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PARKER SEAL

City ponders purchase of Parker property

♦ Environmental tests basically clear, responsibility for any future problems not so much

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CITY HALL - For four years the city has eyed the former Parker Seal plant on Lewis Street as a possible multi-purpose public facility, and negotiations have stepped up.

At a city council work session Tuesday, city administrator Randy Stone said Parker Seal has presented the city with a contract to purchase the property for \$150,000.

The property on the city's west side includes 9 acres of land, a 100,0000square-foot building, walking trail, basketball court, picnic shelter and a small pond. The property may also contain another aspect in form of contamina-

The plant manufactured petroleumbased rubber seals and was the city's first major manufacturer. The Berea Chamber of Commerce was organized in the late 1950s, in part, to woo the plant to the city.

Stone said the company has completed environmental studies on the property in terms of its continued use as an industry. Those studies were turned over to the city, which then hired Third Rock Environmental Consulting to review the studies and complete their



The City of Berea is considering a contract to purchase the former Parker Seal plant on Lewis Street for several public uses. Preliminary plans could include a small gymnasium (outlined in red); a police roll call center or satellite police department (blue); business incubator space (yellow); indoor recreation space using equipment from the former Boys and Girls Club (green). The plant's tower (at bottom right) would be demolished.

own tests. Stone said the company conducted tests at the site about a month ago, and worked for over two weeks.

Based on 17 hours of constant use by a person between 12- and 15-yearsold, the report showed no problems. Stone said that basically means the site

"We feel comfortable with that (property) being used. I'm not saying the community will accept that, but we have done the tests," he said.

Some remnants of oil were previously found in the soil there, and a collection system is located at the head of the small pond to catch any possible lechate. A monitoring well is situated in the parking lot. The pond has been satisfactorily tested, Stone said, and Parker Seal is responsible for keeping the collection system pumped free of

any contaminates. It has been "free and clear" for the past five years.

Under the presented contract, Parker Seal would remain responsible for any future environmental problems that may arise from the manufacturing once done there. The city would be responsible for any future, unanticipated problems.

Third Rock, which was independently hired by the city, has been thorough with its testing and review of past reports.

"We're not just hand-stamping Parker Seal's reports," Stone said. "The only contamination is oil."

Still, those possible unanticipated problems were a sticking point with some council members.

Glenn Jennings took issue with the see **PARKER** page A7)

Possible case of whooping cough reported

♦ Parents at Johnson Elementary notified that student may have condition

NORTHSIDE - The Madison County Health Department is investigating a possible case of pertussis ("whooping cough") at Shannon Johnson Elementary. It is most likely that children have been vaccinated against pertussis because it is included in the DTaP vaccine that children are required to have before they begin school. If a child is up-to-date on shots, the possibility of catching pertussis is low.

Madison County Schools has been working with the Madison County Health Department throughout the day to ensure that the students and staff are safe from any health risk. District School Nurse Coordinator Becky Carr said parents of students considered to be in close contact with the child infected were notified personally today and were advised as to the actions they should take. Other students were sent home with a letter to parents explaining the situation.

Pertussis is spread by direct contact with the respiratory droplets of someone who is infected. see **COUGH** page A8)

Christmas parade lined up for Saturday

The Berea Chamber of Commerce Twilight Christmas Parade will begin at 6 p.m. this Saturday. This years theme is "Twelve Days of Christ-

As in years past the parade will leave Berea Community School parking lot at 5:30 p.m. and will travel down Ellipse Street, then onto Jefferson Street, left onto North Broadway, and then left onto Chestnut Street. The parade will end up back at Berea Community School parking lot.

All floats will be judged and prizes awarded for the best business, church and non-profit categories.

DJ Charlie Napier and Vonda Sipple will be the emcees for the parade and will be located at College Square. This year's grand marshals will be Eddie and Norma Kennedy in honor of SaraCare. Mr and Mrs. Santa Claus will be in the

see **PARADE** page A8)

Hospital's gift shop provides a dose of wellbeing

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DOWNTOWN — In a sunlit corner of the St. Joseph-Berea main lobby is a little place offering both creature comforts and, if needed, solace for the spirit, as well. Like its larger environs, the hospital's gift shop seeks to support, in its own way, the wellbeing

There are bud vases of flowers, angel and animal figurines, inspirational plaques, puzzle books, magazines, and plush animals to make a hospital stay bearable for not only patients, but their families, friends, and caretakers as well. The bars and boxes of chocolate for sale are probably not on any dietary program, but more than a few people would say it's as medicinal for the soul as aspirin — also available - is for a headache.

The proceeds from gift shop sales, according to treasurer Hamdy Kemp, go to providing patient services: Newspapers in both patient and waiting see GIFTS page A6)



Tanya Stewart photo)

Arranging a display of handbags at the St. Joseph Berea Gift Shop is volunteer Effie Linville. The gift shop is operated by hospital volunteers, and proceeds benefit patient services such as replacement of wheelchairs, gifts for children visiting the emergency room and subsidies for patients.

Lights for Life ceremony will be Friday

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For the working uninsured in Berea — and even for many with health insurance---a medical emergency requiring expensive drugs for its treatment creates an ugly and desperate dilemma between healing, and food, housing, utilities, and transportation. Fortunately, St. Joseph-Berea Hospital has a program insuring that all who need critical medicines receive them.

This Friday evening at 6 p.m., Dec. 5, will mark the 22nd year that Lights for Life, which supports the hospital's Emergency Medical Services Fund, will provide hope and medical help for those in financial need — 440 people this year, close to 8,000 in its existence.

see LIGHTS page A7)



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Dennis Hobbs

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and his special caregiver,

Tuesday, Dec. 2, at Lakes

Funeral Home with Bro. Bill

Rose, Bro. Hansel Hobbs

and Bro. Charlie Wilson officiating. Burial was at Pilot

Knob Cemetery. Pallbear-

ers were Walt Thornsburg,

Hobbs, Rob Lamb, Marvin

Rodney Rhodus,

Rose and David Rose.

Funeral services were

Darlene Hoover.

Dennis Hobbs, age 89, of Pilot Knob Cemetery Road,

Mr. Hobbs was a United States Navy veteran of World

He was preceded in death by his wife, Opal Lakes

He is survived by his children, Catherine Marie Pear-

Hobbs; his parents, William P. and Eva Jones Hobbs; three

son of Cartersville, Donald Joe (Ella Mae) Hacker of Berea and Darlene (Ronnie) Stout of Berea; five grandchildren,

Jerry Wayne Hobbs, Kenny Pearson, Susan Rhodus, Crystal Campbell and Matthew Hacker; three great-grandchildren;

died Sunday, Nov. 30, 2008, at St. Joseph Berea Hospital.

♦ Lucille Bowman

Lucille Bryce Bowman, age 91, of East Haiti Road, passed away Monday, Nov. 24, 2008, at The Terrace Nursing and Rehabilitation Center.

Ms. Bowman was born to the late S.P. and Cordelia Roark Hammond in Rockcastle County. She was a member of Bethel Baptist Church and retired from Westinghouse.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her siblings, Ott Ison, Sewell Ison, Osa Abner, Ida Hart, Margaret Jackson, Sude Abrams, Eva Mullins, Lula Hammond and Willie Hammond.

She is survived by her children, Harold (Judy) Bowman of McKee and Ann (Pat) Wilson of Berea; three grandchildren, Kelley Bowman, Kyle (Cindy) Wilson and Bartley Bowman; one great-grandchild, Brendan Wilson; one stepgrandchild Rodney (Anna) Pharris; one step-great-grandchild, William Dale Pharris; a brother-in-law, Robert Bowman; sisters-in-law Margaret Bowman, Lucille Nazerias and Lois Farver; a special caregiver, Gladys Hubbard; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were Friday, Nov. 28, at Lakes Funeral Home in Berea with Rev. Kenny Davis officiating. Burial followed at Madison County Memorial Gardens. Active pallbearers were Kyle Wilson, Ray Hamilton, Sam Fothergill, Eddie Hubbard and Pat Wilson. Honorary bearers were the Senior Adult Ladies Sunday School Class and William

♦ Johnnie R. Dunn

Johnnie R. Dunn, 87, of East Irvine Street in Richmond, died Wednesday, Nov. 26, 2008, at the Compassionate Care Center in Richmond.

Ms. Dunn was a native of Madison County born to the late Leslie and Maude Farris Rhodes. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Richmond, the Willing Workers and Daughters of the Elks Lodge.

She is survived by her children, Marsha Dunn of Richmond and Walter C. (Jonszell) Dunn of Killeen, Texas; and six grandchildren, Eric Gross, Petra Deann Wilkerson, Alexion Dunn, Laurelle Dunn, Imani Dunn and Micah Dunn; one brother, Curtis (Nancy) Rhodes of Richmond; three sisters, Leora (James) Hocker of Richmond, Clara Kemp and Charlesetta (Herman) Waters, both of Cincinnati; and her sister-in-law, Jackie Rhodes of Detroit.

She was preceded in death by one son, Arthur Dunn, Jr.; and two siblings, David Rhodes and Elizabeth King.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Dec. 2, at First Baptist Church Frances and Collins Street in Richmond with Rev. Dr. Robert Blythe officiating. Burial followed at Maple Grove Cemetery. Davis and Powell Funeral Home handled arrangements.

Ruth Eschbach

Ruth Zimmerman Eschbach, age 92, died Sunday, Nov. 30, 2008, at the Terrace Nursing Facility in Berea. Ms. Eschbach was born in Beijing, China, to the late John

Herman and Mary Bushnell Wylie. She was an active member of Union Church, The Progress Club, AAUW, Women's Club, and was a hospital auxiliary member.

She was preceded in death by her husbands, Rev. Carl Eschbach and Rev. Donald Zimmerman; a sister, Sarah E. Wylie; and a daughter, Margaret Eschbach Freeman.

She is survived by her children, Sally "Sarah" Zimmerman of Louisville, Richard C. Zimmerman of Pembroke Ga., James Eschbach of Dayton, Ohio, and Bob Eschbach of Tucson, Ariz.; a sister, Martha Pride of Berea; a brother, John H. (Mary) Wylie, Jr., of Grayling, Mich.; six grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be held from 5-8 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 11, at Union Church. Memorial services will be 11 a.m. on Friday, Dec. 12, at the church with Rev. Kent Gilbert and Rev. Margaret Pride officiating. In lieu of flowers, donations are suggested to Union Church, CPO 2332 Berea KY, 40404; Presbyterian Church USA Shared Missions, Individual Remittance Processing, P.O. Box 643700, Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700; or Habitat for Humanity of Madison County, P.O. Box 186, Richmond, KY 40476-0186. Arrangements are being handled by Lakes Funeral Home.

Gary Farthing

Gary Lee Farthing, 55, of Curtis Pike in Richmond, passed away early Sunday morning, Nov. 30, 2008, at the Hospice Compassionate Care Center.

Mr. Farthing was born on Aug. 28, 1953, in Madison County, son of Bessie Yarber Farthing and the late Howard Farthing, Jr. He was a farmer and served in the U.S. Army and Kentucky National Guard.

Survivors include his mother, Bessie Yarber Farthing; one son, William Jason Farthing of Louisiana; one daughter, Betty Lee Johnson (Joshua) of Washington, D.C.; five brothers, Danny (Wanda) Farthing, Ronnie (Jennifer) Farthing, Greg (Karen) Farthing, and Randy (Sue) Farthing, all of Richmond, and Ricky (Krista) Farthing of Berea; three sisters, Judy Abner of Richmond, Ind., Vickie (Sam) Harney of Richmond and Darlene (Gudgel) Carpenter of Bath County; four grandchildren, Ariana, Rebecca and Royal Johnson, and William James Farthing; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by three brothers, Carlos, Billy Wayne and Howard Clinton Farthing.

Funeral services were Tuesday, Dece. 2, at Combs, Parsons and Collins Funeral Home with Rev. Tim Fisher officiating. Burial followed at Madison Memorial Gardens. Pallbearers were Marion Gross, John Hasty, Steve Sowers, David Sowers, Steve Winkler and Howard Farthing.

29, 2008, in Richmond, Va.

Mr. Head was born in Ft. Hood, Texas, and was an

He is survived by his parents, Johnathan P. and Amy

Funeral services were Friday, Dec. 5, at Lakes Funeral Home with Rev. Randy Osborne officiating. Burial followed at Berea Cemetery.

Roadway deaths down so far this year

Preliminary statistics indicate that nine people died in nine separate crashes on Kentucky roadways during the Thanksgiving holiday enforcement period (Wednesday, Nov. 26 through Sunday, Nov. 30, Last year, there were 10 fatalities during the same time period.

Seven of the fatalities involved motor vehicles and four of those victims were not wearing seat belts. Two of the crashes involved the suspected use of alcohol. Two of the noliday fatalities involved pedestrians.

Through Nov. 30, preliminary statistics indicate that 738 people have lost their lives on Kentucky roadways during 2008. This is 63 fewer than reported for this time period in 2007. Of the 563 motor vehicle fatalities, 356 victims were not wearing seat

Submitted

Christopher M. Head

Christopher Michael Head, age 26, died Saturday, Nov.

electrician with Randy Walker Electric Company in Lex-

Massey Chasteen; one brother, Sean Chasteen of Richmond, Ky.; one sister, Amber Head of Richmond, Va.; his maternal grandmother, Joyce Kesner of Berea; paternal grandparents Ralph and Georgia Chasteen of Richmond, Ky.; aunt and cousins Leah, Lyndsey and Lauren Epling of Louisa, Va.; uncles Mike (Brenda) Chasteen, Ron (Cathy) Chasteen, Tony Chasteen, Steve Chasteen, Jeff Chasteen and Don Chasteen and Terry Chasteen; and many cousins

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♦ Flem "Dan" Justice

Flem "Dan" Justice, age 71, of Richmond, passed away Tuesday, Nov. 25, 2008, at the Pattie A. Clay Regional Medical Center in Richmond.

Mr. Justice was born to the late Flem and Sarah Florence "Fonnie" Justice in Pike County. He was a self-employed barber.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two brothers, Phillip and Jerry Justice; and a sister, Jearldine Jus-

He is survived by his wife,

Iva Gail Justice; two children, Mark Justice and Dana Brant; brothers Bob, Dolan, Fon, Darrell, Malcolm and Rufus Justice; sisters Glema Sue Kunz, Frona Bevins and Lassie Rogers; and one granddaughter, Lauren Brant.

Funeral services were Monday, Dec. 1, at Lakes Funeral Home in Berea with Rev. Gary Payne officiating. Burial followed at Berea Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Grace Now Food Pantry, a nonprofit organization serving those in need in Madison County (110 S. Collins Street, Richmond, KY 40475).

♦ Carl Lakes

Carl Lakes, age 72, husband of Joyce Lutes Lakes, died Sunday evening, Nov. 30, 2008, at his home.

Mr. Lakes was born June 2, 1936, in Madison County, son of Ursle Rose Lakes and Willliam Kermit "Kerm" Lakes. He was a former employee of the Kentucky Department of Highways and was retired from the Madison County Board of Education. He was a member of Bethlehem Baptist Church, and was an avid fisherman and hunter. He loved to trade pocketknives.

Survivors include his wife, Joyce Lutes Lakes; his mother, Ursle Rose Lakes of Dreyfus; a daughter, Devonna Hensley (Aaron Paul) Abner of Richmond; one brother, Robert Owen Lakes of Berea; a sister, Glenna Gray of Dreyfus; a grandson, Alec Vaughn Hensley; and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to his father, he was preceded in death by a sister, Iva Jewell; and a grandson, Harris Scott Hens-

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, Dec. 3, at Combs, Parsons and Collins Funeral Home in Richmond with Rev. Mark McGuire officiating, Burial followed at Bark Road Cemetery. Pallbearers were Paul Bicknell, Mark Gray, Mickey Lutes, Lester Gooch, Danny Baker and Shane Garrett. Honorary bearers were John Hancock, Larry Chrisman, Doyle Webb, Harold Ruble and Ken Edmonson.

Howard Ray Lunsford

Mr. Howard Ray Lunsford, age 68, of Brodhead, husband of Clara, passed away at his residence on Quail Road on Sunday, Nov. 30, 2008, as a result of heart failure.

Mr. Lunsford was born on Jan. 16, 1940, in Berea, a son of the late Ruben and Marie Lunsford. He served his country in the U.S. Air Force for eight years as a dental technician. After leaving the Air Force he moved his family to Savanah,

Ga., where he was a barber for several years. He was a firefighter for nine years, becoming fire chief. He retired after 13 years as fire chief at Blue Grass Army Depot and Avon Facility. After his retirement he had farmed for the past 12 years. His hobbies and interests include farming, horses and cattle.

Those left to mourn his passing include his wife of 47 years, Mrs. Clara Lunsford of Brodhead; his children, Alan Ray (Shawnda) Lunsford of Richmond and Phyllis Ann (Jeffrey) Middleton (Jeffrey) of Berea; three grandchildren, Emily Marie McCoy, Joseph Andrew McCoy and Heather Renee Lunsford; his mother, Marie Smith Lunsford of Berea; a brother, Hubert Wayne Lunsford and Peggy Sue Brock of Berea; as well as a host of nieces, nephews, friends and neighbors.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, Dec. 3, at the Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals Chapel in Brodhead with Rev. Garrett Garland and Bill McKinney officiating. Burial followed at Berea Cemetery.

♦ Emanuel



day, Nov. 22, 2008.

Mr. Rozeman was born and returned to his job with Chiquita.

Mr. Rozeman was a Life Member of the U.S. Chess Federation, an active participant in community theater, a past member of Toastmasters, International, and a liturgist in the churches he attended.

He is survived by his

A memorial service will may be made to White Oak Pond Church Building Fund or the local Hospice chapter. Interment with military honors will be at 11 a.m., Monday, Dec. 8, at Camp is in charge of the arrange-

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Rozeman



Emanuel H. "Manny" Rozeman, 93, who recently moved from Richmond to Berea, died peacefully at his home surrounded by his loving family on Satur-

in Monroe, La., on Oct. 29, 1915, and grew up in Birmingham, Ala. He was employed by Chiquita, International for 38 years, and was a World War II veteran. He enlisted in the Missouri National Guard in 1940, was inducted in the Army in 1941, and later transferred to the Air Corps with a rank of Staff Sergeant. He spent two years in the Aleutian Islands as a radio operator, safely guiding the pilots back to base. He was discharged in 1945

wife of 61 years, Miriam; three children, Michael (Tracey) Rozeman of Independence, Melanie (Kevin) Murphy of Versailles and Judith (Tim) Weckman of Berea; six grandchildren, Joseph Rozeman, Sara Rozeman, Michael Griffith, Hannah Weckman, Colin Weckman and Thomas Weckman; and his dog,

be held at noon on Saturday, Dec. 6, at White Oak Pond Christian Church in Richmond. Memorial gifts Nelson National Cemetery in Jessamine County. Davis and Powell Funeral Home

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Thursday, Dec. 4, 2008

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Stilettos, hybrids and a Christmas Tree

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As I was driving home Tuesday evening The Cal Thomas Report was on the radio. He was saying something about drunken women in England being issued flip flops by the police to assure their safety just in case a night of imbibing had

made them too tipsy to stand securely in their high heels.

I thought maybe I was having audio hallucinations. I'm not sure audio hallucinations even exist but at any rate I was not hearing things. I looked it up this morning and it's true. The headline on BBC News was... "Late night revelers in a Devon resort are being offered flip-flops to help them get home."

Devon police say it is part of a wider package of the measures including advice on safer sex and a police team designed to reduce crime. The flip-flops will have messages about safe alcohol limits printed on them.

Needless to say taxpayer groups there are up in arms at the plan to spend a reported 30,000 pounds (at today's exchange rate that would translate to about \$45,000 in U.S. currency.) The chief executive of the British TaxPayers' Alliance was quoted, "This is an idiotic waste of money. People don't pay their taxes for drunk women to get free flip-flops, they want the police to fight crime." Ya think?

Meanwhile here in the good ol' US of A we have more than our own fair share of news of the weird. Imagine, the CEOs of Detroit's big 3 are actually planning to drive to Washington this week for their next attempt at convincing Congress to bail them out. Ditching the private jets for something a bit less ostentatious, Nardelli in a Viper, Mulally a Mustang and Wagoner a Corvette. Just kidding. That might still be a little over the top for the mission at hand.

It's reported the Ford & GM guys will be driving hybrids and since Chrysler doesn't have one in production, their top man will probably show up in a four cylinder Sebring or something similar. I hope they don't get leg cramps or any-

Finally, if you haven't yet gotten into the holiday spirit this other strange tidbit is not likely to help. It seems a 37 year old man who lives with his parents in Florida has been charged with felony assault after he used a Christmas tree as a weapon to attack his father.

According to the Manaof purchasing the former tee County sheriff's report Parker Seal factory on Lewhe threw a 3-foot Christmas is Street will be very intertree at his father. The tree esting to watch as the promissed, but the over aged cess rolls on, and new city child then tried to use the council members take their steel base from the tree to seats in January. strike his dear old dad.

So much for peace on earth goodwill to men. I'll work on being more positive next week.

The city's consideration

I've lived in the shadow of Parker Seal for nearly eight years now — first in a rental home, and now in the one I purchased. Many neighbors I've spoken with over the years have mentioned the fact that the factory has been sitting



empty, and has fallen victim to some minor vandalism over the years. I think all of us would like to see something done with the property (except maybe the construction of more apartment buildings).

The need for indoor recreation space is obvious, and a public facility at the Parker Seal building could take some stress off of a heavily used Russel Acton Folk Center. The need for a police roll call center on the west side of town is obvious to those of use to live there, and anyone who keeps track of the police re-

The fear of the property being contaminated will remain even if Jesus himself came down from the clouds and declared it clean and clear. Many times Bereans choose to ignore fact in support of juicier grape vine talk.

I've often wondered myself if the property is polluted. I guess technically everything is polluted to a degree. But if environmental testing says the property just has some oil in the dirt, that's no where near as bad as what the rumor

I know people fish in that small pond behind the plant. And as was said at the council meeting Tuesday, it is full of frogs, which are usually the first creatures to high-tail it out of an area when it becomes polluted. That alone would lead me to believe the rumor mill is bloated, as usual.

However, while walking up Lewis Street Wednesday morning to take pictures of the shell of a factory, I noticed water running in the ditch line along the street and down to Jefferson. It was orange and had an odd translucence to it. The worst part of the coloration, oddly, was in do ditch around the plant, but right in front of the power substation at the corner with Oak Street. I suppose it could be caused by just about anything from anywhere, since water flows off of the ridge from Chestnut Street, though my yard, to that ditch and on to Jefferson Street.

Purchasing the Parker Seal building would be a boon for the quality of life in Berea, and could keep the neighborhood from slipping, but the city is wise to tread lightly on the environmental issues, and should also look around the property and what is flowing where and



"Let us not be weary in well doing, for in due season we shall reap if we faint not." - Galatians 6:9



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Opinions from Our Readers...

That Southern drawl...

I enjoyed your November 20 Viewpoint. I'm from New Jersey with a 12-year connection with a Southerner. And we've discovered a lot about our cultural and language differences. Here are some examples:

Long "I" vs. short "I" – Have a piece of "PI" vs. "PAH"

ING vs. IN' - "Having" vs. "Havin'"; "Singing" vs. "Singin'";

What you push at the grocery store: "Cart" vs. "Buggy"

Athletic shoes: "Sneakers" vs. "Tennis Shoes"

The evening meal: "Dinner" vs. "Supper"

Diet Coke: "Soda" vs. "Pop"

We Northerners love the musical sound of a Southerner. In New Jersey, when strangers hear that Southern drawl, they immediately ask: "Where are you from?" - always a great conversation opener. And while the Northern sound is not quite so charming, I hope you'll tolerate my long "I" as in

"PIE" when we move to Berea in

a few years.

Oh, and let Christine that she won't be the only Jersey girl in Berea for long. Keep up the good work with the Citizen!

> Signin' off, Lauri McVicker, Pennington, N.J.

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(Berea Police Reports)

Wednesday, Nov. 12

- 8:59 a.m., 400 Sage Grass Drive. Thirty 2-by-6s, valued at \$400 were taken from a construction site.
- 12:30 p.m., Ace Hardware, 292 Mini Mall Drive. Male suspect took a hooded sweatshirt valued at \$40 and left the store without paying for it.

Monday, Nov. 24

• 1:30 p.m., 124 Adams Street. A laptop computer and wireless mouse valued at \$930 were taken from residence.

Tuesday, Nov. 25

- 8:36 a.m., 113 Dellwood Drive. Tools valued at \$583 were taken from the back of a truck parked at the residence.
- 10:09 p.m., Wal-Mart, 120 Jill Drive. Arrested Shaun J. Martin, 20, of Gab-

bard Road, and charged by unlawful taking under him with theft by unlawful taking under \$300 and third-degree unlawful transaction with a minor.

• 10:09 p.m., Wal-Mart, 120 Jill Drive. Detained a 17-year-old male for theft by unlawful taking under \$300, possession of maridrug paraphernalia. Juvenile was released to his parents at the Berea Police Department.

Wednesday, Nov. 26

- 12:21 p.m., Save-A-Lot parking lot, Richmond Road. Arrested James M. Brown, 52, of Mt. Vernon,
- 5:35 p.m., Jason Circle. Arrested Coty L. Isaacs, 18, Richmond, on a Madison County warrant for theft

\$300.

Friday, Nov. 28

• 2:18 p.m., Paint Lick Road. Arrested Donald L. Stewart, 54, of Ghent, and charged him with alcohol intoxication.

Saturday, Dec. 29

• 9:10 p.m., Wal-Mart, juana and possession of 120 Jill Drive. Arrested Terrance A. Gadd, 18, of Marcellus Drive, and charged him with theft by unlawful taking under \$300 and third-degree criminal tres-

Sunday, Nov. 30

• 6 p.m., South Cumberland Street. Arrested and charged him with DUI William R. Haddix, 47, of South Powell Street, and charged him with alcohol intoxication.

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Lane closures this week on I-75 north of Berea

Submitted to the Citizen

The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, Department of Highways announces that southbound I-75, between milepoint 81 and 82 at the bridge over Silver Creek will have lane closures starting Wednesday 9 a.m. through 3 p.m.

The reduction of lanes is necessary to wedge the bridge ends. All work is scheduled on a tentative basis and is subject to change depending on weather conditions, emergencies and

other factors beyond the Dec. 3, during the hours of control of the Department of Highways.

The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet asks motorists to be aware of the work zone and to utilize safe driving habits when traveling through the work

Funds available for local enhancement programs

Submitted to the Citizen

The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet is accepting applications for funding through federal grant programs aimed at providing local communities with resources that improve quality of life through transportation-related initiatives.

"This is an opportunity for local governments and local organizations to make a difference, improve their communities, and create a unique atmosphere," said Transportation Secretary Joe Prather. "It's also a tremendous opportunity for us to do more than just lay blacktop. We're working to improve the environment, preserve our history, improve safety and encourage healthy lifestyles."

The federal programs include Transportation Enhancement, Safe Routes to School, Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality, and Scenic Byways.

The Transportation Enhancement program provides funding for a variety of non-traditional projects, including the restoration of historic transportation facilities, bike and pedes-

trian services, landscaping and scenic beautification and highway runoff pollution mitigation. For eligibility, projects must have a surface transportation relationship and meet the requirements of at least one of 12 eligible categories. An "intent to apply" letter is required for these funds and must be received by

Approximately million is provided for all of the programs combined each year, excluding scenic byways, which

are only funded if designated as national byways. Funds provided may be used to cover 80 percent of the cost of projects. Safe Routes to School projects are eligible for 100 percent funding. Applicants must be a state or local government agency or a non-profit organization if in partnership with a governmental agency.

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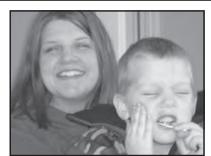


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Jackson County leads state's unemployment pack;

Madison's rate one of the lowest

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Unemployment rates rose in 112 Kentucky counties between October 2007 and October 2008, fell in six counties and stayed the same in two, according to the Kentucky Office of Employment and Training, an agency of the Kentucky Education and Workforce Development Cabinet.

Fayette and Livingston counties recorded the lowest jobless rates in the commonwealth at 4.6 percent each. Other counties with low unemployment rates were Ballard, Warren and Woodford counties, 5 per-

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cent each; Madison County, 5.2 percent; Hancock, Jessamine and Robertson counties, 5.3 percent each, and Boyd and Greenup counties, 5.4 percent each.

Jackson County recorded the state's highest unemployment rate — 10.1 percent. It was followed by Clay County, 9.7 percent; Wolfe County, 9.3 percent; Magoffin County, 9.2 percent; Grayson and McCreary counties, 9.1 percent each; Russell County, 8.6 percent; Bell County, 8.5 percent; and Harlan, Morgan and Spencer counties, 8.3 percent

Unemployment statistics are based on estimates

and are compiled to measure trends rather than actually to count people working. Civilian labor force statistics include non-military workers and unemployed Kentuckians who are actively seeking work. They do not include unemployed Kentuckians who have not looked for employment within the past four weeks.

The statistics in this news release are not seasonally adjusted to allow for comparisons between United States, state and county

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tive older people, she still word," she says. "Maybe I wanted to do something can be a help to someone, useful. Since she enjoyed with a kind word or deed." doing volunteer work, she St. Joseph-Berea comreturned to the hospital, munity relations manager where she had once been Katie Heckman, who also employed for 10 years in buys the shop's merchan-Housekeeping, and had dise, would like to alter the come to know many of the gift shop's focus to more nurses. "It's like coming that of a "wellness center." back home," she smiles. Providing educational Linville's prior hospimaterials, such as books tal work prepared her for and DVDs, for sale on a vamore than being on a firstriety of health-related subname basis with the staff jects, she says, would make members who patronize it a "health and wellness the shop; she has also been resource." a compassionate listener

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The morning ceremony at 10 a.m. will honor candidates from the Colleges of Education, Health Sciences and Justice and Safety. The afternoon ceremony, at 3 p.m., will recognize candidates from the Colleges of Arts & Sciences and Business & Technology. Both ceremonies will be held in Alumni Coliseum and are open to the public.

The two ceremonies will recognize a total of 80 associate degree candidates, 749 bachelor's degree candidates and 257 master's degree candidates.

Former Kentucky Gov. Brereton Jones will address the graduates at the morning ceremony and receive an honorary doctor of laws

degree. After serving one term as lieutenant governor, Jones served as governor

during fall '08 commencement

promote the thoroughbred industry.

The afternoon ceremony from 1991 to 1995. His vic- will feature remarks from tory margin was at the time Maysville native Nick Cloothe largest ever achieved ney, an acclaimed print and by a Kentucky gubernato- broadcast journalist in Cinrial candidate. He and his cinnati who gained national wife Libby operate Airdrie notoriety as a game show Stud in Woodford County, host and then as host on the and he continues to actively AMC television network.

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(Lights)

FROM THE FRONT

"It's a way of completing their care," says Katie Heckman, community relations manager of St. Joseph-Berea. Over the past 15 years, the program has focused on providing emergency prescriptions, the most pressing need

for a rising number of patients who are either without insurance and without money to cover the cost, or whose insurance will not cover post-hospitalization medications.

Since the closure of the hospital's pharmacy, the new Walgreen's in Berea is working with the Lights for Life program, accepting St.

Joseph patient vouchers.

Besides literally saving lives, each \$10 donation can be dedicated to honor or memorialize a beloved family member or friend; their names are read aloud during the half-hour Lights for Life tree-lighting ceremony, which will be outside this year, around a newly planted tree. Dr. David Greene,

elderly patients who have died with a donation. "He makes that a point every year," says Heckman; last year, he contributed \$600 to the fund.

a St. Joseph gerontology

specialist, remembers his

Donation forms are available at the St. Joseph-Berea Hospitality Desk and in the Administration

department, and contributions can be made right up to the lighting ceremony on Friday (Heckman has had money pressed into her hands minutes before) and mailed in thereafter. Send donations (which are taxdeductible) to Katie Heck-

man, Saint Joseph-Berea, 305 Estill Street, Berea, KY

The lights will shine from Friday, Dec. 5, through Thursday, Jan. 1, 2009. The help your donation will give may last---certainly extend---a patient's lifetime.

(Parker)

FROM THE FRONT

wording in the contract. and said the city should be careful of future environmental responsibilities at the property. He asked if a representative from Third Rock could attend a council work session to explain the situation and answer ques-

tions, as well as give examples of how similar situations have been handled in other cities. It was suggested a representative from Parker Seal also attend such a meeting.

Stone said most city property purchases

have been subject to similar environmental testing, including land at the end of North Broadway being used for the City Park expansion and the former Dresser plant now used to house the municipal utili-

The City Park property was once the city dump.

"Is it unreasonable to not take ownership of a property because at some point a hazardous chemical may have been used there?," asked Mayor Steve Connelly, who also noted the factory is a blight on the west end of the city and has been empty for over six years. "At some point we have to figure out what is the risk of doing busi-

Greg Councilman Lakes said he would love for the parks department to have an indoor facility, but questioned Parker Seal for that use.

"Do we want to take a chance on a property that has been for sale for four or five years?," he said. "Will it still be for sale a few years from now?"

Stone said the asking price will probably not go any lower. Negotiations started at \$500,000, and two separate appraisals valued at the property at \$768,000 and \$680,000.

Parker Seal would like to close on the property by year's end, but Stone said city revenue at the current time would make that a bad idea. While \$200,000 was budgeted last year in case the city chose to purchase the property, the city just made a bond payment of over \$200,000, and still has two payroll cycles to

"Plus, it will be March before we know what impact these last few layoffs will have (on finances)," he said, adding that mid-February would be a better time for the city to close

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Mayor Steve

Connelly

the deal as far as cash flow is concerned.

If purchased, the city hopes to use the property for indoor recreation space, business incubator space and a police roll call center, all of which have been a party of

the city's strategic plan for a number of years. The roll call center was slated for the building because in past years, the neighborhood bordering the property had the highest incidents of crime in the city. It may now have the second highest, Stone said with the top spot being shared by Beaumont and the Brooklyn Boulevard area.

At the regular council meeting that evening, the council agreed not to sign the contract as written, opting to have a portion reworded to clarify the city would never be responsible for any future environmental issues stemming from manufacturing at the site.

In other council action:

 Debate continued over the process used by the city to annex property into the city on the heels of a 6-2 vote Tuesday adding nelly said the water sup-

another 60 acres to the corporate limits.

Council members Greg Lakes, Truman Fields, Glenn Jennings, Vi Farmer, Howard Baker and Virgil Burnside voted to annex the property on Opossum Kingdom Road belonging to HGabbard Properties, LLC, and is zoned agricultural upon recommendation from the planning and zoning commission. Denise Hagan and Chester Powell voted against the ordinance.

Hagan said the property would more than likely be subdivided and questioned annexing more property into the city when water supplies are limited, and would require city service such and police and fire protection long before generating tax revenues.

"I'mnotagainstgrowth, but it should be measured growth. We have to think about the long term," she said. And once the estimated 6,000-resident Stony Creek development is settled the city's wastewater treatment plant will be at capacity, she noted.

Powell said if the property were to be developed later, it would be better to have it under the auspices of the city's planning commission to keep from having to "clean up a mess." He also said he couldn't understand why the city would need the property. When land along Menelaus Pike and Short Line Pike was annexed a few years ago it was to gain development rights for land along the path of the bypass.

Mayor Steve Con-

the city or county, since all water in Southern Madison County comes from the same reservoir despite being on separate water systems. • The ad valorem tax rate for 2008 was unanimously approved. The rate will stay at at 10 cents per \$100 of property value, which will generate about

The tax is expected to generate a total of about \$630,000.

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• your specific goals and objectives;

• the general market environment and the specific market environment for the asset classes in which you are invasted:

pursuing their long-term goals. After all, what good is it if your portfolio's return beats an arbitrary benchmark but is not in line with your long-term investment goals and risk tolerance? Whether saving for retirement, a child's college education or another objective, the first step toward pursuing your goals is developing an investment plan against which your progress can be measured. The U.S. broad stock market, which is mostly comprised of large company stocks and is typically measured by the Standard & Poor's 500, returned 15.79% in 2006. Of course, past performance is not indicative of future results, and is not a guarantee of how your portfolio will perform. Although most investment managers use indexes as benchmarks, portfolios that are actively managed generally are not restricted to investing only in securities in the index. As a result, your portfolio holdings and performance may vary from the index.

Keeping Perspective When Evaluating Your Investment Manager

If your portfolio consists of mostly smaller company stocks, however, the S&P 500 isn't a good benchmark in evaluating your portfolio's performance. A benchmark for smaller company stocks – like the Russell 2000® Index – would be a better choice.

An index is a composite of securities designed to replicate the structure and performance of a specific segment of the financial markets. Market indexes are developed and used as comparative measurements for the performance of securi-ties with similar investment style attributes. What all indexes have in common is that the value of the index changes the with similar invariance style authorities. What an indexes have in common is that the value of the stocks in the index. So when the index goes up, the aggregate (or collective) value of the stocks in the index has grown by a proportional amount, and vice versa.

All indexes measure the performance of the markets or some subsection of them, usually on a continuing basis throughout each trading day. By tracking an index, or a variety of indexes, investors can help gauge market trends that may impact investment decisions. Indexes also function as benchmarks to compare the performance of the securities investors own against the markets in general. The past performance of an index is not indicative of future results and is not a guarantee of how your portfolio will perform. Indexes are not available for investment and reflect an unmanaged universe of securities, which does not take into account advisory, or transaction fees, all of which will reduce the overall return.

Stock investment styles, such as large company growth or large company value, are cyclical in nature and can potentially outperform each other at different stages of a market cycle. Although past performance is no guarantee of future results, for the last seven years, 2000 through 2006, large company value stocks generally outperformed their large company growth-oriented counterparts, a reversal of the performance outcome in the late 1990s, when large company growth stocks generally outperformed large company value stocks. This illustrates that the major stock styles may perform differently during the same time period. There are many subcategories of the general stock investment styles that you may want to consider for your portfolio, depending on your asset allocation, personal risk tolerance and investment goals. By spreading your investments among the various investment styles, you can diversify your portfolio so that you can help manage the risk you assume with the potential return you earn.

n the financial industry, risk is generally defined in terms of the volatility of a portfolio's returns over time. Although

past performance is not a guarantee of future results, investors historically have been rewarded with the potential for higher long-term returns in exchange for assuming greater volatility, or investment risk. Conversely, investments that have historically tended to have shown lower volatility tend to provide a relatively more predictable, but lower rate of Most investors fall somewhere in between, holding a blend of the various asset classes and investment styles as they seel

to participate in rising markets while attempting to manage losses in declining markets. The allocation of your ass offer you the opportunity to influence your overall investment return potential.

