm going to wear my black shoes with it and I want to get a lot of clothes and I

hope I get a pure of Adidas shoes and I will wear the Adidas shoes if I get the. I will wear them with my shirt and blue skirt, I'm getting from mom for Christmas. And I want to get a Pooh Bear bed, and stroller, and the car seat for my baby doll and I want to get a new car for my Barbie doll. I want to get a Barbie hot tub so I can put my Barbies in it. I want to get a new Barbie doll so I can put her in the Barbie car and I want to get a Baby Alive like my sisters and me. And my sister can feed the baby dolls.
The end.

Thank you Santa,
I love you Santa Claus,
Bevinsville

Hi Santa Claus,
How you be this year.
I like have a Bike and some clothes.

I like a doll.
I get my mom some dishes and my step-dad some tools.
I am 6-years-old.
From Kenenna
Prestonsburg

Hi Santa Claus,
How you be this year. I like have a radio and wheelbow and I like some clothes, too.

Get my dad and mom something too. And dish and bubbie too, a big truck. I mind my mom and dad. I am 2 years old.
From Wince Thacker
Prestonsburg

Hi Santa Claus,
How you be this year.
I like have a radio and some clothes too. I like some tools too, and big bike too.

I am 8 years old.
From
Trimble Lee Thacker
Prestonsburg

Prestonsburg Elem.
Miss Griffith Kindergarten
Dear Santa,
I want Bashem Brawler and a furbee and Spice Girl Barbie.
Tori

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? Thanks for the presents you got me last year. By the way, how is the Mrs? I have been wanting to meet you.

I have been good this year. I only want one thing from you Santa C,

because it is very expenseve. It is a horse.

Your best friend,
Dianna Jones
Eastern



Dear Santa,
How are you doing? Bet your busy! Well, how is Miss Santa doing. Is Rodolph being good? Is Rodolph's nose still birght?

I have been bad but can you gave me five givfs. I want a elf, computer, sleigh, a Rudolph, stuffed animal and a tegger and that is all.

Your friend,
Melissa Music
Hueysville

Dear Santa,
How are you? How is Rudolph? How is the weather up there? Do you have any qute elv's up there? I have been fair. All I want for Christmas is a stone cold T-shirt and two tickets to Rock Bottom.

Your friend,
Earl
Wayland

Dear Santa,
How are you? I'm fine. How is your raindeer? Is it cold? I have

been good this year.
I only want two things this year. The games Turok and Super Mario. Your friend,
Richard
Garrett

Dear Santa,
How are you this year? Have you been working hard? How is Mrs. Claus? How are your deers. Are they ok? Are their any quite elves? Have you been eating a lot. Is your real name St. Nick? What do you do up there in the North Pole? I wonder if your real, are you?

I've be the best boy. I want Stone cold bone crunching and the undertaker bone crunching. And make my dog have pupies. That is all.

Your friend,
John
Wayland

Dear Santa,
How are you? I'm fine. How is Mrs. Claus? How is the elves? How is Rudolph?

I've been very good this year. On Christmas I would like to have a doll, a CD player and some cd's, a N64, a Play Station, and a horse.

Your friend,
Emma
Hunter

Dear Santa,
How are you? I'm fine. Is it cold up there? Santa I kind of b-lieve in you. After all, who puts the presents under the tree?

First I should say I've been fair. But I should say I want a Play Station, N/A, Game boy, and a dove.

How is Rudolph? Happy Holidays.
By. By.
Seasons greetings
Tommy J. Slone
Wayland

Dear St. Nick,
How are you Santa? Are you busy? Is Rudolph o.k.? Is Misses Claus sick? I have been fair in behavior. Would you get me some things? Please get me a web blaster, a Play Station, a physco, a computer, and soe chocolate for my teachers.

Good Greetings,
Michael
Wayland

Dear Santa,
Are they a lot of Bilezards up in North Pole? Is Rudolph going to led your sleigh? Did you bye new glasses for our letters? How is Mrs. Cluse?

I think I've been pretty good. The top five things I want are a key-board, shoes, socks, sherts, pants.
Your friend,
Cindi
Garrett

Dear Santa,
Are you doing great at the North Pole? Are the Raindeer playing good? Is your wife doing O.K.? Santa. Are you checking the list and checking it twice?

I'm been fair. I try to not yell at my sister or my brother.
P.S. If you can't get one of the stuff. That I want, thats, O.K. too. Just get something different.

The stuff, Play Station, Salem Phone, computer, diary and a mon-key doll.
Love,
Whitney
Hueysville

Dear Santa,
I was just wondering Santa, is your tummy full because you ate so much milk and cookies? Well, how are you doing? I hope your fine. I am. I hope Rudolph's well too. And I hope he is not sick. I bet your elves are very very busy. I wanted to say that this year I've done everything people has wanted me too. Oh, yes I forgot to say there are 5 things I want if you can get them. I would like to have a Bouncy Tigger, big cudly Winnie the Pooh, a big Talken bubba, and a big cudly Tigger and a cool green Barbie.

Well, Santa that's all.
Your friend,
Ashley
Hippo

Dear Santa,
Do you know how cold it is up there? I am kinda mean but I am trying to be nice. But I just want one thing for Christmas, is my mom to come up from Nourth Carolinae for Christmas. I haven't seen her in 6 years. Be the way, I won't have a fuff so you can come on in. And if your not in a hurry you can set down and eat cookies and drenk milk. And if you want you can play vidoe games. And do you have a perty elf up there?

Your friend,
Jonathan
Eastern



*With You in Mind
at
Christmastime*



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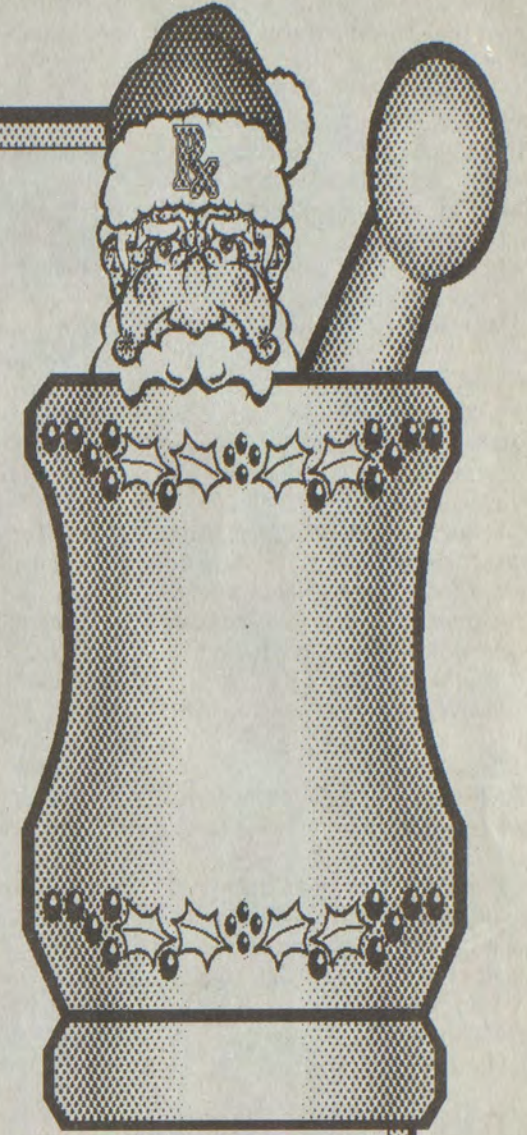
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Dear Santa,
How are you doing today? I am doing fine. How cold is it up there? I bet your busy. I can't wait till Christmas! Did you buy a new sleigh? I have been very good. Would you please get me a Dr. Dollittle tape, Twisted Metal 3, a Mad Catz steering wheel, and an Ant Morphs #25.

Bets wishes,
Zachary Tyler Griffith
Wayland

Dear Santa,
I want to know how the Raindeers can fly. Tell me in a note this year, and I hope you like your milk and cookies.

I have been good this year. And I got a computer and I want some games for it and a Chinese Pug for Christmas and some cool shoes and cool clothes. Please write back.
Your friend, Kayla
Hueysville

Dear Santa,
How are you today? I'm fine, if you ask. Tell Rudolph I said hi! Are you busy?

I've been pretty good this year. I would like to have a Play Station game, a big C.D. player, a C.D., and a pair of high hilled shoes.

Your friend,
Mikka
Garrett

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? How is Rudolph doing? How is Mrs. Claus doing? I hope you have a nice day. I have been fair this year. I would like to have a Titanic Book, Titanic game, Titanic jacket, Titanic poster, and I would like to have the movie Titanic.

Love,
Brittany Henson
Hueysville

Dear Kris Kringle,
Kris are you and God kin? Is cookies and milk all you eat? I love you Kris. You must be very busy up there. P.S. I don't think I have been bad to my sister.

I would like too have the spaghetti doll on TV. I want a trampoline. I want a baby kitten. I want a chapurter. I want some denims.

Your's truly,
Becky Reynolds
Martin

Dear Santa,
How have you been doing? I have been thinking about you and Rudolph, and I want to know how big is Rudolph getting? When you go to my house leave a note. I have been a little bad. I would like a Play Station, a Walkman, I would want a NASCAR 99 with my Play Station. I would like a pair of boots too. I would like a steering wheel with my Play Station.

Your friend,
James Vanderpool
Hippo

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? For me, I'm doing fine. I want to know what it's like up in the North Pole. Is it real, cold in the North Pole? Is Mrs. Claus doing ok in the North Pole? Is Rudolph's nose still shinning like a red lightbulb?

Honestly I have been good, but sometimes I was a little hateful with my mom and a few other people. But I really didn't mean it. I just sometimes get mad and scream at people.

Well Santa I would like some things for Christmas like a Teddy Bear that says 99 on it, a bracelet, some cd's, movie Billboard dad, a picture of you Santa.

P.S. If you bring some of the stuffing just half of it.

I will still thank you with your milk and your cookies on Christmas Eve The Night before you came to the house on the night. And I believe in you Santa. And I always will believe in you, Santa Claus.

Love your friend,
Brandi Nicholas Robinson
Hueysville

Dear Santa,
I wish you could come down because I want you to so I can see you, and if you don't they will be lots of kids mad. But if you do, they will be lots of children nice, so come on down. And I wish you could get me a race track.

I want a trampoline, some roller blads, some candy, toy car.
Your friend,
Jackie

Dear Santa,
Santa how are you doing? I bet it is cold in the South Pole. How rood-off doing. I hope you like all of my cookies. I have been a good girl this year. I hope you will bring me these 5 things. I am going to list down a Nintendo 64 game and a makeup

case with all kinds of makeup in it and rollerblades, a bouncy Tigger and bedtime Pooh Bear to.

Your friend,
Haley Coburn
Merry Christmas Santa
Garrett

Dear Santa,
I know your not real. Some say you are. I know you are not. If you are, you better not come to my house.

I've been a little bad. I want my moma, and papaw and my aunts to get me my presents. I want them to get toys. I hope they get me the Lost World of Jurrassic Park toys.

Your friend,
Anthony
Wayland

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? I'm fine. How are the deers? How is Mrs. Claus? I have bean fair. I want a bike, Game Boy, Intendo 64.

Your friend,
Josh A.
Wayland

Dear Santa,
How are you doing this year? I am doing fine. How are the reindeer doing? I hope so. I could have some presents. Would you give me a computer, frogger 2, jet motor, two real motor sikle, dirt bike and a computer, a big drum.

Your friend,
Josh P.
Hueysville

Dear Santa,
I like Christmas because I get a hole bunch of presents and once I got a Talking Tommy and a rugrats movie and its called a Rugrats Vacashan and I got a hole bunch of shaes and clothes, a hole bunch of Christmas movies.