Keeping track of investment performance is a critical step in any successful investment plan. But with so many variables to consider, investors often lose their long-term perspective and focus on one thing – short-term return. Almost all investment strategies will have short-term periods of disappointing performance. Poor short-term performance is not necessarily an indicator that your investment plan won't successfully enable you to pursue your goals over the long term Losing the performance perspective can lead to misinformed investment decisions that make it more difficult to work

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photos submitted)

(Parade)

FROM THE FRONT

parade as well. According to parade chair Danny Miller, there were approximately 40 entries at press time Wednesday. Of the 40 entries, there are several floats represented.

The annual Christmas bazaar will also be going on from 1 p.m. until the parade ends at College Square.

And just a reminder...

The annual Berea Chamber of Commerce Christmas Awards Banquet will be held Thursday, Dec. 4, at the Berea College Alumni Building. Seating begins at 6 p.m., with dinner being served around

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(Cough)

FROM THE FRONT

This means that pertussis is usually only spread by close contact with someone who is infected. The early symptoms of pertussis look like those of a common cold and cough. The cough gets worse over one to two weeks and usually develops into a long series of coughs followed by a whooping noise. However, older children, adults, and very young infants may not develop the whoop. The cough is often worse at night and cough

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medicines usually do not stop the cough. Pertussis affects people of all ages, but is much more serious in infants under the age of one. Children with symptoms should be kept home from school until they have completed five days of antibiotics.

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♦ If you think your child's shots may not be upto-date, contact your child's health provider to discuss your child's immunization status.

♦ If your child has a cough illness that sounds like that described above, call your doctor for evaluation and testing.

♦ Keep ill children home from activities in which any illness could be spread to others. Examples include church, family events, scouts and team sports.

Pertussis, also called "whooping cough," is a contagious disease caused by bacteria. Pertussis is usually mild in older children and adults, but it often causes serious problems in babies less than one year of

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and Department of Defense. The Chemical Destruction Community Advisory Board (CDCAB) is an community leaders who organized to represent the views and concerns of the local community on issues regarding Kentucky's chemical community members for an update on chemical weapons destruction in Madison County and share your

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Parents should encourage rigorous classes and hard work from students

College can seem like a looming goal on the distant horizon, but once a student reaches middle school it's time to realize there are specific steps to take if you want to get into college. The KnowHow2Go campaign and website (www. knowhow2goky.org) helps students and parents learn about those steps. This month we're looking at the second step-push yourself to work hard.

Why does working hard matter? Every institution of higher education has standards students must meet to be admitted—standards relating to grade point average and test scores. If a student doesn't meet those standards, he or she can be denied admission. If a student barely meets those standards, the school might require the student to take basic courses that help him or her learn the skills needed before beginning the true college-level courses that earn them credit hours toward graduation. Taking those extra classes can mean students will be in college longer than their peers or will need to take more hours of classes per

semester than others.

begin college in college level courses that will move them closer to their career goal need to prepare by taking rigorous courses in high school and doing the hard work they require. Scott Habeeb, assistant principal for curriculum and instruction at Salem High School in Virginia, consultant with Solutions, Etc. and recent speaker to local educators through the GEAR UP program says it's important to encourage students to do the hard work. "We have to show them why that class is going to help them with something," he says. Telling a student to take something simply because it's required isn't enough.

Parents and students alike should understand what classes are important to take and why, what the high school graduation and college admission standards are, and what they need to be doing every year of school to prepare. Habeeb encourages schools to arrange conferences with students and parents in which school personnel can share that information.

Habeeb also encourag-Students who want to es schools to only offer the more rigorous courses to students. "Why would we offer a class we don't think a student should take?" he asks.

> Habeeb also believes it's important to look at student test scores to determine where their strengths are. For example, if a student takes a national standardized test and scores in the 85th percentile in history, that student obviously has talent in history. Therefore, Habeeb says, he or she can sign up for a higher level history class. If the high school doesn't teach it, perhaps a nearby college is offering courses to high school students or the students can access it through Kentucky's Virtual High School program. Once the student succeeds in one area, he or she is more likely to be interested in signing up for other more difficult

> Habeeb also emphasizes the need for parents to be closely involved in the child's educational process. He uses his own family to exemplify why it's important to "tighten the reins"

on older students rather than loosening them.

If his children who are in the first or fifth grades make a bad decision, he says, it has little long-lasting impact on his or her life. If, however, his daughter in the nineth grade decides not to study for a test or do her homework, her decision can have long-lasting repercussions because her grades go on her record for colleges and future employ-

"Please don't let up," Habeeb urges parents. Even though older kids put more pressure on their parents to give them their independence, when it comes to their education Habeeb says parents need to be more vigilant than ever in encouraging their children to sign up for the right classes and to work hard. If they do that, then when college is no longer on the horizon, but is the true next step, the student will be prepared.

For more information contact: Terry Hosler, Special Projects Coordinator, Berea College GEAR UP (phone 859-985-3855 or terry_hosler@berea.edu).

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Baseball academy to be held at Berea College At Midwest Baseball but last year's camps sold

Academy, young players can enjoy a real Spring Training experience without leaving Kentucky.

Midwest Baseball Academy, which operates a national network of affordable hitting, pitching and catchers camps for players in grades 1 through 12, is pleased to announce the addition of Berea College to its lineup for the coming winter and spring. Registration is now under way at www. baseballacademy.net.

Midwest Baseball Academy's Spring Training 2009 is a unique concept that provides young players with advanced hitting, pitching and catching training programs, instruction by the area's top high school and college coaches, and fantastic indoor facilities. The training sessions include six weeks of instruction for as low as \$99.

Midwest Baseball Academy's 2009 Spring Training program will be held at nearly 125 sites in 25 states.

The session in Berea runs January 10 to February 14 at Berea College. Berea Head Coach Ryan Hess will direct the program. Instructors will include a staff of the area's top high school and college coaches.

With a player-coach ratio of 6 to 1, each player gets plenty of individual attention in a small-group atmosphere. In addition to unbeatable instruction by the area's best high school and college coaches, players get a preseason tune-up that helps them enter team practice in mid-season form. With numerous age-specific sessions, instruction is specially tailored for each ability level. Overall, it's the type of intense, professional instruction young players just can't get in a summer

Since 1988, Midwest Baseball Academy has run hundreds of camps and clinics for thousands of players nationwide. Each week, hitters rotate through a series

Year's resolutions. Please call 985-3425 for a recording of the 1/2 price membership rates.

For other information, see <u>www.berea.edu/buildings/seaburycenter</u> or call the Seabury

Center office at 985-3428. To complete a membership application come to the office on the

second floor of Seabury on the dates listed above, 7-11 a.m. or 12-4 p.m. You may use a credit

card, cash, or check to pay the fee.

of supervised stations, including indoor batting cages, with each drill designed to teach a different aspect of hitting. Players enjoy participating in hitting games and unique stations used by top high school and college programs. The program is designed to improve pitch and strike zone recognition, timing, balance, power, situational hitting, bunting, and other aspects. Pitchers work under the supervision of coaches who can help with all aspects of pitching, from fundamentals and mechanics to more advanced concepts. Drills and repetition will improve a pitcher's speed and control. Our catcher's camp covers all aspects of being behind the plate. Players will get instruction on stance, signs, receiving, framing, blocking, throwing, fielding bunts, tags and the mental aspects of dealing with pitchers.

registration forms, are available online at www.baseballacademy.net or by phoning toll free 866-MBA-HITS. Half-price memberships available at Berea College's Seabury Center

Registration deadlines are approximately six weeks before each session begins,



holidays as a source of stress relief. Because overeating is linked to dangerous conditions includes obesity, cardiovascular disease, and diabetes, it is important to avoid holiday weight gain. Smart Choices By being mindful of what and how much you consume at meals and parties, you are likely to minimize, or even prevent, holiday weight gain

>) Eat regular meals the day of the party rather than depriving yourself all > Volunteer to contribute a healthy dish to a holiday porluck, meal.

At a buffer, use a small plate, choose small portions, and opt for low-fat foods, such as fruit and vegetable dishes.

Avoid eating fast food even in the midst of a busy holiday schedule

Drink water rather than soda, alcoholic drinks, or eggnog.

If you are hosting a holiday event, consider these tips for offering healthy choices.

7 Prepare a reduced-far version of your favorite recipe. Offer far-free salad dressing

Serve fresh fruits and vegerables, whole grain breads, and lean me Avoid preparing food using mayonnaise, butter, and oils that are high in fat.

Maintain Healthy Habits

In addition to making healthful dietary choices, it is important to maintain other healthy habits during the holiday season. Make sure to engage in regular physical activity, which can eliminate calories and reduce symptoms of stress. Get plenty of rest, and take time to particip in activities that you find enjoyable or relaxing.

racquetball courts; 6 lane, 25 yd pool for water aerobics, water exercise, lap/recreational swimming, and birthday parties; dance studio for body recall, a strong aerobics program with step, kick boxing, body sculpting, aerobics, body toning; reduced fees for karate class with Chris Frith; free general admission (with membership card) to men's intercollegiate basketball games (excluding Homecoming and post-season games).

Membership benefits include the use of Seabury Center facilities and activities. These include the cardio and weight room; indoor and outdoor walking

track for walking/jogging/running; two gym floors for basketball; five

Berea College Seabury Center associate director, Mary Beth Bevins,

has announced that memberships are available for January 2 - June

30 of the 2008-09 membership year. They can be purchased at half

price on December 8-12 for holiday gift giving or beginning Monday,

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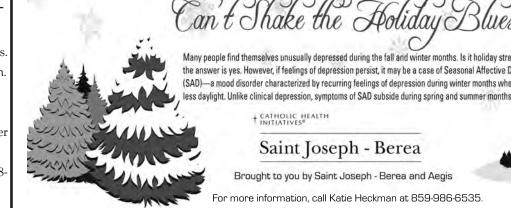
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Many people find themselves unusually depressed during the fall and winter months. Is it holiday stress? Ofter the answer is yes. However, if feelings of depression persist, it may be a case of Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD)—a mood disorder characterized by recurring feelings of depression during winter months when there is

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Berea Health Ministry helping those in need even in hard times

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NORTHSIDE — Obtaining affordable health care can be tough, especially when many people in the area are either uninsured or underinsured. And unfortunately, when those people get sick, they must sometimes choose between going to the doctor and buying medications or putting food on the table.

But for the residents of Madison County, and many of the surrounding counties, helping those un and underinsured people receive the care they deserve is why Berea Health Ministry opened its doors.

In 1999, a group of Eastern Kentucky University health students did an assessment of the community. Through that study they discovered there were too many residents with health needs, but no way to pay for it, said Cora Fletcher, president of the board of trustees for the ministry.

"There was a gap and what we needed was to bridge that gap," Fletcher

Finally, after spending a few years gathering ideas, garnering support and raising enough money, the facility opened its doors in November of 2003.

The health ministry would serve those in the population who are uninsured, underinsured and underserved in nine counties, Fletcher said. Those counties include Madison, Rockcastle, Estill, Garrard, Jackson, Clay, Clark, Laurel and Powell.

"This was a mission and we would follow

a.m. to 5 p.m.

medication.

8 p.m.

where God would lead us," Fletcher

Because it is a Christian based organization, there fewer government funds, so the facility relies money on from the codonapay, from tions individuals and businessfoundaes, tion money and fundrais-

ers to keep the doors open, Fletcher said.

"We knew it wouldn't be easy being faith based. We always said we would set out on faith and that's what we've done," Fletcher said.

The county government supports the health ministry and the City of Berea helped support it until two years ago, when they pulled funding. The organization



Melody Graham, a volunteer at Berea Health Ministry for about three weeks, files paperwork. Graham also volunteers at Berea Health Care Center and the Senior Citizens Center. She said she heard a presentation about the health ministry at Berea Baptist Church and it motivated her to pick up the phone and call.

also receives grants, like the Adrian Grant, and support from the United Way, the Samaritan Foundation and the EO Robinson Foundation, said Cappie Parsons, administrator for the health

For four years the health ministry has hosted a big brunch fundraiser that usually brings in more than \$20,000. This year, they hosted a tea time event that brought in around \$6,000. Both events have been very successful and raised a lot of money for the facility, Fletcher said.

But operating expenses, including

salaries, utili-Hours of operation: ties and rent, Monday thru Thursday 9 usually run about \$16,000 One evening a week or more a by appointment 6 p.m to month. They have Have a full time nurse money in the practitioner and volunbank with the teer nurses. A doctor, grants they nutritionist, chiropractor, receive, but social worker, health edumust cation and pastoral counbe used for seling are available by specific purappointment. Also parposes, so it ticipating in a prescripcan get pretty tion assistance program strained for help with affordable payroll time,

> W e are good stewards, we can make a nickel go two

Parsons said.

weeks," Parsons said. A few weeks ago, the health ministry asked the city for about \$5,000 for help with costs, but was turned down. The city did, however, offer to help find a facility they could move to rent and utility free. They were shown one possible place, a house, but it was too small for what the health ministry required. They are still waiting to hear from the city, Fletcher

The health ministry asks for a \$20 co-pay to be seen by the nurse practitioner on staff, but a patient is never turned away if they are unable to pay. The health ministry will either bill them or in some cases will take other forms of payment. One man didn't have the money, but he brought in a bunch of garden vegetables for everyone as payment, Parsons said.

That first month they were open, they saw more than 600 patients. In the years since, they average anywhere between 1,000 and 2,000 patients per year, with almost 8,500 visits by patients, including first time seen and follow-up visits, Fletcher said.

They had a lull in patients for about six months, from June '07 to January '08 because there was no nurse practitioner on staff, so they couldn't see patients. But they referred patients to other medical professionals and tried to accommodate their loyal patients as best they could, Parsons said.

A list was made of patients to call back when they found another nurse practitioner. Almost every previous patient returned when she was hired. Now almost 50 percent of their day consists of new patients. Many of them are walk-ins, Parsons said.

Most of the staff is made up of volunteers and they are always looking for more help, even if you have no previous medical knowledge, but they are

looking for volunteer nurses, Fletcher said.

The health ministry would like to expand, but right now it's all about focusing on building on what is already here and not expanding just yet. They first need to find a way to hire another nurse practitioner in case the one they have gets sick, goes to a conference or on vacation, Fletcher said.

"We're still hanging in, we've been hanging since we've been here," Parsons





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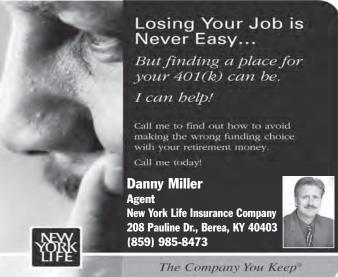
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Section B

Gifts from the Commonwealth...

Governor asks residents to give gifts made in Kentucky

Submitted to the Citizen

A ceremony proclaiming December 2008 as "Give a Gift Made in Kentucky Month" was held today at the Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea .

The proclamation was issued by Governor Steve Beshear.

Local gallery owners, craftsmen, tourism staff, and business owners joined Lindy Casebier, deputy secretary of the Tourism, Arts and Heritage Cabinet, Victoria Faoro, executive director of the Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea, Lori Meadows, executive director of the Kentucky Arts Council, and Terry Fields, chair of the Berea Tourism Commission, to celebrate the Governor's proclamation making December 2008 the month to purchase and Give a Gift Made in Kentucky – an investment in Kentucky and its talented and creative

people. It was appropriate that this ceremony was held in Berea, the Arts and Crafts Capitol of Kentucky, where

you can find a wide variety of craftsmen studios, galleries, shops and the Kentucky Artisan Center, all offering wonderful Kentucky made choices for holiday shopping. In Berea visitors can find Kentucky-made gifts at a wide array of shops including Appalachian Fireside Gallery, Promenade Gallery, Top Drawer Gallery, Log House Gallery, Honeysuckle Vine, The Blue Tail Fly, I Love My Stuff, The Gallery, Appalachian Arts & Craft Quilt Shop, The Kentucky Artisan Center, and Gallery 103, or visit working artist studios such as Hosfeld Jewelry, Weavers Bottom, Images of Santa, The Glass Studio, Gastineau Jewelry, Fish Wisdom Beads, Haley-Daniels Woodworking, Mitchell Tolle Studio and Gallery, Warren A. May and the Berea Fudge Shop, to name a few.

State-wide there are many other locations where Kentucky-made artisan works can be purchased. Some shops and galleries carry exclusively Kentucky-made works such as Completely Kentucky in Kentucky's State Parks.

Frankfort; True Kentucky in Glendale; Kentucky Haus in Newport; Taste of Kentucky in Louisville; Damsel Fly Gallery in Midway; Kentucky's Best in Owensboro; Kentucky Appalachian Artisan Center in Hindman, and the Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea.

Other places to find Kentucky made items are, among others, Artique, Lexington; Capital Gallery in Frankfort; Ann Tower Gallery, Lexington; and Cross Gate Gallery in Lexington, Cerlan Gallery and Studio and Savane Silver in Lexington; Be Be's Artisan Market in Paducah; The Cozy Corner in Whitesburg,. In Louisville visit the Kentucky Museum of Art & Craft, B.Deemer Gallery, Zephyr Gallery, Gallery Janjobe, Lionheart Gallery, Edenside Gallery, Gallery Hertz, and others. Or find unique items at the Museum of the American Quilters Society in Paducah; Rivers Edge Gallery in Erlanger, Shaker Village at Pleasant Hill, the Kentucky History Center Museum Store, as well as at many of the gift shops at



Southern FFA attends convention

Recently, Madison Southern FFA (Future Farmers of America) officers and members alike attended the National FFA Convention in Indianapolis. During their four-day trip, they participated in leadership workshops, career shows, and were entertained by country music star Taylor Swift. Those who attended include Jake DeBorde (President), Alissa Penkal (Vice-President), Carrie Grant (Secretary), Megan Shearer (Treasurer), Sherra Chamberlin (Reporter), Brittany Calhoun (Sentinel), and Zack Choate (Chaplain). Other members who participated as well include Gary Willis, Kevin Cain, Paige Harrison, Amandrea Blume, Will Muncy and Chapter Creed Speaker Michael Atkins. No only did the students agree that this convention was by far their favorite but also a huge hit with the advisors. Mr. Brent Muncy said, "I really believe that this convention has made a difference in our chapter." Recognized at the Nationa FFA Convention were Derek Abney, Donald Taulbee, Corey Smith, and Charlie Willis for receiving their American Degree, the highest possible degree held in the National FFA Organization.

Sing along...

Berea musician Jennifer Rose, standing, a workshop presenter at the fall session of Pulaski County Schools' elementary EGAT (Exploring Gifts And Talents) Day, teaches fourth-grade students a South American hand-clapping song. Rose, who taught a session on Appalachian folk music, dedicated the song to Shopville Elementary student Isabella Martin, in foreground at left. Isabella and her friend, Makayla Ping, in foreground at right, perform hand motions to the tune. Around 350 fourthand fifth-grade students identified as gifted and talented in the areas of music, leadership, creativity, art, creative writing, dance and/or drama attended EGAT Day on Nov. 20 at The Center for Rural Development in Somerset.

photo submitted)



Library encourages cuddling up with a good book

♦ Snowy Day Read A Loud

Madison County Public Library Berea location partners with Berea College Modern Dance Troupe to present a Saturday afternoon Story Time at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 6.

The Modern Dance Troupe will dance to the music Frosty the Snowman and students will read aloud a couple of snow-themed books. All participants are invited to construct their own crafty (styrofoam) snowmen and enjoy some tasty snacks to warm their spirits. This program is free and open to the public.

Please call Pat Acevedo, Youth Services Librarian at the library 986-7112 for more information. Please call ahead for special needs.

Paper Snowflake Workshop

All ages are invited to students from First Book, join us for this fun relaxed People Who Care and the annual event at the Berea location of the library on at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 9.

The library's own Cliff Croxford will share his knowledge of the fine art of paper cutting and give instructions on how to create unique snowflakes out of ordinary light weight paper. Folded paper, templates and scissors will be available, but bring your own favorite sharp scissors

if you can. This program is free and open to the public.

Please call Pat Acevedo, Youth Services at the library 986-7112 for more information. Please call ahead for special needs.

♦ Citizen Cookin' **Zippy Turkey Pot Pie**

3/4 cup milk 1/4 cup MIRACLE WHIP Dressing 1 Tbsp. flour 3 cups chopped cooked turkey (about 1 lb.) 1 pkg. (10 oz.) frozen mixed vegetables, thawed 1 cup Shredded Cheddar Cheese 1/4 cup chopped onions 1 ready-to-use refrigerated pie crust (1/2 of 15-oz. pkg.)



PREHEAT oven to 400°F. Mix milk, dressing and flour in large microwaveable bowl. Microwave on HIGH 2 to 3 min. or until sauce is thickened, stirring after each min. Add turkey, mixed vegetables, cheese and onions; toss to coat. Spoon into 9-inch pie plate; smooth surface.

PLACE crust over filling; flute edge of crust, sealing edge of crust to rim of pie plate. Cut several slits in crust to allow steam to escape. Transfer to baking sheet.

BAKE 30 min. or until golden brown.

Citizen Sudoku

The sudoku grid consists of 81 squares in a 9-by-9 grid. To solve the sudoku, each square in the grid must contain a number between one and nine, with the following conditions: Each row of nine cells must contain each of the numbers from 1 to 9 only once and only once; each column of nine cells must contain each of the numbers from 1 to 9 only once; each of the nine 3-by-3 boxes of

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Allison and James will be married on Wednesday, Dec. 31, 2008, at Union Church in Berea.

Allison is in her final year of a Master's program in clinical psychology at Eastern Kentucky University. James graduated this year from Lancaster University with a Bachelor's degree in theater studies.

The couple met in England when Allison studied abroad at Lancaster University in 2006. They will start the new year together residing in Lexington.

♦ Births

A son born to James and Jennifer Kimsey of Mt.

Nov. 17 A son born to Scott Abney and Amanda Martin of

Nov. 18

A son born to Jared and Samantha Brown of Berea

Covington and Brittany Lee of Richmond A daughter born to

A son born Michael

Jimmy and Tammy Short of

A daughter born to Anthony and Crystal Coffey of

Nov. 19

A daughter born to Allen Hall and Dena Miller of Richmond

A daughter born to William and Kimberly Sexton of Berea

Nov. 20

A daughter born to Bobby and Jacqulyn Brandenburg of Irvine

A son born to Billy and Ashley Brown of Rich-

A daughter born to John and Deanna Tyler of Mt. Vernon

A son born to Charity

Brown of Richmond Nov. 23

A son born to Bethany Weddle of Berea

A daughter born to Rickie and Sharina Adams of Richmond

Hospice to hold Remembrance Tree Ceremony this Sunday

Submitted

Hospice Care Plus will hold its annual "Remembrance Tree" Ceremony at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 7 at the Richmond

This heartfelt tradition gives community members the opportunity to remember loved ones during the holidays by placing a memorial ornament on the Remembrance Tree. The program begins with an opening prayer, followed by holiday music and the reading of the names.

During the reading of the names, family members and/or friends, place an ornament on the tree provided for them by Hospice. Each ornament will have a small card attached to it with the name of the loved one being remembered.

For those unable to attend the ceremony, Hospice Staff will place the ornament on the tree. The Remembrance Tree is displayed throughout the holiday season at the Richmond Mall.

Hospice Care Plus, which serves Estill, Jackson, Lee, Madison and Owsley counties, offers this ceremony every year as part of its commitment to providing bereavement care to families as well as the community.

"It is especially important to give the community an opportunity to remember loved ones during the holidays, when the festive atmosphere can make grieving stressful for those who have experienced a loss," says HCP Bereavement Coordinator, Nora Brashear. "This ceremony not only honors our loved ones, but the proceeds help make hospice care

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Those interested in placing a memorial or honorarium ornament on the tree can call Hospice Care Plus at 986-1500 or 1-800-806-5492. Hospice staff will also be available to accept Remembrance Tree donations at the ceremony. Ornaments can be created for donations of any size and the ceremony is open to the community, not just to those served by Hospice Care Plus.

Folk dancers Christmas gathering scheduled for Dec. 13 Submitted to the Citizen Berea College campus.

The Berea Folk Dancers invite you to bring in the Christmas season with them during their dance and pot luck dinner on Saturday, Dec. 13.

Callers will be members of the Dancers; Bereans Atossa Kramer and Al White will share their own special music.

The dinner will begin at 6:30 p.m., the dance between 7:30 and 8:00. Events will take place in

the Activities Room of the Alumni Building on the

Mary Harrell will organize the evening's events and asks that those attending bring a homemade ornament for the Christmas Tree which she and Peter Egerton will provide.

There will be a charge of \$5 for the dance only for adults. Students will be welcomed free. You may attend the dinner, the dance or both.

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Chamber adds board members

Submitted to the Citizen

The Berea Chamber of Commerce recently held an election to fill seven seats on its board of directors. The seats are for a threeyear term (Jan. 1, 2009 through Dec. 31, 2011).

Elected were Frankie Blevins of Blevins Law,

PLLC; Janel Lakes Davenport of Lakes Funeral Home; Rhonda McIntyre of Wallingford Broadcasting; Danny Miller of New York Life; Greg Powell of Davis and Powell Funeral Home; Paul Reynolds of Reynolds Insurance Agency; and George Wyatt of Club Arena Skating Rink.

The 2009 Executive

Committee consists of president Danny Miller of New York Life; presidentelect Josie Burnell of Park Community Credit Union; vice president Brad Park of McDonald's of Berea; secretary Stephanie Owen of US Bank; and treasurer Mike McCord of Robert Michael McCord, CPA.

Body Recall elects new directors

Submitted

to the Citizen Body Recall, Inc., a non-profit health and fitness organization based in Berea, with teachers in 31 states, has elected a new

board of directors. Business owner Sune Frederiksen, Berea, was elected chair of the executive committee.

executive committee and

Dr. Sheldon Sharpe, Chiropractor, Richmond, is vice chair and program

Copeland, Berea, elected treasurer and chair of finance.

Realtor Loretta Powell, Berea, is secretary and chair of land and buildings.

Other directors include Health educator Jim Thaxton, Falmouth; Mr. Wilson Knipe, Columbus, Ohio; Body Recall teacher Carolyn Wallace, Berea; EKU professor Burke Christensen, Richmond; Occupational therapist Josa Harl, Richmond, chair of development; Berea Col-

Business owner Chet lege professor, Dr. Martha Beagle, Berea; EKU associate professor Ted Randles, Richmond; Development director Ike Adams, Richmond; Ms. Maryellen Garrison, Henry County; Dr. Everett Schaffer, Berea.

Body Recall's Mission is to offer all people a better quality of life through responsible movement that is pain-free and possible: to assist, inform, teach, and train people in practice of lifetime fitness.

Calvary Baptist welcomes new pastor

Submitted to the Citizen

Calvary Baptist Church is pleased to welcome Mick Evans as its new pastor. Ordained in 1964 by Reinmiller Baptist Church in Joplin, Mo., Evans has 44 years in the ministry, spending the first 19 years in church planting in southwest Mis-

Evans is a native of Missouri, but has served in pastorate of churches in Kentucky as well as Missouri. He comes to Calvary from Buffalo Creek Baptist Church in Tiff City, Mo., where he was pastor from 2003 to 2007.

Prior to Buffalo Creek Baptist he served as pastor at Harvest Baptist in Neosho, Mo., and Slate Ridge Church in Lily, Ky. Evans also served as interim pastor at Mount Olivet Baptist Church in Cornettsville, Ky., and Main Street Baptist Church in Goodman, Miss.

Evans attended Community College in Neosho, Mo., and Calvary Bible College and Seminary in Kansas City, Mo. He received his Bachelor of Arts in Biblical Studies from Antioch Baptist College Seminary in



Calvary Baptist Church is welcoming new pastor Mick **Evans**, and his wife **Ruth**, to the community.

Marietta, Ga.

Evans and his wife, Ruth, have been married for 48 years. They have four children, 10 grandchildren, and one great-grandson. Greg, their oldest son, and his wife live in Seneca, Mo.; they have three children. Mindy, their only daughter, and her husband live in Raytown, Mo.; they have three children. Jeff, their middle son, and his wife live in Wamego, Kan.; they have three children. Their youngest son David, and his wife, Jessica, live in

Richmond with their son

In addition to his pastorates, Evans and his wife served as missionaries from 1983 to 1996 with New Tribes Mission. After completing the specialized training for tribal evangelism with New Tribes in Durant, Miss., they were asked to stay on the home staff and help train others. They taught in the Mission Institutes in Missouri, Oregon and Kentucky, and served as overseas missionaries in the Philippines.

Wreath voting continues

Community members are invited to vote with their wallets for their favorite holiday wreaths during the Berea Arts Council's Holiday Wreaths for BUURR exhibit, at the Berea Arts Council Gallery Nov. 21-

The wreaths, all artfully decorated by local individuals, organizations, and businesses not only celebrate the season, but will also help contribute vitally needed funds for Bereans United for Utility and Rent Relief, which provides emergency financial assistance for area

The public can vote for their favorite wreath(s) at \$1 per vote. All wreaths will be available for purchase through a silent auction during the course of the exhibit. Proceeds from the voting and the purchase of the wreaths will be donated to benefit BUURR.

The Berea Arts Council Gallery is open 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Monday-Saturday. There will be a Holiday Open House from 3 to 5 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 6.

Book reading with Ed McClanahan, Gurney Norman to benefit

Kentuckians for the Commonwealth

From 2 to 4 p.m. on Residence at the Hindman Sunday, Dec. 14, Kentucky Settlement School. Two of authors Ed McClanahan his most noted works are

and Gurney Norman will be reading from their latest books at Ground Effects Coffeeshop (440)Chestnut Street). The event is a fundraiser for Kentuckians for the Commonwealth and is open to the public. Donations to KFTC are encouraged. Books will be on sale by Robie and Robie

Bookstore. Gurney Norman grew up in the Appalachian Mountains of Eastern Kentucky

has been described as "one of the most powerful and compelling personalities ever to come out of the Appalachian Mountains." He is currently the Director of the Creative Writing Program at the University of Kentucky and is Writer in



McClanahan

Norman

puts on a stimulating performance. Ed McClanahan, born in Brooksville, Ky., is an American novelist, essayist, editor and the author of several books, including "The Natural Man" and "Famous People I Have Known."

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Trip," a novel, and

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He has taught Engand southwest Virginia. He lish and creative writing at Stanford University, Oregon State University, and the University of Kentucky. His latest book is "O The Clear Moment." No one has ever escaped an Ed Mc-Clanahan reading without laughing out loud.

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- Galilee Baptist Church, Mason Lake Road, Berea. Pastor Mike Hetrick. Sunday worship 11 a.m. 985-0471.
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- Gloryland Baptist Church, Richmond Road, Midway. Pastor Cecil Burns. Sunday worship 11 a.m. 624-
- Grace Baptist Church, Activities Room of Oh Kentucky Campground, Hwy. 21 West, Berea. Pastor Jim Murriner. Sunday worship 11 a.m. 986-
- Harvest Missionary Independent Baptist Church, 1711 Big Hill Road, Berea. Bro. Andy Sexton. Sunday worship 11 a.m. 986-1664
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- Mt. Vernon Road, Berea. Pastor Charles Dean. Sunday worship 11 a.m. 986-9249
- Lighthouse Baptist Church, Gabbardtown Road, Berea. Rev. Roy Himes. Sunday worship 11 a.m. 986-4806
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- Lick Road, Big Hill. Sunday worship 11 a.m. 986-2949 • Roundstone Missionary Baptist
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- Cartersville Road, Berea. Pastor Ed Hubbard. Sunday worship 10:50 a.m. 925-4641 — Catholic

• St. Clare Catholic Church, 622 Chestnut Street, downtown Berea. Father Nick Pagano. Sunday mass 9 a.m. 986-4633

— Christian

- Glades Christian Church, Glades Road, Berea. Pastor Rick Fulton. Sunday worship 10:30 a.m. 986-1421 • Wayside Christian Church, Menelaus
- Pike, Berea. Minister Ron Lutes. Sunday worship 11 a.m. 985-9465

Church of Christ • Berea Church of Christ, 357 North

- Dogwood Drive, Berea, Bro. Charles Moore. Sunday worship 11 a.m. 986-• Dreyfus Church of Christ, Bear
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— Church of God

- Berea Church of God, 189 Rash Road, Berea. Rev. Steve Hobbs. 986-
- Conway Church of God, U.S. 25 South, Conway. Rev. C.W. Williams. Sunday worship 11 a.m. (606) 256-3476
- Paint Lick Church of God, Old RailRoad Bed Road, Paint Lick. Sunday worship 11 a.m. 986-3390

Disciples of Christ

- First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), 206 Chestnut Street, downtown Berea. Rev. Ed McCurley. Sunday worship 10:40 a.m. 986-4553
- Kirksville Christian Church, Hwy. 595 at Hwy. 1295, Kirksville. Rev. J. Donald Graham. 986-3817
- Mt. Zion Christian Church, U.S. 421, Richmond. Rev. Nina Poage

— Episcopal

• Danforth Chapel, Berea College Draper Building, Berea. Evening prayer 6 p.m., 1st, 3rd and 5th Thursdays

— Lutheran

 St. Thomas Lutheran Church, Barnes Mill Road, Richmond. Rev. Andy Rutrough. Sunday worship 9:30 a.m., 623-7254 — Methodist

- Berea United Methodist Church, Chestnut Street at Fee Street, downtown Berea. Rev. Gary Rowan. Sunday worship 11 a.m. 986-3485 Paint Lick United Methodist
- Church, 10950 Kentucky Hwy. 52 West, Paint Lick. Sunday worship 11 a.m. Wallace Chapel United Methodist
- Church, Guynn Road, Wallacetown. Pastor Sam Knox. Sunday worship 8:45 a.m. (888) 291-5619, ext. 0105

— Pentecostal

- Bearwallow Pentecostal Holiness Church, Bear Wallow Road, Dreyfus. Pastor Charles Whittamore. 986-8985
- Berea Evangelistic Center, Plaza Drive, Berea. Rev. Jeff Osborne. Sunday worship 11 a.m. 986-3191 Big Hill Pentecostal Holiness
- Church, U.S. Hwy. 421, Big Hill. Rev. Bill Rose. 986-4707 The Holy Pentecostal Sanctuary, Crestview Drive, Berea. Bro. Harold
- Harmons Lick Holiness Church, Harmons Lick Road, Paint Lick. Bro. Tommy Elliott. Sunday worship 11:30 a.m. 985-1194

— Presbyterian

- Whites Memorial Presbyterian Church, 401 White Station Road. Pastor Truman Geeslin. Sunday worship 11 a.m. 986-7734
- Berea Reformed Evangelical Church, 1309 Ky. 21 West. Sunday worship 11 a.m. Pastor Xon Hostetter. (859) 256-8314

— Other

- Berea Friends Meeting (Quaker), 300 Harrison Road, Berea. Sunday worship 10 a.m. 986-9256
- Calvary Apostolic Church, Kentucky Hwy. 21 West, Berea. Pastor Alan Peevler. Sunday worship 2 p.m.
- Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 156 S. Keeneland Drive, Richmond. Bishop Emery Martin. Sunday sacrament 10:50 a.m. 624-
- Berea Freewill Baptist Church, Hwy. 1016, Berea. Pastor Walter McCoy. Sunday worship 11 a.m. (606) 308-4019 • Liberty Avenue Full Gospel
- Outreach, 113 Liberty Avenue, Berea. Pastor Donald R. Wilson. Sunday worship 11 a.m. Union Church, Main and Prospect
- streets, downtown Berea. Rev. Kent Gilbert. Sunday worship, 10:30 a.m.
- Unitarian Universalists, 1081 Willis Branch Rd., Richmond. Sunday service 10:45 a.m. 986-7736
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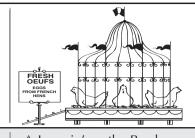




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Thursday Dec. 4th

♦ Jammin' on the Porch, 7 p.m., Berea Welcome Center, Old Town. Father/ daughter duo Donna and Lewis Lamb host this every Thursday night event. Bring your instrument and join in. 986-2540

Friday Dec. 5th

♦ Berea Arts Council's Holiday Wreaths Exhibit, 116 Main Street, 985-9317. Proceeds benefit BUURR.

♦ St. Joseph 6 p.m., hospital Candlelight lawn. 986-

♦ Berea Berea Lights for College Women's Life Ceremony, Chorus Christmas Concert, 6 p.m., Grey Auditorium of Presser Hall.

Saturday Dec. 6th

♦ Country Ham Breakfast Fundraiser, Berea Volunteer Fire and Rescue Squad, 8-10 a.m., Melody Lane. \$6 All you can eat choice of ham, sausage, bacon, scrambled eggs and biscuits and gravy.

♦ Berea Arts Council's Reception, 116 Main Street, 985-9317. BUURR.

♦ Bi-monthly test of sirens/tone alert radios Holiday Wreaths and local Emergency Information System, 12:20. p.m. Cancelled in the event of threat-Proceeds benefit ening weather.

♦ WaysMeet Holiday Open House, 1-3 p.m., on College Square. Raffles, ear accupuncture, healthy food, gift ideas and more.

♦ Snowy Day Read Aloud at the MadCo. **Public Library** on Chestnut Street, 2 p.m. See story on page B1

Sunday Dec. 7th

Monday

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♦ Valley Baptist Church on Copper Creek Road celebrates 100th Anniversary, 9:45 a.m., - 4:00 p.m., at the church on Red Lick Road. Everyone invited; all families and former pastors encouraged to participate. Fellowship meal and photo presentation. (606) 308-1496 or (859) 925-2262.

♦ Hospice Care Plus will hold its annual "Remembrance Tree" Ceremony at 2 p.m. at the Richmond Mall. Those interested in placing a memorial or honorarium ornament on the tree can call Hospice Care Plus at 986-1500

♦ National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association Council's Holiday (NARFE) Boonesborough Chapter Christmas (Potluck) Dinner,

Wreaths Exhibit, 116 Main Street, 985-9317. noon, First Christian Church in Proceeds benefit Richmond. New officers will be installed, and the program will be BUURR. Christmas music. 986-4527

♦ Berea Arts

♦ Berea Arts Council's Holiday **Tuesday** Wreaths Exhibit, 116 Main Street, 985-9317.

♦ Paper Snowflake Workshop, 6 p.m., Madison County Public Library on Chestnut Street. Bring your own scissors if you can. See story on page B1.

Dec. Proceeds benefit 9th BUURR.

Wednesday Dec. **10th**

(Regular Community Meetings)

♦ Berea Business & Professional Women's Organization, 6 p.m., first Wednesday of the month at Boone Tavern. 986-4366;

♦ DAV Chapter 160, 6:30 p.m., second Tuesday of each month, Berea Senior Citizens Center.

♦ PFLAG (Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays), 7 p.m., first Monday of the month at 7 p.m. Call for meeting location, (859)

200-9512. ♦ Berea Elementary School Site-Based Decision Making Council, 3:30 p.m., first Thursday of the month, school library.

♦ Berea Lodge #617 F&AM, 7 p.m., first Monday and third Friday of the month, lodge hall on

Chestnut Street. Experimental Aircraft Association: Chapter 892, 1 p.m., last Sunday of the month, Madison

♦ Marine Corps League, 7 p.m., fourth Thursday of the month, First

Southern Bank, Richmond. 623-0122. ♦ Berea Ministerial Association,

first Wednesday of the month, 11:30 a.m. until 1 p.m., with a brown bag lunch. 986-4553 or 986-3725.

♦ American Legion Post 50, 6:30 p.m., third Tuesday of the month, headquarters on Holly Street, 6:30 p.m. Meal provided.

♦ American Legion Post 33, 7 p.m., first Thursday of each month, Dinner Bell. 986-1330, 986-9235.

♦ Madison Southern Football Boosters, first Monday, 6:30 p.m., school library.

♦ Madison Southern Core Curriculum Committee, 3:05 p.m., second Monday, school library.

♦Alcoholics Anonymous, 8-9 p.m., Thursdays, Room 212 of Berea Baptist Church.

♦ Al-Anon, 8 a.m., Thursdays, Parish House, Fee Street. 985-

♦ Berea Folk Dancers, 7:30 p.m. Fridays, dance studio of Seabury Center.

♦ Berea Rotary Club, noon, Tuesdays, Dinner Bell Restaurant.

♦ Berea Kiwanis Club, 6 p.m., Mondays, Dinner Bell Restaurant.

♦ TOPS Meeting (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), 6:15 p.m., Tuesdays, Berea Baptist Church, 985-7088.

♦ Berea Chess Club, 6 p.m., Tuesdays, Intergenerational Center. 986-9866.

♦ Kingston Lodge 315 F&AM, 7:30 p.m., third Tuesday, lodge hall on U.S. 421.

♦ Bluegrass Commission on Elder Abuse, 2 p.m., third Friday of the month, Stratton Building at EKU. For more information, 623-

♦ Berea Lions Club, 7 p.m., second & fourth Monday of each month, Boone Tavern.

♦ Madison Airport Board, noon, first Thursday of the month, Madison Airport board room.

♦ Madison Southern High School SBDM Council, 4 p.m., third Tuesday of the month, school

library. 986-8424. ♦ Berea Women's Club, first and third Wednesday of the month.

♦ The Berea-Laurel Ridges Chapter of DAR, second Friday of the month. All Berea members, visiting state or national, and prospective members are cordially invited to attend. 986-0962

♦ The Berea Weavers Guild, 9:30 a.m., first Tuesday of the month, Berea Arts Council, 986-

♦ Berea City Council, 6:30 p.m., first and third Tuesday of the month, Berea Police and Municipal Center. 986-8528.

♦ Berea Planning and Zoning Commission, second and fourth Tuesday of the month. Second

Tuesday is work session at City Hall. Fourth Tuesday is regular meeting at the Berea Police and

Municipal Center. 986-8528. Chapter MadCo. of Kentuckians for the Commonwealth, 7 p.m., fourth Monday of the month, child development lab on Jefferson Street. 985-7480

♦ Berea Tourism Commission 5 p.m., second Wednesday of the month, Broadway Building. 986-2540.

♦ The Alzheimer's Support Group, 7:15 p.m., second Thursday of the month, MadCo. Public Library in Richmond. 623-4906

♦ Berea Shape Note Singers, 4 p.m. first and third Sundays, Union Church Sanctuary. 985-5501. New singers always welcome

♦ Memory Keepers Memory Loss Support Group, 7 p.m., first and third Tuesdays of each month, Wayside Room of Union Church (door nearest Prospect Street). 986-

♦ Berea Writers Guild, 7-9 p.m., second and fourth Tuesdays, Madison County Public Library in Berea. 859-779-0793

♦ Mothers' Forum, 10:30 a.m., Thursdays, Room 204 of Union Church. 985-8724.



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DUI — driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs

RA — resisting arrest

DC — disorderly conduct

POM — possession of marijuana PDP — possession of drug paraphernalia

PCS — possession of a controlled

substance

TBUT — theft by unlawful taking, shoplifting

TDB — theft by deception

PV — parole violation

OSL — operating on a suspended license

NI — no insurance

FTA — failure to appear

NRP — no registration plate NRR — no registration receipt RSP — receiving stolen property

CT — criminal trespassing

VEPO — violation of emergency

protective order

DDUI susp. — driving on a DUI-suspended

PI — public intoxication

TT —-terroristic threatening

CM — criminal mischief

CCDW — carrying a concealed deadly weapon

Information provided by the Madison County Detention Center in Richmond. An arrest only indicates a charge against an individual and is not an indictment. Those charged with a crime are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

Friday, Nov. 21

Joshua Wayne Abner, 21, Richmond, contempt, serving warrant, burglary 3rd (two counts)

Leonard Earl Miller, 34,

Larry L. Fuller, Jr., 41, Richmond, reckless driv-

Darrell Lynn Williams, 21, Berea, careless driving, DUI, license to be in possession

Brooke Lynn Blackford, 19, Middletown, Ohio, CT

Justin L. Kavanaugh, 25, Richmond, fleeing or evading police 1st, state community center prisoner held, assault 4th – domestic, escape 2nd

Steven William Bultman, 31, Knoxville, Tenn.,

Shalonda Zoelbta Ellington, 21, Richmond, assault 2nd

Jeremy L. Qualls, 20, Danville, AI

Tanya Tuck Collins, 29,

Rigina Isaac, 24, Lexington, serving time

Winchester, non-payment

Darvis G. McIntosh,

III, 30, Richmond, serving bench warrant for court Jarred Aaron Pittman,

22, Richmond, POM, non-Steven William Bult-

man, 31, Knoxville, Tenn., Wendell Wayne Hammond, 43, Richmond, serv-

ing weekends Bryan Johnson Robinson, 24, Richmond, serving

Vernon Lee Beeler, 54,

homeless, AI Michel Nelson White,

21, Berea, non-payment Kenneth Raider, 60, Ir-

vine, rear license not illuminated, PCS 2nd Alysha Elizabeth Hart,

Richmond, serving Jamie Lee Clay, 20,

Richmond, PCS 1st - cocaine, POM, disregarding stop sign

Gary Keith Evans, 46, Mt. Vernon, DDUI susp. 3rd, inadequate silencer, failure to produce insurance card Barry Mitchell Lowery,

45, Richmond, POM, PDP, DUI, failure to produce insurance card, possession of open alcohol container in a motor vehicle, careless driving

Saturday, Nov. 22

David Adam Boulden, 25, Lexington, AI Kristopher Matthew

Lawrence, 19, Richmond,

Bradley Wayne Johnson, 24, Richmond, DUI, NSB, careless driving Jonathan Merrit Lisle,

33, Ravenna, DUI, careless Samuel Jason Foley, 32,

Richmond, AI, DC 2nd Keith McKinney, 29,

Richmond, AI, CM 3rd Christopher

Hughes, 30, Mt. Vernon, serving warrant

Austin Lee Smith, 22, Richmond, assault 4th – do-

Jason Lloyd Murrell, 26, Lancaster, contempt

David Dean Thompson, 29, Richmond, POM, PDP, possession of open alcohol container in a motor vehicle, AI

Sunday, Nov. 23

Stanley Wayne Wilson, 35, Lexington, VEPO

Dustin Michael Bullock, 23, Richmond, AI, DC 2nd, assault 2nd Roger Brian White, 29,

Richmond, DUI, possession of open alcohol container in a motor vehicle, NSB, improper start from parked position Jason Eugene Cruse,

26, Richmond, speeding, reckless driving, DUI, failure to notify of address change, POM, promoting contraband

Paul Wesley Cooper, 25, Berea, AI

Shawn Lamont Parks, 29, Lexington, AI

Sasha A. Summerfield, Richmond, serving

Shelly Elizabeth Van-Winkle, 35, Berea, DUI

Mackenzie Patrick Rynn, 18, Richmond, AI

Robert Dewayne Sandlin, 41, Richmond, NRR, NRP, failure to maintain required insurance, failure to register transfer of motor vehicle, OSL, improper display of registration plate, rear license not illuminated, improper registration plate, non-payment

Terry Anthony Harrison, 34, McKee, PCS 3rd, PDP, carrying a concealed deadly weapon

Monday, Nov. 24

Kerri Giannone, 34, McKee, disregarding stop sign, NSB, improper use of prisoner of war plate, trafficking in a controlled substance 1st (second offense or more), PDP

Nelson Kerry Graves, 46, Lexington, trafficking in a controlled substance 1st (second offense or more),

Kenneth Wayne Adkins, 40, Ft. Campbell, 40, AI, DC 2nd

Regina Sherry Mullins, 32, Berea, contempt

Nelson Loves McQuirt, 47, Lexington, contempt Charles Allen Peters,

32, Richmond, non-payment (three counts) Joey Lee Smith, 22, An-

nville, TBUT, giving officer false name or address Nicholas Evan Collins, 21, Richmond, non-pay-

Rodney Lee Horn, 38, Richmond, VEPO James Lee Ogle, 24,

Richmond, AI Denise Ann Robbins,

37, Richmond, TT 3rd, PCS

Jeremiah Dean, 29, Waco, RSP over \$300

Ashlee Ann Collins, 24, Waco, probation violation Curtis Dwayne Collins,

29, Richmond, RSP over \$300 Chester Dwayne Hunt-

er, 23, Richmond, non-payment, POM, RA, fleeing or evading police 2nd Tuesday, Nov. 25

Jamie Kelley Neltner, 18, Richmond, AI William Daniel Asbury,

32, Richmond, probation Dustin Franklin Isaa-

cs, 19, Richmond, serving

time Ronald Fayette Chadwell, 46, serving time

Clarineta L. Williams, Richmond, serving Lezley Michelle Cole,

18, Irvine, TBUT William Douglas Fultz, 19, Richmond, VEPO

William A. Huggins, 52, Richmond, AI

Christopher Joseph Bentley, 29, Winchester,

Bradley Jo Isaacs, 38, Berea, serving warrant (two counts) Megan Flannery, 30,

Richmond, careless driving, NRR, DUI, NSB Shawn Jesse Martin, 19, Berea, TBUT, unlawful

transaction with a minor

Wednesday, Nov. 26

Janae April Stiles, 29,

Berea, PI – controlled sub-Davon A.M. Carter, 23,

Lexington, contempt Michael Ervin Griffith, 31, Richmond, FTA (two

Larry Wayne Mattox, Richmond, serving bench warrant for court

James M. Brown, 52, Mt. Vernon, DUI Timothy Ray Proffitt, 28, Clay City, TBUT

Coty L. Isaacs, 18, Richmond, TBUT Charles Jonathan Ab-

ney, 34, Berea, holding for Jessica Fay Mays, 25, McKee, serving bench warrant for court (four counts),

Bruce Anthony Kelley, 27, Richmond, CM 2nd, TT

Thursday, Nov. 27 James Joseph Isaacs,

23, Richmond, assault 4th Angela Michelle Isaacs,

26, Richmond, assault 4th domestic Christopher James

Foster, 25, Richmond, nonpayment (two counts)

Madison County Property Transfers

ee, Thomas H. McMullin, \$171,000 trustee, Sallie E. Marcum Revocable Living Trust, Mary Lois Kearns, Donnie Kearns, Paula Jean Mauck, Thomas H. McMullin, Bettv W. McMullin, Tabitha Evans, Burley Evans, Ruth Tracy and Marshall Tracy to Paula Sword, lot 1 plat 25/60, \$79,628.40

Burchwood, LLC, to Mary Lois Kearns, trust-Rodney Short Builders, ee, Paula Jean Mauck, trust- Inc., lots Creekside Village,

> Sharon Saylor to Robert Gail Stoddard and Susan Lee Stoddard, lot 2A Lakeview Estates, \$140,000

Nov. 24

Kellie Todd Beavers, Billy J. Beavers and Blevins Law to Billy J. Beavers, Kellie L. Todd Beavers and Blevins Law, lot 17 Country

to Small Town Ventures, Doll, lot 13 Waterford Place, LLC, lot 12 Logan Court, \$285,000

US Bank NA and Residential Funding Corporation, AIF, to Penny Edwards, lot 2 Ogg Lane

Noble Company. LLC, to William C. Noble and Darlene Noble, lots Country Club Heights, distribution of assets

William Frank Thacker Roy Todd Builders, Inc., and Linda Thacker to Julius

> Professional Madison Center, LLC, to RTB, LLC, tract Madison County, \$426,612.23

Mandy Eppley to Richard Eppley, lots 5-8 Deans Lots Subdivision, civil action

Habitat for Humanity of Madison County to Mar-

McCollum, lot 12 Hope Estates, \$86,000

Company to Christopher A. Resor and Heather R. Resor, lot 120 The Oaks, \$175,000 Nov. 25

David Wayne Chrisman, Jamie T. Chrisman, Gerre Denise Ward and Matthew Dwight Ward to Christopher L. Hager and

vin McCollum and April 5 Samuel Rice Addition, \$85,000

Mason Griggs and Vir-Peoples Bank and Trust ginia K. Griggs to Stacy O'dell Curtis, tract Bogies Branch, love and affection

Federal National Mortgage Association to Timo-James Scott Brock, lot 4 Blue Ridge Heights, \$135,000

Health Inspections

Inspections for week ending Nov. 28

Regular Inspections with no follow-up due: Little Caesars Pizza, Leighway Dr., Richmond 91% Northside Shell, Richmond Rd., Berea 92% La Casa Real, Walnut Meadow Pike, Berea 93% Outback Steak House, Highland Park, Richmond..... 94% Burger King, Prince Royal Dr., Berea95% KFC, Chestnut St., Berea96% Mt. World Concessions, Irvine Rd., Richmond 100%

Days Inn, Belmont Drive, Richmond 100%

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Marriages

Nov. 21

Michele R. Todd, 37, domestic, Richmond to Don S. Wells, Jr., 41, truck driver,

Richmond Leeann M. Roberts, 40, law enforcement, Berea to James M. Broyle, 40, law enforcement, Berea

Nov. 25 Jackie N. Coffey, 33, disabled, Richmond to Eric E. Wheeler, 38, office manager,

Lexington Amber L. Crabtree, 18, unemployed, Richmond to Franklin K. Carpenter, 32, unemployed, Richmond



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Reflections

A retirement, a water rate increase and an austere city budget in a cold and wet December 1978

- Looking ahead, the job outlook for potential members of the class of 1985 were not so rosy. Only 80 percent of the South's college graduates in 1985 would be able to find jobs in occupations that had traditionally been filled by those with college degrees. The remainder would have to seek employment in sales and clerical jobs or as service, blue collar or farm workers. This was on of the conclusions drawn by an education report by the Southern Regional Education Board.
- "I've worked all my life and I've enjoyed it all. I guess I've done a little bit of everything," said Ralph Wagers on his last day on the job at the Berea Post Office. Wagers retired after 41 years of service.

Wagers said in 1935, the city looked quite a bit different. "Uncle George Reynolds carried the main from the rail depot. There were three rural routes and the longest was 30 miles. It took all day to cover, with a horse and buggy," he said. Mail carriers used lanterns for heat. "The mud would get between the wheel and spokes and freeze until they looked solid. Between the soot from the lantern and the mud of the road and the cold, those mail carriers looked pretty sorry by the end of the day."

He began work with the postal service when he was 18 (in 1935), and would receive 9 cents per letter delivered. "On the first day I delivered three of them... and that was pretty good money, though it took me all day. I walked."

He said one of the most excited times working at the post office came during the railroad strike, when he road "shotgun."

• The city was looked at a trimmed down city budget for 1979. A hiring freeze was instituted and raises for city employees were held at 7 percent across the board.

Around \$1,051,650 was expected in city revenues, with \$1,035,194 in expected expenses. Despite the budget being about \$15,000 to the good, council members said the amount was "about 1 percent — microscopically close," as was said by David Burgio.

"We trimmed the budget more than once. Our aim was to provide the city with a balanced budget and not to have a planned deficit," he said.

At the time, the city's property tax of 5 cents per

was netting about \$27,000 a year, and many in city government encouraged an effort to generate new sources of revenue.

- The Berea City Council sent a negative letter to the U.S. Department for Housing and Urban Development (HUD) concerning construction of a mid-rise apartment tower at 309 Chestnut Street. The facility was planned to house elderly residents in 48 one-bedroom and efficiency units. Objections included a lack of space, limited parking, traffic problems and maintenance concerns. A representative from HUD was invited to appear before the council and discuss the matter.
- The Kentucky Public Service Commission approved a water rate increase request from Berea College Utilities, but the approval was not exactly what the college had

Basically what we got was about a nickel less on each increment than what the utility had requested," said city attorney James T. Gilbert. "I think this is a good example to show that the Public Service Commission will listen to people."

The city, together with the Southern Madison Water District, protested the proposed rate increase.

• At the Berea Fire Department's Christmas Party at Peoples Restaurant, John Stephenson was named Fireman of the Year. Stephenson has been with the department since

B. Simpson was recognized for a rescue at 221 South Broadway. Samuel L. Cornelison was honored Tree, which was the state for being the first Berea fireman to receive an Associate of Arts degree in fire science. Darnell Martin, Stephen Moore and George Waddle received five-year service awards, and Kenneth Griffith was honored for 10 years of service.

- Mr. and Mrs. Mike Coyle of Berea announced the birth of twin daughters, Alicia Megan and Amanda Dawn. The girls were born at St. Joseph Hospital in Lexington weighing 6 pounds, 4 ounces each. The girls' mother was the former Linda Lightner.
- Pictured "test pilots" for Berea Community School's new driver education simulator included newly elected board of education president Claude Gentry, Forrest Bryant and William Ramsay.
- Two students from \$100 of assessed worth each of three fifth grade

classes and three sixth grade classes at Silver Creek Elementary School received awards in the 4-H speech contest at the school. Winners pictured were Amy Sparks, Ronnie Cornett, Kim Evans, James Chrisman, Sheila Pearson, David Rose, Bruce Cope, Becky Ross, Tim Ballinger, Beth Vogel, Carl DeHart and Angie Cantrell.

- A downtown Berea landmark grocery store changed hands. Purkey's Supermarket and Hardware Store were purchased by Larry Wilson, a Lexington native who moved to Berea from Phoenix, Ariz. The store had been rearranged, with checkout counters being relocated from the Chestnut Street entrance to the rear of the store. Turkeys were given away during the grand reopening.
- A new civic group called CITE (Citizens Interested in their Environment) had begun a campaign to cleanup the city and help local businesses spruce up their storefronts. Trash cans were the group's first priority since there were none along the city's sidewalks (some things never change), and the city council had approved \$500 for their purchase.
- Five generations of the same family posed for a portrait in the Citizen. Great-great grandmother Fronie Turner was pictured holding her greatgreat grandson James Dale Davidson. Also pictured were great-grandmother Rosie Allen, grandmother Also at the party, Jerry Alberta Davidson, and mother Pattie Mae Davidson.
 - A Kentucky Coffee tree at the time, was planted in memory of William Johnstone on the property of People's Bank downtown. Pictured were Mrs. William Johnstone, Dr. John Johnstone, Dr. Robert Johnstone and Dennis Blackburn. The tree was donated by Dr. and Mrs. Dwight Blackburn and was planted by the Blackburn Garden Center and the Johnstone family.

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Appalachian Organization Receives \$50,000 Award for Programs Local News ♦ page A7



Chamber of Commerce Honors Public Servants at Awards Banquet

Berea Living ♦ page B1



The shallow southeastern end of the Owsley Fork Reservoir was basically mud on Tuesday, before the heavy rains of that evening. Officials say the city has a 165-170-day supply of water remaining.

Residents asked to continue conserving; second Owsley reservoir under study

Scott Powell teknohillbilly@yahoo.com

BEREA — Drought for the second year in a row has city officials and residents eyeing water usage heading into winter.

At last week's city council meeting, Berea Municipal Utilities Superintendent Donald Blackburn said the city's water

residents should continue to conserve.

The city has roughly 165-170 days of water in its three reservoirs near Big Hill. While the Owsley Fork Reservoir looks to be on par with last year's low levels, Blackburn said it is in better shape than this time a year ago.

Average daily demand for water through Septemsupply is sufficient to get ber 2007 was 2.733 million through the winter, but gallons and, thanks to con-

Residents in Southern Madison County are being asked to continue conserving water after demand jumped in October and November.

servation efforts, demand increased in October and dropped in the same pe-November. riod this year to 2.679 mil-"This year has actually lion gallons — a drop of been drier than last year,"

around 55,000 gallons per

day. However, that trend

reversed in October of

2008, and water usage has

ue to conserve. The lakes see WATER page A3)

Blackburn said. "We are

asking residents to contin-

Alleged drunk driver kills Berea man

♦ Head-on collision occurred on Scaffold Cane at Logston

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BEREA — Alcohol is being blamed for a two-vehicle crash that claimed the life of a Berea man last week.

Jason C. Isaacs, 35, of Mason Lake Road, was pronnounced dead at the University of Kentucky Medical Center in Lexington following the crash that occurred on Scaffold Cane Road at Logston Lane.

Officers responded to the accident just after 6 p.m. last Wednesday (Dec. 3). According to Berea Police Capt. Ken Clark, Isaacs was northbound on Scaffold Cane in a 1998 Toyota Camry when he was struck head-on by a 1996 Dodge pick-up driven by Elmer Ray

Both Isaacs and French were transported to UK were Isaacs later succumbed to blunt-force injuries. French was listed in stable condition. Isaacs was wearing his seat belt; French was

French, 70, of East Haiti Road, was charged with aggravated DUI, his second offense. He was released from UK late last week and transferred to Cardinal Hill Rehabilitation Hospital.

Berea police have received toxicology reports from the accident, and the investigation continues, Clark said.



Fire damages Haiti Road residence

Fire crews responded to a home on East Haiti Road around 10 a.m. Monday. Above, Berea Fireman Will Rogers suits up before entering the home. At right, another fireman makes his way into the smoke filled house. The home appeared to receive heavy smoke damage. A cause for the fire was not available by press time Wednesday.

Scott Powell photos)



Man receives 15 years for child porn

LEXINGTON — A Berea man was sentenced today to 15 years in prison and a lifetime of supervised release for possessing child pornography images.

Ronald Powell, II, 26, pleaded guilty in September of this year and admitted that he possessed thousands of images and videos of minors engaged in

sexually explicit conduct on CDs and on his computers. investigation The

started in February of this year when a mother notified authorities that Ronald Powell was contacting her teenage daughter. After investi-

Powell

gating the situation, the Madison County Sheriff's Department discovered that Powell was in violation of his probation terms from a previous conviction related to the possession of child pornography. Under those terms, Powell was prohibited from using a computer in any capacity. After searching his computer, officers found the child pornography images.

Powell was serving probation from a three-year prison sentence in Virginia for producing obscene materials involving minors, and possessing child pornography.

"It's important that sexual predators who fail to change their behaviors receive stiff punishments like the one Mr. Powell got today," said Assistant United States Attorney Erin May.

In the federal system, possessing child

see PORN page A3)



They "Did It Best"

Pattie Jennings of Jennings Do It Best Hardware on Paint Lick Road was all smiles during the annual Twilight Christmas Parade, perhaps because her float took top honors in the business category. For more parade pictures, see page A16.



BEREA — If their eclectic mix of musical excellence and offbeat humor strikes a positive chord with its audience here this Saturday night, the Cincinnati Men's Chorus may add a new annual event to Berea's celebration of the holidays.

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Tanya Stewart

"You've got a lot of topnotch singers with phenomenal sound," says local music instructor Grover Farr, who is one of the people involved in making possible the 50-member group's performance in Berea. And he didn't even have to seek them out: "They chose us," he says.

Farr had received an email last September from the chorus's director, Dr. Patrick

Coyle: Would the Berea/Madison County chapter of PFLAG (Parents, Families, and Friends of Lesbians and Gays) be in-

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terested in sponsoring the performance opening the CMC's 18th season?

Dayton, group's usual opening venue, had just created its own men's chorus, making necessary an alternate performance site. Two chorus members, who happened to be Berea College alumni, suggested Berea. "I didn't want to

lose the concert," says Farr: he

"So many people have of-

fered time, money, and services to make this concert possible," he says. "We're so thankful to these people. It's taken a lot

of volunteer effort; Berea has really

stepped up to bat." show will feature both the CMC's repertoire of traditional Christmas music---"Silent Night," "A Christmas Prayer," "Silver Bells," and more---as well as their not-ready-forclassical pieces: "I Saw Three Ships," featuring

solo played with a violin bow; "Jumble Bells," a version of the see **CONCERT** page A5)

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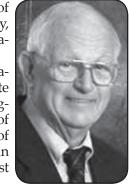




♦ Richard G. England

Richard Galen England, age 75, of Dogwood Drive in Berea, died Tuesday, Dec. 2, 2008, at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Lexington.

Mr. England was a Pike County native, born Oct. 9, 1933, son of the late James England and Jean Johnson England Cantrell. He had been a resident of Berea since 1980, was a Navy veteran of the Korean War, a former car salesman and an active member of Unity Baptist



Survivors include his wife, Mary Alice England; six children, Scott England, Kelly (Steve) Fischer, Dan England, Charity (James) Kidd, Todd (Ami) Lakin and Joshua England; two adopted daughters, Ashley (Jarrod) Cropper and Ariana Mason; a brother, David Cantrell; a sister, Susie (Homer) Haslett; nine grandchildren, Richard, Michael, Nikki, Steven, Jaclyn, Tess, Jack, Tait and Hunter; plus numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his step-father, Troy Cantrell; and two brothers, Paul Cantrell and Charles Cantrell.

Funeral services were Friday, Dec. 5, at Unity Baptist Church with Dr. Dennis Brewer officiating. Burial with military rites was at Camp Nelson National Cemetery in Jessamine County. Pallbearers were Roger Mason, Adam Weber, Brock Swentzel, Justin Harris, Jarrod Cropper and Donald Smith. Memorial contributions may be made to Unity Baptist Church Building Fund or the American Cancer Society.

\diamondsuit Jason Isaacs

Jason Isaacs, age 35, of Berea, died Wednesday Dec. 3, 2008, of injuries sustained in a car accident.

Mr. Isaacs was employed by Jobbers Exhaust Warehouse as a truck driver. He was a minister and evangelist from his home church, Big Hill Holiness Church.

He is survived by his parents, Clyde and Glenna Isaacs of Jackson County; his wife, Sandra Mullins Isaacs of Berea; two children,

Brittany and Zachary Isaacs; his brothers and sisters, Jeff (Sandy) Isaacs of Jackson County, Jerry (Dana) Isaacs of Somerset, Jill (Randy) Dargavell of Jackson County, Jada (Mark) Nylander of Knoxville, Tenn., and Jacob Isaacs of Jackson County; 12 nieces and nephews, as well as many aunts, uncles, cousins and close friends.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Greene and Ruby Harrison, and Wylie and Rachel Isaacs.

Funeral services were Monday, Dec. 8, at Big Hill Holiness Church with Bro. Bill Rose and Bro. Granville Saylor presiding, with remarks by Derry Smith and Jeff Isaacs. Burial was at Harrison Cemetery in Sand Gap. Pallbearers were Allen Isaacs, Justin Isaacs, David Isaacs, Ben Spencer, Tim Mullins, Donny Bowman, Brian Carpenter and Dwayne Carl. Honorary pallbearers were the preachers from the Big Hill Holiness Church good friend Jason Isaacs, his children and brothers.

♦ Angelique Robey

Angenque 5. Robey, age 49, or Three Links, alea Tues

day, Dec. 2, 2008.

Ms. Robey was a native of Lexington and a professor at Lexington Community College and the University of Kentucky. She was a member of St. Paul Catholic Church in McKee, and a graduate of Centre College. She received her Master's degree from U.K.

She is survived by her mother, Kathleen Robey of Lexington; and her fiancé, David Bradley of Three Links.

She was preceded in death by her father, Donald

Wayne Robey.

Funeral services were Saturday, Dec. 6, at St. Clare Catholic Church in Berea with Father Nick Pagano officiating. Burial followed at Pleasant Hill Cemetery in Rock-

castle County. Davis and Powell Funeral Home handled

♦ Paul Stewart

Paul Hubert Stewart, 68, of Smith Lane in Berea, died Friday, Dec. 5, 2008, at his home.

Mr. Hubert was a Madison County native, born Aug. 13, 1940, son of the late Charlie Boyn Stewart and Nora Alexander Stewart. He was a retired Square D employee, a member of

the Baptist faith, and an avid vintage car collector and re-

Survivors include his loving wife of 48 years, Gladys Jones Stewart; three children, Paul Shane Stewart, Donna S. Adkins and Liesa Renena Stewart; a brother, Charles Preach Glyndon Stewart; six sisters, Elsie (Kenneth) Ashcraft, Faye (Robert) Dodds, Barbara (Frank) McCarren, Sue Wiles, Sherlene (Arnold) Reed and Maxine (Randell) Rose; one grandchild, Brandon Michael Adkins; and numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by three brothers, Wilburn V. Stewart, Winfred Lee Stewart and James Ora Stewart.

Linda Mae Tipton

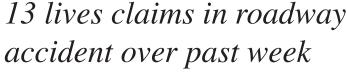
Linda Mae Centers Tipton, age 47, of Kindred Road in Berea, died Saturday, Dec. 6, 2008, at her

Mrs. Tipton was born in Elyria, Ohio, to the late Elmer and Della Mae Clair Centers. She was a homemaker and was of the Holiness faith.

She is survived by her husband, Donnie Tipton of Berea; her son, Kevin (LaDonna) Miller of

Ocean Side, Calif.; a step-daughter, Peggy Tipton of Jackson County; her brother, Ricky (Loretta) Centers of Stamping Ground; her sisters, Brenda (Darrell) Robinson of Van Cleve, Carolyn (Kenneth) Carpenter of Corinth, Rose Adams and Melba Elins, both of North Carolina; her grandson, Matt Johnson; three nieces, three nephews, seven great-nieces and three great-nephews.

Funeral services were Wednesday, Dec. 10, at Davis and Powell Funeral Home with Bro. Owen Moody officiating. Burial followed at Scaffold Cane Cemetery.



Preliminary indicate that 13 people died in nine separate crashes on Kentucky roadways from Monday, Dec. 1 through Sunday, Dec. 7, 2008

All of the fatalities involved motor vehicles and five of those victims were not wearing seat belts. Four of the crashes involved the suspected use of alcohol. A man in Madison County was killed when his vehicle was struck by a suspected

drunk driver. quadruple-fatality crash involving four teenagers occurred in Bell county. Kentucky State Police Post 10 Harlan and Commercial Four young people lost their lives in that collision. Daniel Campbell, Jessica Ingram and Wesley Ingram were all part of the Bell County High School Air Force Jr. ROTC and were on their way to

statistics march in the Christmas parade in Harlan.

> A double-fatality crash occurred in Woodford county. The victims were not wearing seat belts and the suspected use of alcohol is a factor in this crash.

Through Dec. 7, preliminary statistics indicate that 755 people have lost their lives on Kentucky roadways during 2008. This is 61 fewer than reported for this time period in 2007. Of the 578 motor vehicle fatalities, 361 victims were not wearing seat belts. Of the 88 motorcycle fatalities, 52 were not wearing helmets. Twentythree people have been killed in ATV crashes and 21 of those were not wearing helmets. Sixty pedestrians have been killed. A total of 161 fatalities have resulted from crashes involving the suspected use of alcohol.

Citizens can contribute to highway safety by reporting erratic drivers to the Kentucky State Police at 1-800-222-5555. Callers will remain anonymous and should give a description of the vehicle, location, direction of travel and license number if possible.

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Greg **Powell**

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On Monday, October 13, 2008, at 4:30-5:30 p.m., I was meeting my family for dinner at the Cracker Barrel in Richmond. We were all outside in the rocking chairs. A ways down from me was a very nice, good looking gentlemen. He told me he was waiting for his 2 granddaughters who lived in Berea. My family and I went on it and was seating by the aisle. When he came in with his beautiful granddaughters (one blonde & a brunette) he looked over at me and waved. I returned the wave as they went on to

their table. If you are these 2 young adult granddaughters, of this very nice gentlemen, please email me at: <u>cbnky7@yahoo.com</u> I would appreciate knowing this man's name and city he lives in. My name is Beete.

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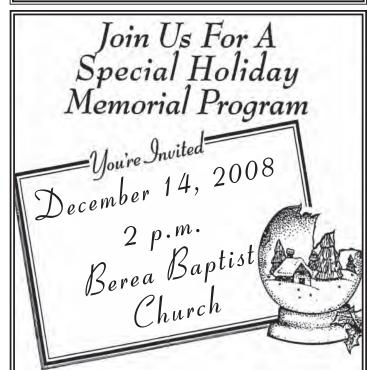
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> Please call us at 986-8416 to let us know how many people will be there to represent your family.

> > (Reservations requested but not required.)

The Value of Estate Planning

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an estate plan is one of the best ways to help assure that, after your death, your assets will be handled as you intended. The estate planni rocess typically involves working with your financial, tax and legal advisors and may lead to:

• Creating a will, trusts and various other related legal instruments

• Purchasing one or more types of life insurance or investment solutions

• Developing a strategy for making lifetime gifts

n developing a plan, the following should be considered:
...What will happen to your assets upon your death?
...How and when do you want your heirs to inherit your assets?
...How mill you want to mange your estate?
...Who will be your executor and your trustee?
...Who will be your executor and your trustee?
...Who tis your anticipated estate tax liability and how do you want to fund that liability?
...What is your family situation?
...What is your response's ability to manage money?

What is your spouse's ability to manage money?

1- Do you need to provide for your children? For your parents?

1- Do you want to fund the educational needs of your children and grandchildren?

How do you want to manage your retirement accounts?

1- How have you set up the beneficiary designations on your retirement accounts?

Are you interested in giving part of your estate to charity'

Identifying Appropriate Strategies

Your Financial Advisor can help you assemble a team of professionals, including legal and tax advisors, to work with you, if you so choose Together with these advisors, your Financial Advisor may help determine which strategies and investment solutions are most appropriate to

ddress your specific estate planning needs.

You and your team of professionals may discuss and analyze issues such as:

1. What is the best way to fund your estate tax liability?

1 sit appropriate to purchase life insurance to meet this need?

1 fso, what type of insurance and how much?

2 rey ou healthy enough to qualify for insurance?

2. What is the best strategy for you to consider when funding the educational a children and grandchildren?

4 What kinds of wills and trust instruments are needed to meet your needs?

4 What kinds of wallst ransfer malning should be considered for makine.

What kinds of wealth transfer planning should be considered for making lifetime gifts?
 What is the best way to pursue your charitable objectives?

te insurance
fe insurance can play an integral part in providing for your family after your death. It can be used to address many needs, including:

•Income replacement

•Estate liquidity (to help pay any estate taxes or other liabilities that may be due, either by your estate or your beneficiaries)

•Business succession planning

ome of these changes may dramatically impact a pre-existing estate plan and alter the amounts that pass to different beneficiaries

Review Your Strategy

Your needs and goals may be very different tomorrow than they are today. That's why it is important to meet with your Financial Ad
east annually to review and re-examine your strategy and make adjustments when necessary once your estate plan is in place. Your I
Advisor, in conjunction with your other advisors, can help you to address new needs as they arise.

For example, what if:

• You have a birth or death in the family?

• Your choice for executor, trustee or guardian is no longer appropriate?

• You buy or sell a property or business?

• Your marital status—or that of any of your designated beneficiaries—changes?

• The estate tax laws change in a way that may impact your situation?

• You change your mind about the charitable organizations and causes you'd like to support

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(Berea Police Reports)

Wednesday, Nov. 26

• 10:55 p.m., Cracker Barrel, 101 McKinney Drive. A purse and contents valued at \$130 were taken from a parked vehicle.

Tuesday, Dec. 2

- 5:47 p.m., 1421 Ky. 1016. Residence entered and items valued at \$1,850 were taken.
- 9:38 p.m., Brooklyn Boulevard. Arrested Dustin D. Sweet, 22, of Richmond, and charged him with violation of a domestic violence order.

Thursday, Dec. 4

• 6:45 p.m., Osborne Shell, Peggy Flats Road. Arrested Delinda M. Coleman, 24, of Morning View Road, and charged her with theft by unlawful taking (gasoline).

• 6:55 p.m., Northside Shell, Richmond Road. Ar-

rested Stacie Neeley, 37, of Motel, Jane Street. Detained Cassius Court, on a Madison County warrant for contempt.

Friday, Dec. 5

• 10:04 a.m., Berea Police Department, Chestnut Street. Arrested Kelly Bailey, 30, of Neeley Street, on three Madison County warrants for failure to ap-

• 10:46 a.m., Berea Police Department, Chestnut Street. Arrested Amber B. Carpenter, 24, of County warrant for failure to appear.

• 10:20 p.m., 122 Bluebird Avenue. Arrested Mark C. Cromer, 41, of Bluebird Avenue, and charged him with menacing and resisting arrest. Saturday, Dec. 6

• 12:39 a.m., Holiday

a 16-year-old female for alcohol intoxication and disorderly conduct. Juvenile was released to her parents at the Berea Police Depart-

Sunday, Dec. 7

• 12:08 a.m., 111 Chestnut Court. Arrested Craig S. Arthur, 47, of Chestnut Court, and charged him with fourth-degree assault.

Monday, Dec. 8

• 11:35 a.m., Berea Richmond, on a Madison Community School, Pirate Parkway. Detained a 15-year-old male for two counts of third-degree assault (school employee). Juvenile was lodged at the Fayette County Detention Juvenile Detention Center in Lexington.

Invest in Something

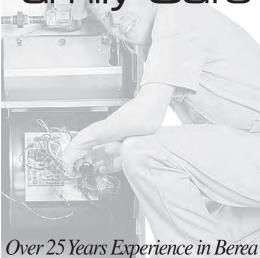
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Leaking rocket overpacked at depot

Submitted to the Citizen

The M55 rocket reported leaking GB (Sarin) agent vapor within its shipping and firing tube last week was overpacked into a leak proof stainless steel container and moved to another igloo dedicated to the storage of overpacked GB munitions earlier this week. The presence of agent was never detected inside the igloo during initial and subsequent monitoring of the igloo which originally contained the rocket.

Although this leak and

posed no danger or risk to the citizens of Madison County, the county Emergency Management and the Commonwealth of Kentucky Emergency Management Agencies were notified of the all aspects of the operation.

(Water)

FROM THE FRONT

are down and we do need

Officials are continuing their work on a new reservoir for the city, and are looking at a new lake upstream from Owsley Fork. Before selling the utilities in 2006, Berea College had launched preliminary studies on a possible Upper Owlsey reservoir, and had acquired land for its construction.

Right now, the city is broadcasting the idea to pertinent agencies and organizations to learn of any possible "red flags."

"We're getting the word out to as many organizations as possible to find out if anyone has any problems or knows anything that could be a problem before we proceed any farther," he

(Porn)

FROM THE FRONT

pornography can result in a maximum 10- year prison sentence. However, because of the conviction in Virginia, Powell received a harsher sentence.