Your friend,
Kala Vance
Garrett

Dear Santa,
What Christmas means to me is it is when Jesus is born and I would like a pretty pink Tera doll and a Hansen book. I would like a Spice Girl doll, Genger Spice. I would like also and Rbooks. I would like a very pretty poster of Spice Girls and Hanson, and most of all I would like a chalkboard like the teacher.

Your friend,
Natalie Glime
Hippo

Dear Santa,
I used to think Christmas was just about present, you, Christmas trees, snowman, bells, angel, when you was on the firetruck, sleigh, elf, poinsettia, candy, holly and all those Christmas things, but now I know it is not about all those things—it is not Christmas trees. I know it was when Jesus's birth.

Your friend,
Lindsay Maire Webb
Langley

Dear Santa,
Thank you for a great Christmas. Thank you for all the great presents you have giving me. Thank you for coming every Christmas eve. I like my presents you have giving me.

Your friend,
Jordan Martin
Langley

Dear Santa,
Thank you for a great Christmas. Last year in fact it was so good I couldn't tell you how good it was. I liked the present you got me. I hope you had the same Christmas It had last year, and I hope you bring me a computer and a printer this year.

Your friend,
Evan Lawson
Garrett

Dear Santa,
I like Christmas because I get a hole bunch of presents, and once I got a Talking Tammy and I got a puppy. I got a pet. I love Christmas.

Your friend,
Nikki Hill
Wayland

Dear Santa,
I think Christmas is fun. Do you think Christmas is fun? Do you put your decorations up? Thank you for giving me one of those Pugrats the Spike and Chuckie and Tommy and bringing snow and toys.

Your friend,
Josh Allen
Garrett

Dear Santa,
Thank you for a wonderful year in 1997. I loved the toys you brought me, especially the Baskin Robbins ice cream maker. And the phone and clock. I loved it all. I also like going up at my aunts house for Christmas.

Your friend,
Elizabeth Hughes
Langley

Dear Santa,
I thought Christmas was about presents and trees and lights. It is about Jesus' birthday. I want to thank Santa for bringing me a big gift. Christmas is about love.

Your friend,
Justin Moore
Garrett

Dear Santa,
I know Christmas is about Jesus' birthday but some people really think it is about presents. It's about Jesus' birthday. But I want a hair rapel for Christmas at least.

Your friend,
Breanna M. Duff
Langley

Dear Santa,



I like Christmas. Because you get presents. The snow you play with in it is fun too. The snow's always is cold. One night, I heard bells ring. I look out the window. I saw Santa giving presents away.

Your friend,
Brandon Bentley
Hueysville

Dear Santa,
The tree is all pretty. Jesus was born in bethelehem. Christmas time is spachal. Thank you Santa for toys. Santa is good to boys and girls. I love Santa Claus. Miss you. Santa I love you. I hope you can come Santa. I like going to the Parade. Santa puts candy in my stocking. Christmas is a happy day. Santa is a good boy.

Your friend,
Madison Prater
Hueysville

Dear Santa,
Thank you Santa for a good Christmas last year. I loved the toys you got me last year in 1997. I loved them and the game that you brought me.

Your friend,
Brianna Leeyn Castle
Langley

Dear Santa,
I think Christmas is the most fun holiday because that is when Jesus was born, and that is when Jesus's birthday is on and Christmas is most about Jesus, not toys that you get. It is love that you have on Christmas to each other person. That is what I think Christmas is most about.

Your friend,
Corey Howard
Hueysville

Dear Santa,
I used to think Christmas was only about presents, but know I know it is all about Jesus and his love. Don't you like Christmas? I do.

Your friend,
Steven
Wayland

Dear Santa,
I thought Christmas was about presents and presents to friends. I know that Jesus was born on Christmas, that is why we celebrate Christmas and we get all kinds of presents and they come in all kinds of colors. Like green and red and blue. That is why I like Christmas.

Your friend,
Daniel Conley
Garrett

Dear Santa,
I wish you could come down here on Christmas so you could see how fun it is because it is fun and if you do, I will have a present and if you don't they will be lots of kids not happy, and if you do they be lots of kids happy. Most of all the biggest present is Jesus' birthday.

Your friend,
Jackie Hall
Hueysville

Dear Santa,

Thank you for bringing my the presents in 1996. I wanted it was a 3 and 1 and a Turboman, a point ball gun.

Your friend,
Christian Cole Francis
Garrett

Dear Santa,
My name is Randell Leland Ousley. I am 13 months old. For Christmas I would like for you to bring good health and cheer to all my family. If that is too much to ask, then bring me a Talking Barney.

Love, Leland
Dear Santa,

My name is Thomas Matthew Francis. I have been good this year and would like for Christmas a Super Nintendo and Star Wars Stamper Markers.

I will leave you some cookies and milk and make sure the fire is out in the fire-place.

Merry Christmas,
Thomas Matthew Francis
Age 5

Dear Santa,
A bicycle, a snake, a truck and a basketball goal.

Love,
Tristan Reed

Dear Santa,

I want a hug light Mickey, some noisy toys, and a great Christmas with Mommy, Daddy, and Big Brother Emery.

P.S. I have been super good.
Love,
Baby Gage Kendrick

Dear Santa,
I want some Jingle Bells for Christmas to put on my dog, a picture frame, a cage for my stuff, a jar to put some candy in, and I want a Little Bear Tape, another dog (a good one, not a wild one), some little bitty people that you play with, and a Batman Shooter thing, a wreath, a couple of bows, and a couple of reindeers, (just the plastic ones).

Love you, Santa!
Emery McCoy



Dear Santa,
My name is Jamie and I'm 2 years old. I have been a good boy this year.

For Christmas I would like anything of

Winnie the Pooh and Tigger, a Blue's Clues stuffed animal that plays music, and a big

Tonka truck. I'll leave you milk and cookies under the tree.
Jamie Lee Perry
2 years old

Dear Santa,
My name is Kendra and I'm 4 years old. I have been good this year. For Christmas I would like a Barbie Boom Box, Barbi Bicycle, and a McDonalds Playland Baby. A Bouncy Bouncy Baby would be nice too! I'll leave you cookies and milk under the tree.

Kendra Raelynn Perry
4 years old

Dear Santa,
My name is Ethan Vanderpool and I am 10 months old. For Christmas I would like a "Bear in the Big Blue House" stuffed animal.

Thank you Santa,
Love, Ethan Vanderpool
Lexington

Dear Santa,
My name is Johnathan Butterworth. I am 12 years old. I am in the 6th grade. All people like to get gifts even little ones are nice. Have you ever really put a lump of coal in a stocking? There is one thing that I would like to have it is a CD computer game called Stunt Track Driver. it is a racing game for our home computer. I live at 29 Cliffside Circle Apt. 1, Prestonsburg.

Your friend,
Johnathan

Dear Santa,
My name is Megan Rachelle Ward. I'll be 4 years old the 15th of Dec. and live in Prestonsburg.

This year for Christmas I would love to have some clothes, make-up, fingernail polish, Teletubbie, and two dolls.

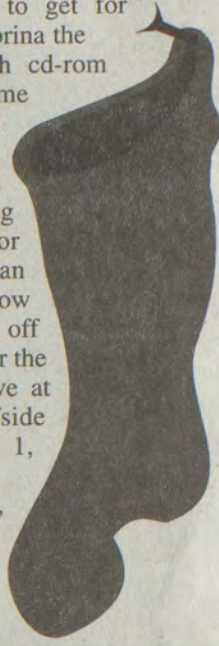
I will leave you some cookies by our tree in case you want a snack.
I love you. Bye.
Megan

Dear Santa,
My name is Seth Eran Ousley. I'm 16 months old, and I live in Prestonsburg.

This year for Christmas I would like to have a Teletubbie, cars, trucks, clothes, and a Elmo and puppy.

I'll leave some cookies by our tree in case you want a snack.
Thank you.
Seth Eran

Dear Santa,
My name is Rosslyne Butterworth. I am 11 years old. I really want everyone to have a good holiday. I just have a few things that I would like to get for Christmas. Sabrina the Teenage Witch cd-rom for our home computer. I hope every child gets at least 1 thing they want for Christmas. Can you make it snow while we are off from school for the holidays? I live at 29 Cliffside Circle, Apt., 1, Prestonsburg.
Your friend,
Rosslyne



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Thursday, December 24
5:00 p.m. Mass
11:30 p.m. Christmas Caroling
Midnight Mass

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Dear Santa,
My name is Aaron Walter Ward. I'm 7 years old and I live in Prestonsburg. This year for Christmas I want some toys, Santa and here they are the Megavoyager and Mega Winger from Power Rangers in Space, a bug life, a Nintendo 64 and Nintendo 64 games, Hot Wheels, the Rugrats, movie and Rugrats toys, and baby Dill toys too, a remote control, race car, a teletubbie, a teddy bear, the Mystic Knight toys. Thank you.
Aaron

Dear Santa,
Hi, my name is Michelle Lynn Craft. I am the 10 year old daughter of Eddie and Brenda Craft of Allen, and for Christmas this year. I would like a C.D. player, a rug-rat watch, some new clothes and anything else you want to bring me, Santa I have been good this year as always, just so you would remember me Christmas eve, so bye for now. P.S. I will leave you some cake and coffee under the tree.
Love,
Your friend,
Michelle Craft

Dear Santa,
Hi, my name is Martha Bell Craft. I am the 11 year old daughter of Eddie and Brenda Craft of Allen, and for Christmas this year I would like a playstation, a gold chain, some new clothes and anything else you want to bring me, also Santa there's one other thing that I want to do and that's wish Jesus a Happy Birthday. Santa, I will leave you some milk and cookies under the tree Christmas eve, and please try to hurry and get here or mom will eat them.
Love,
Your friend,
Martha Bell Craft

Dear Santa,
Hi, my name is Rex Stanton Tyler Wright. I am the 4 year old son of Rex and Janie Wright of Martin, remember Santa I am the Givonnis Pizza Boy, and for Christmas this year I would like a new delivery truck, a B.B. gun, some new clothes and anything else you want to bring me, I am really looking forward to seeing you. Also Santa instead of milk and cookies, Christmas Eve. I will just take you over to my Givonnis Pizza house and we'll have some pizza on my daddy Stanton and he will pay for it. So by 4 now Santa.
P.S. Love, your friend,
Rex Stanton
Tyler Wright

like to have a Furbie for Christmas and also a make me better doll and whatever you want to bring me.
Love ya,
Jessie
Blue River
P.S. I will leave cookies and milk under tree for you.

Dear Santa,
My name is Nicholas Byron Stumbo. I will be five years old on Christmas. I live at Big Mud Creek, Harold. All I want for Christmas is a TV with remote, Lego's and a remote controll Bulldozer plus anything else you want to bring me. I have been a very good boy this year and a good brother. I have a little baby sister named Megan Dawn, bring her a baby doll and a walker. So she can learn how to walk. We will leave you Graham Crackers and milk under the tree.
Nicholas and Megan Stumbo
Harold

Dear Santa,
My name is Madison Blake Howell. I am four years old and I live at John Hall Branch, Grethel. I want a Talking Barney, Amazing Amy doll, Barbie doll, Barbie doll case, and anything else you want to bring me. Santa, I really liked the doctor kit you brought me last Christmas. I play with it alot. I will leave you Oreo cookies and 7-up under the tree.
Madison Howell, age 4
Grethel

Dear Santa,
My name is Jordan. I would like to have for Christmas a motorcycle dirt bike, that has a kick starter and a helmet, Saki starter and a helmet, blue that has the elves, a verm, race, boots.
P.S. I would also like a motorcycle.
Jordan Tackett
1st grade, Age 7
Oil Springs

Dear Santa,
I would like a Play Station, guitar, drums, I gae for Play Station, knew sled, roller skates that are black size 7, knew bike that is black.
Love, Tent Tackett, age 9
Auxier

Dear Santa,
My name is Ryan and I am only fifteen months old. So my mommy had to help me a whole lot to write you this letter. There is 'only' one thing I would like for Christmas this year. I would like to have a small guitar, so I could play. While my daddy learns how to play his guitar. I wish everyone a Merry Christmas.
Love-you Santa,
and my Daddy too!
Ryan Tackett
Age 15 months
Auxier

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Jingle Bells

J. Pierpont

1. - Dash - ing thro' the snow In a one horse o - pen sleigh,
2. A day or two a - go I thought I'd take a ride, And

O'er the fields we go, - Laugh - ing all the way; -
soon Miss Fan - nie Bright Was seat - ed by my side; The

Bells on bob - tail ring, - Mak - ing spir - its bright, What
horse was lean and lank, Mis - for - tune seem'd his 'lot, He

fun it is to ride and sing A sleigh - ing song to - night!
got in - to a drift - ed bank, And we, we got up - sot.

CHORUS
Jin - gle, bells! jin - gle, bells! Jin - gle all the way! Oh, what fun it is to ride

In a one - horse o - pen sleigh! In a one - horse o - pen sleigh!

Dear Santa,
Hi, my name is Dustin Aronold Wright. I am 7 years old and I go to May Valley School, and for Christmas this year I would like a B.B. pistol, a remote control rig, some new clothes and any thing else you want to bring me, and remember Santa I have been a real good boy this year. So I am really looking forward to seeing you, Christmas Eve. P.S. I'll also leave you some milk and cookies under the tree. So by now.
Love, your friend
Dustin Wright

Dear Santa,
Hi, my name is Chasity Nicole Mullins, I am the 2-year-old daughter of Nioka and Tracy Mullins of Martin, and for Christmas this year I would like a baby that cries, a Big Winnie the Pooh, some Barney movies and any thing else you want to me, since I have been extra good you may want to bring me something special, and you don't have to ask mommy just ask my aunt Brenda, she's all time bragging about me being good, and Santa she don't flib Ha, Ha, well Santa I am going to go for now but I'll be watching for you Christmas eve. I will also leave you some milk and cookies. I want to put them under the tree I leave behind the table but you better hurry cause daddy will eat it. By-4 now.
Love, your friend
Chasity Nichole Mullins

Dear Santa,
I want the Charlie Mearthy ventriquist doll and this game for Nintendo 64. WOW vs. NWO world tour and anything else.
Please bring my sister Sarah in Texas a Barbie doll and Beanie babies.
Sarah, Age 3.
Thank you Santa.
Justin
Age 10
Hager Hill

Dear Santa,
Hi, my name is Ashley Marie



Dear Santa,
Hi my name is Kristin Leight Johnson. I am a very good little girl. I am 5 years old. I go to school at John M. Stumbo. I am in kindergarten in Mrs. Howell rooms. I want you to bring me a bike, doll, and clothes. I live at Teaberry. There will be some snacks and milk under the tree for you.
P.S. Don't forget my 3 sisters.
Love you,
Kristin Johnson
Teaberry

Dear Santa,
My name is Jessica Lafferty. I am four years old, and I am looking for you to come very much. I would

Deck The Halls

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OLD WELSH AIR

1. Deck the halls with boughs of hol - ly
2. See the blaz - ing Yule be - fore us, Fa la la la la, la la la la.
3. Fast a - way the old year pass - es,

Tis the sea - son to be jol - ly,
Strike the harp and join the cho - rus, } Fa la la la la, la la la la.
Hail the new, ye lads and lass - es,

Don we now our gay ap - par - el,
Fol - low me in mer - ry meas - ure, } Fa la la la la la la,
Sing we joy - ous all to - geth - er,

Troll the an - cient Yule - tide car - ol,
While I tell of Yule - tide treas - ure, Fa la la la la, la la la la.
Heed - less of the wind and weath - er,

We Wish You A Merry Christmas

We wish you a Mer - ry Christ - mas, We wish you a Mer - ry Christ - mas, We
wish you a Mer - ry Christ - mas, And a hap - py New Year!
Good ti - dings to you wher - ev - er you are; Good
ti - dings for Christ - mas and a hap - py New Year!

Dear Santa,
My name is Anita. I am a special needs child, my mom is helping me write you this letter. What I would like to have for Christmas this year is:

Barbie doll and for everyone to have a Merry Christmas!
Anita Burchett
Age 10 years old
Auxier

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. Some of the toys I want is some Play Station games, Falk room guard, talking Scooby Doo and a Beanbag chair. Don't forget the other children and my mom, dad and brother and all my family. I will leave your reindeers some carrots and I will leave you some milk and cookies under my Christmas tree.
Your friend,
Zach Goble
Hippo

Dear Santa,
I have been very and I was wondering if you could bring me a few toys. I want a Backstreet Boys tape, Spice Girl doll, Leo book, Bop it, Clueless phone, feel real baby, tie-dye Barbie, pooh bear beannie baby, Cleopatra tape, chicken limbo, 3 car garage, Hanson, a porcelain doll, Spice girl tape, and Armagedon tape.

I will leave you some cookies and milk.
Your friend,
Hannah Howard
Garrett

Dear Santa,
I love you Santa. I can't wait until Christmas. Is Mrs. Claus doing O.K. I've been really good this year. Here's a list of toys I would like to have My Size Angel Barbie, Rugrats Bed spread, Play Station, Rugrats game, CD ROM, computer, barbie game, thats all.
Your friend,
Chelsie Cordial

Dear Santa,
I have been very good this year for you. I am glad it is close to Christmas. What I want for Christmas is a gigipet, a new bike, a doll house, some new clothes, that was my letter. I like your reindeer Rudolph.
Your friend,
Brittany Owens
Garrett

Dear Santa,
I have been a very very good girl this year. Heres a few Christmas things. The first thing that I would like would be a baby that feels real, upsie daisy doll, chalk board and chalk, baby carriage, cool clothes, make up set, nail salon, and one more thing, a private diary. Thank you very much.
Your friend,
Lauren Moore

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a truck, car, a little truck, and a car. I would also like a four wheeler, motorcycle, and a go cart.
Your friend,
Ethan Gunnels

Dear Santa,
I would like a real dog please! I would also like a remote control truck, a pair of socks, please. A pair of pants, please.
Your friend,
Chris Slone

Dear Santa,
What I want for Christmas is a stuffed bear and a puppy. Did you know that December is my birthday? It is also Christmas. But most of all I want to see you.
Your friend,
Dora Riley

Dear Santa,
Here are some of the things I want: Furbee, Kurby's dreamland and Zelda 64, Spiderman shape shifter, Glover, 9900000 dollars, game boy color, an arcade and an ordinary nintendo.
Your friend,
Alex Reed
Hippo

Dear Santa,
I like your reindeer and I hope you do not have snow coming in your house. I hope that you will be able to get down my chimney and I hope that your elves are doing all right.
Your friend,
Kayla Rector
Wayland

Dear Santa,
I love you. Santa, I can't wait until Christmas. I want a Barbie deluxe dream house, some knee socks, two puppies of my own, a chicken-limbo, of my size Angel Barbie, three car garage, Hanson

tape, Dwight-Yokma, Allan Jackson, Vince Gill and Spice girls, the Temptations, Armagedon and Aerosmith.

Your friend,
Shayna Baldrige

Dear Santa,
I love you. I want 100 toys, Candy Bar, a toy gun. I like your elf. I like your reindeer.

Your friend,
Randall Jones
Wayland

Dear Santa,
I love you. I want more Spice Girl's tatowa, Spice Girls, note book, Leo Book, Cool Blue Bribe, Spicey Hanson's clothes, a lazer and some Titanic's, clothes and more Spice Girls, Titanic, Hanson's Backstreet Boys stuff.

Your friend,
Kacie Horn
Garrett

Dear Santa,
I want a Play Station game, a jump bike, a toy car. I can't wait until Christmas. I want a motorcycle, fishing pole, a toy bear, a toy cat, a toy dog. I want a toy mouse, a lion, a zebra, a monkey toy, and a toy ghost.

Your friend,
Jamie Kyle Samons
Garrett

Dear Santa,
I hope I just can have a toy to play with and I want a big horse to play with.

Your friend,
Samantha Lucas

Dear Santa,
Teddy and I want to hug you on Christmas night. It does not matter what you get me. I do not care, I will still like it. Would you write me back, please.

Your friend,
Thomas Jones
Eastern

Dear Santa,
I want a Spice Girl doll and I want a Leo doll too. I want a Back Street Boys doll. I want their clothes too. I want a China dog. I want a Spice Girl bookbag, a Backstreet Boys, back-bag too. I want a Hanson doll. I want a Hanson phone. I will leave you some pop and cookies that day.

Your friend,
Sasha Jones
Eastern

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl. Santa I can't wait until Christmas. I want some Spice Girl shoes. I want a Fuzzy coat. I would like the Titanic movie. Plus the Titanic magazines. I want some CD's of Spice girls, Backstreet boy's. I also want the Spice Girls movie.

Your friend,
Tara Huff
Wayland

Dear Santa,
I like your elves, reindeers and I like you too. I want a car, Batman toys, Batcar, candy and lots of presents.

I have candles lit in my house. I have would love to make a snow-man. I have Christmas tree.

Your friend,
Jack Holthouse
Hueysville

Dear Santa,
I can't wait until Christmas. I hope you have a very good Christmas Eve. I have been a very good boy. I hope I will get a big toy like a big dog with bells with a sleigh with a big Angel doll I can play with.

Your friend,
Nick Collins
Hueysville

Dear Santa,
I love you Santa Claus. I can't wait until Christmas. I want a car that goes fast. I want a Barbie with hair that is blue and green. I want a toy Santa Claus and snowflake. I want a Spice Girls and Backstreet Boy and a Hanson toy. I will leave cookies a n d

Dear Santa,
I love you. Santa, I can't wait until Christmas. I want a Barbie deluxe dream house, some knee socks, two puppies of my own, a chicken-limbo, of my size Angel Barbie, three car garage, Hanson

milk. I want gifts.
Your friend,
Amber Marie Fick
Garrett

Dear Santa,
I would like for you to bring me a truck. I would also like a bag of candy.

Your friend,
Keith

Dear Santa,
I want a baby doll, an Angel and a swimming pool, a star and a bell. I want a reindeer and a chimney and a Santa Claus doll. I also want a snowman, a candle and a stocking, a poinsettia and an elf and a tree.

Your friend,
Amanda Hall
Lackey

Dear Santa,
Thank you for a new doll house in 1996 and a chalk board. I hope your elf's are working hard in your work shop. I hope you like your cookies that me and my mom made. And what I wanted for Christmas is a sleigh. Merry Christmas Santa!

Your friend,
Lauren Lawson
Estill

Dear Santa,
My name is Jake. I want a Mega-Rig, police comand center, and a Godzilla Achine fighter and a Super Auto World.

Love,
Jake Whitt Layne
And a Happy New Year to you and your little helpers.
Jake Whitt Layne
Age 6
Martin

Dear Santa,
I want a Cinderella Starcastle, dictionary, and earrings. I'm good in school and I think I should get these things.

Your friend,
Alyson Layne
5th Grade
Clark Elementary

Dear Santa,
I would like to go see Goldberg and Kevin Nash. They will be at Lexington but I don't have tickets. Please bring me 3 tickets. One for Richard and one for me and one for Ricky.

Paul Reed
5th Grade
May Valley
Elementary

Dear Santa,
I kind of believe in you for Christmas. I would like a bike and a computer and some clothes. Thank you.