"It's possible that Mr. Powell could have sexually exploited a child if given enough time. But thanks to the collaborative effort between Madison County Sheriff's Department, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Kentucky State Police, and the U.S. Attorney's Office, he will be removed from society for a very long time and children in the community will be safer for it."

James A. Zerhusen, United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Kentucky, Nelson O' Donnell, Madison County Sheriff, Timothy D. Cox, Special

Agent in Charge of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and Rodney Brewer, Commissioner of Kentucky State. Police, jointly made the announcement after

Powell was sentenced. The investigation was conducted by the Madison County Sheriff's Department, the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Kentucky State Police. The United States was represented by Erin J. May.

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The family of Hold Goodrich, Jr. (September 12, 1926-November 12, 2008), wishes to express deep appreciation and sincere thanks to the many friends, and church families for

the kind expression of sympathy after Holt's death. Thanks to Reppert Funeral Home and all who made the services for Dad (Papaw) special.

The prayers, visits, funeral attendance, flowers, food and contributions made to various churches and other organizations were greatly appreciated. Thanks to Dr. George Schloemer, all physicians, nurses and other staff who provided treatment and care during his illness and during emergency situations at St. Joseph - Berea.

Thanks again, Sheila, Danny and Derek Isaacs, Carla, Jonathan, Donna, Daniel and Lauren Cordier.



KENTUCKY FARM BUREAU BIG ON COMMITMENT.

Thursday, Dec. II, 2008

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Sizing up the situation

Fat Oprah, skinny Oprah, in between Oprah; why do we care? What is it exactly that makes every living, breathing female over the age of ten in the western world so obsessed with the number on the bathroom scale?

Emmy Award winner- influential

book critic- Academy Award nomi-

nated actress- magazine publisher-

political power broker- the richest

African American of the 20th cen-

tury- the most philanthropic Afri-

can American of all time and at one time the world's only black billion-

aire would be past being embar-

if she'd had the common courtesy to wait until after all the Christ-

mas cookies and gifts of fudge and

the once a year orange slice cake to

start making the rest of us who are plagued with "slow metabolism" and "thyroid issues" join her in

being embarrassed. Give us three

more weeks, we'll be ready to eat

celery and get our gym memberships at the beginning of the New Year. Honest Injun, I've been very

seriously considering one the Sea-

bury memberships they advertised and I have every intention of drag-

ging the Nordic Trac out of the

closet right after the Christmas

it affects our health it seems pretty

superficial to be that absorbed with what we weigh. But the sad fact is,

that especially for women, if you're

anywhere above a size eight you're

perceived as being a big lazy slob.

Not having been anywhere close

to an eight in years, I admit to be-

ing every bit as fixated on which

number the scale finally lands on when I'm feeling secure enough to

drag the scary little thing out from

under the bathroom sink and step

onto it. So there's no stone throw-

ing going on in this glass house but

I do wonder why we can't just be

appreciative that we're so blessed. For most of us physical hunger is

not something we know anything

to make any far reaching statements

I'm not Oprah so I'm not going

You know, unless we're so fat that

Tree goes back in.

And wouldn't it have been nice

rassed by her weight.



are trying to appease with food. But the one ferent sizes, shapes, colors and characters and we should accept You'd think a woman with ourselves and other people as we Oprah Winfrey's credentials; meare. We should be grateful for the dia mogul- humanitarian- multiple blessing of having plenty (maybe

even too much) to eat.

thing that I am pretty sure of is that God created us all to have dif-

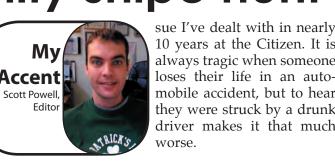
Now organizing the first community snipe hunt

I had intended on writing about procrastination this week, but I'll have to put that off for awhile.

Actually, there has been so much happen in town this week that it's hard to choose just one thing to write about,

so here comes a hodgepodge of this and

First and foremost, I have had more calls and conversations with people over last week's DUI death than almost any is-



10 years at the Citizen. It is always tragic when someone loses their life in an automobile accident, but to hear they were struck by a drunk driver makes it that much

Don't drink and drive. It's that simple. Be a responsible adult. Drink at home or have a designated sober driver. It's not that complicated.

Also, drive defensively. I often tell people to be careful, and occasionally get the response of "I always am." We all must remember, no matter how good of a driver we think we are, we're not the only ones on the road.

I've also had many calls and emails about the Parker Seal building, several of which came from former employees of the plant. Some callers have been in favor of the city purchasing the property, and some against. Oddly, the calls against have had little to nothing to do with possible pollution or environmental concerns. The vast majority of people I've spoken with who are against the purchase say either the building would require too much work to be used, or that the city shouldn't be buying property with the downturn in the

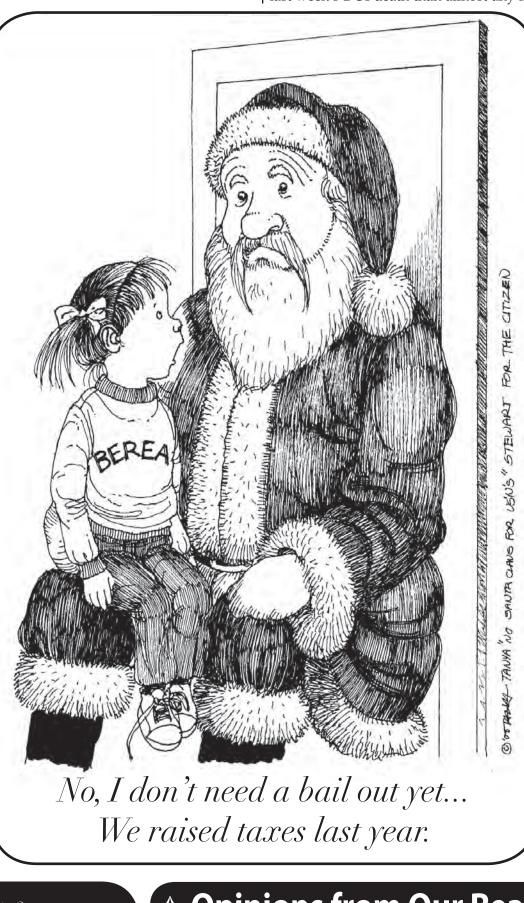
It will be very interesting to see how this one turns out next year.

On a lighter note, there is much interest building around the possibility of taking our advertising manager Christine on a snipe hunt. In fact, some have suggested such a hunt be organized as a community event, especially for those who are new to the community.

Greg Powell said he would help organize the event, and Capt. Clark at the police department is willing to serve as a weapons supervisors to be sure everyone is safe. Now all we need are a location and some prizes. We need a really good prize for the person who catches the biggest snipe.

One suggestion was to have the hunt on some of the un-mowed college property in town. Trampling down the tall grass would keep snakes and rodents away from people's homes nearby. If you know of a good location, please email me.

Also, if you're interested in participating in the snipe hunt, you can email me at teknohillbilly@yahoo.com. I can provide with more information on this rare, elusive creature, and on the hunt itself.



"Let us not be weary in well doing, for in due season we shall reap if we faint not." - Galatians 6:9



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♦ Opinions from Our Readers...

Everybody needs food...

In the last two years, in this still wealthy country, the number of people not having enough to eat each day has doubled to 9 percent. In Berea, I am told, the food pantries now often have to get food from Lexington and elswhere to handle the local demand. And then, they're still short.

So, this Christmas, instead of giving small presents to a lot of

my acquaintances, as I have in the past, which I'm sure we both enjoyed, but which often served to make us fatter, I'm bundling all the money into one pile and writing two checks, one to each of the Berea Food Banks: Berea Food Bank, 103 Parkway Ave., Berea, Berea Baptist Church Food Bank, 310 Chestnut, Berea.

So, if you were expecting a present from me, just wanted to

let you know where it is. Or, if you were about to give me some remembrance of past cookies and seasons, I'd appreciate you sending it to the same place.

"Give some food to those you love." as they say.

Dr. Alan Frankel Berea

Letters to the **Editor Guidelines**

Letters to the editor must be no more than 300 words without prior arrangements having been made. Letters are published in the order in which they are received as space permits. Letters must not contain libelous materials or endorsements for political candidates. Letters must be in the Citizen office before noon on Monday to be considered for publication. All letters must include the author's name, signature, address and telephone number. Illegible letters will not be considered for publication. Letters not meeting these guidelines

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Cincinnati Men's Chorus

(Concert)

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ranged by Ravel, Khachaturian, and Spike Jones; and "It's Our Christmas Cheer," performed as a school fight song, with cheerleaders. Their new CD, "Safe and Warm," will be on sale at the concert.

Beginning at 6 p.m., when the doors open, Berea College master organist John Courter will provide a prelude to the concert on the mighty Union Church pipe organ.

Admission to the concert is free; a collection will be taken to defray expenses for PFLAG of Berea/Madison County and CMC.

The Cincinnati Men's Chorus is a non-profit community group providing gay men and gay-supportive men — all of who must audition for their place in

the chorus---a venue to sing together. Their mission statement echoes a reminder of the qualities this season is meant to elicit: peace, joy, and conciliation. "Through our music, we strive for excellence: support and nurture our members; entertain our audiences; and work for justice, inclusion, and harmony between the gay community and the community at

Upcoming arts council events

Submitted to the Citizen

Holiday Wreaths for BUURR Nov 20 through

This year you have two opportunities to contribute to the support of BUURR and it's ever more important mission here in Berea. Photos of all of the wreaths are available for your review on our Web site at www.bereaartscouncil.org.

VOTE for your favorite Wreath - \$1.00 per vote! This is your chance to 'stuff the ballot box (or bag)' by voting as often as you like.

AUCTION SILENT – Bid on the wreath you would like to take home for the holidays! Come in often to check the bidding and to ensure you have the winning bid on that special

There are 34 beautiful wreaths for you to choose from. Please stop by the Arts Council on Main Street by Saturday, December 13th to place you vote or bid on that special wreath to take home.

ALL proceeds will go directly to B.U.U.R.R.

Second Friday Reading

Friday, Dec 12, 7:30 p.m. The December Second Friday Reading will fea-

ture the students from the Berea College playwriting ĀNNUAL



Be among the first to hear these new offerings to the canon of dramatic literature! The Dec. 12 Second Friday event, sponsored by the Berea Arts Council and WaysMeet Healing Arts Center, will feature the students from the Berea College playwriting class. These eight writers will share their short plays written during the fall term. If you have a hidden performer in you, attend this event and volunteer to read a character from these new dramatic works. Some of the plays include mature content, so this reading is best suited for adults.

fessor of Theatre at Berea College, the student writers spent the term learning the basic elements of playwriting and completed several exercises before they took to writing their plays. Each student chose their own story, completed their drafts, heard them read in class, made revisions

and resubmitted the work to the class for additional comments. What will be presented at the Second Friday event are the current drafts of the students' unproduced work.

Students in the class are Micah Ruehl, a junior English and Theatre major from Smyrna, Tenn.; Ruhiyyih Young, a sophomore Sustainable Agriculture major from Tokeena Crossing, S.C.; Christian Honce, a junior Theatre major from Knox County; Luke Webb, a senior Asian Studies major from Sylva, N.C.; Wesley Gift, a senior Film and Video Studies major from Under the direction of Clarkson; Charles Foster, a Shan Ayers, Associate Pro-junior English major from Tuscaloosa, Ala.; Jesse Wilhite, a senior Sustainable Agriculture major from West Virginia; and Rachel Wetmore, a senior English major who lives in Berea.

The event is co-sponsored by Waysmeet and the Berea Arts Council.

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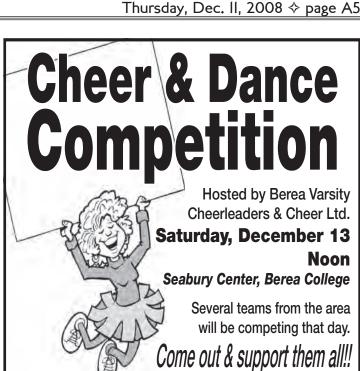
Edward **Jones** MAKING SENSE OF INVESTING

West Side to present Christmas musical

The West Side Baptist Church Adult Choir will present their Christmas musical, "Hope Has Hands," at 11 a.m. on Dec. 14 in the sanctuary of the church.

Several soloists will be featured as well as narrators/vocalists Larinda Hodson and Kenny Merritt. Brenda Lambert is the

The church is located at Prince Royal Drive and Jefferson Street.



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Berea Folk Center 5:30 - 8:30PM December 12th



christmas Giving

Half-price memberships available at Berea College's Seabury Center

Berea College Seabury Center associate director, Mary Beth Bevins, has announced that memberships are available for January 2 - June 30 of the 2008-09 membership year. They can be purchased at half price on December 8-12 for holiday gift giving or beginning Monday, January 5-30 (or until maximum numbers are reached), for New

Year's resolutions. Please call 985-3425 for a recording of the 1/2 price membership rates. For other information, see www.berea.edu/buildings/seaburycenter or call the Seabury Center office at 985-3428. To complete a membership application come to the office on the second floor of Seabury on the dates listed above, 7-11 a.m. or 12-4 p.m. You may use a credit card, cash, or check to pay the fee.

> Membership benefits include the use of Seabury Center facilities and activities. These include the cardio and weight room; indoor and outdoor walking track for walking/jogging/running; two gym floors for basketball; five racquetball courts; 6 lane, 25 yd pool for water aerobics, water exercise, lap/recreational swimming, and birthday parties; dance studio for body recall, a strong aerobics program with step, kick boxing, body sculpting, aerobics, body toning; reduced fees for karate class with Chris Frith; free general admission (with membership card) to men's intercollegiate basketball games (excluding Homecoming and post-season games).

- Fulltime members may use the facility any time activity spaces are open.
 - Daytime members may use the facility until 4 p.m. M-F and weekend hours. During restricted hours they may use the facility any hours Seabury Center is open.
 - Alumni include anyone who has a transcript from Berea
 - A single membership is for one person.
- A single +1 is for husband and wife or single parent and child or brother and sister or grandparent and grandchild or two friends.
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Local News

"Gifts to Go" at the public library

The Madison County Cooperative Extension Service will present "Gifts to Go!" to help make this a great holiday season. The exhibit will be presented at both locations of the Madison County Public Library: 1 until 3 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 15 in Berea, and 1 until 3 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 11 in Richmond.

Extension agents will display decorating ideas, gift basket ideas and will have recipes for entertaining and for gifts from your kitchen. Drop in and add to your holiday gift-giving preparations with fabulous ideas from your county extension agents.

For more information, stop in or call either location of the Madison County Public Library (319 Chestnut Street, 986-7112; or 507 West Main Street, Richmond, 623-6704). The exhibit is free and open to the public. Anyone with special needs should contact the library at least 72 hours in advance of the program so arrangements for assistance can be made.

Christmas Around the World at Madison Southern

Submitted to the Citizen

Holiday music will fill the air at the Eagles' Nest

tonight. The Madison Southern High School choir will present "Christmas Around the World" at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 11, at the Madison Southern Auditorium. to the public.

The choir will be singing in five different languages including English, Spanish, French, German and Latin. There will be familiar Christmas songs and an opportunity for audience participation.

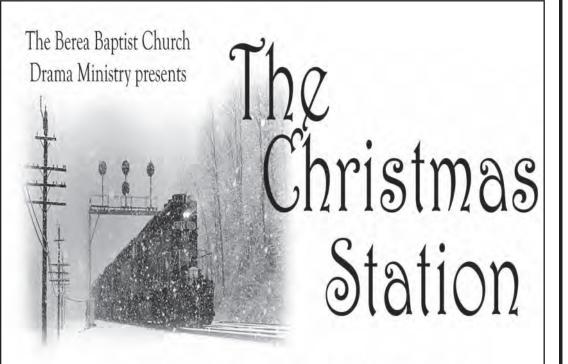
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The Terrace Nursing and Rehabilitation Facility **Wins High Honors**

The Kentucky Association of HealthCare Facilities (KAHCF), the trade association representing long term care facilities throughout the Commonwealth, held its annual meeting November 11-13 in Louisville, KY. More than 1,400 professionals representing the long-term care profession attended the conference.

The Terrace Nursing and Rehabilitation Facility, located in Berea, received seven recognition awards during the conference.

Patricia Webb RN-BC, Director of Nursing was named the Eastern District as well as the Statewide Director of Nursing of the Year. Ms. Webb has been a registered nurse for over 30 years. She has worked in the long-term care profession for the past 17 years. Administrator, Paula Strunk RN said, "Pat truly makes a difference at The Terrace. Her care and concern for our residents and her nursing staff is unmatched. She is one of the most dedicated nurses that I have had the privilege to work with."

Beverly Satterfield, Director of Activities was named the Eastern District Activity Professional of the Year. Beverly is also the producer of the facility's quarterly newsletter. The Terrace newsletter was recognized as the Eastern District and Statewide Best Newsletter of the Year. Beverly has been an employee of The Terrace for the past six years. "Our long-term care profession is constantly seeking new ways to open the lines of communication both within our facilities and with the local communities we serve," said KAHCF Chairman of the Board, Mary Haynes. "This particular newsletter is an excellent example of how The Terrace is meeting that goal in a very effective way. We are very proud of Beverly and The Terrace in their accomplishments."

Kelly Belcher RN, BSN, Unit Coordinator was named the Eastern District RN of the Year. Kelly has been a nurse for 16 years. She has worked at The Terrace for the past two years. Director of Nursing, Patricia Webb RN said, "Kelly is such an asset to work with and is so deserving to be recognized with this award."

The Terrace was also recognized by the KAHCF PAC with two fundraising awards.



Pictured left to right: Kelly Belcher RN, Beverly Satterfield, Patricia Webb RN, Debbie McIntosh, Paula Strunk RN.

Unique Appalachian partnership awarded \$50,000 by Mellon Foundation

Submitted to the Citizen

A unique Appalachian partnership in open source Web learning has earned an award, the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation announced today. In a presentation by Vint Cerf, "father of the Internet," Mellon gave LAMP, the Learning Asset Management Project, one of its 2008 Mellon Awards for Technology Collabora-

LAMP is a partnership of 16 schools in the Appalachian College Association (ACA). The schools use Sakai, software that professors and students access through their Web browsers. Sakai allows professors to set up courses and projects online, and then collaborate with colleagues and students on coursework, research and so on.

"Sakai has enabled schools in two said CEATH Company's Martin Ramsay, LAMP's founder and facilitator. "First, it is open source. Our schools share a reasonable fee for Web hosting and management; there is no licensing fee. We can now afford state-ofthe-art learning software.

"Second, the 16 LAMP schools share Sakai. That means they are able to collaborate with each other at levels previously unavailable."

Only 11 out of more than 60 competing institutions worldwide received a Mellon Award for Technology Collaboration (MATC). The award recognizes important organizational contributions to open source projects. LAMP's contribution: showing that even small schools with limited resources can work together to use advanced soft-

In recognizing the Appalachian College Association's work in creating and leading the LAMP project, the MATC Award Committee noted the importance of new sustainability models to the long-term success of open and community source software initiatives," said Ira Fuchs, Vice President for Research in Information Technology.

"ACA/LAMP shown the higher education community that it is possible for institutions having limited resources to install, operate, and sustain even the most sophisticated software, provided that they work together to meet their common challenges."

According to Paul Chewning, President of the Appalachian College Association, the \$50,000 award from the Mellon Foundation will be used to help other consortia learn to replicate the LAMP model for collaboration using Sakai.



Ramsay added that LAMP is changing how ACA schools work with each other.

"LAMP's implementation of Sakai is as big as a medium sized state university," he said. "Professors are able to communicate and collaborate with hundreds of faculty at other ACA schools instead of just their local colleagues. For instance, faculty create courses online for use at multiple colleges, not just one."

Other uses include campus-wide strategic planning, student government and study abroad communication. Ramsay said that usage continues

"We started in April 2006," he said. "That summer, we had around 1,000 users. Now there are more than 14,000. As many as 400 users are online simultaneously in the average day. More than 2,500 course and project sites have already been created."

Ramsay expressed his pride with what LAMP had accomplished. Smaller schools don't have the resources of large institutions," he said. "Instead of competing our way out of gion. See www.acaweb.org that problem, we collaborated our way out. Appalachians help their neighbors. model for other schools."

A key to LAMP's success has been that "technology has become a non-issue" thanks to the project's service provider, the Longsight Group. Ramsay called the group "our partner, trusted advisor and outstanding service provider."

The Longsight Group provides a broad range of information services to the higher education and nonprofit communities. www.longsight.com

The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation is a private philanthropic institution. It makes grants in six core program areas: Higher Education and Scholarship, Scholarly Communications, Research in Information Technology, Museum and Art Conservation, Performing Arts, and Conservation and the Environment. See www.mellon.org

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Kentucky residents warned against Christmas con artists

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Attorney General Jack Conway cautions Kentuckians to be on guard against con artists who prey on job seekers and consumers struggling to pay their mortgages. With the economic downturn, the Office of the Attorney General's Consumer Protection Division is receiving more scam-related calls from concerned consumers.

"Kentuckians struggling to make ends meet can easily fall victim to con artists' gimmicks. I encourage citizens to be extra vigilant when considering foreclosure help, work-at-home offers and sweepstakes or lotteries. If it sounds too good to be true, it probably is," General Conway said.

Consumers should also be on guard against fraudulent charities this holiday

"At a time when so many families are struggling, it is more important than ever to support reputable, well- established charities that truly make a

difference in our local communities. However, consumers should be mindful that there are irresponsible, even fraudulent charities that abuse the public's trust and deprive the needy," cautioned General Con-

The following are important tips for consumers:

Charitable solicitors – Be cautious of sound alike charities and solicitors unable to answer questions. Always ask the solicitor what percentage of your dollar goes to the cause. Ask for written information so that you can research the charity through the Office of the Attorney General at www.ag.ky.gov or the Better Business Bureau before Sweepstakes and Lot-

teries - The Attorney General's Office receives several calls daily regarding foreign lotteries and sweepstakes. Some consumers receive what appears to be a legitimate check to assist them in paying "fees and taxes." These checks are counterfeit and should NOT be cashed. Addition-

ally, money should NOT be wired to any sweepstakes promoter. It is illegal.

Foreclosure Help – Con artists prey on consumers struggling to pay their mortgages by offering help for a fee. These offers are often found in classified ad sections and tabloids, but can also come by mail or telephone. These offers are often bogus and seldom result in legitimate help. If you are in danger of foreclosure, contact Protect My Kentucky Home at 1-866-830-7868 for assistance.

Work-at-Home Offers Beware of ads appearing in classified ad sections of the newspaper and tabloids or offers by mail or phone. Applying for jobs online sometimes results in your receiving emails indicating that you can work from home and serve as a money "processor" for an out-ofthe-country company, or a "customer service representative." These offers are bogus and involve processing checks or money orders and wiring money to an unknown source. The checks are counterfeit and you will

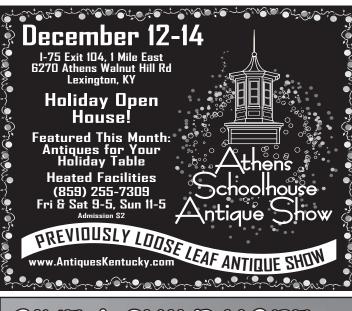
be held liable for the funds at the bank.

Online Shopping – Only deal with companies that you know and trust. Make sure that you are shopping on a site that offers secure payment processing. Beware of contacts made on some of the popular "for sale" listing sites or auction sites that require you to wire money instead of using a secure payment processor. Be aware if you're selling an item, you may be contacted by con artists as well.

Gift Cards – If you purchase gift cards for Christmas gifts, research the financial stability of the store and shop with established stores with whom you know and trust. If a store closes, the card is of no value to the recipient.

If you have been a victim of a consumer scam or want to check on a company or report suspicious companies, please contact the Office of the Attorney General's Consumer Protection Hotline at 1-888-432-9257.

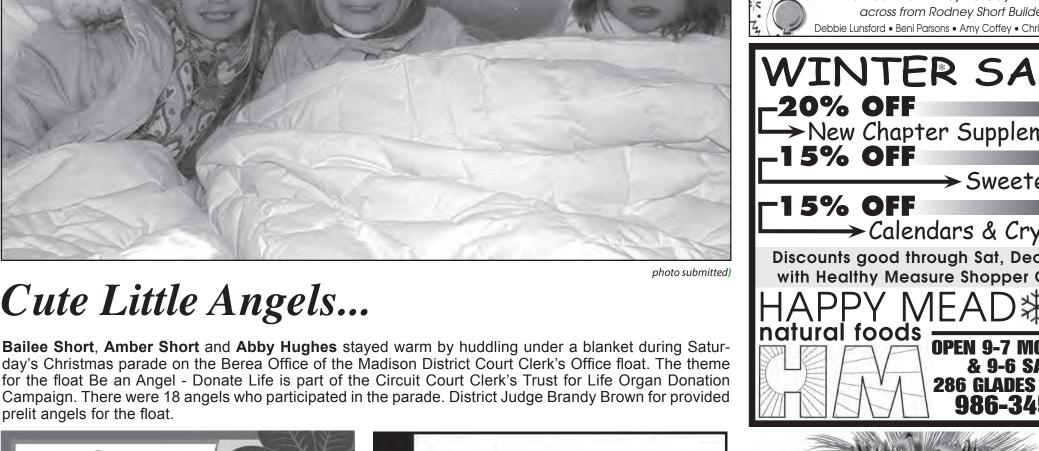


















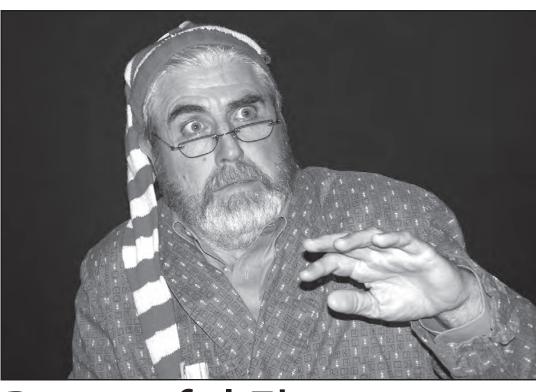
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Scrooge (Darrell Harrison) gets a fright from one of the four ghosts which visit him on Christmas Eve in Berea Arena Theater's upcoming production of "A Christmas Carol." At right, Mother Cratchitt (Mary Ruth Isaacs) cleans the table after a meager dinner. Below, actors practice a dance scene from the play. Performances will be at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 17 through Saturday, Dec. 20, with a 2 p.m. matinee on Saturday. The Thursday and Saturday evening performances are already sold out, and you may want to reserve your seat as tickets are going fast. To make reservations, call 986-9039. For more information, visit the theater's Web site at www.berearenatheater. com.

Above, Ebeneezer





Citizen holiday schedule...

The Berea Citizen has revised its schedule in preparation for the upcom-

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Carols on the Carillon at college Dec. 22

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A concert of Advent and Christmas bell music will be given on Monday, Dec. 22, at 7:30 p.m. on the carillon of Draper Tower at Berea College.

College Carillonneur John Courter will perform arrangements of traditional carols such as "Angels We Have Heard on High," "O Come, All Ye Faithful", "I Wonder as I Wander," "Silent Night," and other favorites. Also included are a few Advent songs, such as "O Come, Emmanuel" and an original carillon piece, "Advent Fantasy" based on Latin and German hymns. The hour-long concert will close with familiar Christmas songs, such as "Silver Bells," "White Christmas" and Mel Tormé's "The Christmas Song" ("Chestnuts roasting on an open fire").

Programs will be available at the front entrance of the Draper Building, located on the College Quadrangle. Hot spiced tea will be served during the concert. Listeners generally walk around the quadrangle while listening in order to keep warm, so dress warmly! Although the carillon is best heard at ground level, visitors are welcome in the playing room at the top of the tower during the concert to view the playing of this unusual instrument. Installed in 2000, the carillon has 56 bells ranging in size from 15 lbs. to 2750 lbs.

Local residents named to EKU **Concert Choir**

Submitted to the Citizen

Eastern Kentucky University's Concert Choir includes at least several local residents.

The Concert Choir, under the direction of Sue Ellen Ballard, performs a variety of literature, including large choral/orchestral and band works as well as octavos. Auditions are not required.

Madison County members include Kaitlyn Crossman, Christy Fleener, Emily Sutton, Leanna Thornsberry, Ruth Troxell, Zachary Hornsby, Shawn Pennick, Casey Scott, Dillon Smallwood, John Smith, Michael Spencer, Lederrick Wesley, Landon Westerfield, Dr. David Eakin and Darnaby Kerns





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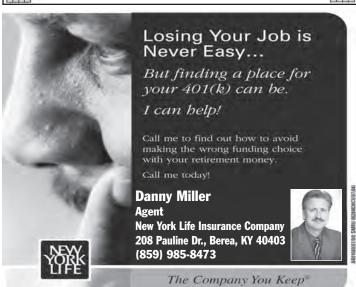
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MS/HS bands, choirs to present Christmas concert

by Abby Gardner

It's a challenging job to coordinate over 100 students from grades 6-12, but it is a task that Evan Smith and Candy Flynn have been doing for a long time. On Dec. 11, the combined groups will present the annual Christmas Concert.

The middle school band and choir will begin the performance at 6:30 p.m. and the sixth grade band will play a Christmas medley; the seventh grade will present "Rocking Around The Christmas Tree," "Instant Christmas Concert," and "Christmas Chimes"; the eighth grade will play "Rudolph The Red Nosed Reindeer," "Santa Claus Is Coming To Town," and "Christmas

At 7 p.m. the middle school choir will perform a mini-musical entitled "Santa's Holiday Hoedown."

At 7:30 the high school band will play "Jingle Bell Fantasies," "First Noel," and "Christmas Scrapbook." At 8:00 the high school choir will sing a variety of choral pieces. The high and middle school bands will also combine to perform "Steal the Thunder," a new piece.

Students send cards to disabled soldiers

by Tabbie Faulconer

On Nov. 26, 132 Christmas cards were mailed out to reach disabled soldiers stationed in various places to lift their spirits and brighten their by Disabled American Veterans

Mrs. Sally Robinson, BCHS social studies teacher, received the information about this program in an email and decided to offer the opportunity to all five of her high school classes. She explained that sending cards was just an option; the students could decide if they wanted to send a card.

Some of the cards were homemade and some were commercial. The students signed their first and last names and wrote the name of their school. Their only guidelines were that they should keep the messages in holiday spirits and, of course, keep the message appropriate for distribution.

A sophomore who is a student of Mrs. Robinson said, "It made me happy to send a card to a soldier who is disabled and may not be able to come home for Christmas. I know that I would appreciate it if somebody did that for me."



Be Our Guest

photo submitted

Cast members (I-r): Chip (Hannah Williams) Mrs. Potts (Hayley Smallwood) and Lumiere (Sebastian Rose) sing to Belle (Bethany Hall) during the elaborate musical number, "Be Our Guest," in Friday night's performance.

BCHS students display acting, vocal talents in performance of Disney's 'Beauty and the Beast'

by Charlsa Hensley

The Berea Community High School drama and choir instructors Jody Flara and Candy Flynn worked together to produce the musical "Beauty and the Beast" this past week. Both Ms. Flara and Mrs. Flynn's respective classes performed as well as students who auditioned but were not enrolled in their classes.

Their first performance was held day. This service activity is organized Dec. 4, followed by performances on Dec. 5 and Dec. 6. The cast has been preparing for the musical since mid-October.

"We're very pleased," commented Ms. Flara about the first performance. Some memorable elements were the large group songs, the fight scene between the Beast (played by sophomore Aaron Lang) and Gaston (junior Collin Hester), the complex costumes, particularly the wardrobe (played by junior Veronica Williams), and the elaborate set.

Seniors Lydia Price and Bethany Hall, Lydia's mother Scharme Price and Tina Williams, elementary art teacher, collaborated to design the set and costumes.

"We watched other plays for examples and inspiration and changed accordingly," said Lydia. "We worked on costumes and set until around 10 every night."

Twenty-three performers tangoed, waltzed, and sang their way through 2 1/2 hours of comedy, romance, and drama. Representatives from grades 8, 10, 11, and 12 all took part.

Seniors Hayley Smallwood and Bethany Hall alternated as Belle, the main character and Mrs. Potts; senior Dana Carlberg was Maurice, Belle's father; sophomore Caleb Hall played Cogsworth, the clock; sophomore Sebastian Rose acted as Lumiere, the French candelabra; Hannah Williams, an eighth grader, portrayed Chip, the teacup; and senior Annie Meier played Babette, the french maid feather-duster.

Ms. Flara already has another production in mind for the drama department. It is a play about Anne Sullivan, the early tutor of Hellen Keller, called "The Miracle Worker." She and Mrs. Flynn do not plan to direct another musical until next year.

courses of study for January term by Chris Bowe

Students develop

The benefits of living in a college town are the educational opportunities that the college presents not only for its enrolled collegiate students but for the high school students in the area as well.

Berea Community High School has a small group of students who choose to to attend classes offered by Berea College through a non-degree program. That is, the classes that the students attend are listed on their high school transcript.

High school juniors and seniors with at least 3.0 GPA have the opportunity to enroll in college classes, and after enrolling must adjust their class schedule at BCHS. However, the college has a short term after first semester, leaving empty blocks of time in the high school students' schedule during January.

To fill these slots of time while not enrolled at the college, BCHS administrators now require the students to plan a creative and constructive project, which will be graded.

The students were given several predetermined activities to participate in if they couldn't design a project of their own. Some options for the students include job shadowing, being a teacher's assistant, participating in a service learning program and engaging in several other schoolsponsored activities.

Some students have chosen to be involved in an independent study program overseen by the school's guidance counselor Eef Fontanez. Senior Silas Montgomery has chosen to to work with his brother, Jesse Montgomery, a Berea High School alumnus currently attending Oberlin College in Ohio. The two will write responses to books from a list

See Students develop, next page

Ryan Smith receives nomination for Toyota Scholarship

by Kathryn Wallace

Recently, senior Ryan Smith awarded the school nomination for the prestigious Toyota scholarship.

He was the single candidate chosen from Berea Community High School. This nomination provides Ryan with the chance to earn \$10-20,000 for a period of four years.

"I am very proud of Ryan. I believe that he will be a very competitive scholar in the national competition," said counselor Eef Fontanez.

The Toyota scholarship is awarded to 100 students across the nation each year. Kentucky is home of the Georgetown Toyota plant.

This qualifies Kentucky to submit one student from each school. Ryan is competing for a slot on the national level against Toyota scholars from Michigan, Ohio, and Kentucky.

Earlier in the year, seven seniors contributed their essays and applications for review by the Berea Community committee. The committee consisted of five members of the school staff. After four days of anticipation and review, the committee chose the nominee. Ryan found he had been chosen for Berea Community from the guidance counselor, Eef

Fontanez. "I was surprised and excited to find out. It is such a great opportunity," said Ryan.

The nominees are recognized and chosen for their academic excellence, leadership and commitment to community service. application included why he has done service work and how he plans to continue.

Ryan is the son of faculty members Evan and Diane Smith.



photo by Bethany Hall

Senior Ryan Smith is the nominee from Berea for the national Toyota Scholarship. The scholarship offers up to \$20,000 for college tuition.

Steve Connelly speaks to second graders during elementary Career Day about his duites as mayor of Berea. Thirty-five other professionals participated in this annual event.

36 professionals discuss careers with elementary students

by Bethany Hall

Last Friday, Berea Community Elementary School hosted its annual Career Day. Every student, kindergarten through fifth grade, had the opportunity to listen to adults speak about their jobs.

After listening to a presentation, kindergartner Casey Coleman said, "I want to be a vet when I grow up, and I would give the animals check-

Thirty-six different visitors, some who are parents or relatives of the students, shared information about their professions. They explained what they do for a living, and how they do it.

Three or four guest speakers visited each classroom throughout the day so that the students could learn about several different

occupations. Some teachers had their students write about what they learned from the working adults' demonstrations, while other teachers asked students to write about what they want to be when they grow

The students then had the opportunity to ask any questions they had about the job. Some speakers brought their work materials to give demonstrations. Construction worker Andy Agee brought in a yellow hardhat to show the students how he takes safety precautions while working.

The presenters were Andy Agee (construction worker), Eddie Sexton (teacher), Pat Acevedo (librarian), Cindy Green (dental hygienist), Chris Robbins (broom maker), Leann Roberts (police officer), John Wooten (banker), Amanda Torres (blacksmith), Luke Woodie

(nurse), Greg Lakes (city council member), Gayle Theodore-Powell (nurse), Tony Allen (promoter of seat belt safety), Gary Payne (firefighter), Stacy Edwards (chiropractor), Danny Brewer (detective), Bob Harned (farmer), Austin Newton (sports coach), Dr. James Chism (veterinarian), Steve Connelly (city mayor), Allison Johnston (journalist), Jenny Elder (sportswriter), Dr. Hodge (astronomer), Michelle Sturgill (nurse), Pat Banks (environmentalist), Dr. Beam (chemist), Robin Maley (U.S. Marshal), Dr. Schloemer (doctor), Becky Atkins (researcher), Rocky Borders (graphic artist and animator), Dr. Bobby Starnes (teacher of Native Americans), David Altizer (engineer), Neil DiTeresa (artist), Kenny Duerson (lawyer), and KEEN engineers

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Boys' basketball team hampered by illnesses

by Jay Callahan

Berea Boys' Pirate Basketball Team suffered a sour defeat against the Frankfort Panthers last Saturday, 68 - 18

With three major players: junior Logan Hutchins, and sophomores Colby and Corey Lilly, absent due to illness and senior starter Ryan Smith unable to play at his best, also because of illness, the Pirates' prospects were decreased from the beginning.

In the first half, many of the starting five were forced to sit on the bench because of the high number of fouls. Also, in the second quarter, Smith and junior Jeremy Hamilton fouled out of the game with five fouls each. Frankfort's small lineup took the taller Pirate secondary lineup off guard.

This defeat has contributed a third loss so far this season. Earlier Berea lost to Lynn Camp and Garrard County. The boys hope to extend their season to 1-3 on Tuesday, Dec. 9 [Deadline for The Pirate on Tuesday precludes coverage of that game. The Pirates will face off against Paris at home

The great possibility that Smith will be absent has forced the other two seniors, Jay Callahan and Dee West, to shoulder a greater load. Also, juniors Chase Riddle, Jeremy Hamilton, and Logan Hutchins will need an excellent game in order to turn the Pirates season around

During the holidays the boys' team will play in a single A tournament in Jupiter, FL from Dec.

On Tuesday, Dec 8, over 25

members and their families attended

the UNITE Club's Holiday

Extravaganza in the BCS Commons.

The night of fellowship included

karaoke, games and of course, food

Students brought their favorite dishes

Robertson are the sponsors of the

Unite Club and have helped the club

hit the ground running this year.

Hager talked to members' families

about activities that have already happened and about projects she

LaTonya Hager and Wayne

to share with their peers.

By Lydia Price

Lady Pirates start season strong with three wins

by Lydin Price

Saturday, Dec. 6, the Lady Pirates suffered their first loss of the season on a game against Pineville, losing by only two points.

However, as their other two games were victories, junior Brooke Hazelwood is optimistic. "We started out better than we did last year," she said, "so I think we'll have a pretty good season."

Another victory was added Dec. 8 when Berea beat Wolfe County 87- 73. Seniors Elizabeth Horo, Brittany Harris and Haley Webb led the team to victory with 29, 19, and points 25 respectively

Senior Chelsea Saylor said, "The game was very fast paced. Both teams put up a lot of points, but we were able to execute our offense better than they," Both of the teams played a full-court press



Sophomore Rachel Wilder (center), shoots as freshman Sophia Shearer (left) looks on. The Lady Pirates defeated Wolfe County 87-73.

throughout the evening. The leading scorer, senior Elizabeth

> Horn, said that "[Las night] proved that we are a solid and versatile team. Every one player their role and worked hard We all have a lot to be proud of."

The next home varsity game wil start at p.m. on Dec 15 agains Estel County.

Berea will host The Holiday Classic Tournamen Dec. 19-22 at Scabury Gym and at BCHS Thirty teams will partie ipate.

Also, the Lady Pirates will participate in a holiday tournament in Nashville Dec 27-30

BCMS basketball challenges district rivals Model Lab

by Chelsea Saylor

On Monday BCMS boys' basketball team took on district rival Model Lab in Richmond. After winning in the sixth grade game, the Pirates suffered losses in both the seventh and eighth grade games.

"We played really hard and our inside game is becoming much more competitive. I was proud of how hard everyone hustled and hope we can keep it up the rest of the season," stated eighth grader Robert Reed.

The eighth grade game ended with Model winning by 18 points, and the final score was 53-35. Point guard, eighth grader Eli Woodie, led the Pirates with 11 points and center Daniel Hubbard was close behind him with 10 points.

The final score of the seventh grade game was 32-16, Model. The Pirates' seventh grade team was led by Trey Terrill and Steven Gadd with seven points each.

The winning Pirate team of the night was the sixth grade, which beat the Patriots by three points. As the clock ran out, the game ended with a score of Berea, 37 and Model, 34. All scorers of the sixth grade game were led by Andy Allen, who had 20 points.

"We are playing really hard and starting to work as a unit. Hustle beats talent. We must continue to out hustle our opponents," stated assistant coach Steve Fain.



Students develop new courses for January term

(continued from previous page) compiled by the brothers to be assessed by each other.

"Jesse plans on being an English reacher," said Silas, "and this is a great way for us to do something together over long distance."

Other students have chosen to work in groups for their projects.

It's a time for hope. It's a time to help

each other to be strong. It's a time to

give thanks and it's most certainly the

time to show the students that they

branch of the UNITE Club started

when a former student, Heather

Eaton, called Hager and asked if she

would help Eaton start a group.

Running the club takes dedication

from students, teachers, parents and

community members. This year

UNITE has marched in Estill County

in September, attended the Step Up

Rally in Richmond and marched in

The Berea Community School

are so deserving of this occasion."

A handful of Berea Community High School Students will be ambitiously attempting to produce a short film set in the old West, based on the plot of William Shakespeare's "Merchant of Venice.

The group is using few elements for their production: one camera,

cheap costumes, and the woods. One of the group members, senior Miles Pulsford, is ecstatic about the incoming endeavor.

The group will begin filming in a few days and will submit their finished work to Mr. Fontanez for assessment in mid-January:

UNITE club holds Holiday Extravaganza Winter Break is for 'a night of reflection and celebration' Dec. 22-Jan. 3

lies and administration.



Art teacher Kim Clouse and district-wide aide Lynn McCollum attend the annual Fireside Chat Dec. 2, hosted by principal John Masters. This

the Fall Homecoming parade. would like the club to do in the future UNITE has also helped the drama She wanted the evening to be "a department with the production of night for reflection and celebration "The Quiet Place" and planned the This night will demonstrate to the Red Ribbon Week assembly. In the youth that you can have fun and be future Hager wants to take field trips helping ourselves." drug free. It's a time for togetherness. to Drug Court, jail and possibly to

administrative permission, of UNITE seeks members who are

the morgue (with parental and

willing to sign a "Pledge To Be Free." Anyone can join if he/she signs the pledge. By signing this pledge, Hager says they "have taken on a commitment to themselves and others that they are going to be the best they can be. To achieve this is to be drug free. Drugs have affected each and every one of us in one way or another. Drugs don't discriminate. Everybody has a story to tell when it comes to the devastating effects that drugs cause. This club inspires, motivates and provides positive peer involvement. Helping others in our school and community gives each of our members great satisfaction. By helping others, we are in a sense

The Cohen brothers' 'Burn after Reading' is splendid black comedy that will surprise viewers

by Hayley Smallwood

The Cohen brothers return to the theaters with their wildly hilarious comedy, "Burn after Reading," quite the opposite of their other recent film, "No Country for Old Men," a dark journey into the human mind

"Burn after Reading" has the sense of permanent chaos, sending you into peals of laughter one moment and otter shock the next. The plotline chronicles the finding of secret FBI documents by a pair of flamboyant gym employees.

One character, a middle aged woman desperate for cosmetic surgery (Frances Medormand) and

will go to any lengths to get it. (including blackmailing the FBI): another character (Brad Pitt) is an extremely loud, juvenile trainer who goes along for the ride simply for the fun of it

The all star east, consisting of names such as Brad Pitt, George Clooney, John Malkovich, and Frances Medormand, transports the moviegoers to hysterical heights with their wit. The plot moves extremely fast, so fast in fact, that it is hard to catch all the side-comments. It is definitely a film you would want to watch more than once

One of the most refreshing aspects of the movie is the lack of moral

purpose. It made no real point of revelation about anything; it was simply entertaining and a joy to watch. While slightly reminiscent of films such as "The Big Lebowski" with its dark humor, "Burn after Reading" certainly has a unique feel.

Joel and Ethan Cohen used this screwball picture to poke fun at many people working in offices around the world, pretending to be civilized, so it has a highly relevant topic even if the plot is slightly outlandish.

Overall, the movie was a splendid black comedy that will surprise you more than once, and just might leave you a little winded at the end.

night allows students, families, faculty and staff to have a spaghetti din-

ner with the principal in order to keep up communication between fami-

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Section B



Man of the Year — **Bud Montgomery**



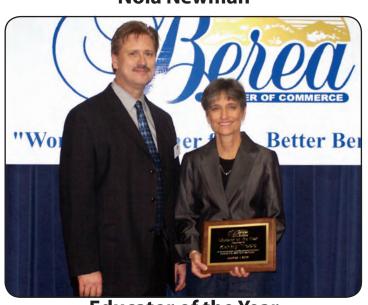
Woman of the Year -**Nola Newman**



Hall of Fame Award Mike McCord



— Agriculture Award — Jimmy Lamb



— Educator of the Year — **Kathy Todd**



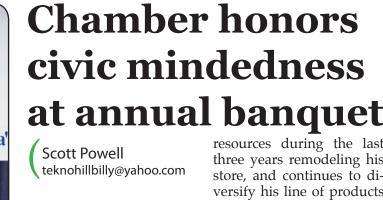
— Health Care Award – **Gail McGillis**

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— Volunteer of the Year — **Sune Fredricksen**



Business of the Year — **Wallingford Broadcasting**



CAMPUS — Those who have given of themselves to of Commerce Christmas Awards Banquet.

Because of ongoing renovations at Boone Tavern, this year's event was held in the activities room of the Alumni Building. Comedian and local television personality Lee Cruse served

as master of ceremonies. Man of the Year Bud Montgomery served three years with the National Guard and is a member of Silver Creek Baptist Church. As owner of Montgomery Farm Supply, he is a local entrepreneur after spending nearly two decades as a district manager in the corporate world. He has spent a great deal of time and

resources during the last three years remodeling his store, and continues to diversify his line of products and services.

With the chamber of make Berea a better place commerce, Montgomery in which to live were once has co-chairs the golf scramagain honored during the ble for he past two years, annual Berea Chamber having taken the event to a new level, assisted with last year's pig roast, and stepped up when the chamber needed someone to chair the Spoonbread Festival hot air balloon events. He has also made affordable fall decorations available to the community.

Woman of the Year Nola Newman is no newcomer to the award, having received

it once before in 1997. After working in the community for many years, Newman took a leap of faith and recently started her own real estate business. She can often be seen driving through town, cell phone to ear, helping a young family

see AWARDS page B3)



Corporate Partner Award — St. Joseph Berea



— Corporate Partner Award -**Chiropractic Health Solutions**

♦ Citizen Cookin'

Chocolate Peanut Butter Mallow Bars

1 pkg. (2-layer size) devil's food cake mix 1/2 cup (1 stick) butter, melted 2/3 cup milk, divided 3/4 cup creamy peanut butter 1 jar (7 oz.) JET-PUFFED Marshmallow Creme 1/2 cup PLANTERS Salted Peanuts 6 squares BAKER'S Semi-Sweet

Chocolate, coarsely chopped



HEAT oven to 350°F. Mix dry cake mix, butter and 1/3 cup milk until blended; press 2/3 onto bottom of 13x9-inch pan. Bake 12 to 14 min. or until center is almost set; cool 3 min. Meanwhile, mix peanut butter and remaining milk.

SPREAD peanut butter mixture onto crust; top with small spoonfuls of the marshmallow creme and remaining cake mixture. Sprinkle with nuts and chocolate; press gently into cake mixture. BAKE 18 min. or just until center is set. Cool completely before cutting into bars.

Citizen Sudoku

The sudoku grid consists of 81 squares in a 9-by-9 grid. To solve the sudoku, each square in the grid must contain a number between one and nine, with the following conditions: Each row of nine cells must contain each of the numbers from 1 to 9 only once and only once; each column of nine cells must contain

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Solution on page B3

♦ Births

Wednesday, Nov. 26

A son born to Paul Garabrandt and Pamela Noe of

A daughter born to Sean Bennett and Ashley Willis of

A son born to Tom and Robyn Moreland of Berea

Thursday, Nov. 27

A daughter born to Wesley and Morgan Isaacs of

A son born to John Kreidler and Kelly Yockey of

Friday, Nov. 28

A daughter born to Jonathan Riddell and Johndora Nelson of Richmond

> Saturday, Nov. 29 A son born to Emalie

Byrd of Irvine

Monday, Dec. 1 A daughter born to Scott and Lori Lawson of Berea

Tuesday, Dec. 2

A daughter born to Bobbie Akers of Richmond

A daughter born to Jacob and Savannah Reynolds of Richmond

A daughter born to John and Brittany Stoltz of Berea Wednesday, Dec. 3

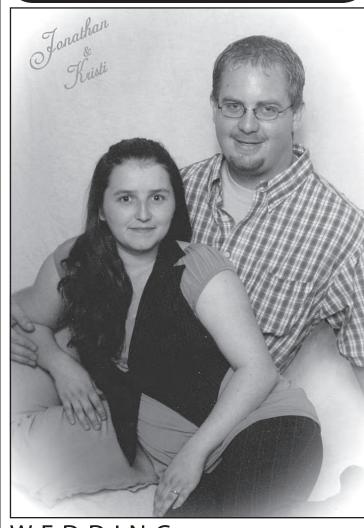
A son born to Christopher Akers and Stacey Pigg

A daughter born to Derek and Misty Damrell of

A son born to Juan and Leslie Gill of Berea

A daughter born to Angela Hobbs of Berea

Acuff, Harris



WEDDING

Walter and Earlene Harris would like to announce the engagement and upcoming marriage of their daughter, Kristi Leah Harris, to Jonathan Craig Acuff.

Kristi resides in Lancaster and is employed by Subway. Jonathan resides in Berea and is an employee of All American Oxygen.

The wedding will take place at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 31, at Westside Baptist Church in Berea. All family and friends are invited to attend.

Following the wedding, the couple will make Lancaster their home.

Warriors on target...

Foley Middle School's Archery Team competed on Saturday at a competition sponsored by Madison Southern High School. In the middle school division, First place went to Elizabeth Miller, second to Erin Boyle and third to Tori Wall. In the elementary division Adam Carman won second place and Ben Eipert took third. At 10 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 13, the team will be holding a fund-raising event at Foley Middle School. Each team member will be asking for sponsors to match pennies (or more) for each point scored during the "Pennies For Points" shootout. Refreshments will also be sold. The public is invited and encouraged to come and support the archery team.

EKU offers workforce education

versity's Workforce Education Office will offer educational opportunities to local businesses with more than 50 certificate and "open enrollment" courses during the spring semester.

The courses include general instruction as well as training programs offering in-depth knowledge in specialized fields. Among those scheduled are "First Line Supervision Certificate Program," "Leadership Excellence for Middle Managers," "Manufacturing Maintenance Certificate Program," "SHRM Essen-

Management & Learning Systems," "Funneling Ideas into Action" (a facilitation certificate program), "AutoCAD Certificate Program" and OSHA courses and trainer authorization.

Some of the classes meet only once, while others meet over a period of several days or weeks. Most are held on the Richmond campus in the Perkins Conference Center, located on Kit Carson Drive, where parking is plentiful. Several courses are also scheduled at the "EKU Second Street Outreach Center" in down-

Eastern Kentucky Uni- tials of Human Resource town Richmond. Visit www. ceo.eku.edu/workforce/ doc/2009springcatalog.pdf for a complete schedule of spring courses. Customized training can also be arranged for worker groups

> Fees range from \$150 to \$2770, and company purchase orders, checks and credit card payments are accepted. To register, call 859-622-8405 or visit www. ceo.eku.edu/workforce. Cancellations are accepted 10 working days before the course begins; substitutions are permitted.

— Submitted

Strings students present Christmas concert

Christmas will fill their air when local strings students present their holiday best.

Strings students of Ms. Jeannie Kiteck will present their Christmas concert at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 14,

in the lunchroom of Berea Community School.

All strings students beginner through advanced will perform Christmas selections. Mrs. Brenda Stratman, elementary music teacher, will accompany on

The concert is free and open to the public. All friends and family of strings are cordially invit-



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Graduating Berea College seniors listen as distinguished human rights lawyer Stephen B. Bright, a native of Danville, delivers the keynote address at Phelps

68 seniors take part in college's mid-year graduation service

Berea College PR

CAMPUS — 68 seniors, along with families and friends, filled Phelps Stokes Chapel Sunday for Berea College's annual Recognition Service for Mid-Year graduates. The seniors who took part are expected to complete degree requirements by February 2009.

Distinguished Human rights lawyer Stephen B. Bright, a University of Kentucky graduate and Kentucky native, was the speaker. Bright also was awarded an Honorary Doctor of Laws degree from Berea.

Stephen Bright is the President of the Southern Center for Human Rights, located in Atlanta. The Center provides legal represen-

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sibly helping someone new

to the community evaluate

homes. She is dedicated to

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working Realtors. She was

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County Board of Realtors as

Realtor of the Year in 1996,

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pacity for Madison County

Relay For Life and served as

chair of the 2008 campaign.

Newman is currently on the

chamber's board of directors

and has been instrumental in

the growth and profitability

of the Spoonbread Festival

for the past two years. She

has also done work with the

Valentine's Dance, Christ-

mas Parade and other com-

which is only given sporadi-

cally, was presented to Mike

McCord, who has served as

the chambers treasurer for

many years and provides

accounting services for the

of Kentucky graduate (and

sports fan), and a dedicated

father of two college stu-

dents. After work, he can

often be seen on the soccer

field working as a referee

for games at the middle and

high school levels. He also

enjoys scuba diving and

spending as much time as

years in the corporate world

before starting his own

practice in 2000. He current-

ly has offices in Berea and

Richmond, where he coun-

sels small business owners

and entrepreneurs planning

He worked for several

possible on the water.

McCord is a University

chamber at no cost.

The Hall of Fame Award,

As a cancer survivor, she

that organization.

tation to individuals facing the death penalty and to prisoners challenging inhumane conditions in prisons and jails throughout the South. Many of those facing these situations do not have the resources for adequate and fair legal representation. The Center also works to improve judicial independence in our legal system through better access to lawyers by poor people accused of crimes. Bright has been associated with the Center for much of his career, serving as Director from 1982 to 2005 and becoming President in 2006. He also is the J. Skelly Wright Fellow and Visiting Lecturer in Law at Yale Law School and Visiting Lecturer in Law at Georgetown University Law Center.

A native of Danville,

Ky., Bright earned his B.A. in political science from the University of Kentucky and Juris Doctorate degree from the UK College of Law. During more than 30 years of law practice, first as legal services attorney with the Appalachian Research and Defense Fund in Lexington and later as a public defender in Washington, D.C., Bright has represented indigent persons at trial, on appeals and in post-conviction proceedings, including many facing death penalty charges. In 1988, he argued and won a case before the U.S. Supreme Court, which agreed to set aside a death sentence due to proven racial discrimination in the process. Bright has also testified many times before the U.S. Senate and House

to start a business. He is an active member of the Berea Rotary Club and chamber of commerce, where he has find a starter home or posserved on the board of di-

> rectors for eight years. The agriculture award was presented to Jimmie self-employed farmer in Southern Madison County. He is a member of Madison County Farm Bureau and the Madison County Beef Cattlemen's Association, and raises alfalfa hay, and corn for silage and shelling. He operates a successful cow/calf feeder program and has been a recipient in the Phase I tobacco and NRCS programs.

> He can often be seen on his farm on the rolling hills on along the creek bottom utilizing conservation practices such as no-till farming, silage bagging and tiling of crop fields.

Shannon Johnson Elementary School physical education teacher Kathy Todd was presented with the Educator of the Year Award. Over the past two decades, Todd has taught at schools across the globe, and helped open Shannon Johnson in 2000 after teaching at Mayfield Elementary in Richmond. In 2001 she was named the Kentucky Physical Education Teacher of the Year.

Todd is founder of the Pregnancy Help Center and initiated the Madison County Elementary Wellness Division of the Spoonbread Festival 5K, in which students from schools across the county compete. She emphasizes lifetime fitness skills in her classes and is an advocate of nutrition counseling.

Healthcare Professional of the Year was presented to Gail McGillis, CEO of Hos-

pice Care Plus.

Described as a visionary mond and Irvine

leader, McGillis has completed 14 years of service to the community and has bee instrumental in the growth of the local Hospice from 30 employees to well over 100.

As an administrator, she developed patient charting systems that serve as models for other facilities throughout the state. She has served in leadership capacities with health care organizations and is actively involved in state and federal legislative and regulatory activities designed to improve end-of-life care for patients. More recently, she led her organization through a very successful fundraising campaign which raised \$3 million to build a new Compassionate Care Center, which opened in April and serves families from across Central Kentucky.

Sune Fredricksen was named Volunteer of the Year for contributing to the local economy and culture. In addition to owning Main Street Cafe, he serves on the chamber's economic development committee and recently hosted a membership meeting. He founded and organizes the Berea International Festival and is active in promoting dance throughout the region. Each October he hosts college students visiting Berea from his native Denmark, and is planning a large conference in Berea for this spring. He was recently elected to the executive committee of Body Recall.

Business of the Year went to Wallingford Broadcasting for participation in blood drives, food drives, Coats for Kids and other charity events. The company organizes entertainment for the Spoonbread Festival.

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Richmond Road, Berea. Pastor Mick

- Church on the Rock, 1049 Richmond Road, Berea. Rev. Mark Sarver. Sunday worship 10:45 a.m., 986-1899
- Dixie Park Cornerstone Baptist Church, N. Powell Avenue, Berea. Bro. Gene Smith Sunday worship 11 a.m.
 - Emmanuel Baptist Church, 1456 Paint Lick Road, Berea. Pastor. Joey Kays. Sunday worship 11 a.m. 986-2604
- Faith Decision Baptist Church, 1325 Guynn Road, Paint Lick. Pastor Jimmy Closterman. Sunday worship 11 a.m. 228-0603
- Farristown Baptist Church, Menelaus Road, Farristown. Dr. Gerald L. Smith. Sunday worship 11:30 a.m. 986-2716, van ministry 986-3770
- First Baptist Church of Berea, Walnut Meadow Pike, Berea. Sunday worship 11 a.m. Rev. J.K. Cunningham. (606) 256-3969
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- Galilee Baptist Church, Mason Lake Road, Berea. Pastor Mike Hetrick. Sunday worship 11 a.m. 985-0471.
- Gethesmane Baptist Church, Old U.S. 25, Berea. Pastor Ed Cortez. Sunday worship 10:45 a.m. 986-9881
- Gloryland Baptist Church, Richmond Road, Midway. Pastor Cecil Burns. Sunday worship 11 a.m. 624-
- Grace Baptist Church, Activities Room of Oh Kentucky Campground, Hwy. 21 West, Berea. Pastor Jim Murriner. Sunday worship 11 a.m. 986-
- Harvest Missionary Independent Baptist Church, 1711 Big Hill Road, Berea. Bro. Andy Sexton. Sunday worship 11 a.m. 986-1664
- Hays Fork Baptist Church, 4447 Hays Fork Lane, Kingston. Pastor Vincent Carman. 986-4545
- Liberty Avenue Baptist Church, 273 Mt. Vernon Road, Berea. Pastor Charles Dean. Sunday worship 11 a.m. 986-9249
- Lighthouse Baptist Church, Gabbardtown Road, Berea. Rev. Roy Himes. Sunday worship 11 a.m. 986-4806
- Middletown Baptist Church, 2253 Menelaus Rd., Berea. Rev. Bill Woods. Sunday worship 986-9137
 - New Liberty Baptist Church, Smith

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- Ransom Baptist Church, 1711 Big Hill Road, Sunday worship 11 a.m. Bro. Floyd Isaacs. 228-0314
- Red House Baptist Church. Sunday Morning 10:45 a.m. 623-8471 • Red Lick Baptist Church, 601 Red
- Lick Road, Big Hill. Sunday worship 11 a.m. 986-2949 Roundstone Missionary Baptist
- Church, U.S. 25 South, Roundstone. Sunday worship 11 a.m. Silver Creek Baptist Church, 1784 Big Hill Road, Berea. Pastor, Dennis
- Hisle, Sunday worship 10:45 a.m. 986-LOVE • Valley Baptist Church, Copper Creek Road. Pastor Tony Shelton. (606)
- Wallaceton Baptist Church, Guynn Road, Paint Lick. Pastor Bobby J. Fugate. Sunday worship 11 a.m. 985-9033
- West Side Baptist Church, Prince Royal Drive, Berea. Sunday worship 11 a.m. 986-3444. Bro. Allen Livingood.
- White Lick Baptist Church, Cartersville Road, Berea. Pastor Ed Hubbard. Sunday worship 10:50 a.m. 925-4641 — Catholic

308-1496

• St. Clare Catholic Church, 622 Chestnut Street, downtown Berea. Father Nick Pagano. Sunday mass 9 a.m. 986-4633

— Christian

- Glades Christian Church, Glades Road, Berea. Pastor Rick Fulton. Sunday worship 10:30 a.m. 986-1421 • Wayside Christian Church, Menelaus
- Pike, Berea. Minister Ron Lutes. Sunday worship 11 a.m. 985-9465

Church of Christ

- Berea Church of Christ, 357 North Dogwood Drive, Berea, Bro. Charles Moore. Sunday worship 11 a.m. 986-
- Dreyfus Church of Christ, Bear Wallow Road, Dreyfus. Bro. Jim Stillwagoner. Sunday worship 11 a.m, 986-9454
- West Side Church of Christ, I-75 and Hwy. 595 (Walnut Meadow Rd.), Bro. Bob Casey. Sunday Worship 10 a.m. 369-4165

— Church of God

- Berea Church of God, 189 Rash Road, Berea. Rev. Steve Hobbs. 986-
- Conway Church of God, U.S. 25 South, Conway. Rev. C.W. Williams. Sunday worship 11 a.m. (606) 256-3476
- Paint Lick Church of God, Old RailRoad Bed Road, Paint Lick. Sunday worship 11 a.m. 986-3390

Disciples of Christ

- First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), 206 Chestnut Street, downtown Berea. Rev. Ed McCurley. Sunday worship 10:40 a.m. 986-4553 • Kirksville Christian Church, Hwy.
- 595 at Hwy. 1295, Kirksville. Rev. J. Donald Graham. 986-3817
- Mt. Zion Christian Church, U.S. 421, Richmond. Rev. Nina Poage

— Episcopal

• Danforth Chapel, Berea College Draper Building, Berea. Evening prayer 6 p.m., 1st, 3rd and 5th Thursdays

— Lutheran St. Thomas Lutheran Church,

Barnes Mill Road, Richmond. Rev. Andy Rutrough. Sunday worship 9:30 a.m., 623-7254 — Methodist

- Berea United Methodist Church, Chestnut Street at Fee Street, downtown Berea. Rev. Gary Rowan. Sunday worship 11 a.m. 986-3485 Paint Lick United Methodist
- Church, 10950 Kentucky Hwy. 52 West, Paint Lick. Sunday worship 11 a.m. Wallace Chapel United Methodist
- Church, Guynn Road, Wallacetown. Pastor Sam Knox. Sunday worship 8:45 a.m. (888) 291-5619, ext. 0105

— Pentecostal

- Bearwallow Pentecostal Holiness Church, Bear Wallow Road, Dreyfus. Pastor Charles Whittamore. 986-8985
- Berea Evangelistic Center, Plaza Drive, Berea. Rev. Jeff Osborne. Sunday worship 11 a.m. 986-3191 Big Hill Pentecostal Holiness
- Church, U.S. Hwy. 421, Big Hill. Rev. Bill Rose. 986-4707 The Holy Pentecostal Sanctuary, Crestview Drive, Berea. Bro. Harold
- Harmons Lick Holiness Church, Harmons Lick Road, Paint Lick. Bro. Tommy Elliott. Sunday worship 11:30 a.m. 985-1194

— Presbyterian

- Whites Memorial Presbyterian Church, 401 White Station Road. Pastor Truman Geeslin. Sunday worship 11 a.m. 986-7734
- Berea Reformed Evangelical Church, 1309 Ky. 21 West. Sunday worship 11 a.m. Pastor Xon Hostetter. (859) 256-8314

— Other

- Berea Friends Meeting (Quaker), 300 Harrison Road, Berea. Sunday worship 10 a.m. 986-9256
- Calvary Apostolic Church, Kentucky Hwy. 21 West, Berea. Pastor Alan Peevler. Sunday worship 2 p.m. 986-3753
- Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 156 S. Keeneland Drive, Richmond. Bishop Emery Martin. Sunday sacrament 10:50 a.m. 624-
- Berea Freewill Baptist Church, Hwy. 1016, Berea. Pastor Walter McCoy. Sunday worship 11 a.m. (606) 308-4019 • Liberty Avenue Full Gospel
- Outreach, 113 Liberty Avenue, Berea. Pastor Donald R. Wilson. Sunday worship 11 a.m. Union Church, Main and Prospect
- streets, downtown Berea. Rev. Kent Gilbert. Sunday worship, 10:30 a.m.
- Unitarian Universalists, 1081 Willis Branch Rd., Richmond. Sunday service 10:45 a.m. 986-7736
- River of Life Foursquare Church, 104 John Street, downtown Berea. Pastor Tim Lawson. Sunday worship 10:30 a.m. 985-7809
- First Faith Independent Church, Menelaus Pike. Sunday worship 11 a.m.
- Prayer of Faith Full Gospel Church, 292 Glades Road. Pastor Gordon Robinson. Sunday worship 11 a.m. 985-
- Living Waters Sactuary, Liberty Avenue. Sunday worship 11 a.m. Pastor Dale Holman. 986-9781
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Cincinnati Men's Chorus **Christmas Concert**

7 p.m. (doors open at 6) Union Church, downtown

Admission is Free. A collection will be taken.

Thursday Dec. 11th

♦ Jammin' on the Porch, 7 p.m., Berea Welcome Center, Old Town. Father/ daughter duo Donna and Lewis Lamb host this every Thursday night event. Bring your instrument and join in. 986-2540

♦ Madison Southern High School Choir presents "Christmas Around the World," 7 p.m. MSHS Auditorium. The choir will sing in five different languages including English, French, Spanish, German and Latin. Reception afterward in the lobby. Admission is free. 986-8424

Friday Hamp Valentine and compiled by Jonathan Crumpton and Sue Dec. C. Smith, 7 p.m., at Silver Creek Baptist Church. Free and open to **12th** the public. Childcare provided for ages birth to 5 years.

♦ TLC Cat Rescue Christmas Adoption, 5:30-8:30 p.m., Russel Acton Folk Center on Jefferson Street. Each cat (\$25 adoption fee) comes with a gift basket, shots and are spayed/neutered. Those not fixed will come with a discount coupon.

♦ Arts Council Second Friday Reading, 7:30 p.m., 116 Main Street, featuring students from Berea College playwriting class. 985-9317.

Saturday Dec. 13th

potluck and dance - potluck at 6:30 p.m., and the dance between 7:30 and 8:00, in the activities room of the Alumni Building. Music by Atossa Kramer and Al White.

♦ Berea Folk Dancers

♦ Singing Christmas Tree, "Oh Night Divine" directed by Hamp Valentine and compiled by Jonathan Crumpton and Sue C. Smith, 7 p.m., at Silver Creek Baptist Church. Free and open to the public. Childcare provided for 6. 986-2540 ages birth to 5 years.

♦ Cincinnati Men's Chorus Christmas Concert, vote in Berea Arts 7 p.m. Union Church. Free admission (a collection will be taken). First come, first seated. Doors open at

♦ Last day to Council's Holiday Wreaths for BUURR project, 116 Main Street. 985-9317

Sunday Dec. 14th

Monday

Dec.

15th

Singing Christmas Tree, "Oh Night Divine" directed by Hamp Valentine and compiled by Jonathan Crumpton and Sue C. Smith, 7 p.m., at Silver Creek Baptist Church. Free and open to the public. Childcare provided for ages birth to 5 years.

♦ Strings students of Ms. Jeannie Kiteck will present their Christmas program at 3 p.m. in the Berea Community School cafeteria. Free and open to the public. Mrs. Brenda Stratman will accompany on piano.

3 p.m., Madison County Public Library in Berea. County extension agents will display decorating ideas, gift basket ideas and recipes for making gifts from the kitchen. 986-7112

Tuesday Dec. 16th

♦ Berea City Council Police and Municipal Center on Chestnut Street. 986-8525, www.cityofberea.com

♦ Madison Southern FBLA meeting, 6:30 p.m., Berea "Shoot for a Cure" double-headers boys/girls basketball game versus Garrard County, 7:30 p.m. Seabury Center. All donations will benefit breast cancer patients in Madison County. 986-8424.

Wednesday Dec. 17th

♦ Berea Arena Theater presents "A Christmas Carol," 7:30 p.m., at the theater at 1835 Big Hill Road. Tickets are \$5. Reservations may be made by calling 986-9039. www.bereaarenatheater.com

(Regular Community Meetings)

♦ Berea Business & Professional Women's Organization, 6 p.m., first Wednesday of the month at Boone Tavern. 986-4366;

♦ DAV Chapter 160, 6:30 p.m., second Tuesday of each month, Berea Senior Citizens Center.

♦ PFLAG (Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays), 7 p.m., first Monday of the month at 7 p.m. Call for meeting location, (859) 200-9512.

♦ Berea Elementary School Site-Based Decision Making Council, 3:30 p.m., first Thursday of the month, school library.

♦ Berea Lodge #617 F&AM, 7 p.m., first Monday and third Friday of the month, lodge hall on

Chestnut Street. Experimental Aircraft Association: Chapter 892, 1 p.m.,

last Sunday of the month, Madison ♦ Marine Corps League, 7 p.m.,

fourth Thursday of the month, First Southern Bank, Richmond. 623-0122. ♦ Berea Ministerial Association,

first Wednesday of the month, 11:30 a.m. until 1 p.m., with a brown bag lunch. 986-4553 or 986-3725.

♦ American Legion Post 50, 6:30 p.m., third Tuesday of the month, headquarters on Holly Street, 6:30 p.m. Meal provided.

♦ American Legion Post 33, 7 p.m., first Thursday of each month, Dinner Bell. 986-1330, 986-9235.

♦ Madison Southern Football Boosters, first Monday, 6:30 p.m., school library.

♦ Madison Southern Core Curriculum Committee, 3:05 p.m., second Monday, school library.

♦Alcoholics Anonymous, 8-9 p.m., Thursdays, Room 212 of Berea Baptist Church.

♦ Al-Anon, 8 a.m., Thursdays, Parish House, Fee Street. 985-

♦ Berea Folk Dancers, 7:30 p.m. Fridays, dance studio of Seabury Center.

♦ Berea Rotary Club, noon, Tuesdays, Dinner Bell Restaurant.

♦ Berea Kiwanis Club, 6 p.m., Mondays, Dinner Bell Restaurant.

♦ TOPS Meeting (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), 6:15 p.m., Tuesdays, Berea Baptist Church, 985-7088.

♦ Berea Chess Club, 6 p.m., Tuesdays, Intergenerational Center. 986-9866.

♦ Kingston Lodge 315 F&AM, 7:30 p.m., third Tuesday, lodge hall on U.S. 421.

♦ Bluegrass Commission on Elder Abuse, 2 p.m., third Friday of the month, Stratton Building at EKU. For more information, 623-

♦ Berea Lions Club, 7 p.m., second & fourth Monday of each month, Boone Tavern.

♦ Madison Airport Board, noon, first Thursday of the month, Madison Airport board room.

♦ Madison Southern High School SBDM Council, 4 p.m., third Tuesday of the month, school

library. 986-8424.

♦ Berea Women's Club, first and third Wednesday of the month.

♦ The Berea-Laurel Ridges Chapter of DAR, second Friday of the month. All Berea members, visiting state or national, and prospective members are cordially invited to attend. 986-0962

♦ The Berea Weavers Guild, 9:30 a.m., first Tuesday of the month, Berea Arts Council, 986-

♦ Berea City Council, 6:30 p.m., first and third Tuesday of the month, Berea Police and Municipal Center. 986-8528.

♦ Berea Planning and Zoning Commission, second and fourth Tuesday of the month. Second

Tuesday is work session at City Hall. Fourth Tuesday is regular meeting at the Berea Police and Municipal Center. 986-8528.

Chapter MadCo. of Kentuckians for the Commonwealth, 7 p.m., fourth Monday of the month, child development lab on Jefferson Street. 985-7480

♦ Berea Tourism Commission 5 p.m., second Wednesday of the month, Broadway Building. 986-2540.

♦ The Alzheimer's Support Group, 7:15 p.m., second Thursday of the month, MadCo. Public Library in Richmond. 623-4906

♦ Berea Shape Note Singers, 4 p.m. first and third Sundays, Union Church Sanctuary. 985-5501. New singers always welcome

♦ Memory Keepers Memory Loss Support Group, 7 p.m., first and third Tuesdays of each month, Wayside Room of Union Church (door nearest Prospect Street). 986-

♦ Berea Writers Guild, 7-9 p.m., second and fourth Tuesdays, Madison County Public Library in Berea. 859-779-0793

♦ Mothers' Forum, 10:30 a.m., Thursdays, Room 204 of Union Church. 985-8724.



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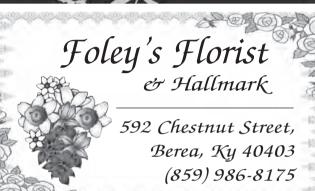
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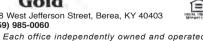


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weapon

CCDW — carrying a concealed deadly

NRR — no registration receipt

RSP — receiving stolen property

DDUI susp. — driving on a DUI-suspended

VEPO — violation of emergency

protective order

Violation Code Key

AI — alcohol intoxication

DUI — driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs

RA — resisting arrest

DC — disorderly conduct POM — possession of marijuana

PDP — possession of drug paraphernalia

PCS — possession of a controlled

substance

TBUT — theft by unlawful taking, shoplifting

TDB — theft by deception

PV — parole violation

OSL — operating on a suspended license

FTA — failure to appear NI — no insurance

Information provided by the Madison County Detention Center in Richmond. An arrest only indicates a charge against an individual and is not an indictment. Those charged with a crime are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

Friday, Nov. 28

Randy S. Fouts, 51, London, contempt

Don Lynn Stewart, 54, LaGrange, AI

Miguel Zacaris Barrera, 22, Richmond, DUI, leaving the scene of an accident, NOL, failure to maintain required insurance, failure to register transfer of motor vehicle

Patricia Ann Stamper, Richmond, serving time

Valarie Jean Ward, 18, Richmond, serving time Peggy Lynn Renfro, 48,

Richmond, serving week-

Dustin Dee Woods, 19,

Richmond, serving time Shirley Renfro, 41,

Richmond, serving week-James Lee Reffett, Jr.,

50, Richmond, DUI Melissa Sue Kidwell,

27, Richmond, leaving the scene of an accident, NOL, failure to maintain required insurance

John Wayne Dixon, 28, McKee, serving time

Evelyn R. Sandlin, 38, Richmond, FTA, NRP, NRR, failure to maintain required insurance, NSB, DDUI susp. 1st

Saturday, Nov. 29

Kizzie Elizabeth Roark, 24, Georgetown, AI

Jamey Allen Hensley, 22, Frankfort, failure to signal, improper start from parked position, failure to maintain required insurance, DUI

James Cameron Cannon, 22, Richmond, con-

Owen Crowe, Jr., 29,

Pine Ridge, FTA Donald Lee Crowe, 25, Shelbyville, contempt (two

counts), non-payment Timothy A. Blackford, 32, Nicholasville, serving

Samual E. Jackson, 23,

Richmond, RSP over \$300, VEPO, menacing, assault 4th - domestic

Terrance Adam Gadd, 18, Berea, TBUT, CT 3rd

Tyler A. Singleton, 28, Richmond, non-payment Summer Merrell Manges, 23, Berea, PCS 1st - opi-

Jerry A. Perrin, 43, Richmond, FTA, PDP, POM Sunday, Nov. 30

Cynthia Dianne Holbert, 50, Richmond, disregarding traffic control device, DDUI susp. 1st, DUI

James Carl Relford, 38, Campbellsville, DUI

William Haddix, 41, Berea, AI

Monday, Dec. 1

Christopher David Waldroup. 27, Richmond, **VEPO**

Aaron H. Webb, 37, Richmond, fraudulent use of credit cards over \$100 (two counts), theft of identity of another, criminal possession of a forged instrument 2nd (three counts)

William Dequan Fields, Richmond, serving

James L. Rollins, 18, Richmond, serving time

Jessie Frank Wallace, 44, Albany, state community center prisoner held Robert Franklin Hens-

ley, 53, Richmond, DUI

Christopher Ellis Cooper, 28, Richmond, PCS 2nd Hank Lee Turner, 53,

Frankfort, DUI, NSB, one headlight, failure to maintain required insurance, display of illegal/altered registration, improper dis-

play of registration plate, NRP, NRR, possession of open alcohol container in a motor vehicle, PCS 3rd,

Donald Edward Lewis, 35, Richmond, non-payment

Tuesday, Dec. 2

Aaron Kyle Denton, 30, Richmond, non-payment

Virginia L. Honican, 26, Richmond, serving bench warrant for court Jasper Spicer, 72, Rich-

mond, WE 1st

Kirk Elliott Bumgarner, 21, Richmond, AI

William Michael Howard, 23, Frankfort, serving bench warrant for court

Robert L. Hopkins, 28, Richmond, FTA Mark Jackson, 35, Lou-

isville, PCS 2nd, POM, PDP Debra Joyce Crutcher,

44, Louisville, contempt Jeffery Joseph Conner,

47, Richmond, FTA Lavasha N. Thomas, 27, Richmond, POM, PDP,

PCS 2nd

Kelvin DeShawn Berry, no age, Louisville, POM, serving warrant

Vernon Lee Beeler, 54, homeless, AI (third offense or more)

Vatilas Dale Jackson, 33, Detroit, Mich., POM Darrell Nester, Richmond, assault 4th - do-

Dustin Duane Sweet, 22, Richmond, VEPO Wednesday, Dec. 3

Jessie Wayne Foster, 30,

Richmond, AI, probation violation Heather Renea Wagers,

31, Richmond, holding for Robert Thomas Sow-

ers, 26, Richmond, serving

time Rodney Christopher Fitts, 41, Richmond, FTA Johnathan R. Gross, 26,

Richmond, serving bench warrant for court Jonathan David Cross,

24, Berea, falsely reporting an incident William Nathan Payne, 51, Richmond, disregard-

ing stop sign, OSL, pos-

sessing license when privi-

leges are revoked Jimmy Paul Gadd, 28, Richmond, DUI

Thursday, Dec. 4 David J. Shaub, 25,

Cosby, Tenn., AI Emanuel Hoskins, 34,

London, state community center prisoner held LeRon Maurice Floyd,

19, Richmond, assault 2nd Delinda Marie Coleman, 24, Berea, TBUT (gas-

Stacie W. Neeley, 37, Berea, contempt Brandon Lee Woods,

23, Richmond, VEPO, assault 4th - domestic

Jerrold Arnez Brannon, 38, Richmond, NRP, NRR, NSB, OSL, failure to maintain required insurance

Madison County Property Transfers

Michael P. and Stacey R. Kelly to Stacey R. Kelly, Tracts, Madison County, love and affection William C. and Darlene

Noble to William Noah Noble, Lots 7-10, Country Club Heights, love and af-William C. Noble to

William Noah Noble, Lots 15 and 16, Country Club Heights, love and affec-William C. and Dar-

lene Noble to William Noah Noble, Lots 17 and 18, Country Club Heights, love and affection David M. Lee to Rob-

ert Eugene Deskins, Tract

14A, Plat 9-388, \$22,400 Shirley F. Burgher, Executrix, Shirley F. Burgher, Earl R. Sutton Estate to James Carter and Mary Kathryn Hoskins, Lot 46, Mason Manor Subdivision, \$85,500

Nicholas M. Ramsey to Kyle C, Conte, Lot 64, Creekside, \$143,000

Louella and Gerald Tudor to Andrew B. Botkins Jr., Ann Botkins, Tract, Boone Street, \$56,500

Harry Don McBride to Harry Don McBride, Harry Don McBride, Jr., Tract, Lancaster Road, love and affection

Herbert D. and Donna A. Evans to William Frank and Linda D. Thacker, Tracts 7 and 8, Plat 9/390, \$270,000

Dec. 1

Graham C. and Julie G.