Justin Martin
May Valley Elem.
5th Grade

Dear Santa,
I want a lazer and I would like a new bike and a computer and a pooh bear and a CD player and a Baby born and a coverall and that is all I want for Christmas. I love you.

Merry Christmas.
Jackie
5th Grade
Age 11
May Valley

Dear Santa,
I want a new CD player and a bigger motorcycle and roller blades then a Titanic book and a computer because my dad is taking mine back. Then bring me a dog. Then I will be good until Christmas.

Merry Christmas.
Krystal Brown
5th Grade, Age 13
May Valley Elem.

Dear Santa,
Bring me motorcycle. That's all I want. I want a white one. Please bring a Honda. I don't believe in Santa Claus.

Merry Christmas
Chad Reed
4th Grade, Age 9
May Valley Elem.

Dear Santa,
I want Baby born, Titanic movie, rotten egg, CD player, Titanic CD, computer, roller blades, dike, pup-pys, kitten, a water babys food, TV VCR.

I love you.
Sha Barnett
4th grade, Age 9
May Valley

Dear St. Nick,
Please bring me a Winnie the Pooh, Titanic movie, snow mobile, remote control train, T.V. and VCR, a pizza and a hot wheel drive through car wash. I want \$10,000.

Thank you.
Kris Baca
4th Grade, Age 11
May Valley Elem.

Dear Santa,
I want coverall, water boots. I want a go-cart. I'll try to be better. That's all I want.

Bobby Prater
4th Grade, Age 10
May Valley

Dear Santa,
I want a Titanic movie. I want a rotten egg. I want a CD player. I want a Titanic CD. I want a computer. I want a pair of roller blades. I want a bike. I want a dog. I want a cat. Thank you.
Aaron Buchanan
4th Grade
May Valley Elem.

Dear Santa,
I want Ms. Vickie Slone's chair. It's so soft. It feels so good to sit in. I want a brown desk with the chair. That's all Santa Claus.

Justin Miller
May Valley
Grade 4
Age 9

Dear Santa,
I love what you give me for Christmas. Thank you. I hope you will give me something that is nice. I love your presents so much. They are cool. I would live to know where you live. I will bake cookies for you.
Charles Nevan Slone
P.S. Please bring James and Scotty something too.

Dear Santa,
I want a little remote control car that flips over and it drives on the back too, a jacket with Mickey Mouse on it, an outfit with Winnie the Pooh on it, a Sting Wrestler Shirt, a Winnie the Pooh Glass, and a plain remote control car.

Santa Clause is good,
Sean Perkins
Kindergarten
May Valley Elementary

Dear Santa,
I want a space station game, a real gun, I want clothes, a bike, shoes, a t-shirt with Mighty Ducks, a Tasmanian Devil clock, and a

wagon.
I love Santa Clause.
Timmy Joe Slone
Kindergarten
Dear Santa,
I want a play coal truck, a play race track, a play race truck, and a play motorcycle.
I love you,
Justin Rose
Kindergarten
May Valley Elementary

Dear Santa,
I want a computer.
Merry Christmas Santa,
Odessa Duncan
Kindergarten
May Valley Elementary

Dear Santa,
I want a Toss'n Tickle Me Elmo, a Barbie House, a Bouncy Baby Bathtime, and clothes.
Merry Christmas to Santa,
Chelise Conn
Kindergarten
May Valley Elementary

Dear Santa,
I want a new computer and a Nintendo 64.
I love Christmas,
Shea Spurlock
Kindergarten
May Valley Elementary

Dear Santa,
I want a Nintendo, a tornado car, a dump truck, a sweater, a shirt, a remote control car, and a computer.
Merry Christmas Santa,
Anthony Blair
Kindergarten
May Valley Elementary

Dear Santa,
I want a crawl baby, a watch, and a book about The Rugrats.
I love you Santa,
Hayley Goble
Kindergarten
May Valley Elementary

Dear Santa,
I want a motorcycle track, a remote control Batmobile, and fire-crackers.

Merry Christmas Santa,
Johnathan Carraway
Kindergarten
May Valley Elementary

Dear Santa,
I want a new bulldozer—even though I have one, this toy at Wal-Mart its a truck thats Tonka. It has a big digger in the back like a back-hoe, and fire crackers.

Thomas Flanery
Kindergarten
May Valley Elementary





I want a TV.
Zack

Dear Santa,
I want a Play Station and the game Rampage.
Justin

Dear Santa,
All I want for Christmas is for my uncle to come home.
Logan

Dear Santa,
I do not have a chimney, but I want a cat and a dog, some book's, some Spice Girl posters, a TV and a radio. That is all I want for Christmas.
Tammy

Dear Santa,
I would like nothing more than to wake up on Christmas and find presents under the tree.
Shole

Dear Santa Claus,
I would like to have a 5 speed bike and a big dog named Pluto and I would like to have a teaset. My name is Bobbie.
Bobbie

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a Casy Cart wheel, doll and a remote control T.V. and an bike with a basket. And a Teddy and a poster and a stuffed cat and dog. And a radio for Christmas.
Cassie

Dear Santa,
I would like for you to get me a little 50 dirt bike for Christmas.
Anthony

Dear Santa,
I want some cool clothes, R a b b i t, Lazerdog, Four Wheeler, Babby Crawl and Walk, Bean Babby coat and silk hat.
Megan

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a gennepig and beanbag baby, a basketball and a basketball goal, good two more things, remote control RC and something that is very important is my family.
Sammy Crisp

Dear Santa,
This year I want a Boom Box the most. I want a Spice Girl's tape. And I want my cat Belle back. I want my very own dictionary. I want the movie Parent Trap. And the movie Dr. Do Little. I want Beyond Pink Barbie.
Kayla H.

Dear Santa,
I been a good girl. For Christmas, I want my cat Pechtreer and my dog Sofey. I love you. My name is Gabrielle Lee Hamilton.
Gabrielle Lee Hamilton

Dear Santa,
I want a little dog and a cat.
Mack

Dear Santa,
I don't have a chimney. I love playing in the snow but the most thing I like seeing my family opening presents and just see my family.
Kayla Vanderpool

Dear Santa,
I want for Christmas a flute, dog, and dollhouse.
Lydia

Dear Santa,
My name is Shawn M. Howard. I am 4 years old. I live at Hueysville. I have been a very good boy this year. I wish for Christmas a Honda, four-wheeler, tools, tool bench and V-Tech computer. I will leave you some milk and cookies, by the tree.
Love you Santa,
Shawn M. Howard
P.S. Please bring my daddy, mommy and bubby something nice.

Dear Santa,
Please bring me Little Bear, a Scooby Doo toy and a Blue's Clues Kit. I want some Scooby Doo tapes too plus some barbies.
Love,
Lindsey Brianne Wireman
Gunlock

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a Play Station with the Rugrats and a Bug's Life, Cds, and some wide leg jeans like the Paco and the ones with the little man on the back, plus a Nike necklace. Oh yeah, don't for-

get the needy.
Love,
Andrew D. Wireman
Gunlock

Dear Santa,
My name is Kyle Hall. I am eleven years old. I live at Craynor. I have been good somewhat this year. Thank you for the nice gifts you brought me last year. This year I would like a new bike, nintendo 64 games and game boy games. Please bring my brother Juan and Bart something for Christmas also. They have been as good as I have. I will leave cookies and milk under the tree for you. Santa, please remember my Mamaw and bring her something real special since she has been real good this year.
Thank you,
Kyle Hall
Craynor

Dear Santa,
I want a V.C.R. and some movies like Dr. Dolittle, Small Soldiers, Pauley, and Lion King II and Santa I also would like a new bike or a basketball goal. Santa, I also would like a electronic handheld Monopoly game. Santa, could you get my daddy a new truck. O.K.
Your friend,
Joey Fletcher
P.S. Santa, I will be good.
Joey Fletcher
Age: 7
Prestonsburg

Dear Santa,
I want a V.C.R. and some movies like Dr. Dolittle, Small Soldiers, Pauley, and Lion King II and Santa I also would like a new bike or a basketball goal. Santa, I also would like a electronic handheld Monopoly game. Santa, could you get my daddy a new truck. O.K.
Your friend,
Joey Fletcher
P.S. Santa, I will be good.
Joey Fletcher
Age: 7
Prestonsburg

Dear Santa,
Vickie and I have been good girls this year and we hope you will bring us some gifts as we are so glad Christmas will be here soon.
Vickie would like a Mickey Mouse watch, charm bracelet, beanie babbies and a greenfly doll.

I want a NASCAR game watch, Christmas Barbie doll, some beanie babbies, race car set, and anything else you want to bring me.

Our "Granny" will bake you some gingerbread and put under the tree. We help our granny around the house. We love you.
Madonna Shepherd
Age 9
Vickie
Age 5
Hueysville

Dear Santa,
My name is Katherine Nikole Mullins. But everyone calls me "Nikki." I would like to have a Barbie doll and some new clothes for Christmas. And don't forget my brother's Matthew and Paul. Bring them something too. I'll leave you some milk and cookies under the tree. By, Santa.

I love you.
Love,
Nikki
Prestonsburg
P.S. I'm 4 years old. Santa, I'm a big girl.

Dear Santa,
My name is Brian Corey Miller. I am 7 years old. I live on Feds Creek.

I would like these few things for Christmas, Super Mario Allstars and Scooby Doo Mystery's video games for my Super Nintendo, WWF Monster Ring with Stone Cold Steve Austin, and the Undertaker, also Kane Wrestler figures. I would also like to have a talking Bash n' Brawl Sting Wrestler and a walkie talkie set.

Don't forget my mom and dad Donna and Tony, and my Mamaw Patty and Papaw Paul. Also don't forget all my cousins and friends. Take care of yourself.
Love,
Brian Corey
Feds Creek

Dear Santa,
All I want for X-mas is WWF War Zone, WCW vs. NWO Revenge tapes. I'll leave you cookies and milk under the tree.
P.S. Don't forget my mommy.

Love,
Levi Bo Hamilton
3rd grade
John M. Stumbo
Age 8 1/2
Teaberry

Dear Santa,
All I want for Xmas is a pound puppy van and a Tigger, diamond ring with a cat or Angel on it. I'll leave you cookies and milk under the tree.
P.S. Remember my Mommy.

Love,
Brittany Hamilton
Age 10
5th grade
John M. Stumbo
Teaberry

Hi Santa,
My name is Ashley and for Christmas this year I would like to

have a Baby Born doll and a Barbie doll house. Thank you, Santa.
Ashley Hale,
Age 5
Garrett

Dear Santa,
What I would really like to have for Christmas is Spice Girls things: pick anything from Spice Girls and also I would like to have a CD and tape player. Well that's all that I want for Christmas. I'll close my letter now.

Your friend,
Kayla Shepherd
Hueysville

Dear Santa,
I've been a good girl this year. I would like for you to bring me a Baby Amy Doll, C.D. player, V.C.R. and clothes. I will leave you some milk and cookies.

Love Ya,
Deena Renea Jarrell
6 years old

Dear Santa,
I've been a good little boy. I want a remote control car, Teletubbies and a Blue's Clue Dog.

I love you Santa.
Love ya.
Austin Tyler Jarrell
2 years old

Dear Santa,
My name is Roy Silas Burke. I am 6 years old. I am in Mrs. Akers' kindergarten class at Dr. W.D. Osborne Elementary. I have been very good this year, Santa. Please bring me a crayon box, a hot dog toy, and a tractor for Christmas. I will leave you pop and a hot dog under the tree.

I love you Santa,
Roy Silas Burke

Dear Santa,
My name is Frankie Branham. I am 5 years old. I am in Mrs. Akers' Kindergarten class at Dr. W.D. Osborne Elementary. I have been very good this year, Santa. Please bring me a baby doll, a Pee Wee Herman, and a play dog for Christmas. I will leave you cookies and milk under the tree.