Gandee, Lot 88, Traditions at Parkey Falls, \$507,500

Augusta Properties LLC to Jennifer L. Spranger, Lots, Rosemont Subdivision, \$79,500 Ralph L. and Cynthia

A. Bollinger to Rick Moore Homes Inc., Lot 19, Boones Trace, \$27,500 Veronica S. Teater, Veronica Sue Bowling to Ve-

ronica S. Teater, Wilbert L. Teater, Lot 10, Estonia Estates, \$70,400 Secretary of Housing and Urban Dev. to Christopher D. Jarvis, Lot 10,

\$120,000 Banyans LLC to Katherine Whitaker, Lot 62, Banyans at Golden Leaf, \$115,000

Subdivision,

Jack VanWinkle Sr. Joyce VanWinkle to Donnie and Mary Lois Kearns, Lots 2 and 3, Plat 25/60, \$134,000

Dec. 2

Rockledge

Joann and Rory Wagner to Chad and Neely Traylor, Lot 10, Boones Trace, \$205,000

seph D. Sweeney, Lot 1A, Plat 18/41, \$7,000

Kerri Clark to Robert Clark, Lot 3, Pinnacle View Subdivision, \$6,000

Dec. 3

Robert G. Menefee, Laura Menefee Greene to Kenneth Fred Menefee, Sylvia Sons Menefee, Tract, Jackson Street, terms of will

Leonard and Carrie Divine Homes LLC to Wilder to Roy Todd Builders Inc., Lots 17-20, Willow Glenn Subdivision, \$63,000 ASA Builders LLC to

Glen D. and Beverly H.

Wagoner, Lot 96, Vineyard Estates, \$199,500 Glen D. and Beverly Wagoner to ASA Builders LLC, Lot 11, Moreland Es-

tates, \$122,000 George Allan and Gretchen Ping, Gretchen L. Duff to Ronald E. and Carla M. Hunt, Lot 35, Bush Bottom Estates, \$130,000

BRT Contractors Inc. to Zachary P. and Caelin B. Scott, Lot 10, Wilshire Walk, \$114,474

Steven Coby and Tara Aileen Adkins to John W. and Anna M. Lynch, Lot 96, Woods Subdivision, \$257,000

of Madison Oaks County LLC to Michael S. and Jennifer Page Bingham, Lot 77 and 79 Oaks Subdivision, \$55,000

Barlow Homes LLC to Mary K. Gilbert, Lot Kensington \$135,000

Robert C. and Robyn Fred G. Williams to Jo- E. Cates to Melvin Smyth, Lots 11-15, Riverside Acres Subdivision, \$16,000 First Richmond Rent-

> als LLC to Jeannette Marie Hall, Lot 34BB, Plat 25/28, \$84,000 Lonnie and Patricia G. Profitt to Mark and D. Ann Blakenship, Tract,

Kentucky Highway 627,

Keystone Builders Inc., Chance Farley, Sharon Farley, Richard Thompson, Bonnie Thompson, Ronald

\$98,500

Ward, Dally Ward to Jason E. and Terri E. Stein, Lot 78, Quail West, \$243,750 Dena D. Spivey to Ann

and Roger Reynolds, lot

79, Tremopnt Subdivision, \$132,250 Irvin Industries Inc. to National Metal Processing Inc., Tract A, Plat 6/348,

Serenity Homes of Distinction LLC to John A. and Teressa S. Pietromonaco. Lot 24. Fieldstone Subdivision, \$190,000

Dec. 4

Alan L. Combs, Alan L. Combs Executor, Darlene Combs, Coolie Lane Combs, Coolie Combs Estate to Alan L. and Darlene Combs, Lot 49, Tates Creek Estates

Alan L. Combs, Alan lene Combs, Coolie Combs Estate, Coolie Lane Combs to Coolie Lane Combs, Lot 109, Tates Creek Estates

Alan L. Combs, Alan L. Combs Executor, Darlene Combs, Coolie Combs Estate to Coolie Lane Combs, Lot 110, Tates Creek Estates

76, Deacon Hills

Marriages

Nov. 26

Karen R. Endfinger, 57, veterinary tech., Richmond and Darryle Antone Endfinger, 59, branch manager, Richmond

Dec. 1

Annetta M. Alexander, 34, student, Berea and Donald Smith, 53, self-employed, Big Hill

Virglene Rawlings, 45, quality control operator, Berea and Keith Davidson, 42, mechanic, Paint Lick

unemployed, Paint Lick and Steven M. Damrell, 19, carpenter, Paint Lick Dec. 3 Natosha L. Barrett, 23,

Brittany N. Gadd, 18,

country club, Richmond and Davis H. Reeves, 21,

Berea

clerk, Richmond Candace M. Jones, 20, cashier, Berea and Rodney H. Phenis, II, 20, welder,

Health Inspections

Inspections for week ending Dec. 5 *Regular Inspections with no follow-up due:*

Kenwood, Meadowlark Drive, Richmond 95% Kingston Shell, U.S. 421, Berea...... 96% Sandwich Shop, Lexington Road, Richmond 99% ABC Daycare, Churchill Drive, Richmond 100% Marshall Elementary, Martin Bypass, Richmond..... 100% Bluegrass Development, Recycle Drive, Richmond ... 99% Richmond Childcare, Duncannon Lane 100% Logan's Roadhouse, Lantern Ridge, Richmond....... 100%

Regular inspections with follow-up due: Critical Item: 1. Blue liquid in spray bottle not labeled. Critical Item: Several containers of cleaning product with

We're Rolling Pretzels, Eastern Bypass, Richmond 97%

Berea Coffee & Tea, Main Street, Berea 82% Critical Items: 1. Utensils being washed without santizing agent. 2. Employee handsink not accessible. Follow-up inspections with no follow-up due:

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College announces new buildings, Chamber bonors Duerson, Churchill and Davenport

December 1958

♦ Berea College announced the designs for a new men's dormitory and a long-sought alumni building. The decision to start construction of the two buildings came during a board of trustees meeting in New York City.

Funds for the new men' dorm, to be building northwest of the Draper Building on the location of World War II's Draper Row prefab housing, were donated by Berea trustee Barry Bingham, editor-in-chief of the Louisville Courier Journal, and the building would come to bear his name. The dorm would have space for 60 students, one married teacher and one single teacher.

The \$1.02 million Alumni Building had been in the planning stages since 1945, and would be built next to Fairchild Hall where the Gilbert House, Contrast House and Customer Service Building were then standing. The basement of that building would receive a complete renovation as part of the project. The 52,000square foot new building would house a snack bar, post office, student activities office, recreation facilities and large lounge. ♦ A \$1,000 check was

presented to Mrs. Bill Finnell, treasurer of Memorial Park, by Clint Hensley, superintendent of the Berea Rubber Company. The money was to be used to support the supervised summer recreational program and improved lighting for the playing field.

♦ Parsons' Electric on Chestnut Street advertised the new 1958 Mobile Maid Dish-Washer by General Electric, regularly \$219.95, but on sale for "\$189.95 and one old dish rag."

♦ Mr. And Mrs. Bob Shepherd spent a few days in Berea visiting with her brother, Ervin Connelly and family, en route to their new home in Morganton, N.C.

♦ Mr. And Mrs. Charles Honeycutt and son of Columbia, Tenn., were the Sunday breakfast guests of Miss Rhea Scrivner.

Miss Jackie Dunsel
of McKee was the weekend
guest of Miss Jenny Whiteaker of High Street.

Christmas customs in other lands were described for the Berea Woman's Club by five international students at Berea College during the club's December meeting. Shinko Sakata of Japan talked of how New

Year celebrations observed by all religions in her country. David Hopcraft told how the holiday is observed in Kenya, and Naji Abboud of Lebanon described customer of the Maronite Christians in their churches and homes. Luis Concha and Alvaro Perez showed how the Posadas are begin 10 days before Christmas, and a first-year Spanish class sang Mexican carols, including the customary Posadas music. Alice Le-Master sang a solo of "Jesu Bambino."

♦ The Scaffold Cane 4-H Club's November meeting featured a presentation of projects by the different clubs in the county, and plans for the Christmas party were made. Certificates were presented to members who had participated in 4-H for four or more years by Mr. Herbert and Mrs. Jo Nelda Cole.

♦ Officers for the new Berea Civil Air Patrol were announced by unit commander First Lt. Earl Hobein: Victor DeSimone, adjutant; Hugh Oglesby, supply officer; Paul Hadley, public relations officer; John Jennings, communications officer; Bob VanHook, administrative officer; Charles Stanley, training officer; Sherman Shearer, operations officer; Dave Hancock, transportation officer; and Eddie Kindred, finance officer. The squadron had received permission to use the Red Cross headquarters on Chestnut Street, where a radio station was to be located.

♦ Two Berea College Guernseys set production records, according to the American Guernsey Cattle Club. Carthage Rose, an 8-year-old, produced 13,281 pounds of milk and 627 pounds of fat in 305 days. Tress Queen, a senior 4-year-old, produced 11,721 pounds of milk and 579 pounds of fat in the same time period. Both cows were milked twice daily.

♦ The Progress Club met at the Chestnut Street home of Mrs. John Baker and hear a special program by Berea College faculty member Joe Ray. The presentation, entitled "Love in a Whimsical Vein," included excerpts from scripture, various poems, and ended with a reading of "Barbara Allen." Invited guests for the afternoon were Mrs. William Epling and Mrs. Ballard Robbins.

♦ Berea High School announced its second six week's honor roll, including seniors Devorah Combs, Gail Jennings, Dinah Jackson, Nina Parsons, Carolyn Sparks, Diana Brown, Teddy Azbill and Jim Lunsford; juniors Wavel Richardson, Jenny Whiteaker, Edward Abney, Louise Boggs, Billie Botkin, Vivian Newman, Mac Carnes and Brenda Bryant; sophomores Peggy Green, Leeann White, Kenneth Woods, Billy Baker, Alice LeMaster, Donna Powell, Martha Price, Clifford Reed and June McHargue; and freshmen Wenola Miller, Janice Kirk, Gail Strunk, Jo Neuber, Carol Cruse, Wayne Wheeler and Donald Rowlette.

♦ Playing at the Richmond Drive-In were "Man From Bitter Ridge" in color, Ma and Pa Kettle in "In the Ozarks," and Jerry Lewis in "Delicate Delinquent." The bottom of the advertisement read, "We hope to have in-car heaters for the weekend."

♦ At the Berea Chamber of Commerce Awards Banquet, Berea High teacher Miss Elizabeth Davenport was named Teacher of the Year for outstanding service in educating the community's children; D.C. Churchill of Churchill Weavers received the Man of Yesteryear Award for his unselfish support of and participation in civic activities and creating long-lasting benefits for the community; and Guy K. Duerson, Jr., was named Man of the Year for outstanding services and devotion to civic affairs in 1958. Earl Hobein was elected chamber present, and Duerson, the runner-up in the election, became the organization's first vice president.

♦ Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Kemp entertained with a dinner for Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin A. Roach and family of Athens, Ohio. After dinner, they were joined for dessert and bridge by Mr. and Mrs. William Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Williamson and Dr. and Mrs. Norman Wheeler.

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Hospice offers 10 ways to help a grieving friend over the holidays

Berea Living ♦ page B1

State DOT takes a second look at Phase II of bypass

Scott Powell teknohillbilly@yahoo.com

CITY HALL — With the state taking at close look and funding due to a budget shortfall, the second phase of the Berea Bypass could look a little different than first anticipated.

At a city council work session Tuesday, city administrator Randy Stone said the project has gone through a "practical design solution review" by the state, or a

review in an effort to save money while addressing the need and purpose of the project.

The only projects that make it through the process are ones the state intends to build," he

After a meeting between transportation cabinet staff and CDP Engineering (the city's engineering firm), the state presented the city with three recommendations for phase II:

from U.S. 25 to Ky. 1016, which which would require approval was initially designed as a fourlane span.

- narrow shoulder widths from 12 feet (with 10 feet paved) to 10 feet (with 6 feet paved).
- eliminate a .67-mile reconstruction of Ky. 21 between Montgomery Farm Supply and the curve just past the former forestry building. The state not-

the 1.54-mile stretch of bypass still be bid as a separate project, from the state legislature.

> Making the changes could shave upwards of \$8 million off the total cost of phase II.

The eliminated lanes could be built in the future as the state purchased bypass right-of-way wide enough for a four-lane

Phase II was funded through ed this work was not a part of a state 2009 budget appropria-• eliminate two lanes from the original bypass plan. It could tion, but the project will be in a

holding pattern until the recommendations are ironed out.

In other bypass updates, a much desired traffic signal at the intersection of the bypass and Menelaus Pike will not be installed initially. City officials wanted the signal since factory traffic using Menelaus will meet a stop sign at the bypass, and bypass traffic will not have to stop.

Stone said the state is using data from a 2001 traffic count, and see BYPASS page A3)

Bridge for Sale

♦ Prospect Street bridge must be offered for sale

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BEREA — Those in the market for a bridge may want to check with the city. There will soon be one for sale, and it's not in Brooklyn.

At Tuesday's meeting, city administrator Randy Stone said the Prospect Street improvement project has hit a snag after it was announced the bridge over Brushy Fork is considered historic. The structure was build in the 1930s as a Works Progress Administration project.

The bridge must now be documented and put up for auction. The purchaser of the structure, if any, would be required to move it.

Replacement of the bridge with a wider one to allow pedestrians access is a main goal of the

see **BRIDGE** page A3)



Sold out.

The Hollywells (Kelsey Debord and Andrew Tolliver) prepare for the holidays in Berea Arena Theater's production of "A Christmas Carol." All performances are sold out.

NOT EVEN A MOUSE...



Tanya Stewart photo)

Held by her dad, Matt Smith, little Evelyn Smith gets acquainted with her new friend, Yin, during the TLC Cat Refuge adoption event at the Acton Folk Center on Friday.

Event gives cats a home for Christmas

Tanya Stewart celticfire@windstream.net

OLD TOWN — The 15 potential adoptees put their best paws forward: Green and yellow eyes clear and bright and hopeful, coats--of every hue and pattern in the feline rainbow---meticulously self-groomed, and all of them ready to charm their way into human hearts and homes---certainly to better lives than they had known on the streets of Berea.

The foster cats of founder Teri Williams' TLC

(Tender Loving Cats) Cat Refuge, who were on display at Russel Acton Folk Center last Friday evening for adoption, are among the lucky few of Berea's growing number of homeless and feral kittens and cats. Those not fortunate enough to come into the care of Williams, other local animal rescue groups, or kind-hearted individuals, are essentially doomed to brutally brief lives of starvation, disease, unchecked reproduction, and an unmerciful death.

"There's not many humane initiatives in the county," says Williams. "We're not alone; it's a national issue."

Williams was inspired to start the non-profit TLC, a year and a half ago, by the feral cats who came to her door every day for food and a wary stroking. Concerned about the exponentially increasing numbers of kittens born among the feral population, she began to humanely trap the cats, getting them spayed and is not adopted. neutered by local veterinar-

ians, and releasing them. "The cats are still vulnerable," she says, to the vicissitudes of stray life; "But at least they won't bring kit-

tens into the situation." Some of the more attractive cats and kittens she fosters at her eight-acre home in Berea, socializing and preparing them for adoption through such avenues as the TLC website, Petfinder.com, and PetSmart. None of her foster cats are ever euthanised because it

see **HOME** page A11)

Parks department has new winter programming

The Berea Parks and Recreation Department continues to expand it offerings, and a new program will be offered in January.

Parks director Maggy Kriebel said the department's aerobics program has been expanded to four nights a week. The classes will take place from 6 until 7 p.m., and the cost for the six-week session is

Also coming in January is "Toddler Tuesdays," a program designed for youth ages 1-4 . Activities will allow parents to participate with their child.

"Fall Fest," which took place in November, was a first-time event for those with special needs. Kriebel said over 30 people took part in the event, which will be an annual one.

see PARKS page A12)



Swearing in...

Billy Wagers, Greg Lakes and Troy VanWinkle take the oath of office for Berea City Council during a special meeting after Tuesday's regular meeting. Wagers and Van-Winkle are new to the council, along with Ronnie Terrill and Jerry Little, who were also sworn in Tuesday. The oath is usually administered in January, but the city was notified by the Kentucky League of Cities that the ceremony should take place by year's end.

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♦ Dr. William Baker

Dr. William B. Baker, 77, of Berea, died Thursday, Dec. 11, 2008, at St. Joseph Berea Hospital.

Dr. Baker was born Aug. 19, 1931, in San Angelo, Texas, to the late Dr. John and Mattye Belle Baker. He was an orthodontist who practiced in Owensboro before retiring and moving to Berea. He was a member of the Berea First Christian Church, the American and Kentucky Dental Associations, Green River Dental Association and Southern Society of Orthodontists Association. He was past president of the Kentucky Orthodontic Association, a certified member of the American Board of Orthodontics, a member of the Berea Masonic Lodge 617, and a Shriner. He was a former member of the Owensboro Rotary Club, Berea Tourism Commission and had belonged to Sigma Chi at Centre College. He was a graduate of the University of Tennessee Dental School at Memphis and the Dewey School of Orthodontics in New York City. He was the founder of Baker Orthodontics in Owensboro.

Dr. Baker is survived by his wife, Biji Baker of Berea; his daughter, Jo Lynn Baker of Louisville; his sons, John Hill (Gina) Baker of Fayetteville, Ark., and Dr. Lawrence Bradley (Nancy) Baker of Owensboro; and his grandson, Worth Bradley Baker of Owensboro.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Kay Baker Mills. A memorial service for Dr. Baker was held Sunday, Dec. 14, at Davis and Powell Funeral Home with Dr. Jim Mahoney officiating. Burial was Saturday at Berea Cemetery. Expressions of sympathy may be made to the Shriners Hospital for Children, 1900 Richmond Rd., Lexington, KY

Minnie Lowery

Minnie Belle Lowery, 64, of Madison Avenue in Richmond, passed away Monday, Dec. 8, 2008, at Pattie A. Clay Regional Medical Center.

Ms. Lowery was born on March 17, 1944, in Madison County, the daughter of the late Henry and Fannie Collins Whittamore. She was a member of the Full Gospel Tabernacle, and enjoyed spending time with her

She was the widow of Mr. Raymond Douglas Lowery, and was also preceded in death by five brothers, Lloyd Whittamore, Nelson Whittamore, Willie Whittamore, Hubert Whittamore and Roy Whittamore, Jr.; and two sisters, Jenny Mae Smith and Jane Fritz.

Survivors include two sons, William Dickerson and Robert Allen (Sherry Lynn) Dickerson of Richmond; one daughter, Tonya (Gary W.) Cates of Berea; seven grandchildren, James Dickerson, Seth Moore, Bailey Elaine Dickerson, Christopher Todd Dickerson, Tyler Cates, Chelsea Dickerson and Logan Cates; and three sisters, Mary (Bill) Riddell of Richmond, Joyce Short of Richmond and Barbara Cates of Berea.

Funeral services were Thursday, Dec. 11, at Combs, Parsons and Collins Funeral Home with Rev. Kenneth Wilder officiating. Burial followed at Richmond Cemetery. Pallbearers were Buddy Whittamore, Frankie Smith, Billy D. Cain, Wayne Foster, Lee Mathews and Dennis Lowery.

♦ Roy R. Damrell

Roy Raymond Damrell, age 41, of Madison View Road, Berea, departed this life on Tuesday, Dec. 16, 2008, at St. Joseph-Berea Hospital after a lengthy illness. He was of the Holiness faith.

He was the son of Raymond Junior and Mary Freda Damrell of Mt. Vernon Road in Berea. Other than his parents, his is survived by two brothers, Kelvin (Lori) and Brian (Jennifer) Damrell; a grandmother, Cellia Roberts; a

son, Shawn; daughters, Reona, Katie and Kayla; and a whole host of nieces and nephews, and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his grandmother, Martha Damrell; his grandfather, Floyd Damrell; a nephew, Raymond Bradley Damrell; his grandfather, Roy Lee Roberts, Sr.; an uncle, Roy Lee Roberts, Jr.; and a cousin, Roy Lee Roberts, III.

Visitation will be from 5-9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 18, at Davis and Powell Funeral Home. Funeral services for Mr. Damrell will be 1 p.m. Friday, Dec. 19, at the Davis and Powell Funeral Home with Bro. Bruce Alcorn and Jim Poynter officiating. Burial will follow at Madison Memorial Gardens.

♦ Millie Marie Stewart

Millie Marie Stewart, age 83, passed away Thursday, Dec. 11, 2008, at her home.

Ms. Stewart was born July 23, 1925, in Harlan County to the late George and Martha Swanson Stewart. She was a retired realtor and a Baptist by faith. She touched the lives of all she came in contact with.

She is survived by her daughter, Martha Fowler of Berea; her son, Anthony Austrew of Berea; nieces, Geraldine Crystall Austrew, Diana Saylor and Debbie Stewart; her sister, Stella Little of Chicago, Ill.; her grandchildren and great-grandchildren, Serenity Fowler, and Danny, Kim, Tony and Amanda Ciaffarafa.

She was preceded in death by two sons, Anthony Ciaffarafa and William Stewart.

Graveside services for Ms. Stewart were Monday, Dec. 15, at the Grubbs Cemetery in Harlan County. Davis and Powell Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

Charles Tyree

Charles Tyree, age 79 of London, formerly of Berea, died Tuesday, Dec. 2, 2008, at the Baptist Regional Hospital in Corbin.

Mr. Tyree was the son of the late Charles and Fannie Kirby Tyree. He was a former Dresser Industries employee and attended church at the Crestview Holy Sanctuary in Berea.

He was preceded in death by nine brothers and sisters, Carma Clontz, Mary

Gregory, Elizabeth Tyree, Geraldine Ochs, and Don, Arthur, George, Matt and Talmadge Tyree.

He is survived by his children, Talmadge (Carol) Tyree of Hamilton Ohio, Mary (Fred) Elizabeth Wagers of London, Jean (Ronald) Willis of Berea, Robin Kidwell of Mt. Vernon, Brenda (Michael) Lee Chasteen of Richmond and Rodney (Donna) Tyree of Cartersville; 13 grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren and five great-great-grand-

Funeral services were Saturday, Dec. 6, 2008, at Crestview Holy Sanctuary with Bro Harold Eads and Bro. David Wagers presiding. Burial was at Elmwood Cemetery in Mt. Vernon. Lakes Funeral Homewas in charge of ar-

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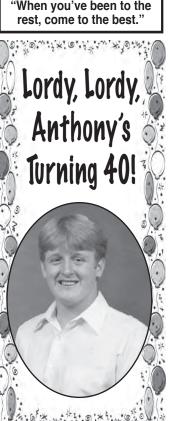


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The IRA, a popular retirement savings vehicle, has always given your earnings the benefit of tax-deferred rowth. Now. with higher contribution limits due to tax law changes, you can potentially boost your retire

If you haven't already done so, consider contributing now for 2007 because the sooner you start saving the sooner your money can start growing tax-deferred. For 2007, you are eligible to contribute up to \$4,000, plus an additional \$1,000 if you're 50 years of age or older. That's a total of \$5,000 for some

Let's use the example of a 50-year-old investor who makes the maximum contribution to an IRA

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nce of any specific investment product. Data assumes a \$0-year-old making maximum anni I contributions of \$5,000 for 2007 and \$6,000 for 2008 and thereafter. This illustration does

t is important to note that returns on your IRA investments are not guaranteed and you may ex cipal. Here are a few facts you should know • The increased contribution limits offer greater opportunities for tax-deferred growth that

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A 10% penalty tax is applied to the taxable amount of any withdrawal an individual makes before they reach age 591/2, with certain exceptions.

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tor a single asset allocation strategy for all your IRA savings and keep that strategy on track

to limit the account charges that you pay, and you'll have just one easy-to-view source for all of your IRA information. Among other things, this should make determining your RMDs a simpler process. A Financial Advisor can assist you in determining how to invest your IRA assets to help address your evestment objectives, taking into account your time horizon, risk tolerance and other circumstances. If

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(Berea Police Reports)

Monday, Dec. 1

• 12:30 p.m., 101 Goldenhead Drive. Residence entered and items valued at \$3,000 were taken.

Saturday, Dec. 6

• 3:02 p.m., Berea College Alumni Building. A backpack containing a laptop and other items, valued at \$1,400 was taken from the information desk.

Thursday, Dec. 11

• 10:37 p.m., 101 Burdette Street, Apt. 5. Arrested Kimberly Kirby, 45, of Burdette Street, and charged

her with first-degree assault charged him with operating (domestic).

Saturday, Dec. 13

- 9:06 a.m., Madison County Detention Center, Richmond. Arrested Aaron Raleigh, 20, of Maple Street, on a Madison County warrant for parole violation and theft by unlawful taking over \$300.
- 6:13 p.m., Lewis Street. Arrested Buford Pearson, 41, of Maple Street, on a Rockcastle County warrants for non-payment of fines and contempt of court, and

on a suspended license.

Sunday, Dec. 14

- 12:19 a.m., Interstate 75 southbound, 74 mile marker. Arrested Larry K. Goff, 58. Of Mt. Vernon, and charged him with DUI
- 12:19 a.m., Prince Royal Drive. Arrested Dustin W. Lynch, 23, of Spring Circle Drive, on a Madison County warrant for non-payment of fine.

Four double-fatality crashes last week

indicate that fifteen people died in nine separate crashes on Kentucky roadways from Monday, Dec. 8 through Sunday, Dec. 14,

All of the fatalities involved motor vehicles and eight of those victims were not wearing seat belts. The seat belt status of three victims could not be determined. Three crashes involved the suspected use of alcohol. Single vehicle crashes occurred in Allen, Knott, Meade and Taylor

A triple-fatality crash occurred in Pike County and alcohol was suspected

(Bridge)

FROM THE FRONT

received a \$2.2 million fed-

eral earmark for the project,

which must have a 20 per-

cent funding match from

the city. That earmark was

only recently released, and

was reduced by 20 per-

cent, leaving the \$2.6 mil-

lion project about \$400,000

Prospect Street from Boone Tavern to Peachbloom Hill

with a sidewalk on one

side and a shared-use path

on the other, drainage and lighting improvments, as

well as replacement of the

hearings in early 2009, work

could begin in spring.

Stone said after public

includes

Currently, the project

reconstructing

In 2005, Berea College

Preliminary statistics as a possible factor. A total of four double-fatality crashes occurred last week. These crashes were reported in Harlan, Hart, Jefferson and Nicholas counties.

Through Dec. 15, preliminary statistics indicate that 772 people have lost their lives on Kentucky roadways during 2008. This is 59 fewer than reported for this time period in 2007. Of the 595 motor vehicle fatalities, 371 victims were not wearing seat belts. Of the 88 motorcycle fatalities, 52 were not wearing helmets. Twenty-three people have been killed in ATV crashes and 21 of those were not wearing helmets. Sixty pedestrians have been killed. A total of 165 fatalities have resulted from crashes involving the suspected use

Citizens can contribute to highway safety by reporting erratic drivers to the Kentucky State Police tollfree at 1-800-222-5555. Callers will remain anonymous and should give a description of the vehicle, location, direction of travel and license number if possible.

These statistics are still preliminary as KSP waits for all local law enforcement agencies throughout the state to report any crashes and fatalities that may have occurred in their areas.

(Bypass)

FROM THE FRONT and he has requested a new count be conducted after the bypass officially opens. He asked if the city could bid out the traffic signal on its own and was told no.

It appears a traffic signal is the only thing holding up the opening of phase I of the bypass. Installation of the signal at the bypass' junction with

U.S. 25 has not been completed, but could be before

The city is working with Bluegrass Energy to install street lights at the bypass' beginning at Ky. 595. The state transportation cabinet does not include street lights in its projects except at interstate ramps.

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Okay, Santa Clause is watching so I'll

'fess up. A friend e-mailed the "attorney

card" to me and I couldn't resist.

Thursday, Dec. 18, 2008

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Good wishes in legalese

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With Christmas a week away we're enjoying the many cards we're getting from customers, friends and colleagues who've been sending good wishes to the staff.

We were especially glad to see this one from Mayor Connelly on behalf of the City.

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Winter weather and winter water

From watching the television news Tuesday morning, one would have believed the biggest blizzard in over a century had struck Central Kentucky.

I sleep with my television on (don't ask me why be-

cause I don't know), and I partially awoke that morning to a news reporter who sounded quite excited about the amount of snow and ice Lexington had received. As I was only hearing this news at this point, I delayed my exit from under my

quilt for a little while longer, dreading the trudge to the car and scraping ice from the windshield in the cold.

I finally rolled over to get up (thanks to the persistence of my cat Baker who, coincidentally, is named for Dr.

Bill Baker who passed away last week). I laughed so hard when I saw the pictures on the television of how "hard" Lexington was "hit" by this weather system. I've seen more ice in my freezer than what that reporter was calling a major weather event.

According to the National Weather Service, Lexington received between 1 and 2 inches of snow. Down in our neck of the woods, as you know, this just got a little wet.

Why is it people tend to overreact to winter weather, purchasing every loaf of bread and gallon of milk in existence at the first mention of snow? No one seems to act that way when tornados and severe thunderstorms approach during the warmer months. Actually, many people I know will stand on the porch to watch for funnel clouds (and laugh at me for sitting in the hallway rocking back and forth while singing "How Great Thou Art".

And while we're on the subject of winter weather, Donald Blackburn is right (although I can't recall a time I know of when he was wrong). At Tuesday's council meeting he said if I were to go back to Owsley Fork and take another picture to compare with the one on last week's front page, there would be little difference despite the recent rains.

I had actually taken another picture that morning, and the only difference was the size of the mud hole in the center of the photo.

There's a reason. Blackburn said BMUD is pumping water from Owsley Fork to refill Cowbell Reservoir (two of the three from which the city draws water). Once Cowbell is full, and it should be close, Owsley will be allowed to fill back up.

I know that will relieve the people who live along Owsley Fork. What is usually one of the most beautiful places in Southern Madison County is looking pretty pitiful right now.

Let's all just hope it fills up before next summer, and the effort to expand the water supply stays on track.



"Let us not be weary in well doing, for in due season we shall reap if we faint not." - Galatians 6:9



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Holiday reminder from the post office...

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It's that time of year again and we're ready to help our customers with their holiday mailings.

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County schools super responds to budget cut recommendations |

♦ Cut in state funds not as severe as previously proposed

Submitted to the Citizen

RICHMOND – A new budget proposal from Kentucky Gov. Steven L. Beshear is a "demonstration of true leadership," said Madison County Schools Superintendent Tommy Floyd. "This governor is looking out for Kentucky's kids."

"Gov. Beshear's current recommendations will protect Kentucky schools and Kentucky students from another financial hit that could have been devastating to many Kentucky districts," Floyd said.

The previously proposed 4 percent cut in SEEK funds and state grants would have cost our district approximately \$1.6 million in the current year budget, Floyd said. The proposed 2 percent cut in state grant funds proposed by the governor earlier this week will reduce that number to less than \$200,000 for this fiscal

In a report to Kentucky Education Commissioner Jon Draud last week, Floyd said the district would have to absorb the bulk of a 4 percent cut to SEEK funds and state grant funds by

using the district's contingency funds. With the governor's new proposal, Madison County Schools will be able to find ways to operate more efficiently and collaboratively as a way to offset the pending 2 percent reduction in state grant funds.

"Kentucky is facing a critical time regarding the education of its children," Floyd said. "We have indeed made great progress since 1990. While many people say they support public education, it is my hope that every Madison County Schools supporter will make their voice heard in support of the governor's efforts as well as legislators such as Rep. Harry Moberly and Sen. Ed Worley as they work to provide continued adequate funding for our kids."

"Madison County Schools will continue to be conservative as we begin the 2009-2010 draft budget process," Floyd said.

The district will open a new middle school in the fall of 2009. Staffing at B. Michael Caudill Middle School as well as redistricting the middle school feeder patterns in the northern part of the district are going to be key issues to a successful financial year.

"We will present a plan for redistricting the Richmond area to the board of education after the holiday break. This plan will provide maximum efficiency with regards to transportation costs and time utilization," Floyd said.

Floyd said Madison County Schools will continue to ask district administration, teachers and support staff for two things:

- To keep the focus on providing the ongoing quality instructional program that is establishing Madison County Schools as a state leader, and
- To ask every day how we can work together to save on the costs of utilities, fuel, travel and instructional materials so that the district can continue to ensure that Every Student Counts.

"The proposal from Gov. Beshear this morning is great news for Madison County Schools and districts across the state," Floyd said. "It exemplifies a governor that understands what a reduction of 4 percent to SEEK funds would have meant for Kentucky's kids. However, it is not yet a reality. We all need to voice our support for our governor's plan as it moves to the legislature."

Second possible case of whooping cough

Submitted to the Citizen

The Madison County Health Department investigated a second case of pertussis ("whooping cough") in Madison County Schools late last week. Health officials notofied parents of students in close contact with a Waco Elementary student that the child's condition was confirmed.

It is most likely that children have been vaccinated against pertussis because it is included in the DTaP vaccine that children are required to have before they begin school. If a child is up-to-date on shots, the possibility of catching pertussis is low.

Madison County Schools worked with the Madison County Health Department throughout the day to ensure the students and staff were safe from any health risk. District School Nurse Coordinator Becky Carr said parents of students considered to be in close contact with the child infected were notified personally and were

they should take. Other students were sent home with a letter to parents explaining the situation.

Parents are being asked to consider the following suggestions from the Madison County Health Department:

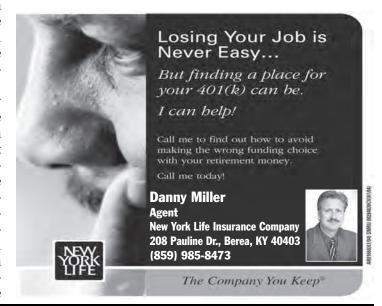
discuss your child's immunization status.

2. If your child has a cough illness that sounds like that described above.

advised as to the actions call your doctor for evaluation and testing.

3. Keep ill children home from activities in which any illness could be spread to others. Examples include church, family events, scouts and team

A case of whooping 1. If you think your cough was identified at child's shots may not be Shannon Johnson Elemenup-to-date, contact your tary School on Dec. 2. child's health provider to Health officials handled the notification process in the same fashion today as on that day, Carr said.



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Hospice gets a little help decking the halls

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EnerSys Company in Richmond helped the Compassionate Care Center with Christmas this year. Members of the EnerSys activity committee worked with other employees throughout the company to purchase and decorate items for the Compassionate Care Center.

Pam Lane coordinated the project. Pam's mother is a Hospice Volunteer at the Center. EnerSys Company adopts a project every year, this year they choose Hospice's Compassionate Care Center.

In addition to purchasing a 7 and one-half foot Christmas Tree with ornaments, the committee collected and purchased



EnerSys activity committee members Mary Rose Dauley, Dianne Smith, Pam Lane, Linda Keene, Robert Smith and Richard Johnson, who recently brought holiday spirit to the Hospice Compassionate Care Center. Also on the committee but not pictured is Debra Harrison.

personal hygiene items, snacks, paper and pencils, cards, crayons, books, and magazine subscriptions for family members to use at the Center. On Saturday

Dec. 7, eight employees including the plant manager, Dennis Brumbaugh, showed up at the Center to decorate and distribute the gifts along with several

Compassionate Care Center volunteers and family members. Even Annie the therapy dog got a present from the company.

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Eden honored by Surge...