I love you Santa,
Frankie Branham

Dear Santa,
My name is Timmy Dorton. I am 6 years old. I am in Mrs. Akers' kindergarten class at Dr. W.D. Osborne Elementary. I have been very good this year, Santa. Please bring me a B-B gun, a play knife, and a godzilla toy for Christmas. I will leave you milk and chips under the tree.

I love you Santa,
Timmy Dorton

Dear Santa,
My name is Tylan Branham. I am 5 years old. I am in Mrs. Akers' kindergarten class at Dr. W.D. Osborne Elementary. I have been very good this year, Santa. Please bring me a make-up set, a doll, and a play puppy for Christmas. I will leave you milk and cookies under the tree.

I love you Santa,
Tylan Branham

Dear Santa,
My name is Billy Reynolds. I am 5 years old. I am in Mrs. Akers' kindergarten class at Dr. W.D. Osborne Elementary. I have been very good this year, Santa. Please bring me a bottle of pop, some cars, and some ducks for Christmas.

I love you Santa,
Billy Reynolds

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Dear Santa,
I want Spice Girl Shoes size 7, a bicycle, baby dolls, a Barbie Jeep, toy make-up, and a Baby Spice Shirt.
I love you Santa,
Neakia Hammon
Kindergarten
May Valley Elementary

Dear Santa,
I want cars and I think that's all. I love you Santa,
Zachary Bowen
Kindergarten
May Valley Elementary

Dear Santa,
I want a remote control batman and a truck that when you talk it comes to you.
Goodnight Santa,
Devin Allen
Kindergarten
May Valley Elementary

Dear Santa,
I want the Baby Spice-Spice Girl Shoes size 2, a teddy bear, a red little doggie that comes with a cassette, Baby Spice clothes—any one, and a globe.
I love you Santa,
From: Sarah Kinney
Kindergarten
May Valley Elementary

Dear Santa,
I want a barbie CD player with Barbie CDs, Barbie shoes, a Barbie Nightgown, Spice Girl Shoes, Spice Girl Sweater, a Spice Girl Costume, and a bicycle.
I love Santa,
Makayla Tackett
Kindergarten
May Valley Elementary

Dear Santa,
I want to have a nintendo, a walkie talkie, a hand that grows in water, a play house, a kite, a Make Me Better Baby, and a toy rabbit.
Bye,
Jerrica Blair
Kindergarten
May Valley Elementary

Dear Santa,
I want a big toy dog about 8 inches, I want a black stuffed animal cat, a toy fish about 1 inch, a toy horse about 100 inches because I love horses.
Thank you Santa for getting me this stuff,
From: Hannah Farmer
Kindergarten
May Valley Elementary

Dear Santa,
I want headphones and a Spice Girls CD, and another Patty Loveless CD with the song "It's a Long Way Off From Where I Should Be Going," a Dixie Chicks CD, Spice Girls Shoes size 10 1/2 or 11, some baggy jeans, a Spice Girls sweatshirt, Dixie Chick Shirt, and slip on sandals.
Merry Christmas Santa,
Love, Leigh Williams
Kindergarten
May Valley Elementary

Dear Santa,
I want a tv and an Easy Bake Oven.
I love you Santa,
Karson Rowe
Kindergarten
May Valley Elementary

Dear Santa,
I want a Barbie doll.
I love you Santa
Juanita King
Kindergarten
May Valley Elementary



BEARY BEST WISHES

Hope everything goes your way this holiday season.



Andy Elliott, DMD
205 KY Rt 3188, Martin, KY
285-9317

Warm Wishes

All the best to you and yours. This happy time of year. We send our thanks out to all. And wish you much good cheer!

Floyd Funeral Home
Prestonsburg, KY
874-2121

The Spirit Is Building!



May this holiday season bring a string of glad tidings, and glow with the warmth of family and friends. With gratitude for helping us build our business.

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Best Holiday Wishes

Would Like To Wish You And Your Family A Merry Christmas And Happy New Year!!!

The Floyd County Times

Dear Santa,
My name is Brooke McKay. I am 5 years old. I am in Mrs. Akers' kindergarten class at Dr. W.D. Osborne Elementary. I have been very good this year, Santa. Please bring me a doll, a bicycle, and a ring for Christmas. I will leave you a present and some food under the tree.

I love you Santa,
Brooke McKay

Dear Santa,
My name is Gordon Hall. I am 5 years old. I am in Mrs. Akers' kindergarten class at Dr. W.D. Osborne Elementary. I have been very good this year, Santa. Please bring me a race track, a play station, and toy story for Nintendo for Christmas. I will leave you a knife and a car under the tree.

I love you Santa,
Gordon Hall

Dear Santa,
My name is Meshawna Ray. I am 5 years old. I am in Mrs. Akers' kindergarten class at Dr. W.D. Osborne Elementary. I have been very good this year, Santa. Please bring me a Barbie Jeep, a crib for my doll, and a teddy bear for Christmas. I will leave you cookies and milk under the tree.

I love you Santa,
Meshawna Ray

Dear Santa,
My name is Charley Hall. I am 6 years old. I am in Mrs. Akers' kindergarten class at Dr. W.D. Osborne Elementary. I have been very good this year, Santa. Please bring me backpack, an Amy doll, and a microphone for Christmas. I will leave you milk and cookies under the tree.

I love you Santa,
Charley Hall

Dear Santa,
My name is Stephen Johnson. I am 6 years old. I am in Mrs. Akers' kindergarten class at Dr. W. D. Osborne Elementary. I have been very good this year, Santa. Please bring me a Megazoid-Power Ranger, Godzilla, and a B.B. gun for Christmas.

I love you Santa,
Stephen Johnson

Dear Santa,
My name is Tara Bryant. I am 5 years old. I am in Mrs. Akers' kindergarten class at Dr. W. D.

Osborne Elementary. I have been very good this year, Santa. Please bring me a barbie doll, a cash register, and a little shelf for Christmas.

I love you Santa,
Tara Bryant
Osborne Elem.

Dear Santa,
My name is Joey Horn. I am 5 years old. I am in Mrs. Akers' Kindergarten class at Dr. W.D. Osborne Elementary. I have been very good this year, Santa. Please bring me the White Power Ranger, Batman, and Robin for Christmas. I will leave you cookies and milk under the tree.

I love you Santa,
Joey Horn
Osborne Elem.

Dear Santa,
My name is Jasmine Parker. I am 5 years old. I am in Mrs. Akers' Kindergarten class at Dr. W.D. Osborne Elementary. I have been very good this year, Santa. Please bring me a teddy bear, a barbie doll, and a baby doll for Christmas.

I love you Santa,
Jasmine Parker
Osborne Elem.

Dear Santa,
My name is Cheyenne Sloan. I am 5 years old. I am in Mrs. Akers' Kindergarten class at Dr. W.D. Osborne Elementary. I have been very good this year, Santa. Please bring me a Make Me Better, Baby, a Furbie, and an Amy doll for Christmas. I will leave you gloves and boots under the tree.

I love you Santa,
Cheyenne Sloan
Osborne Elem.

Dear Santa,
My name is Kelsie Little. I am 5 years old. I am in Mrs. Akers' Kindergarten class at Dr. W.D. Osborne Elementary. I have been very good this year, Santa. Please bring me a cash register, a coat, and a doctors' kit for Christmas.

I love you Santa,
Kelsie Little
Osborne Elem.

Dear Santa,
My name is Paul Younce. I am 6 years old. I am in Mrs. Akers' Kindergarten class at Dr. W.D. Osborne Elementary. I have been very good this year, Santa. Please bring me a Mountain Coal Car, a weed eater, and a lawn mower for Christmas. I will leave you milk and cookies under the tree.

I love you Santa,
Paul Younce
Osborne Elem.

Dear Santa,
My name is Veronica Stanley. I am 6 years old. I am in Mrs. Akers' Kindergarten class at Dr. W.D. Osborne Elementary. I have been very good this year, Santa. Please bring me a baby doll, a crib, and diapers for my doll for Christmas. I will leave you milk and cookies under the tree.

I love you Santa,
Veronica Stanley
Osborne Elem.

Dear Santa,
My name is Frank Johnson. I am 6 years old. I am in Mrs. Akers' Kindergarten class at Dr. W.D. Osborne Elementary. I have been very good this year, Santa. Please bring me Batman, a Batcar, and Robin for Christmas. I will leave you coffee and cookies under the tree.

I love you Santa,
Frank Johnson
Osborne Elem.

Dear Santa,
My name is Ashley Skeens. I am 5 years old. I am in Mrs. Akers' Kindergarten class at Dr. W.D. Osborne Elementary. I have been very good this year, Santa. Please bring me 3 barbies, Winnie-The-Pooh, and Tigger and Piglet for Christmas. I will leave you chips and Pepsi under the tree.

I love you Santa,
Ashley Skeens
Osborne Elem.

Dear Santa,
My name is Jonathan Ramsey. I am 6 years old. I am in Mrs. Akers' Kindergarten class at Dr. W.D. Osborne Elementary. I have been very good this year, Santa. Please bring me Legos, Hot Wheels, and Kenex for Christmas. I will leave you milk and cookies under the tree.

I love you Santa,
Jonathan Ramsey
Osborne Elem.

Dear Santa,
My name is Allison Hall. I am 6 years old. I am in Mrs. Akers' Kindergarten class at Dr. W.D.

Osborne Elementary. I have been very good this year, Santa. Please bring me a barbie doll, a doll house, and a kitchen set for Christmas. I will leave you milk and cookies under the tree.

I love you Santa,
Allison Hall
Osborne Elem.

Dear Santa,
My name is Andrea Tackett. I am 5 years old. I am in Mrs. Akers' Kindergarten class at Dr. W.D. Osborne Elementary. I have been very good this year, Santa. Please bring me a swimming pool, a Winnie-The-Pooh, and a Tigger too for Christmas. I will leave you milk and cookies under the tree.

I love you Santa,
Andrea Tackett
Osborne Elem.

Dear Santa,
My name is Stephanie Slone. I am 6 years old. I am in Mrs. Akers' Kindergarten class at Dr. W.D. Osborne Elementary. I have been very good this year, Santa. Please bring me a barbie doll, a crayon box, and Rugrats for Christmas. I will leave you milk and cookies under the tree.

I love you Santa,
Stephanie Slone
Osborne Elem.

Dear Santa,
My name is Erik Hill. I am 5 years old. I am in Mrs. Akers' Kindergarten class at Dr. W.D. Osborne Elementary. I have been very good this year, Santa. Please bring me a 4x4 Jeep, a Spider Man Costume and a car that shoots fire for Christmas. I will leave you pop and cookies under the tree.

I love you Santa,
Erik Hill
Osborne Elem.

Dear Santa,
I would like a train and swing set for Christmas. Both of my sisters would like a doll. Bring mom a new bed. Dad could use a new T.V. Bring Granny a new flower pot, Papaw a new truck, any color. I would like my cousin a Play Station. Santa, I want to say I love you!

Thank you
Cory Tackett
Osborne Elem.

Dear Santa,
I would like Crash Back, car seat, a new book bag, a new sleeping bear thats soft. Joshua likes lego's blocks. Mom needs some new lipstick. Dad needs tools. Bring Papaw some hiking boots. NeNe needs some new thick socks, cookies with icing. Bring my other pawpaw some church shoes. And mamaw a new C.D. player for when we travel. Bring my little brother a note book.

Cody Bates
Osborn Elem.

Dear Santa,
I would like a rocket tent, a nintendo, and a sega. My little sister a Barbie. Mom a day to rest. She works hard. Dad needs a car, make it red. It would be nice to have a CD player. I would like you to have a nintendo it will help you to rest.