Harold Eden of Berea was honored this week by Surge Promotions and Madison Sport Report by receiving the Impact Award. Eden has consistently maintained the scorebook for the Madison Southern High School boys basketball team as a volunteer since the school opened in 1988. He is a retired school teacher a dedicated fan of Madison Southern athletics. Impact Awards are presented to those in the local sports community who make a difference in children.

Teachers earn national certification

Five teachers in the Madison County School System, including two from Berea, have achieved National Board Certification.

They are Denise Read of Foley Middle School, Jerri Grubbs of Foley Middle School, Alison Fox of Madison Central High School, Crista Rose of Madison Central High School and Victoria Rollins of the Kentucky Technology Center. There are now 25 National Board Certified teachers in the district.

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Guests took part in a yuletide feast in an atmosphere of heraldry, pageantry and song and were treated to a performance of the Mummer's Play, which was a feature of medieval gatherings. The evening's feast was fit for royalty, featuring carved roast beef, roasted vegetables, breads, dessert, coffee and teas.

The performance was directed by Transylvania professor of music and director of choral ensembles, Gary L.

Felts played trumpet in the medieval ensemble. A chemistry major at the university, he is the son of Charles and Betty Felts of Berea.

Price played a serving wench during the performance. She is the daughter of Reuben and Phyllis Price of Berea.

Transylvania, founded in 1780, is the nation's sixteenth oldest institution of higher learning and is consistently ranked in national publications as one of the top liberal arts colleges in the country.

MadCo. Civil War Rountable...

The bimonthly meeting of the Madison County Civil War Roundtable will be at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 16, at Dinner Bell Restaurant on Plaza Drive.

Local Civil War historian Kevin Bennett will give a lecture entitled "Morgan's Luck Runs Out: The Battle of Buffington Island, Ohio, on July 19, 1863."

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To insure that every cat adopted from her is cared for responsibly, Williams has a stringent set of criteria to be met by those adopting. The animal must be permanently adopted by a household, rather than for sale or adoption to another party. If the cat goes outside, it must be properly supervised, and Williams says, "I totally, totally, totally prefer that they be inside cats." If, at any point, the owner can't keep the cat, the cat will be returned to TLC. (Only two cats have been returned so far; both were adopted again shortly after.) TLC has the right to call the adoptive home at "any reasonable time" to check that the cat is being cared for properly, and the Refuge is to be kept informed of the home's current address and phone number. And if the cat was not spayed or neutered at the time of adoption, the owner must have the procedure done as soon as possible.

Williams networks with other local animal rescue groups who, as she puts it, have a "shared interest, a shared vision": Berea Friends of Animals, the Humane Society of Madison County, The Kitty, Inc., as well as being on a listserve for rescue groups throughout Kentucky and Ohio. The Madison County Animal Shelter contributes food and cat litter. "Waco Animal Hospital and Berea Animal Hospital have helped me a lot," says Williams; "They do what they can to help, financially and time-wise.'

Much of that collaborative vision involves educating the public both about

cats and all animals, and of the importance of spaying and neutering to prevent unwanted litters. The national recession has exacerbated the problem of animals---especially cats---being abandoned by their former owners, who are moving to homes in which pets are not allowed, or who can no longer afford to feed and care for them. "They think that [cats] can take care of themselves," says Williams. "It's a myth."

In addition, spaying and neutering are done far less in rural areas, according to volunteer Debbie Jackson, because of what she calls a "utilitarian attitude toward animals." "There's not a lot of thought about spay/neuter," she says. Also still prevalent is the irresponsible notion that children should be able to witness "the miracle of birth"---never mind that two mated cats can, over seven years, theoretically produce 120,000 offspring,

" I get calls every day and it's at a "near-crisis

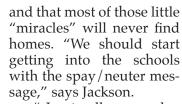
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Four of the TLC cats found new homes last Friday; Williams' goal was five, and a possible adopter who had seen the Refuge's newspaper ad called after the event. The others will return to the comfort and safety of Teri Williams' home, to be adopted an-









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There will be no mail delivery on Christmas or New Year's Day.

(Parks)

Other events for residents with special needs are planned, including a winter celebration in January and a Valentine's dance in February.

City administrator Randy Stone said the new programming means the Acton Folk Center is occupied by city activities four nights a week, and demonstrates the need for indoor recreation space.

For information on these programs, call the parks office at 986-9402.



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Section B

Public library announces its holiday open house party

Submitted to the Citizen

The Madison County Public Library's Berea location will host its annual Holiday Open House Party from 1 until 4 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 20. The event is free and open to the public.

Ornament making tables will be set up in the community room from 1 -4 p.m. and everyone will be invited to make a few. Santa Claus will drop in to visit with children around the fire place from 1-2:30 p.m. The library will try to have someone with a camera to take pictures, but it would be a great idea to bring your own camera to take pictures of your child with Santa just in case. (It is impossible to tell how many people will turn up at this event.)

To feed your soul, musicians Andrew Taylor and Becca Miller will be performing holiday tunes around the fire place from 2-3. Andrew and Becca, play fiddle for the Berea Festival Dancers and are in local Bluegrass ensembles as well.

Don't miss this fabulously talented young duo.

To warm your spirit, homemade holiday cookies and apple cider will be offered for all to enjoy. From 2:30- 4:00 p.m. in the theater will be a showing of some classic holiday short car-

The library appreciates the support its patrons give the library all year long. For more information call Pat Acevedo, the Youth Services Librarian, at 986-7112. If there special needs please call the library in advance.



photo submitted)

Helpful Hawks...

The Shannon Johnson Elementary School Hawks have been in the giving mood this season. During the school's food drive, coordinated by the South Madison Family Resource Center and SJE's Community Outreach Team, the students collected 1,126 cans and boxed food items for Christmas food baskets for local families and Berea's Food Bank. They more than doubled the school goal of 500

Southern students earn third in science event

of the Cumberlands hosted piad. More than 300 students and teachers from 14

On Nov. 21, University Tennessee, and Ohio gath- School. Maya Todd and ered to compete in 15 sci- Tara Bilby, from Madison

Southern High School and high schools in Kentucky, Rockcastle County High

the annual Chemistry Sym- ence-related competitions. Southern, received third-posium and Science Olym- Among the schools place in the Biology Team present were Madison Demonstrations competi-

— Submitted | to celebrate the holidays.

How to Help a Grieving **Friend During the Holidays**

♦ Hopice offers 10 practical ways you can offer help and support

Submitted to the Citizen

The holidays, especially the first ones after a loved one's death, can be especially difficult for a person who is grieving. Friends and family members may be unsure how to act or what to say to support their grieving loved one during the holidays.

In general, the best way to help those who are grieving during the holidays is to let them know you care. They need to be remembered, and they need to know their loved ones are remembered, too. Local hospice grief counselors emphasize that friends and family members should never be afraid of saying or doing the wrong thing, because making an effort and showing concern will be appreciated.

Here are some tips that grieving people have

shared:

Some may wish to follow traditions; others may choose to change their ritu-

2. Offer to help with tangible tasks such as baking, cleaning, or decorating. Seemingly simple tasks can be overwhelming while dealing with grief.

3. Invite the person to attend a religious service with you and your family.

4. Offer to help with holiday shopping or share your favorite catalogs or on-line shopping sites.

5. Invite your friend to your home for the holi-

6. Inquire if your friend is interested in volunteering with you during the holiday season. Doing something for someone else, such as helping at a soup kitchen or working with children, may help him or her feel better about the holidays.

1. Be supportive of the loved one, as a reminder at 859-986-1500 or 1-800way your friend chooses that his or her special per- 806-5492. son is not forgotten.

8. Remember to avoid telling your friend that he or she should be "over it;" grief is an individual process and there are no right or wrong ways to grieve.

9. If your friend wants to talk about the deceased loved one or feelings associated with the loss, LIS-TEN. Don't worry about being conversational....just

10. Remind the person you are thinking of him or her and the loved one who died. Cards, phone calls and visits are great ways to stay in touch.

Many people are not aware that Hospice Care Plus is a valuable resource that can help people who are struggling with grief and loss. Hospices provide bereavement support to the families they serve and often offer services to other members of the community 7. Make a donation in as well. For more informaemory of your friend's tion call Hospice Care Plus

In memory of a Cruiser...

Hillbilly Cruisers' Car Club was pleased to make a donation of \$1,485.89 to the Berea Fire Department for the annual toy drive. The Hillbilly's club has been largely inactive in recent years. With the recent economic downturn and the Berea Fire Departments need for donations, it was the perfect time to donate the remaining funds. The Hillbilly Cruisers also wanted to memorialize a very special man, Paul Stewart. He was one of the founding members of the Hillbilly Cruisers, and was "a friend who sticks closer than a brother." He loved to swap stories, laugh, whittle, and drive the back roads. He was a friend that could always be relied upon for help. He had enjoyed only a few short years of retirement, before being diagnosed with lung cancer. He traveled many a happy mile with the cruisers, but he traveled his last mile on Dec. 5, 2008, leaving Berea better off for knowing him. Pictured left to right are Ann Scenters, Tammy Whittamore, Kenny Whittamore, fireman Jake Lake and Junior Scenters.



♦ Citizen Cookin' **Buttery Sugar Cookies**

1 cup sugar 1 cup butter or margarine, softened 1 teaspoon vanilla extract 2 large eggs 3 cups Martha White® All-Purpose Flour



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- 2. HEAT oven to 350°F. Roll dough on lightly floured surface to 1/8-inch thickness. Cut with 2 1/2-inch round or shaped cutter. Place 1-inch apart on ungreased cookie sheets.
- 3. BAKE 10 to 12 minutes or until light golden brown. Cool 1 minute; remove from cookie sheets. Cool 10 minutes or until completely cooled. Decorate as desired.

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Dalessio, Baker



Mr. and Mrs. Howard Baker are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Kristin Marie Baker, to Michael Anthony Dalessio. Michael is the son of Debbie Dalessio of Nashua, N.H.

Kristin is a 2002 graduate of Berea Community High School and a 2006 graduate of Berea College. She is currently a manager at Appalachian Arts & Crafts and Quilt Shop on College Square in Berea. Michael is a 2001 graduate of Nashua Senior High in New Hampshire and a 2005 graduate of Berea College. He is currently employed as a graduate assistant at the University of Kentucky for the UK Health and Wellness Program, where he is obtaining his Master's degree in exercise physiology.

The wedding is planned for October 2009.

Denny, Mahaffey



WEDDING

Michael "Mikey" Keith Wayne Denny and Shian Ashley Blair Mahaffey Denny were joined in marriage on Nov. 23, during a private ceremony, officiated by Mark Adams, at the home of Larry and Lana Adams of Mount Vernon, grandparents of the bride. An April honeymoon has been planned in Pigeon Forge and Gatlinburg, Tenn.

A reception will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 20, at the Russel Acton Folk Center in Berea to celebrate their union and the Christmas season.

Weaver, Black



WEDDING

Steve Weaver and Cathy Black were united in marriage on Oct. 24, at the Chapel of Love in Gatlinburg, Tenn.

Cathy is the owner of Cathy's Cleaning Crew and a real estate investor. Steve is employed by G.E. in Winchester and is owner of Weaver, Inc., in Richmond. They have three beautiful children, Chelsey Weaver, Jordan Black and Tyler Black.

The couple will reside in Richmond.

Births

A daughter born to Cindy Reed and Robert King of

Dec. 4

A son born to Kelly and Ronald Hess of Berea

Dec. 5 A daughter born to Heather Phillips of Berea

A son born to Stephanie and Craig Sowders of Richmond

Dec. 8

A daughter born to Hilary Sackenheim and John Wolsky of Richmond

Dec. 9 A daughter born to

Leann and Randall Calico of A son born to Linda

Howard and Brett Parker of A son born to Holly and

Justin Poynter of Stanford

A daughter born to Amber and Clell Swinney of Mt. Vernon

♦ Marriages

Regina M. Roberts, 48, disabled, Richmond to Kevin L. Smith, 40, disabled, Richmond

Dec. 8

Kristy L. Bowlin, 19, fast food, Berea to James E. Gamble, Jr., 19, retail, Berea

Rhonda G. Marcum, 31, student, Richmond to David A. Ray, 45, electrician, Richmond Dana L. Fowler, 33,

warehouse associate, Richmond to Robert A. Mullins, 36, postal worker, Richmond

Hetalben Vishnubhai Patel, 19, student, Richmond to Mukesh R. Patel, 23, student, Richmond

Dec. 10

Tiffany F. Price, 26, cashier, Richmond to Aaron G. Mosley, Jr., CMA, Richmond

Lisa N. Brock, 22, unemployed, Richmond to Winford A. McHone, 18, EKU, Richmond Dec. 11

Rebecca K. Durham, 26, unemployed, Berea to Timothy L. Gooch, 27, construc-

Ashley Nicole Payne, 20, student, Rockvale, Tenn., to Daniel Lawrence Leonard, 19, carpenter, Gulfport,

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net.

Deer Hunt...

Blake Harold age 9, took this deer on Dec. 14, on a privately owned farm in Garrard County. Bow season in Kentucky ends Jan. 19.



photo submitted)

Local students take part in award-winning EKU film

Submitted to the Citizen

A film written and produced by two Eastern Kentucky University faculty members and involving six student interns recently earned the Best Short Film Award at the 2008 Cinefest Movie Expo and Festival in Louisville.

"The Library," the brainchild of John Fitch and Chad Cogdill, was produced at EKU in the summer of 2008 with the sixstudent crew. The students were: Robert Tipton, David White, Richmond; James Webb, Berea; Roy Farley, Harlan; Marshall James, Lexington; and John Kyle Colvin, Louisville.

Fitch, who wrote the script two years ago to use in class and re-wrote it earlier this year for this project, said the six-minute-plus film "is about a shy young man who lives out his dreams in his head. These flights of fancy eventually

bring him into contact with a hard reality.

"We wanted people to laugh when they watched, we wanted a film that would do well in film festivals, and we wanted our students to have a handson film lab."

The film was shot in four days, pre-production lasted approximately two months and post-production three weeks. Students contributed in all phases, including casting, locations scouting, securing craft services, wardrobe, art direction, publicity, lighting, camera assistant, assistant director, etc.

"All the students worked very hard and did more than what was required of them,' Cogdill said. "If there is one thing I wanted them to take from this entire experience it is the fact that you must be extremely focused and organized. There had to be a tremendous amount of preplanning and organization

going into each production day. It was good for them to see how organized you need to be for a film production, and I hope they apply some of these organizational skills to whatever they decide to do in the future."

Within EKU's Broadcasting and Electronic Media major, Cogdill and Fitch share five courses in the Film Techniques and Technology (FTT) track: Cinema History I and II, Film Techniques and Technology, Screenwriting, Electronic Cinema Production and an elective Film Genre class. In three years, the FTT option has grown from no majors to approximately 40.

"This was the second summer film production John and I produced," Cogdill said. "Our goal is to make this an annual opportunity for students involved in film techniques area of the Communication department."



Winners in the high school division were (left to right) Lindsey Carr (first), Haley Carmen (second), Robert Holliday (second) and Zach Short (first).

Southern students take top honors at invitational archery tournament

Submitted to the Citizen

On Dec. 6, Madison Southern High School hosted the Madison County Archery Invitational at Church on the Rock. Students from Foley Middle School, Glenn Marshall Elementary, Shannon Johnson Elementary, Kirksville Elementary, along with students from Harrison County and Frankfort Christian Academy, attended the

This was a good opportunity for first year students to get an idea of what it is like to shoot in a competition and shoot against other students from other

elementary, middle and high schools and good practice for those students returning.

In the high school division, Madison Southern had two shooters in both the boys and girls to tie and they had to have a shoot off. Robert Holliday and Zach Short shot a 276 with thirteen 10s. Lindsey Carr and Haley Carmen both shot a 272.

After the shoot off, Zach Short and Lindsey Carr took first place with Robert Holliday and Haley Carmen taking second. In third place were Anthony McIntosh and Whitney Osborne from Madison

Southern.

Zach, Lindsey, and Robert have been shooting for three years with Southern and Haley has been shooting two years. This is Anthony's first year shooting on the team.

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- Harvest Missionary Independent Baptist Church, 1711 Big Hill Road, Berea. Bro. Andy Sexton. Sunday worship 11 a.m. 986-1664
- Hays Fork Baptist Church, 4447 Hays Fork Lane, Kingston. Pastor Vincent Carman. 986-4545
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- Middletown Baptist Church, 2253 Menelaus Rd., Berea. Rev. Bill Woods. Sunday worship 986-9137
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- Lick Road, Big Hill. Sunday worship 11 a.m. 986-2949 • Roundstone Missionary Baptist
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- Glades Christian Church, Glades Road, Berea. Pastor Rick Fulton. Sunday worship 10:30 a.m. 986-1421 • Wayside Christian Church, Menelaus
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- Berea Church of Christ, 357 North Dogwood Drive, Berea, Bro. Charles Moore. Sunday worship 11 a.m. 986-
- Dreyfus Church of Christ, Bear Wallow Road, Dreyfus. Bro. Jim Stillwagoner. Sunday worship 11 a.m, 986-9454
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a.m. 985-1194 — Presbyterian

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— Other

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- Calvary Apostolic Church, Kentucky Hwy. 21 West, Berea. Pastor Alan Peevler. Sunday worship 2 p.m.
- Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 156 S. Keeneland Drive, Richmond. Bishop Emery Martin. Sunday sacrament 10:50 a.m. 624-
- Berea Freewill Baptist Church, Hwy. 1016, Berea. Pastor Walter McCoy. Sunday worship 11 a.m. (606) 308-4019
- Liberty Avenue Full Gospel Outreach, 113 Liberty Avenue, Berea. Pastor Donald R. Wilson. Sunday worship 11 a.m.
- Union Church, Main and Prospect streets, downtown Berea. Rev. Kent Gilbert. Sunday worship, 10:30 a.m.
- Unitarian Universalists, 1081 Willis Branch Rd., Richmond. Sunday service 10:45 a.m. 986-7736
- River of Life Foursquare Church, 104 John Street, downtown Berea. Pastor Tim Lawson. Sunday worship 10:30 a.m. 985-7809
- First Faith Independent Church, Menelaus Pike. Sunday worship 11 a.m.
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Thursday Dec. **18th**

♦ Berea Arena Theater presents "A Christmas Carol," 7:30 p.m., at the theater at 1835 Big Hill Road. Tickets are sold out. www.bereaarenathe-

♦ Jammin' on the Porch, 7 p.m., Berea Welcome Center in Old Town. Father/daughter duo Donna and Lewis Lamb host this open jam session every Thursday night. Bring your instrument and join in.

Friday Dec. 19th

presents "A Christmas Carol," 7:30 p.m., at the theater at 1835 Big Hill Road. Tickets are sold out. www.bereaarenatheater.

♦ Berea Arena Theater

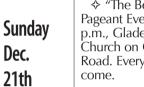
♦ Last day of school for Berea Independent and Madison County school districts (holiday break). Students will return to class on Jan. 4.

Saturday Dec. 20th

♦ Berea Arena Theater presents "A Christmas Carol," 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m., at the theater at 1835 Big Hill Road. Tickets are sold out. www. bereaarenatheater.com

♦ Madison County Public Library Holiday Part, 1-3:30 p.m., at the library on Chestnut Street. Ornament making, music, movies in the theater and more. See page B1 for more details.

♦ "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever," 6:30-8:30 p.m., Glades Christian Church on Glades Road. Everyone welcome.



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First Day of Winter

Monday Dec. **22nd**



Tuesday Dec. **23rd**

Wednesday Dec. 24th

♦ First Christian Church will hold its annual Christmas Eve service at 7 p.m. All are welcome. 986-

Carols," 8-9 p.m., Glades Christian Church on Glades Road. Enjoy the reason for the season. Everyone welcome.

♦ Christmas Eve at Union Church: family worship at 5:15 p.m.; finger food reception at 6:30; special candlelight communion at 11 with a special offering for BUURR.

Christmas Eve

(Regular Community Meetings)

♦ Berea Business & Professional Women's Organization, 6 p.m., first Wednesday of the month at Boone Tavern. 986-4366;

♦ DAV Chapter 160, 6:30 p.m., second Tuesday of each month, Berea Senior Citizens Center.

♦ PFLAG (Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays), 7 p.m., first Monday of the month at 7 p.m. Call for meeting location, (859) 200-9512.

♦ Berea Elementary School Site-Based Decision Making Council, 3:30 p.m., first Thursday of the month, school library.

♦ Berea Lodge #617 F&AM, 7 p.m., first Monday and third Friday of the month, lodge hall on Chestnut Street.

Experimental Aircraft Association: Chapter 892, 1 p.m., last Sunday of the month, Madison

♦ Marine Corps League, 7 p.m.,

fourth Thursday of the month, First Southern Bank, Richmond. 623-

♦ Berea Ministerial Association, first Wednesday of the month, 11:30 a.m. until 1 p.m., with a brown bag lunch. 986-4553 or 986-3725.

♦ American Legion Post 50, 6:30 p.m., third Tuesday of the month, headquarters on Holly Street, 6:30 p.m. Meal provided.

♦ American Legion Post 33, 7 p.m., first Thursday of each month, Dinner Bell. 986-1330, 986-9235.

♦ Madison Southern Football Boosters, first Monday, 6:30 p.m., school library.

♦ Madison Southern Core Curriculum Committee, 3:05 p.m., second Monday, school library.

♦Alcoholics Anonymous, 8-9 p.m., Thursdays, Room 212 of Berea Baptist Church.

♦ Al-Anon, 8 a.m., Thursdays, Parish House, Fee Street. 985-

♦ Berea Folk Dancers, 7:30 p.m. Fridays, dance studio of Seabury Center.

♦ Berea Rotary Club, noon, Tuesdays, Dinner Bell Restaurant.

♦ Berea Kiwanis Club, 6 p.m., Mondays, Dinner Bell Restaurant.

♦ TOPS Meeting (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), 6:15 p.m., Tuesdays, Berea Baptist Church, 985-7088.

♦ Berea Chess Club, 6 p.m., Tuesdays, Intergenerational Center.

♦ Kingston Lodge 315 F&AM, 7:30 p.m., third Tuesday, lodge hall on U.S. 421.

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♦ Bluegrass Commission on Elder Abuse, 2 p.m., third Friday of the month, Stratton Building at EKU. For more information, 623-

♦ Berea Lions Club, 7 p.m., second & fourth Monday of each month, Boone Tavern.

♦ Madison Airport Board, noon, first Thursday of the month, Madison Airport board room.

♦ Madison Southern High School SBDM Council, 4 p.m., third Tuesday of the month, school

library. 986-8424.

♦ Berea Women's Club, first and third Wednesday of the month.

♦ The Berea-Laurel Ridges Chapter of DAR, second Friday of the month. All Berea members, visiting state or national, and prospective members are cordially invited to attend. 986-0962

♦ The Berea Weavers Guild, 9:30 a.m., first Tuesday of the month, Berea Arts Council, 986-

♦ Berea City Council, 6:30 p.m., first and third Tuesday of the month, Berea Police and Municipal Center. 986-8528.

♦ Berea Planning and Zoning Commission, second and fourth Tuesday of the month. Second

Tuesday is work session at City Hall. Fourth Tuesday is regular meeting at the Berea Police and Municipal Center. 986-8528.

Chapter MadCo. of Kentuckians for the Commonwealth, 7 p.m., fourth Monday of the month, child development lab on Jefferson Street. 985-7480

♦ Berea Tourism Commission 5 p.m., second Wednesday of the month, Broadway Building. 986-

♦ The Alzheimer's Support Group, 7:15 p.m., second Thursday of the month, MadCo. Public Library in Richmond. 623-4906

♦ Berea Shape Note Singers, 4 p.m. first and third Sundays, Union Church Sanctuary. 985-5501. New singers always welcome

♦ Memory Keepers Memory Loss Support Group, 7 p.m., first and third Tuesdays of each month, Wayside Room of Union Church (door nearest Prospect Street). 986-

♦ Berea Writers Guild, 7-9 p.m., second and fourth Tuesdays, Madison County Public Library in Berea. 859-779-0793 ♦ Mothers' Forum, 10:30 a.m.,

Thursdays, Room 204 of Union Church. 985-8724.



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Violation Code Key

Al — alcohol intoxication DUI — driving under the influence

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RA — resisting arrest

DC — disorderly conduct POM — possession of marijuana

PDP — possession of drug paraphernalia

PCS — possession of a controlled

substance

TBUT — theft by unlawful taking, shoplifting

TDB — theft by deception PV — parole violation

OSL — operating on a suspended license

FTA — failure to appear

NI — no insurance

VEPO — violation of emergency protective order NRP — no registration plate NRR — no registration receipt

NSB — no seat belts

CT — criminal trespassing

RSP — receiving stolen property

DDUI susp. — driving on a DUI-suspended

PI — public intoxication

TT —-terroristic threatening

CM — criminal mischief

CCDW — carrying a concealed deadly weapon

Information provided by the Madison County Detention Center in Richmond. An arrest only indicates a charge against an individual and is not an indictment. Those charged with a crime are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

Friday, Dec. 5 Bobby Gene Newcomb,

47, Richmond, AI Brandon T. Isaacs, 24, Richmond, contempt

Matthew M. Bell, 10,

Paris, AI, DC 2nd Scott Richard Willis, 22,

Paint Lick, DUI, speeding,

James Michael Richardson, 19, Lawrenceburg, failure to signal, disregarding traffic control device, DUI

Kristina Wood, 21, Richmond, DUI Ricky Joe Callahan, 39,

Richmond, AI Zachary S. Smith, 18,

Jacksonville, Fla., PDP

Aaron James Brennan, 26, Richmond, tampering with physical evidence, assault 2nd, kidnapping - serious physical injury

Keith Griffith, 26, Richmond, kidnapping - serious physical injury, trafficking in a controlled substance 1st cocaine, assault 2nd, tampering with physical evidence, WE 2nd

Michael David Kirby, 39, Richmond, DUI

Melissa Dawn Rife, 20, Ranson, OSL, failure to produce insurance card, NRR, NRP, failure to notify of address change, possessing license when privileges are revoked

Amberly M. Sanders, 30, Richmond, DDUI susp. 1st

Roy Edward McCollum, 36, Berea, serving time (three counts) Amber Nichole Carpen-

ter, 24, Richmond, serving time, contempt

Reva Banks, 39, Berea, serving time

Coty L. Isaacs, 18, Richmond, serving time (three Edward L. Rice, 45, Mt.

Vernon, serving time Dianna Bowles, 50, Rich-

mond, serving time

Kelley Bailey, 30, Richcontempt (three counts)

Derick Ray Malone, 19, Richmond, FTA

Nicholas Lee Owens, 22, Taylorsville, improper start from parked position, OSL, possessing license when privileges are revoked, serving warrant

Charles D. Hamonds, 47, Irvine, TBUT

Peggy Lynn Renfro, 48, Richmond, serving week-

Joshua Allen Raleigh, 19, Berea, serving time

Shirley Renfro, 41, Richmond, serving weekends Jeremy Dylan Willis, 19,

Irvine, serving time Phillip Shane Duff, 34,

Berea, serving time Valarie Jean Ward, 18,

Richmond, serving time Teresa Ann Knight, 39,

Richmond, TBUT Gary Lee Horn, 37, Berea, non-payment, con-

Pamela Ann Reid, 49, Richmond, failure to illuminate head lamps, failure to produce insurance card, DUI

Francis Scott Dehne, 21, Richmond, DUI, OSL, NRR Marcello Perez, 27, Richmond, AI

Saturday, Dec. 6

Ethan Shane Newman, 18, Irvine, AI

Mark Cromer, 41, Berea, menacing, RA

Jason Lee Gabbard, 34, Richmond, AI, RA, DC 2nd Joseph Ryan Myers, 18, Richmond, DUI

George David Bailey, 22, Richmond, AI

Rosa Lee Simpson, 26, Richmond, contempt

Shelly Marie Carter, 43, Ravenna, FTA (two counts) Johnny West, 48, Detroit, Mich., NOL, PDP

Duke A. Brinegar, 33, Richmond, assault 1st, TT 3rd, RA

Chris Keith Leet, 22, Richmond, DUI, leaving the scene of an accident

Charles Brandon Kavanaugh, 21, Richmond, AI, fleeing or evading police

Sabrina L. Purnell, 33, Waco, DC 2nd Sunday, Dec. 7

Shirley Ann Napier, 51, Richmond, OSL

Ernest Newby, Jr., 53, Royal Palm Springs, Fla., prescription drug not in proper container, PCS 1st - cocaine, trafficking in a controlled substance 1st

Ricky Lee Fowler, 51, Berea, DUI, possession of open alcohol container in a motor vehicle, failure to produce insurance card, NRR

Craig Stewart Arthur, 47, Berea, assault 4th – do-

Sandra Dee Marcum, 45, Richmond, DUI, rear license not illuminated, failure to produce insurance card, NRR, careless driving

Tyler Scott Robertson, 22, Richmond, AI, DC 2nd,

Michael Dewayne White, 30, Williamsburg, AI Shane Gregory Blanken-

ship, 19, Berea, NRP, NRR, DUI, failure to notify of address change Girish Polisetty, 30, Lex-

ington, NRP, failure to produce insurance card, OSL, possessing license when privileges are revoked

Sergey Pavlovich, 22, Richmond, 22, Richmond,

Steve D. Margle, 46, Richmond, AI

Jarid Vince Patterson, 35, Lancaster, serving bench warrant for court (three counts)

Paul Jason Carrington, 28, Richmond, serving time

Paul Farthing, Jr., 29, Richmond, contempt

Ronald Joe Courtney, 27, Richmond, NSB, failure to notify of address change, DDUI susp. 2nd, giving officer false name or address, DUI, contempt

Amanda Claire Dees, 23, Paint Lick, assault 4th domestic

Ruby Christina Baker, 33, Paint Lick, assault 4th domestic Joallen T. McKenna, 44,

McKee, AI, RSP under \$300,

Monday, Dec. 8

Anisha Lavon Whaley, 19, Richmond, possession for sale/transfer simulated controlled substance, PDP, contempt Gregory Wayne Berry,

Jr., 19, Richmond, NSB, NRR, NRP, failure to maintain reguired insurance, DUI Fredrick F. Demetro-

vich, 28, Chesterfield, Ohio, disregarding stop sign, OSL Richard Boyd Combess,

27, Richmond, burglary 2nd, CM 1st Jimtom Richardson, 54,

Richmond, serving time Colbert Thomas Gauatreaux, 26, Richmond, pro-

bation violation Gary Ray Neeley, 19, Berea, probation violation

Amanda Tackett, 22, Richmond, AI, contempt, non-payment Cecil D. Jones, 27, Irvine,

non-payment (two counts) Shirley Reed Nance, 52,

Richmond, serving warrant, failure to signal, NSB, PCS 2nd, PCS 3rd (two counts), prescription drug not in proper container Joseph Adam Borel, 24,

Orlando, speeding, OSL, failure to produce insurance card, serving bench warrant for court

Tuesday, Dec. 9

24, Harlan, serving time Cherish Raye Rutherford, 23, Paris, non-pay-

Heather Michelle Yount,

Robert Willie Wilburn, 29, Richmond, contempt

William Frederick Cody, 40, Berea, serving time

Christopher Scholl, 27, Ft. Mitchell, serving time

Brandon Todd Lay, 32, Louisville, flagrant nonsupport Charles D. Murphy, 27,

Lexington, contempt Alex Eddington, 30,

Richmond, RSP under \$300 Mary Michelle Hyatt,

35, Richmond, FTA

Johnathon

Bobby D. Land, 24, Richmond, non-payment Wednesday, Dec. 10

Burton

Jeffery Damrow, 29, Richmond, fugitive from another state Marcello Perez, 27, Rich-

Smock, 25, Richmond, POM

mond, AI David N. Garcia, 43, Richmond, AI

Wesley Lionel Spalding, 31, Danville, probation violation for felony offense

Dee Anne Boyd, 23, Irvine, contempt Gibson Clark Wilkin-

son, 33, Richmond, assault 4th – domestic Misty Mae Brinegar, 26, Berea, endangering the wel-

fare of a minor Thursday, Dec. 11 Joshua C. Henry, 22,

Richmond, DUI, non-pay-Ashley Rene Strickland,

21, Richmond, non-pay-Paul Wayne Sizemore, 46, Richmond, burglary 2nd

Christina Yvette Kelley, 23, Richmond, serving time Gerald W. Hill, 38, Richmond, sexual abuse 1st (four

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ans Goldson and Kimberly

Evans McKinney, tract Ky.

52, love and affection Mary Lois Kearns (trustee), Paul Jean Mauk (trustee), Thomas H. McMullin Revocable Trust, Sallie H. Marcum Revocable Trust, Mary Lois Kearns, Donnie Kearns, Paula Jean Mauck, Thomas H. McMullin, Betty W. McMullin, Tabitha Evans, Burley Evans, Ruth Tracy and Marshall Tracy to Thomas H. McMullin and Betty W. McMullin, tract

plat 25,59, \$228,636

Dec. 8 Prudential Relocation, Inc., to Christopher Rhorer and Heather M. Hackney, lot 40 Covington Woods, \$140,000

Payne Homes, Inc., to Kyle and Sabrina Webster, lot 34 Fieldstone Subdivision, \$159,900 John F. Lackey to

Norman W. Lefurgy and Marylene R. Lefurgy, lot 5 Ellis Addition, \$59,000 Michael D. Howard, Teresa M. Howard and Norman W. Howard to Michael D. Howard, Teresa M.

Howard and Shirley Mar-

cum, lot 5 Pond Meadow

Subdivision, love and affec-Henry Parker to WW Investments, LLC, tract Elm Street, \$4,000

John Skidmore and Stephanie Skidmore to WW Investments, LLC, lot 19 Ridgeview Subdivision,

Gilbert Harrison to David R. and Thelma Burns,

lot 1 plat 8/295, \$65,000 Mark M. Zimmerman and Luisa A. Zimmerman to Delora L. Holbrook, tract First Street and Moberly

B and B Drywall, Inc., to Ricky K. Salyers and Laura B. Salyers, tract 4B plat 23/88. \$102,500 Andrew Burns and

McDaniels, lot 23 Willow Ridge, \$229,000 James Edward, LLC, to Roy Todd Builders, Inc., tract Old U.S. 25, agree-

Tanya Burns to Regina L.

9/22, \$120,000

Avenue

Dec. 10 William Allen Ray to Norma C. Childs and Arlean V. Childs, lot 1 plat

John L. Rigsby and Amy M. Rigsby to L and M Builders, LLC, lot 1 Wildlife Acres, \$125,000 Bobby J. Fugate and

Brenda S. Fugate to Loretta

G. Willis, lot 8 Mountain

View Estates, \$112,000 Wallace Jones and Diana Jones to Wallace and Diana Jones Revocable Trust, tracts Madison Coun-

ty, fund trust Ethel Anglin to Ethel Anglin, Joyce Ann Anglin, Dana Ray Anglin and Paul Douglas Anglin tract Haiti Road, gift James Miller and Patri-

cia Miller to Ronald Collins,

Sr., and Ruth Ellen Collins,

tract Flint Road, love and affection Lonnie Hughes to Brian and Penny Wilburn, lot 55 Eagles Landing, \$144,000

Inspections for week ending Dec. 5 Follow-up inspections with no follow-up due:

Starbucks, Colby Taylor Drive, Richmond 100% Inspections for week ending Dec. 12 Regular Inspections with no follow-up due:

A&R Pit Stop, Ky. 1016, Berea 88%

Pizza Hut, Chestnut Street, Berea......90%

Moore's Grocery, Big Hill Road, Berea......90% Waffle House, Eastern Bypass, Richmond 92% Circle K, Richmond Road, Berea......95% Wendy's, Prince Royal Drive, Berea......96% 76 Fuel Center, North Dogwood Drive, Berea 97% McGuire's Moberly Shell, Irvine Road, Richmond 97% Madison Indoor Soccer, Richmond Green, Richmond98% Old Town Candy, North Broadway, Berea 99%

Burger King, Hampton Way, Richmond...... 100% McCready Manor, Stocker Drive, Richmond............. 100% Berea Senior Citizens Center, Jefferson Street, Berea.... 100% *Regular inspections with follow-up due:* Richmond Health/Rehab, Meadowlark, Richmond .. 89%

Penn Station, Eastern Bypass, Richmond...... 100%

Romper Room, Ky. 1016, Berea 100%

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Hospital raises funds for major renovation, wreckless drivers on Prospect Street, and fire towers installed in December 1968

- and federal grants for a development project at Berea Hospital had reached a total of \$693,000, growing ever closer to the goal of \$795,000. The project would construct an extended care wing to the back of the facility and include improvements to the whole of the building, most notable air condi-
- In appreciation of his customers, new Enco Station manager Jack Manley gave away a portable color television. The winner, Berea College senior Leon Wolford, was chosen through a drawing.
- An advertisement: "The Coffee Cup will: prepare your order to take out, supply you with a newspaper or magazine, fix you a quick hot breakfast to start the day off right, have your telephoned order ready when you get here, supply your holiday ice, serve you a most tender Tbone steak dinner, open at 6 a.m. daily."
- A letter of complaint concerning speeding and reckless driving on Prospect Street was read to the city council by Mayor Clint Hensley. It pointed out a speed limit sign on the street had been knocked down and not repaired, and a yellow no-passing line promised by the state had never been painted. Hensley instructed the city clerk to write a letter to the state highway department concerning the matters. Police chief Tudor said the most effective method of apprehending speeders was through the use of radar. During a onemonth period in which the department used a barrowed radar unit, 82 citations were issued on Prospect Street alone. Plans to purchase a radar unit were included in the city budget
- **ATTENTION**

- Cash gifts, pledges on Ellipse Street was half finished, and just a little over half of the contract price of \$2,211,211 had been paid to the contractor. Board members were concerned that water left standing it ditches around the building would freeze and damage the foundation, but the contractor said there would be no problem. Also, Delta Natural Gas was given permission to run a line to the
 - Robert E. Fleming of Minnetonka, Minn., was appointed director of student industries at Berea
 - A Christmas service was conducted entirely in French by Le Cercle Francais at Danforth Chapel. Mace Crandall served as
 - 4-H club secretaries, including teen leader David Bess, attended a county-wide officers training session at Kit Carson School in Richmond.
 - Berea Elementary School held a Christmas program in the school gym entitled "Old King Cole's Christmas." Following the play, each class held a Christmas party in their respective classrooms.
 - Various locations and methods for remounting Berea's fire sirens, ranging in cost all the way up to \$5,685, were suggested to the city council before officials decided on a fourlegged tower with a platform at the top. The cost was \$365.
 - Yeoman Third Class Bobby W. Wynn, USN, 22, was recognized for his heroic actions helping to recover seven people from explosion-wrecked yacht while serving aboard the USS Bainbridge in Acapulco, Mexico.
- Mrs. Robert Long, chair of the Berea Hospital Auxiliary's candy stripers, and Mrs. F.B. Gailey, ac- Berea School Board companied a group of 20 Superintendent Litton Sin-students on a tour of Eastgleton reported the new ern State Mental Hospital Berea Community School in Lexington. While there

- they saw a slide show explaining the nature of work at the hospital and changes that had been made in procedures.
- A 1948 Chevrolet sedan stolen from behind the Berea College science building and was found wrecked a few hours later just outside of Richmond. Dr. Gerrit Levey, owner of the car, was attending a faculty meeting and noticed the car was gone around 9:30. The car was found wrecked around midnight on Ky. 52, and the thieves had left a rain hat and a six pack of beer during their escape.
- A drilling rig and a truck burned for nearly six hours after sparks from the drill ignited a gas pocket along Ky. 21 near Paint Lick. Police were forced to the close the road and allow the fire to burn out, which only happened after all the gas in the pocket had been used.
- Cadette Girl Scouts of Troop 387 and Boy Scouts of Troop 74 were pictured decorating a Christmas tree at the Berea Nursing Home. The Scouts provided the tree, while the Cadetts trimming with ornaments they made from yard and paper.
- Santa had been kidnapped: "For a number of years, a jovial Santa Claus has warmed a bench at Christmas time in front of the home of Miss Lucille Stephens on Chestnut Street. Now he's gone. Someone stole him Sunday night. Do you know where he's gone?"