Thank you
Lance Johnson
Osborne Elem.

Dear Santa,
I would like a new desk with some money, markers, paint, play dough, and picture of Elem on it. I would like a light on my desk. Landon wants some posters. Bring Dakota a poster too. Bring Abigail a baby doll. Dad needs a new gun. Mom needs new earrings. I would like earrings too. I would like a computer for Christmas. I will leave you some peanut butter and jelly cookies with milk. I would like to put them in your bag for you.

Thank you,
Annie Hall
Osborne Elem.

Dear Santa,
I would like an Angel Barbie, a jeep riding Kelly, and the Rugrats movie. Kody wants a Volcano Blow-Out. Bring mommy a little angel. I want Dad a picture of a deer. I will leave you some oatmeal cookies and milk. I will leave them on the stool in the living room.

Thank you,
Heather Little
Osborne Elem.

Dear Santa,
Please bring me "My Size Barbie," a hair streaker, and a new crayon box. Bring my little brother some cars. I would like a small Barbie. Bring mom some perfume and dad a cologne set. Bring Courtney a new bedroom suite. I will leave you some cookies and milk beside dad's chair. Send Max a chew bone. Patches wants a new toy mouse.

Thank you,
Rebecca Branham
Osborne Elem.

Dear Santa,
I would like a Butterfly Barbie, a Happy Meal Baby, and a ball. I would like some new clothes for mom and shirts for dad. Bring my sister a diary. Bring Mamaw some dresses and Papaw some pants. I will leave you some chocolate chip cookies and milk under the tree.

Thank you,
Taylor Tackett
Osborne Elem.

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Barbie with a jeep, Bear with bear counters, and a computer. Santa, mom collects Barbies. Bring her one she doesn't have. Dad likes motorcycles. Bring him one that works. I will buy you a gift and leave it under the tree.

Thank you,
Rebecca Slone
Osborne Elem.

Dear Santa,
I would like a new bicycle, a new race car, and a dirt bike. Santa bring my mom a new dress and shoes. Bring Annette a new car and Papaw Hubert a four wheeler. Uncle David wants a new dirt bike. I will bake you some chocolate chip cookies. They will be in the oven. Help yourself.

Thank you,
Christopher Bates
Osborne Elem.

Dear Santa,
I would like a Barbie Angel, a new pool, and a new stuffed bear. I also would like a Barbie House. I would like an animated Santa Claus for mom. Please bring Dad a little puppy. Please bring me some crayons, pencils, notebooks and a new book bag. Thank you very much. I will leave you some chocolate chip cookies with glass of milk.

Thank you,
Leigha Johnson
Osborne Elem.

Dear Santa,
My name is Connie and I have been really good. I would like for you to bring me a sick doll, the one that is on TV. Also, I would like a Nintendo and Smoochie Pooch. I will leave you some gingerbread cookies and milk under our Christmas tree. I love Rudolph very much, so please be careful on Christmas Eve night.

Thank you,
Connie Hunt
Osborne Elem.

Dear Santa,
My name is Kyle and I am 5 years old. I am in Mrs. Johnson's kindergarten class at Osborne Elem. I've been pretty good this year. I would like for you to bring me the Hot Wheels computer game, Volcano Blow Up, and Nascar 99 for my N64. Please be careful on Christmas Eve night and I will leave you some cookies and milk under the tree, where I always put it.

Thank you,
Kyle Bailey
Osborne Elem.

Dear Santa,
I would like a basketball, some toy trucks, and a bicycle. Santa, bring mom a new ring. Bring dad some tools. I will leave you some cookies and milk.

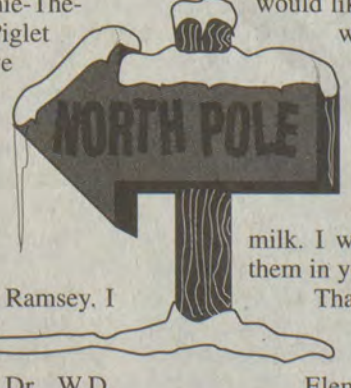
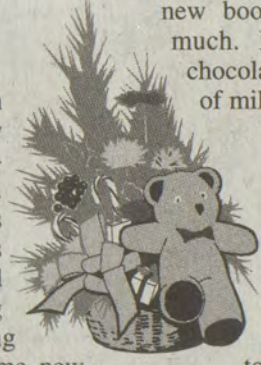
Yours truly,
Frankie Conn

Dear Santa,
I love you very much. Please bring me anything but dolls. I'm a little afraid of talking or moving dolls. Bring mom and dad something to help them get organized. Bring Johnny and Mathew something. They are my favorite cousins.

Love you,
Leann Tuttle

Dear Santa,
I like anything to due with basketball. Please help mom and dad to get our house finished. Granny and Papaw need a new roof. I love Christmas Santa. It's my favorite time of the year. I love you.

Thank you,
Johnny Berger



Dear Santa,
I would like a new bike, toy guns, and a remote control car. Bring my sister a baby doll house and a new baby doll. Bring mommy a glass clown. Bring Dad a new truck. I will leave you a gift under the tree. Stephanie would like a new pair of shoes.

Thank you,
Phillip Booth
Osborne Elem.

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Hot Wheels Car Wash. That is all I really need. Bring mom something special. Dad likes anything to do with cars. I love you Santa. I will leave you something special under the tree with moms help.

Love you!
Mathew Caudill
Osborne Elem.

Dear Santa,
I love you very much. I miss you when it's not Christmas. I would like a new bike, a gigi pet, and some Barbie dolls. Mommy needs a pretty ring. Bring daddy a watch. Bring my sisters Barbie's. Mamaw needs a new purse. Papaw would like a ring too.

Thank you,
Audreanna Osborne
Osborne Elem.

Dear Santa,
I would like a new Mermaid bike, a real puppy, a pair of earrings. Bring my little brother a bike with training wheels. My little sister needs a little Barbie bike. Daddy needs new clothes for work. Bring mom a new dress. I will leave you some cookies and milk. I know you like them.

Thank you,
Heather Spears
Osborne Elem.

Dear Santa,
I would like to thank you for all the toys you give us. This year I would like a red truck. Sissy would like a big new doll. Bring mom some new clothes. Bring my brother some new trucks and a ball. Granny would like a new dress. PaPaw would like a new outfit. Daddy needs a soccer ball.

Thank you,
DreShaun Sanders
Osborne Elem.

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Play Station, a new T.V., and dirt bike. Bring Morgan and Brittany some new baby dolls. Mom and Dad want a new car. We would like a little puppy. Santa, thank you very much. Oh! Please bring me a four wheeler.

Thank you,
Chase Thornsbury
Osborne Elem.

Dear Santa,
I would like to ask for a pair of new roller blades. I want new Barbie's. I would love a new horse. Please bring my sister a cheerleading outfit. My brothers would like some new cars. Bring my brothers motorcycles too. Mommy would like new cookware. Daddy would like a new real car.

Thank you,
Jessica Thompson
Osborne Elem.

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a yellow coal truck, a red bicycle, a freezing toy. Bring Raymond a ten speed. Bring mommy a Barbie. Bring daddy a four wheeler. I would like motorcycles (toys) to play with. Take care of your reindeers.

Thank you,
Glenn Jones
Osborne Elem.

Dear Santa,
I would like a drum set, a doctor's kit, and a lawyer set. Bring Casey some markers and crayons. Bring little David a rattle. Bring us all a coal toy truck. Mommy would like a box of candy. Daddy would like a pocket knife. Anthony likes nintendo games. Bring Papaw a new shovel. Mamaw some scented candles. I love you Santa!

Thank you,
Joshua Hall
Osborne Elem.

Dear Santa,
My name is Justin Billiter. I am good. I want a train, I want a bike, I want Austin W.F. Man, I want a WWF belt, bring more toys, I will have cookies.

Love, Justin B.
Age 7

Dear Santa,
I thank that Christmas is a fun holiday because that is Jesus's birthday. And what I have lots of fun but I like

Christmas. Most of all because that is when we celebrate Jesus's birthday on Christmas Eve. Thank you for what you got me last year. I would like a Spice girl doll, and a Rugrat toy, and a Play Station.

Your friend,
Nichole Martin

Dear Santa,
I thought that Christmas was about presents. Now I know that Christmas is about God's baby's birthday. And I wonder what you will bring me. I want lots and lots of toys and I want a tap and bat man, S-man, candy.

Your friend,
Daniel B.

Dear Santa,
I used to think that Christmas was only about gifts and Christmas trees but now I know it is all about Jesus and his birthday. We get presents because they gave baby Jesus gold, frankinsense, and more. My friend Christain only gets three presents just like Jesus. By the way I'm looking forwards to having a play station.

Your friend,
Elizabeth Howard

Dear Santa,
I am going to leave you some milk and cookies. I hope you are ok. It is going to be a Happy December and a Merry Christmas to all. I love you, Santa.

Love,
James Greer

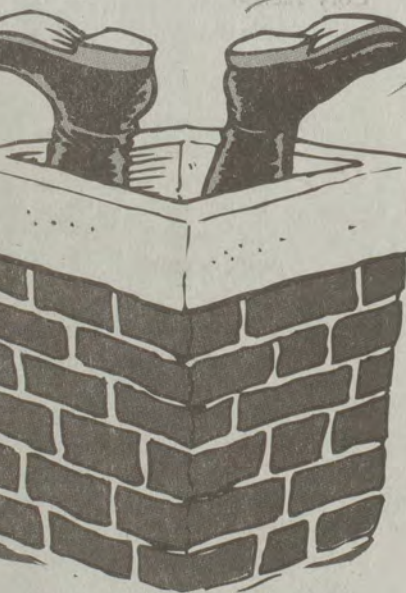
Dear Santa,
How are you at the North Pole? I am fine. I know things have to be busy this close to Christmas. I won't forget to leave cookies and milk for you. Like you said in your letter when you get to Allen you are very hungry. Bye. I have to go.

Love,
Brittany Smith

Dear Smith,
I love you very very much. I know you have lots and lots of work to do, but please bring me lots and lots of gifts, and I will have a good Christmas.

Love,
Dustin Rose

Dear Santa,
I'm trying to be very good this year and when you come you bring the toys I like. How are you this year? You make me happy when you come.



Christmas is my favorite holiday.

Love,
Krista Howard

Dear Santa,
I hope you have a happy holiday and I will leave milk and cookies for you. And I want lots of presents. Santa and I want to come to the North Pole at your house this Christmas. And bring a friend with me whose name is Kayla and me and her will have fun at the North Pole in the snow at Santa's house.

Love,
Matraca Collins

Dear Santa,
I would like a Talking Bubba. I would also like a Barbie house. I want a Teddy Bear, crayon box, and a radio. I would like a sleigh, a bike.

Sincerely,
Deanna Lynn Prater

Dear Santa,
My name is Jan-Michael Hicks. I am 9 1/2 years old. I am a 3rd grade student at May Valley Elementary. I have been the best I could be. For Christmas I would like a X-speed racer. I would like a Harley Davidson leather jacket and a go cart along with a Motorcycle.

Love,
Jan

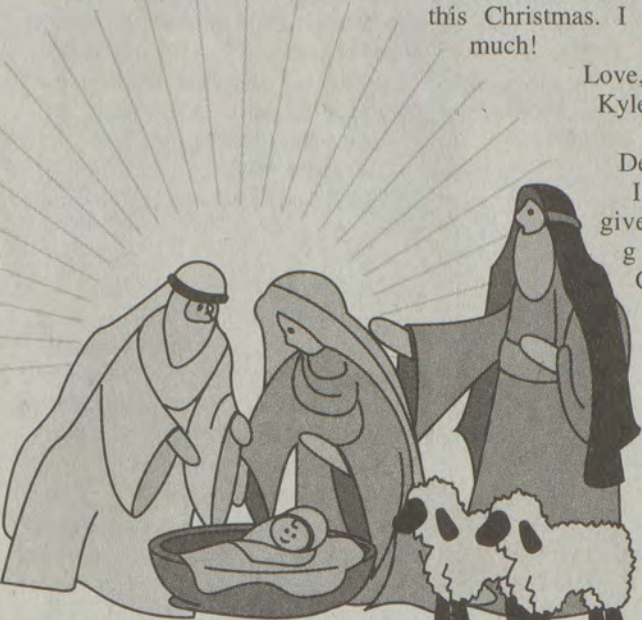
Dear Santa,
My name is Kimberly Meade. I am 8 years old. I am a third grader at May Valley



Elementary.
I have been an angel this year. I have been nice to everybody this year. Santa, will you bring my mom and dad a Jeff Gordon Jacket?

I would like a Jeff Gordon coat and a Jeff Gordon key chain.
With love,
Kimberly Meade

Dear Santa,
My name is Christopher Murphy. I am a 3 r d



grader, I am in Mrs. Mead's class. I have been good. I go to May Valley Elem. Could you bring my mom a gold watch? My dad wants a T.V. My brother wants a Batman. I am 8 and a half years old.

This is what I want, I want a Nintendo 64, WWF figure, NWO "Stone cold said so" T-shirt, War Zone, Play Station, computer, DXT-shirt, DDP T-shirt, Chunky 4 doll, Bride of chunky doll, Bride of Chunky movie.

Love,
Chris Murphy

Dear Santa,
My name is Josh Hale. And I am 8 years old. I am a third grader at May Valley Elementary. I tried to be good this year. Please bring my dad, and mom a new car. I want for Christmas, Nintendo 64, WWF Revenger, and In Sync cd.

Love,
Josh

Dear Santa,
My name is Kayla Stephens. I am 8 years old. I am a third grader at May Valley Elementary. I have been a sweet girl. I always try my best.

I am good to mom and dad and my sisters, and my niece, and my teacher. I am going to give mom a ring and my dada T-Shirt, Lisa a pair of shoes, my sister Kim a T.V., and Crissy a ring. Whitney a Barbie doll. I want a computer, a T.V., Play Station, Barbie Doll, Donkey Kong 3, and Mario 3.

Your friend,
Kayla

Dear Santa,
My name is Jessica Miles. I am 8 1/2 years old. I am a third grader at May Valley Elementary.

I've been good like an angel for you Santa. I hope you will bring my mom a diamond ring. I hope you get my dad a box of tools. I hope you don't forget my brother. So get him a glow in the dark toy. For Christmas I want a Nintendo 64, a computer too. One more thing is a big house.

Your best friend,
Jessica Miles

Dear Santa,
My name is Amanda Jo Robinson. I am 9 years old. I am a third grader at May Valley Elementary.

I've been trying my best to be good to my best friend Kimberly Mead. All I want from my mom is a Tommy doll. I want Slone Cold Steve Austin 3:16 t-shirt. And I wish for happy Christmas. I want Rugrats stuff.

Your friend,
Amanda Robinson

Dear Santa,
I want you for Christmas this year. I want everyone in the world to have something nice. How do you get so many elves?

Love,
Nevan Slone

Dear Santa,
Would you bring my friend a girl robot? She has been a good girl this year. Do you have your house decorated this year? I do. I love you.

Love,
Elizabeth Salisbury

Dear Santa,
If there were no you, there would be no Christmas. Who would drive the sleigh? The children wouldn't get any presents. They would have to get presents from their parents. It would be very, very awful!

Love,
Jessi Hayes

Dear Santa,
Would you please give me two things? I would like for everyone in the world to have love and care. I know this can't be bought, but it would make me very happy. I hope you can do this. Thank you.

Love,
Tyler Tucker

Dear Santa,
Where do you live? Thank you for all the good things you do for kids. I would like to see some snow this Christmas. I love you very much!

Love,
Kyle Greene

Dear Santa,
I would like to give someone a good Christmas—like the little children who are in the orphanages who don't have a good Christmas. This would be my gift to show that I care. It would make me feel really happy.
Thank you Santa.

Love,
Whitney Ousley

Dear Santa,
I love you very much. It is nice when you bring presents to everyone. You make me very happy. I like how you give love and other things to us. I like how you come down the chimney and bring us toys.

Love,
Tianna Patton

Dear Santa,
I wish I could see you now and tell you how much I like you. How cold is it in the North Pole? Where does Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer live?

Love,
Cody Boyd

Dear Santa,
Christmas is the best time of the year because you get to be with your family. You get to go outside and play in the snow. You bring presents to me and Mom and Dad.

Love,
Cory Conn

Dear Santa,
I love you Santa. If you weren't born, there would be no Christmas. How do you get down the chimney when you deliver presents? Where do you live and how far is it? You are wonderful!

Love,
Megan Williams

Dear Santa,
I want the Spice Girls because I've been a good girl. I hold the door for my mom and help my papaw work because he is too old.

Your friend,
Kayla Halbert

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Big Blast Barbie, a Tommy Doll, and a crying baby doll. I've been good this year. I clean my room. I get to visit my mamaw and papaw at Christmas because my papaw gets to come home from the hospital.

Your friend,
Whitney Keathley

Dear Santa,
Please bring me monster truck, a wrestling, and wrestlers. I help my dad wash his truck and my mom clean.

Your friend,
Christopher Hall

Dear Santa,
I want a Pooh, a dog, a cat, a doll, and a Brittany doll. I have a new baby brother and I help my mom take care of him. I will leave some cake out for you.

Your friend,
Brittany Springer

Dear Santa,
What I want for Christmas is the Spice Girls movie and a Barbie Dream house. I help my parents.

Your friend,
Brittany Bailey

Dear Santa,
I want a Smoochy Pooch because it would be a fun toy. I want a Bugs Life because it seems like a good movie, and I want Baby Dill. I pick up my new house. I like Christmas because I get a lot of presents and put up a Christmas tree.

Your friend,
Katie Gibson

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want the Spice Girls dolls. I have been very good because I clean my room whenever my mamaw makes me. I also want

Hiccupping Dill Pickles because I would like to have it but I don't know if I will get it or not.

Your friend,
Katelyn Hall

Dear Santa,
Would you please bring me a coat so I can wear it in the snow? I have been good. I help my mommy clean up the house.

Your friend,
Shawn Spurlock

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a lot of bugs and a lot of a Bugs Life toys because bugs are cool. I have been good and want a lot and a lot of bugs, a 1000 bugs. I helped my dad build a tree-house and mom clean the car out.

Your friend,
Zac Stanley

Dear Santa,
I've been a good boy this year. I helped my dad build cars. Bring me some hot wheels please.

Your friend,
Brandon Conley

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a pair of winter boots. I've been good this year. I opened the door for a teacher and got my mommy out of the car.

Your friend,
Bradley Fields

Dear Santa,
What I want for Christmas is a bow and arrow and a sling shot with BB's. I've been good this year.

Your friend,
Chris Hicks

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a new puppy because I want to take care of it. I've been good. I help my mamaw sweep.

Your friend,
Tyler Newman

Dear Santa,
Christmas is a holiday when you spend time with your family. What I want for Christmas is a Spice Girl CD, a Spice Girl set, and a Back Street Boys CD. I've been a nice girl by helping my mom. I say my manners, I work hard at school. I'm nice to my friends. If someone lost their break money, I give them mine. I am kind.

Your friend,
Morgan Dowell

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Dear Santa,
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 Your friend,
 Steven Conley

Dear Santa,
 My name is Ashley Gillespie and I am 4 years old. I attend Stumbo Head Start in Ms. Deb's room. I want you to bring me a bicycle for Christmas. Please, remember all the children in the world.
 Love,
 Your friend,
 Ashley Gillespie

Dear Santa,
 My name is Erica Collins and I am 3 years old. I attend Stumbo Head Start in Ms. Deb's room. I want you to bring me a bicycle bike for Christmas. Please, remember all the children in the world.
 Love,
 Your friend,
 Erica Collins

Dear Santa,
 My name is Brian Hall and I am 4 years old. I attend Stumbo Head Start in Ms. Deb's room. I want you to bring me a Nintendo game for Christmas. Please, remember all the children in the world.
 Love,
 Your friend,
 Brian Hall

Dear Santa,
 My name is Austin Saddler and I am 4 years old. I attend Stumbo Head Start in Ms. Deb's room. I want you to bring me some wrestlers for Christmas. Please, remember all the children in the world.
 Love,
 Your friend,
 Austin Saddler

Dear Santa,
 My name is Crit Mitchell and I am 4 years old. I attend Stumbo Head Start in Ms. Deb's room. I want you to bring me a "big" work bench for Christmas. Please, remember all the children in the world.
 Love,
 Your friend,
 Crit Mitchell

Dear Santa,
 My name is Cory Reynolds and I am 4 years old. I attend Stumbo Head Start in Ms. Deb's room. I want you to bring me a "big" truck for Christmas. Please, remember all the children in the world.
 Love,
 Your friend,
 Cory Reynolds

Dear Santa,
 My name is Amanda Mitchell and I am 4 years old. I attend Stumbo Head Start in Ms. Deb's room. I want you to bring me a Dancing Barbie for Christmas. Please, remember all the children in the world.
 Love,
 Your friend,
 Amanda Mitchell

Dear Santa,
 My name is Hunter Bailey and I am 3 years old. I attend Stumbo Head Start in Ms. Deb's room. I want you to bring me toys for Christmas. Please, remember all the children in the world.
 Love,
 Your friend,
 Hunter Bailey

Dear Santa,
 My name is Alex Kidd and I am 4 years old. I attend Stumbo Head Start in Ms. Deb's room. I want you to bring me a bike for Christmas. Please, remember all the children in the world.
 Love,
 Your friend,
 Alex Kidd

Dear Santa,
 My name is Douglas Causey and I am 5 years old. I attend Stumbo Head Start in Ms. Deb's room. I want you to bring me toys for Christmas. Please, remember all the children in the world.
 Love,
 Your friend,
 Douglas Causey

Dear Santa,
 My name is Tiffany N. Adams and I am 5 years old. I attend Stumbo Head Start in Ms. Deb's room. I want you to bring me toys for Christmas. Please, remember all the children in the world.
 Love,
 Your friend,
 Tiffany N. Adams

Dear Santa,
 My name is Isabella Hall and I am 4 years old. I attend Stumbo Head Start in Ms. Deb's room. I want you to bring me a doll for Christmas. Please, remember all the children in the world.
 Love,
 Your friend,
 Isabella Hall

Dear Santa,
 My name is Cory Reynolds and I am 4 years old. I attend Stumbo Head Start in Ms. Deb's room. I want you to bring me blocks for Christmas. Please, remember all the children in the world.
 Love,
 Your friend,
 Cory Reynolds

Dear Santa,
 My name is Jarred Hamilton and I am 3 years old. I attend Stumbo Head Start in Ms. Deb's room. I want you to bring me Dinosaurs for Christmas. Please, remember all the children in the world.
 Love,
 Your friend,
 Jarred Hamilton

Dear Santa,
 My name is Shelby and I am 7 years old. I am in Mrs. Howell's Primary Class, at J. M. Stumbo School. I want you to bring me a computer for Christmas.
 Love,
 Shelby McKinney
 P.S. I will leave you cookies and milk under the tree.

Dear Santa,
 My name is Donovan and I am 5 years old. I am in Mrs. Howell's Primary Class, at J. M. Stumbo School. I want you to bring me a four wheeler for Christmas.
 Love,
 Donovan Salyers
 P.S. I will leave you cookies and milk under the tree.

Dear Santa,
 My name is Nathan and I am 5 years old. I am in Mrs. Howell's Primary Class, at J. M. Stumbo School. I want you to bring me a Real Talking Airport for Christmas.
 Love,
 Nathan Martin
 P.S. I will leave you cookies and milk under the tree.

Dear Santa,
 My name is Jade and I am 7 years old. I am in Mrs. Howell's Primary Class, at J. M. Stumbo School. I want you to bring me an Easy Bake Oven for Christmas.
 Love,
 Jade Newsome
 P.S. I will leave you cookies and milk under the tree.

Dear Santa,
 My name is Ginger and I am 5 years old. I am in Mrs. Howell's Primary Class, at J. M. Stumbo School. I want you to bring me a four wheeler for Christmas.
 Love,
 Ginger Rose
 P.S. I will leave you cookies and milk under the tree.

Dear Santa,
 My name is Jeremy and I am 6 years old. I am in Mrs. Howell's Primary Class, at J. M. Stumbo School. I want you to bring me a Buzz Light year for Christmas.
 Love,
 Jeremy Tackett
 P.S. I will leave you cookies and milk under the tree.

Dear Santa,
 My name is Kory and I am 5 years old. I am in Mrs. Howell's Primary Class, at J. M. Stumbo School. I want you to bring me a computer for Christmas.
 Love,
 Kory Meadows
 P.S. I will leave you cookies and milk under the tree.

Dear Santa,
 My name is Trenton and I am 5 years old. I am in Mrs. Howell's Primary Class, at J. M. Stumbo School. I want you to bring me a Game Boy Camera for Christmas.
 Love,
 Trenton Lee McClanahan
 P.S. I will leave you cookies and milk under the tree.

Dear Santa,
 My name is Sharon and I am 6 years old. I am in Mrs. Howell's Primary Class, at J. M. Stumbo School. I want you to bring me some blocks for Christmas.
 Love,
 Sharon Conway
 P.S. I will leave you cookies and milk under the tree.

Dear Santa,
 My name is Jordan and I am 5 years old. I am in Mrs. Howell's Primary Class, at J. M. Stumbo School. I want you to bring me a bulldozer for Christmas.
 Love,
 Jordan Hamilton
 P.S. I will leave you cookies and milk under the tree.

Dear Santa,
 My name is Ronnie and I am 5 years old. I am in Mrs. Howell's Primary Class, at J. M. Stumbo School. I want you to bring me some roller skates for Christmas.
 Love,
 Ronnie Newsome
 P.S. I will leave you cookies and milk under the tree.

Dear Santa,
 My name is Kelsey Akers and I am 5 years old. I am in Mrs. Howell's Primary Class, at J. M. Stumbo School. I want you to bring me a Hamburger Baby for Christmas.
 Love,
 Kelsey Akers
 P.S. I will leave you cookies and milk under the tree.

Dear Santa,
 My name is Edna and I am 7 years old. I am in Mrs. Howell's Primary Class, at J. M. Stumbo School. I want you to bring me a Hamburger Baby for Christmas.

Love,
 Edna Williams
 P.S. I will leave you cookies and milk under the tree.

Dear Santa,
 My name is Derrick and I am 7 years old. I am in Mrs. Howell's Primary Class, at J. M. Stumbo School. I want you to bring me a backhoe for Christmas.
 Love,
 Derrick Gayheart
 P.S. I will leave you cookies and milk under the tree.

Dear Santa,
 My name is Landon and I am 5 years old. I am in Mrs. Howell's Primary Class, at J. M. Stumbo School. I want you to bring me a Godzilla for Christmas.
 Love,
 Landon Hall
 P.S. I will leave you cookies and milk under the tree.

Dear Santa,
 My name is Sean Vance and I am 5 years old. I am in Mrs. Howell's Primary Class, at J. M. Stumbo School. I want you to bring me a Power Ranger for Christmas.
 Love,
 Sean Vance
 P.S. I will leave you cookies and milk under the tree.

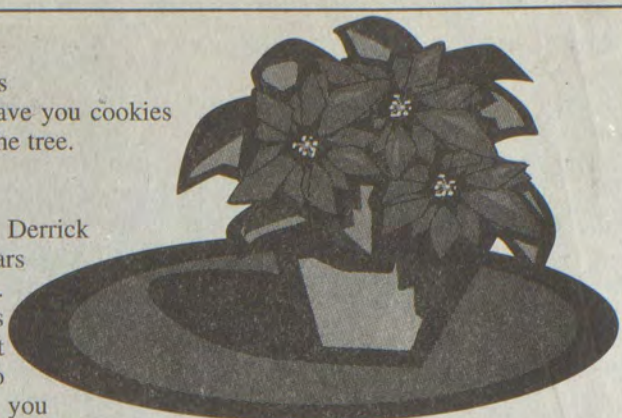
Dear Santa,
 My name is Annie and I am 6 years old. I am in Mrs. Howell's Primary Class, at J. M. Stumbo School. I want you to bring me some makeup for Christmas.
 Love,
 Annie Bradley
 P.S. I will leave you cookies and milk under the tree.

Dear Santa,
 My name is Amanda and I am 6 years old. I am in Mrs. Howell's Primary Class, at J. M. Stumbo School. I want you to bring me a computer for Christmas.
 Love,
 Amanda Newsome
 P.S. I will leave you cookies and milk under the tree.

Dear Santa,
 My name is Jordan and I am 5 years old. I am in Mrs. Howell's Primary Class, at J. M. Stumbo School. I want you to bring me a bulldozer for Christmas.
 Love,
 Jordan Hamilton
 P.S. I will leave you cookies and milk under the tree.

Dear Santa,
 My name is Ronnie and I am 5 years old. I am in Mrs. Howell's Primary Class, at J. M. Stumbo School. I want you to bring me some roller skates for Christmas.
 Love,
 Ronnie Newsome
 P.S. I will leave you cookies and milk under the tree.

Dear Santa,
 My name is Keisha and I am 5 years old. I am in Mrs. Howell's Primary Class, at J. M. Stumbo School. I want you to bring me a



Barbie and roller skates for Christmas.

Love,
 Keisha Johnson
 P.S. I will leave you cookies and milk under the tree.

Dear Santa,
 My name is Aaron Newsome and I am 6 years old. I am in Mrs. Howell's Primary Class, at J. M. Stumbo School. I want you to bring me a Pedal Car Go-Cart for Christmas.
 Love,
 Aaron Newsome
 P.S. I will leave you cookies and milk under the tree.

Dear Santa,
 My name is Dilan and I am 6 years old. I am in Mrs. Howell's Primary Class, at J. M. Stumbo School. I want you to bring me a BB gun for Christmas.
 Love,
 Dilan Newsome
 P.S. I will leave you cookies and milk under the tree.

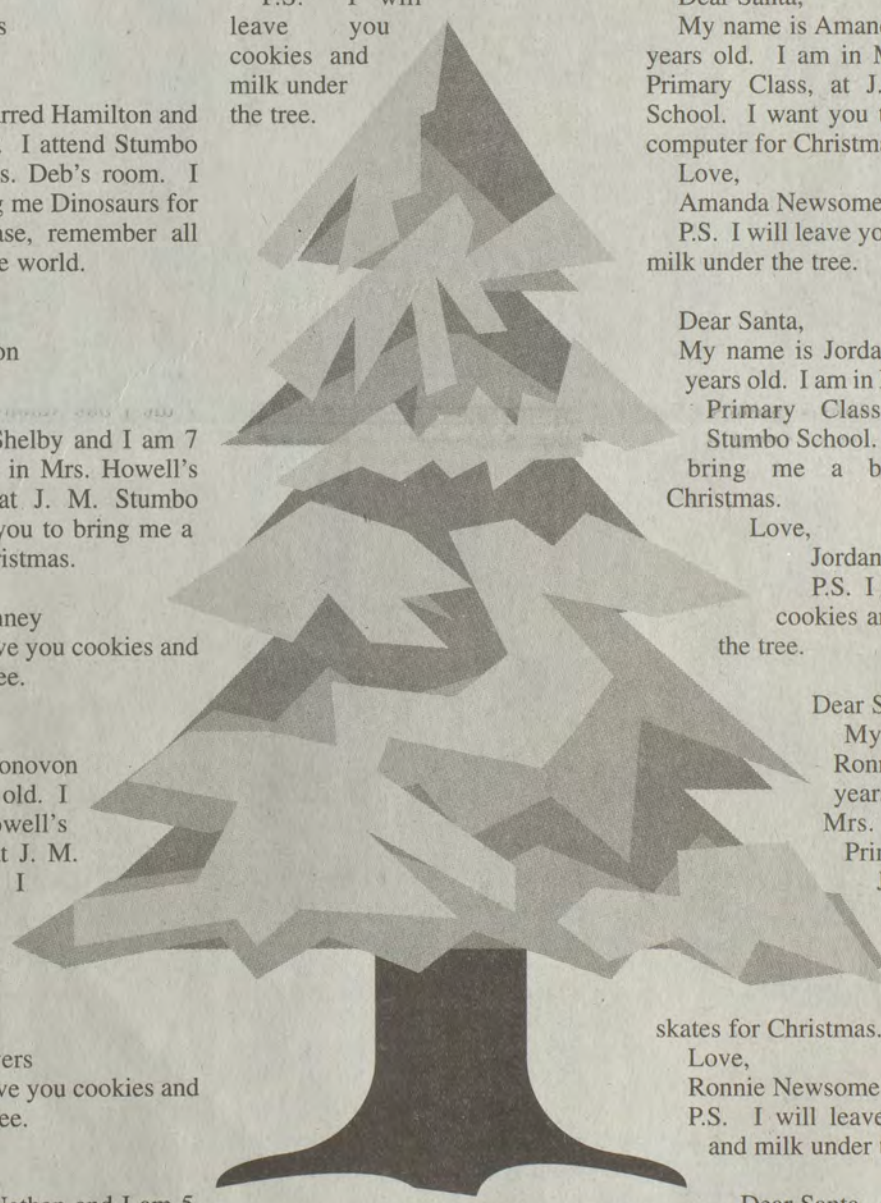
Dear Santa,
 My name is Joseph and I am 5 years old. I am in Mrs. Howell's Primary Class, at J. M. Stumbo School. I want you to bring me a Remote Control 4-wheeler 4x4 for Christmas.
 Love,
 Joseph Howell
 P.S. I will leave you cookies and milk under the tree.

Dear Santa,
 My name is Coty and I am 7 years old. I am in Mrs. Howell's Primary Class, at J. M. Stumbo School. I want you to bring me a bulldozer for Christmas.
 Love,
 Coty Hall
 P.S. I will leave you cookies and milk under the tree.

Dear Santa,
 My name is Adam Hall and I am 7 years old. I am in Mrs. Howell's Primary Class, at J. M. Stumbo School. I want you to bring me a computer for Christmas.
 Love,
 Adam Hall
 P.S. I will leave you cookies and milk under the tree.

Dear Santa,
 My name is Shane and I am 6 years old. I am in Mrs. Howell's Primary Class, at J. M. Stumbo School. I want you to bring me a rifle for Christmas.
 Love,
 Shane Hall
 P.S. I will leave you cookies and milk under the tree.

Dear Santa,
 My name is Kristin and I am 5 years old. I am in Mrs. Howell's Primary Class, at J. M. Stumbo School. I want you to bring me a T.V. for Christmas.
 Love,
 Kristin Hall
 P.S. I will leave you cookies and milk under the tree.



Hope Your Christmas Measures Up!

Hope Santa supplies you with a sleighful of goodies. Thanks for making our year a noteworthy one.

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