- Fess Parker, star of television's Daniel Boone series, kicked off a statewide anti-litter campaign with the campaign's mascot, "Rebecca Broome," (and yes, she was an actual
- Mr. and Mrs. Rupert Whiteaker were planning to fly in from Phoenix, Ariz., to spend Christmas in Berea with their daughter Jenny and her family, the Paul Richenburgs and their son Scotty.
- The Berea Jaycees earned a little over \$300 from their Christmas tree project. The money would be given to a local charity.
- In 1967-68, the University of Kentucky prepared 146,747 pounds of ground beef, 75,777 pounds of roast, 25,608 pounds of cube steak and 31,310 pounds of stewed beef for the school's cafeterias and grills. Chickens across the state were rejoicing.
- Miss Veronica Carmack, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Carmack of Mt. Vernon Road, became the 1,000th member of the Alpha Epsilon Chapter of Omicron Nu, a home economics honors society.
 - Santa Claus made

Sudoku Answer

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2	4	5	7	8	6	1	9	3
6	8	7	1	9	3	4	5	2
9	3	1	2	5	4	6	7	8

his first appearance in anges. The goodies were Berea on Saturday, Dec. 14, thanks to the chamber of commerce. Special thanks went out to Santa's helpers, John T. Wray and Norman Dean. Thanks also went out to Dororthy Shearard, who was in charge of filling Santa's bag with 400 sacks of candy and 400 or-

distributed at the Boone Tavern triangle. Girl Scout Troop 390 and two cadets, Debbie Sander and Debbie Mastin, helped Shearard fill the sacks and were rewarded with lemonade and cookies.



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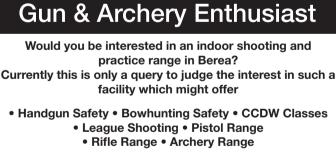
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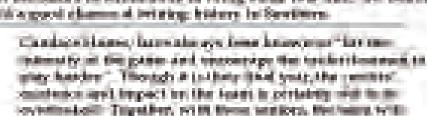
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Some residents long for a simple old-fashioned Christmas

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NORTHSIDE — Shopping centers are packed with shoppers searching for the perfect gift, and store shelves are teaming with the latest toys and gadgets.

While these have become the familiar sights and sounds of a modern Christmas, some long for the times when the holiday meant more than a flat screen television

While sitting in the glow of a red and gold Christmas tree at the Berea Health Care Center, 94year-old Everett Abney recalled his childhood on Clear Creek when the holiday was a simpler, joyful time.

"Back in those days, people didn't have much. We would ride horseback to visit family. That was the most exciting — just getting together with everybody," he

Going into the woods to cut the family's Christmas tree, then watching it come to life through sparkling trimmings was also a big thrill, he said.

"We would put that gold trim on it, and it would just shine."

Growing up not far up Clear Creek from the Abneys was Rosa Finnell, who was born in 1913 and this year will see her 95th Christmas. She has seen the holiday evolve over the years.

"It was simpler then," she said. "The meaning (of Christmas) has been lost. Now, the celebration is not for what it's supposed to be."

For Patsy Scenters, commercialism is to blame.

"It's all the buying that has ruined it," she said. "Now, everybody gets everything they want. We didn't back then, but we had good Christmases. We appreci-

Without knowing the true meaning of Christmas, the point

"The meaning is lost, and there's too much buying. Without the understanding of it, people don't appreciate Christmas," she

Scenters, 77, said food was a big part of the Christmas celebra-

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The Doll Maker...

Woman's creations bring smiles to children

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NORTHSIDE — Ella Mae Brockman has been sewing since

"I've always sewed," she said. "I made dresses, quilts, baby blankets — about anything you can do with a sewing ma-

Now, at age 92, Brockman has retired the sewing machine, opting instead for handmade creations with a more personal

Brockman's creates whimsical yarn dolls as a way to exercise her hands and stay active. She has made over 2,000 of the unique, brightly colored dolls, with over 400 of them coming to life since July.

"I started with about a 4inch cornshuck boy, and played from there," she said.

Now her dolls come in all shapes, sizes and colors, each with its own adornments to add to its personality.

"Every one of them is different. There's a little something with each one of them that sets it apart," she said.

Some are outfitted in lace, others with buttons. Some receive their own special clothes crocheted by Brockman, as was the case with the cream and gold little lady she worked on Mon-





"Every time I make one I learn a little something different," she said while carefully

pulling tight the doll's golden apron.

When she first began this labor of love, she couldn't figure

Above, the steady hand of Ella Mae Brockman pulls one final stitch in one of her custom-made yarn dolls at the Berea Health Care Center on Richmond Road.

At left, Brockman sorts through some of the 400 dolls she recently donated to the Berea Fire Department Toy Program. She began work on the dolls for the program in mid-July.

out what to do with the dolls. Then inspiration struck. The first batches of dolls found their

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Armed burglar attacked by house sitter

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SUGARVILLE — One would-be robber got more than he bargained for when breaking into one Berea home around 9 p.m. last Monday (Dec. 15).

According to police, a house sitter at 301 Northway Drive off Ky. 1016 heard a noise being made by a bathroom window being broken out of the house. When he went to investigate, the house sitter found a white man, around 6-foot 2-inches tall, wearing a white hooded sweatshirt, blue jeans and blue shoes standing in a bathroom.

The suspect was holding a small black handgun, police

A fight broke out, and the victim punched the suspect in the face, police said. A struggle ensued and the suspect fled the home through the broken window, leaving the scene in a 1999 Pontiac van.

While the suspect was at a stop sign, the victim jumped into the van and attacked the would-be robber. The suspect continued to drive and eventually stopped on Old U.S. 25 and ran into a field.

The van had been reported stolen from 328 Peachtree Drive in nearby Moreland Estates. It was recovered with no damage.

Police are asking anyone who may have information on this incident to call the police department at 986-8456, or the anonymous crime tip line at 985-5562.

Forty-year Christmas star tradition is a Berea holiday staple

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NORTHSIDE — If you stand on the north side of the commercial strip on U.S. 25 and look just above the trees on the southeast ridge at night, you can see it: the Star of Berea. Not on any astronomy charts, the Star, which sits atop the home of Ann and Nick Carter on VanWinkle Grove, has been a fixture son firmament for the past

"A lot of people depend on seeing it," says Ann.

Nick Carter built it in 1968, from wooden packing crates discarded by the Dresser factory. " It's designed," he says, "like when you were in school, making stars": five-pointed, with intersecting crossbars. Its 50 lights, which are larger than usual and

in the Berea Christmas sea- hard to find now, originally came from the closing sale held at Farrell Richardson's drug store; Ann bought every set they had. The 16 foot Star used to require four people---Nick, Ann, and their two sons, Steve and Mike---to get it up on the roof and secured; in later years, Nick and Steve established a system that needed only the two of them, and without Nick having to be on the roof.

"I won't let him any- of stars," she says. "But it more," says Ann.

Once the Star is up, a malfunctioning light can't be replaced; Nick takes the precaution of replacing a dozen of the older bulbs every year before it's lifted to the roof.

"On a night with a light breeze," says Nick, "it looks like it's twinkling."

"His [Nick's] hope was that everyone would put one up---it would be a city didn't happen."

The phenomenon that did occur---and continues, 40 years later---was that people in Berea came to view the Carters' Star as being as much of a local tradition as homemade peanut brittle and standing out in freezing cold for an hour to cheer the annual Twilight Christmas Parade.

"We've had a lot of people come by to say,

'When are you putting it up?" says Ann. "They say they bring their children and grandchildren to see it, that they grew up with it." One child, she recalls,

was adamant: "There's no Christmas," the little girl declared, "until the Star goes up." Usually, the Star is in

place just after Thanksgiving, before the Twilight Christmas Parade. This

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Mary Ann Crawford

Mary Ann Crawford, age 76, formerly of Berea, passed away Tuesday, Dec. 16, 2008, in Dayton, Ohio.

Ms. Crawford was born Aug. 23, 1932 in Perry County to the late Bennie and Melissa Walker Polly.

Along with her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Frank Crawford; and a brother, Jim Polly.

Surviving are brothers and sisters Glenna Turner of Berea, Carolyn Williams of Dayton, Ohio, Christine Couch of Huber Heights, Ohio, Dalphine Maggard and Curtis Polly of Viper, and Arlis Polly of Cornettsville; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were Saturday, Dec. 20 at Lakes Funeral Home with Bro. Gene Smith officiating. Burial followed at Pilot Knob Cemetery.

♦ Hubert C. Smith

Hubert C. Smith, age 84, died at his home Monday,

Mr. Smith was born March 24, 1924, to the late Charley and Bertha Hisle Smith. He was a retired contractor and farmer, and a member of the Beaver Pond Christian Church in Estill County.

He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Helen Bernice Bicknell Smith; and his extended family (or as he would say "adopted daughter") Joyce (Anthony) Webb; granddaughter Jessica Flanery; two sisters, Eileen Smith and Fannie Takeildin of Richmond; and several nieces and

He was preceded in death by two brothers, Wade Smith and Clyde Smith; and one sister, Lena Hymer.

Funeral services were Wednesday, Dec. 24, at Lakes Funeral Home in Berea with Rev. Glendon Mayes and Rev. John Dodson officiating. Burial followed at Madison County Memorial Gardens. Pallbearers were John Cottrell, Earl Turner, Paul Baker, Hobart Holcomb, Shawn Williams and Glyndon Williams.

Elizabeth Williams

Elizabeth Ann Wynn Williams, age 75, died Wednesday, Dec.17, 2008, at her home in White Station.

Ms. Williams was born in Dayton, Ohio, to the late William and Emily Berry Wynn, and she was the widow of Ralph C. Williams. She was a homemaker and a member of Gethsemane Baptist Church.

Ms. Williams is survived by her daughter, Rene Coleman of Richmond; her sons, Ralph W. (Lynda) Williams of Berea, Jerry L. (Brenda) Williams of Berea and David L. (Ella) Williams of Berea; her sister, Hazel Vaughn of Dayton, Ohio; six grandchildren and four great-grandchil-

She was preceded in death by a grandchild, Andrea

Funeral services for Ms. Williams were Saturday, Dec. 20, at the Davis and Powell Funeral Home with Rev. Robert Taylor officiating. Burial followed at Berea Cemetery. Expressions of sympathy may be made to Hospice Care

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167 killed in alcohol-related accidents statewide this year

Preliminary statistics indicate that thirteen people died in ten separate crashes on Kentucky roadways from Monday, Dec. 15 through Sunday, Dec. 21, 2008.

Twelve of the fatalities involved motor vehicles and eight of those victims were not wearing seat belts. The seat belt status of one victim could not be determined. Three crashes involved the suspected use of alcohol. Single vehicle crashes occurred in Graves, Hardin, Jefferson, Letcher, McCracken, Shelby, and Simpson counties.

quadruple-fatality crash occurred in Jefferson One pedestrian fatality occurred in Fayette county and the suspected use of alcohol was a factor in that crash.

Through Dec. 21, 2008 preliminary statistics indicate that 788 people have lost their lives on Kentucky roadways during 2008. This is 57 fewer than reported

for this time period in 2007. Of the 609 motor vehicle fatalities, 380 victims were not wearing seat belts. Of the 89 motorcycle fatalities, 53 were not wearing helmets. Twenty-three people have been killed in ATV crashes and 21 of those were not wearing helmets. Sixtyone pedestrians have been killed. A total of 167 fatalities have resulted from crashes involving the suspected use of alcohol.

Citizens can contribute to highway safety by reporting erratic drivers to the Kentucky State Police tollfree at 1-800-222-5555. Callers will remain anonymous and should give a description of the vehicle, location, direction of travel and license number if possible.

These statistics are still preliminary as KSP waits for all local law enforcement agencies throughout the state to report any crashes and fatalities that may have occurred in their areas.

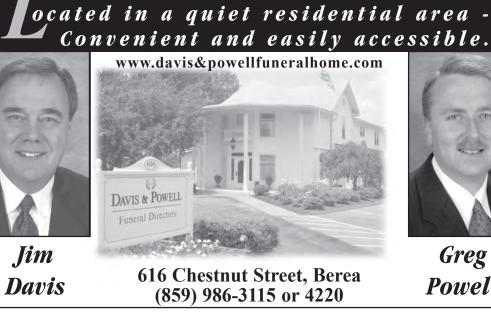


NORTHSIDE — If you stand on the north side of the commercial strip on U.S. 25 and look just above the trees on the southeast ridge at night, you can see it: the Star of Berea. Not on any astronomy charts, the Star, which sits atop the home of Ann and Nick Carter on VanWinkle Grove, has been a fixture in the Berea Christmas season firmament for the past 40 years.

Our office will be on normal schedule for the Thursday, Jan. 1, 2009, edition. Newspapers will be available at retail outlets on Wednesday, Dec. 31, and subscribers should receive their copies with the normal mail delivery on



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(Berea Police Reports)

Monday, Dec. 15

- 4:10 p.m., Madison County Detention Center, Richmond. Arrested Paul S. Farthing, Jr., 29, of Scaffold Cane Road, on a Madison County warrant for theft of iden-
- 10:46 p.m., Circle K, 707 Chestnut Street. Arrested Andy Harrison, 43, of Chestnut Street, and charged him with alcohol intoxication.

Tuesday, Dec. 16

• 2 a.m., 166 Mary Street. Arrested Kody Pruitt, 33, of Mary Street, and charged him with public intoxication.

Wednesday, Dec. 17

- 9:15 a.m., Peachtree Drive. An unlocked vehicle was entered and items valued at \$270 were taken.
- 10:24 a.m., 316 Peachtree Drive. An unlocked vehicle was entered and items valued at \$270 were taken.
- 2:41 p.m., Berea Police Department, Chestnut Street. Arrested Tommy Brock, 25, of Mt. Vernon, on a Rockcastle County warrant for harassing communications.
- 9:02 p.m., Kaye Street. Arrested Anthony W. Johnson, 28, of Lester Street, on

a Madison County warrant for contempt of court.

• 10:26 p.m., Circle K, 707 Chestnut Street. Arrested Wendell D. Parrett, 40, of Morning View Drive, and charged him with theft by unlawful taking under

Sunday, Dec. 21

- 2:06 a.m., Berea Country Club, Churchill Drive. A 1995 EZ Go golf cart valued at \$1,800 was taken from
- 6:50 p.m., 311 Burchwood Drive. Arrested Adam Anglin, 21, of Burchwood Drive, on a Madison County warrant for nonpayment of fines.

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Arson, gun thefts under investigation

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According to Berea police, officers responded to 530 Walnut Meadow Pike Apt. 3 around 1:20 a.m. last Wednesday (Dec. 17) after were estimated at \$250. a report of a fire.

fire, causing an estimated \$2,000 in damages. A 1997 Dodge Avenger had a seat cut and gasoline poured on the interior, but was not set on fire. Those damages

In addition, another Police said a 2000 Chev-vehicle at the residence has two handguns, valued at \$250, taken from inside.

Anyone with information on this incident should call the Berea Police Department at 986-8456, or the anonymous crime tip line at 985-5562.

(Simple)

FROM THE FRONT

"Oh, mom would make cakes of all kinds — old fashioned yellow cakes, chocolate cakes, lord, every kind of cake. And they were homemade from scratch; not that store-bought stuff,"

She would help her mother do the holiday cooking, which also included baked ham, shuck beans, breads, potatoes and the other traditional fixings.

"The ham was my favorite. That's probably why my cholesterol is sky high," she laughed.

Food was often a Christmas gift, as some edibles were hard to come by.

"We would get lots of

nanas — things we didn't see that often," Abney said. A favorite for him came from the oven as well. "We had big stack cakes with blackberries, peaches and apples in between them. They were awful good."

Finnell's favorite was not fruit.

"We got apples and bananas, and nickel peppermint sticks. Those were my favorites. People still bring me peppermint sticks," she

A favorite toy she received from St. Nick was a particular doll.

"She was a little doll with no hair on her head. I carried her around and loved her," Finnell said.

"I got a doll one time and it was the prettiest ever," Scenters added. "I kept it forever."

Abney's favorite toy from Santa was less passive.

"It was a rifle, and it would break down life a real gun," he said. "It would pump air and shoot a stopper. There wasn't much you fruit — apples, oranges, ba- could do with it, but it was my favorite."

> There was one thing he could do with the toy gun, however. Since his brother received one too, shooting their mother with the cork stopper became "the big thing."

Smaller, practical gifts were the norm.

"Dad would hide the gifts until Christmas morning, and we'd be thrilled to death," said Scenters, who grew up on Red Lick. "We'd get small things — pen and pencil sets, gloves, tricks like that. I think we enjoyed it more back then. We didn't have much and those gifts were exciting."

"We didn't have much at all, but we enjoyed Christmas much more than now. I don't know that people now enjoy it as much. It's too busy now," Abney

"I don't know if it will ever change," Scenters said. "But I would love to have and old-time Christmas again."

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In all likelihood, most of you (as am I) are partial to the beauty and familiarity of the Biblical account of the Savior's birth from the King James that we've heard and read since childhood. As always in Christmas week I dedicate this space to the

account of Christ's birth from the 2nd Chapter of the Book of Luke. But this year it will be from the New International Version, in hope that someone will gain a greater understanding from the more contemporary language. It doesn't change the message.

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

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

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

Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men on whom his favor rests."

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

So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger. When they had seen him,

they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said

But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart.

The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things they had heard and seen, which were just as they had been told.

Have a blessed Christmas.

Christmas spirit year-round

It has been so hard getting in the Christmas spirit this year. I generally have a hard time getting excited about the holiday, but this year has been especially tough.

Watching the evening news doesn't help, with its undulant tone. One story could be the most heart-warming thing you've ever heard, but it's often followed with tales of people losing their jobs due to the economy, or losing their home to fire (or the economy). You can't help but wonder

how those people are dealing with their problems, and the added stress of what Christmas has become.

How on earth materialism became the keystone of a holiday meant to celebrate the birth of Jesus is beyond

me. I've yet to see anywhere in the Bible where Jesus was materialistic. In fact, he was very much the opposite.

Then I came upon a piece that was published in the Citizen in 1978:

"When is Christmas? December 25? Well, yes and no. Yes, I do sound hesitant, you see, I'm not at all certain we should celebrate Christmas on December 25. No, this has nothing to do with the accuracy of historical dates. It's because our way of celebrating Christmas is an escape... an escape from recognizing the presence of God every day. Look how we cram so many things into the month of December, and how quickly after December 25 we do away with all traces of Christmas until the next year. We are so busy that we don't really have time to stop and think about what we are really doing.

"In our celebration, we have forgotten what it is that we celebrate. That's right, we put Christmas 'back there' in the manger with Mary and Joseph and the innkeeper back 2000 years ago. We seem to think that God limited his dealings with men to that one time and place. It is true that through the birth of Christ, God reached out to men and showed them that he cares about them, and that he is present among us. But what we fail to see through all the tinsel and wrappings is that God is continually showing his love and presence among men throughout the year, and not just on

"What should we do about this? Perhaps we ought to give a few less presents at Christmas time, and give a few more throughout the year; perhaps we ought to send a few less letters and cards in the twoweeks before Christmas, and write a few more during the year. That's right, Christmas is every day that men and women realize that the love of God is born in us today and every day."

The piece was written by the Berea Ministerial Association and makes a very good point. Let's put away the materialism that has nothing to do with the holiday. Let's take the sharp focus on love, spirit and togetherness we have on Dec. 25 and spread it throughout the year.

I've learned I do have Christmas spirit, just not so much in December.



"Let us not be weary in well doing, for in due season we shall reap if we faint not." - Galatians 6:9



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Opinions from Our Readers...

Owsley Fork a dumping ground...

I hate writing letters when I am mad, but it doesn't look like I'll be calming down soon.

A second Owlsey Fork Reservoir? I guess this will mean double the water for residents. It will also mean double every type of trash you can name. I'm not talking about an escaped food wrapper or two. Owsley Fork Reservoir is a dumping ground — from dumped dead animals to syringes to spent bullets to old socks and matresses.

It is too disgusting for words the beer cans and diapers perhaps used by the same person, the acres of ruined mountain land and watershed from offroad vehicles, not to mention their spilled gas and oil is alarm-

When my family first moved to Berea, we lived at the head of Owsley Fork. The reservoir had just been dug and was filling up with water. It was a nearly pristine area - not a scar from a four-wheeler, not a food wrapper. Twenty-four years later, it is

unrecognizable.

I guess enough chemicals and processing render the water potable. My only concern is we will not have enough water. May I propose a third Owsley Fork Reservoir. Perhaps then we'll have enough water to wash away the sins committed to this ground.

Ann Longsworth Berea

Letters to the **Editor Guidelines**

Letters to the editor must be no more than 300 words without prior arrangements having been made. Letters are published in the order in which they are received as space permits. Letters must not contain libelous materials or endorsements for political candidates. Letters must be in the Citizen office before noon on Monday to be considered for publication. All letters must include the author's name, signature, address and telephone number. Illegible letters will not be considered for publication. Letters not meeting these guidelines will neither be published no returned to the author. For questions or to make arrangements for a letter exceeding the word limit, contact Scott Powell, editor, at 986-0959.

Battle of Richmond center honored by Blue Grass Trust

Submitted to the Citizen

Madison County's Historic Rogers House, now the new Battle of Richmond Visitors and History Center, was recently awarded with an historic plaque by Central Kentucky's prestigious Blue Grass Trust for Historic Preservation.

The celebrated BGT plaque was given to this significant historic structure noting the Rogers House's unique history and architecture, and recognizing the preservation efforts of the Madison County Fiscal Court.

The Rogers House, built in the Federal style in the early 1800s, witnessed terrible fighting during the Battle of Richmond, Aug. 29 and 20, 1862. The residence, owned by Adam Rogers at the time of the battle, was a rallying point for the Federal forces and a hospital for both sides after the terrific fight. An absolute and total victory for the Confederates, the Battle of Richmond is thought by most Civil War historians

victory either side had over the other during the entire conflict.

Madison County's Fiscal Court took possession of the Rogers House in late 2005 from the United States Army's Bluegrass Army Depot. The house served as the depot commander's residence for many years. After a complete restoration, the Battle of Richmond Visitors and History Center opened in late October of this year. It features stateof-the-art displays, a laser topographical map, a locally produced documentary film and temporary exhibits. The center is located on Battlefield Memorial Highway at the junction of U.S. 25 and U.S. 421.

for Historic Preservation, founded in 1955, is a nonprofit advocate for historic preservation that strives to protect, revitalize and promote the special historic places in our communities in order to enhance the quality of life for future generations. The historic plaque program honors structured

to be the most complete in Madison, Bourbon, Fayette, Clark, Franklin, Jessamine, Lincoln, Harrison, Mercer Scott and Woodford counties. The plaque consists of a black and silver oval with "BGT," and is to be placed on the exterior of the building denoting as a visual symbol of civic pride that is meant to signify an appreciation for the historic value of the property to the heritage of the community.

Other historic residences and buildings recognized by the Blue Grass Trust plaque program in Madison County are the Madison County Courthouse, the Hall of Justice in Richmond, First Presbyterian Church in Richmond, Mt. Zion Christian Church, Mt. Pleasant in downtown The Blue Grass Trust Richmond, Pleasant View House at Battlefield Park, and the Lincoln Hotel building in Old Town Berea. There are approximately 48 BGT plaques in Madison County.

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A snowstorm, Christmas lights, and the death of a president in December 1988

- community was mourning the death of Berea College's fifth president, Dr. Francis S. Hutchins, who suffered a stroke while at a faculty luncheon. Hutchins was hired as president while serving as a teacher in China in 1939. He first refused the offer to become president, but accepted after the board of trustees insisted. Since China was torn by war at the time, the offer was delivered by a British gunboat. Among the highlights of his administration were the readmission of black student after the Day Law was repealed in 1050, construction of Dana and Seabury dormitories, establishment of a Bachelor of Science degree in nursing, new degree programs in industrial arts and business administration, construction of a new nursing building, and a five-fold increase in the college's endowment. He retired in 1967. • Tammy Abbott was
- pictured walking on the Berea College campus with a crust of ice and snow caked on her hat and scarf. The city had seen two weeks of on and off After numerous
- complaints from residents, the state highway department announced it would launch a study of the southbound off ramp at the newly opened exit 77. Residents complained that a lack of visibility had led to numerous accidents at the junction of I-75 and Walnut Meadow Pike, including one fatality. The highway department said it would study a possible traffic signal for the problem area. The planning and
- zoning commission gave the green for a new automotives plant in the Mayde Road industrial park - KI USA. The facility would encompass 60,000-squarefeet and would employee 120 people at full capacity. • At the senior citizens
- center, a Christmas dinner was served to members by employees of the Berea Wal-Mart on Richmond Road. A total of 54 meals were served. Also, members of the center were treated to a tour of the Booneway Farms plant on Glades Road, where they were shown the steps taken in making jams and jellies. - Owen Presley, chair of the Berea Hospital Board of Directors, presented a clock to previous year's chair Rick Neikirk in appreciation for his service.
- Art Hay, Berea police dispatcher for 19 years, announced his retirement and was honored with a plaque from chief Ray Brandenburg.

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• Lights on the Bradford pear trees along Chestnut Street through campus were lit for the first time on Thanksgiving day. College physical plant director Diane Kerby said the college purchased the lights for \$10,000 and was spending about \$2,000 each year to repair and replace worn lights. At 400 lights per

about 25,000 lights. • The Twilight Christmas Parade was receiving much attention as two camera crews were on hand to record the event. One crew was on hand to broadcast the event on the local cable access channel from a review stand set up in front of the Log House Gallery. The second crew, from KET, was recording footage for a special called "Christmas in Kentucky."

tree, the display totaled

- Ashley Merritt and Jeremy Miller were pictured enjoying goodies from the Stone Soup feast held at Sunshine Friends Preschool. Children were joined by their parents for the occasion.
- Mayor Clifford Kerby announced he had entered into negotiations with Berea College President John Stephenson to build a park in honor of past president Francis Hutchins two weeks after his passing. The property in question for the new park was located behind the Russel Acton Folk Center on Jefferson Street. A new city swimming pool was a possibility for the park after owners of the Berea Swimming Pool on Maple Street announced last summer it would cease operations. The park was hoped to satisfy greenspace demands for 10 to 20 years.
- Pictured with sculptures they made as part of a reading project were Silver Creek Elementary stu-

dents Chris Sexton, Christina Harrison, David Pigg, Radford Ballard, Thomas Stephens, Michelle Allen, Teresa Bowlin and Glen

- Gov. Wallace Wilkinson was pictured congratulating David Moore and Peter Gandolfo after the Berea Uptown Revitalizatoin Committee received a \$10,000 grant from the Appalachian Regional Commission. The money was to be used for landscaping improvements.
- Brenda Upton of Mario's Pizza was pictured tending to students from Berea College's pre-school during a holiday party at the restaurant.
- Basketball homecoming queen candidates Berea Community School were announced: Karina Halverson, Kristi Bowlin, Kim Hudson, Andrea Decker, Stacie Fain, Stephanie McMahan, Trina Burnell, Sherri Barrett, Angie Bonner, Lisa St. John, Stephanie Moore, Jenni Chadwick, Jamie Abrams, Michelle Gabbard and Jenny Brandenburg.
- The Berea Jaycees presented a check to Dr. David S. Swan for the Women's Health Care Committee. The money benefitted the Women's Appalachian Health Screening Project to provide mamograms, medical care and educational services for 100 less fortunate women in the area.
- The 1988-89 Foley Middle School Cheerleaders included Sarah Brewer, Cristi Simmons, Julie Bevins, Candace Vaughn, Mary Noland, Heather Taylor, Christy Hall, Jackie Hendricks, Cayci Simpson and Brandy Bales.
- Betty Colbert's fifth grade class at Silver Creek Elementary presented the play "The Little Nut

Tree," with cast members Stephanie Bradley, Regina VanWinkle, Ricky Evans, Susie Medlock, Leslie Woodson, Steven Collins, Derek Shouse, Darrin Murriner, Melissa Sleger, Joshua Pingleton, Daniel Gilbert, Stacy Jones and Jason Ruble.

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529 Plans: An Education Funding Option

Provided by: Richard Reynolds, Vice President Investments, UBS Financial Services Inc

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figures, it may be prudent to start saving as early as possible for higher education costs

It is also important to note that the tax implications, as well as the investment choices of

There are two types of 529 Plans: 529 College Savings Plans and 529 Prepaid Tuition Plans.

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about anyone and maintain control of the funds, allowing for a change of the beneficiary. The new beneficiary, however, must be a close family relative of the original beneficiary, otherwise there may be adverse tax consequences. Beneficiary changes may be limited to one per year.

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must be completed within 60 days of the withdrawal.

529 Prepaid Tuition Plans A state's 529 Prepaid Tuition Plan generally allows donors to fund future education expenses—tuition

Description carefully before investing.

529 College Savings Plans Features

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and, in some instances, room and board—at specific in-state (typically public) colleges at current rates, which provides protection against rising higher education costs. Some plans provide additional benefits for state residents, and funding options range from one-time lump-sum contributions to monthly installment

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Your Financial Advisor should be able to provide you with more information about 529 Plans, as well as other education funding options, and help you evaluate the choices from the perspective of your overall ent goals, risk tolerance and time horizon Richard "Ricky" Reynolds



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Kentucky's jobless rate increases in November

Kentucky's seasonally adjusted preliminary unemployment rate for November 2008 rose to 7 percent from October 2008's revised 6.8 percent, according to the Office of Employment and Training (OET), an agency of the Kentucky Education and Workforce Development Cabinet. November 2007's jobless rate was 5.1 percent.

The U.S. seasonally adjusted jobless rate increased from 6.5 percent in October 2008 to 6.7 percent in November 2008, according to the U.S. Department of Labor.

Unemployment statistics are based on estimates and are compiled to measure trends rather than actually to count people working.

"In November 2008, Kentucky's economy continued to lose traction amid widespread employment losses. Consumers, faced with a challenging job market, soaring food prices and declining household wealth, tightened the reins on their wallets adversely affecting the trade, transportation and utilities; other services; and leisure and hospitality sectors. Weak demand for temporary help services engendered a steep decline in employment in the professional and business services sector," said Justine Detzel, OET chief labor market

Three of the 11 major nonfarm North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) job sectors reported employment increases in November 2008, while seven decreased and one remained the same, according to OET. A decline of 7,600 jobs in November 2008 brought Kentucky's nonfarm employment to a seasonally adjusted total of 1,857,400. Since November 2007, Kentucky's nonfarm employment has dropped by 20,500.

"November marks the largest year-over-year drop in the number of jobs in Kentucky since June 2002," said Detzel.

According to the seasonally adjusted employment data, the educational and health services sector grew by 800 jobs in November 2008. Since last November, the number of jobs in this sector has risen by 400 jobs. This sector includes private and nonprofit establishments that provide either education and training or health care and social assistance to their clients.

The government sector, which includes public education, public administration agencies and stateowned hospitals, gained

500 positions in November 2008. The sector has added 10,000 jobs since November 2007.

The number of positions in the natural resources and mining sector rose by 400 in November 2008. The sector has added 1,300 jobs since November 2007 because of hiring in the coal mining industry.

The number of jobs in the financial activities sector stayed the same from October 2008 to November 2008. This segment, which includes businesses involved in finance, insurance, real estate and property leasing or rental, has lost 1,400 positions over the past 12 months.

The number of jobs in the professional and business

services sector plummetby 2,300 in November 2008. This area had 6,300 fewer employees in November 2008 than in November 2007. The professionand business services sector in-

cludes professional, scientific and technical services, management of companies and administrative and support management, including temporary help agencies.

"The lion's share of these employment losses occurred in administrative and support management businesses, reflecting weakness in the employment services industry. Since the temporary help industry supplies labor to a wide variety of industries, it is a good barometer of what is occurring across the labor market. Demand for temporary help services often leads business cycles, because through such services, firms can adjust their workforces quickly to react to changes in demand that may only be short lived," Detzel said.

Kentucky's leisure and hospitality sector reported an employment loss of 2,100 jobs in November 2008. Since November 2007, employment in the sector has declined by 4,200 positions. The leisure and hospitality sector includes arts, entertainment and recreation, accommodations and food services and drinking places industries.

"Employment losses at accommodation and food services businesses outweighed a rise in the number of jobs in arts, entertainment and recreation enterprises. Multiple restaurant closings accounted for the decrease in the number of professionals employed in accommodation and food services companies," Detzel said.

Kentucky's trade, transportation and utilities sector dropped by 1,800 jobs in November 2008. This area includes retail and wholesale trade, transportation and warehousing businesses and utilities. It is the largest sector in Kentucky with 388,800 employees. Since November 2007, the number of jobs in this sec-

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laundry services, religious organizations and civic and professional organizations, fell by 1,600 jobs in November 2008. This sector had 1,200 fewer jobs in November 2008 than in November 2007.

The manufacturing sector lost 1,100 jobs in November 2008. Compared to November 2007, jobs in the sector were down by 13,800 in November 2008.

"The durable goods subsector accounted for the majority of this yearover-year employment decrease. This reflects the malaise resulting from the automobile slump impacting Kentucky. Job losses signal layoffs at an automobile manufacturer, layoffs and closings at multiple automobile parts manufacturers and the closings of a truck trailer manufacturer, a plumbing manufacturer and an appliance motor manufacturer. Consumers, grappling with layoffs, tighter credit conditions and declining household wealth due to waning home prices and a plummeting stock market, are postponing purchases of long-lasting manufactured goods such as automobiles," said Detzel.

"Furthermore, manu-

facturers of durable goods, such as furniture and appliance makers as well as lumber and other products utilized in residential construction, are negatively impacted by a decline in the housing market."

The information sector dropped by 300 jobs in November 2008. This segment, which includes firms involved in publishing, Internet activities, data processing, broadcasting and news syndication, has lost 1,000 positions since November 2007.

The construction sector recorded 100 fewer positions in November 2008. Since November 2007, employment in the construction sector has decreased by 4,900 positions.

The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics' monthly estimate of the number of employed Kentuckians for November 2008 was 1,894,074 on a seasonally adjusted basis. This figure is down 12,179 from the 1,906,253 employed in October 2008, and down 42,512 from the 1,936,586 employed in November 2007.

The monthly estimate of the number of unemployed Kentuckians for November 2008 was 142,467, up 3,606 from the 138,861 Kentuckians unemployed in October 2008, and up 39,020 from the 103,447 unemployed in November 2007.

The monthly estimate of the number of Kentuckians in the civilian labor force for November 2008 was 2,036,541. This figure is down 8,573 from the 2,045,114 recorded in October 2008, and down 3,492 from the 2,040,033 recorded for November 2007.

Civilian labor force statistics include non-military workers and unemployed Kentuckians who are actively seeking work. They do not include unemployed Kentuckians who have not looked for employment within the past four weeks.

Kentucky's statewide unemployment rate and employment levels are seasonally adjusted. Employment statistics undergo sharp fluctuations due to seasonal events, such as weather changes, harvests, holidays and school openings and closings. Seasonal adjustments eliminate these influences and make it easier to observe statistical trends. However, because of the small sample size, county unemployment rates are not seasonally adjusted.





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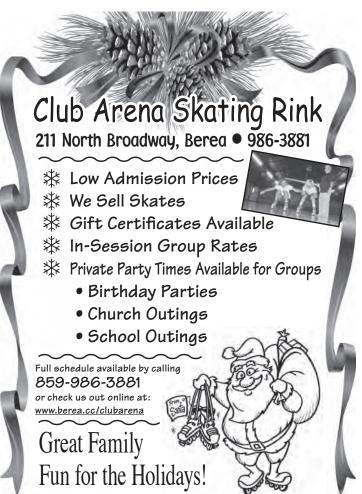
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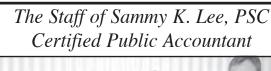
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Dec. 13

A daughter born to Billee Stamper of Berea

(Dolls)

FROM THE FRONT

way to the Shriners Children's Hospital in Lexington. Since becoming a resident at the Berea Health Care Center, her focus has changed.

Now the dolls greet children visiting the center, including those sharing Christmas carols during the holiday season. But the vast majority of the dolls have found their way to St. Joseph Berea and the University of Kentucky Children's Hospital, where

they comfort youngsters during trying times. A large batch of the babies were donated to this year's Berea Fire Department Toy

"Everybody has appreciated them," she said. "They have a big time out of them."

And that appreciation is sure to continue, as Brockman has no plans to cease her creations.

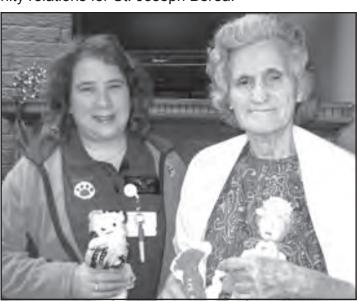
"As long as they donate me the thread, I'll keep making," she said, while smiling at the newly finished doll. "They make people so happy."



Brockman with Jake Lake of the Berea Fire Depart-



Brockman with Katie Heckman, director of community relations for St. Joseph Berea.



Brockman with Gayle Powell, RN, from the University of Kentucky Children's Hospital.

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Clinton and Frances Harold of Paint Lick celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Saturday, Oct. 25. They have two children, Patty Harold and Kenny Harold; a daughter-in-law, Robin Harold; and a granddaughter, Kendra Harold.

An anniversary celebration was held at White Lick Baptist Church with family and friends attending.

♦ Allen



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Paul and Magdalene Allen of Cartersville Road celebrated 60 years of marriage on Oct. 23. Along with their children, they enjoyed dinner at Acres of Land Winery in Richmond. Those present were Michael Allen of Bryant Pond, Maine; Larry and Jean Bolaski of Springfield, Vt.; Christy Gregory of Claremont, N.H.; Ken and Caryn Allen of Richmond; Barry Allen of Richmond; Sam and Amanda Allen of Richmond; Barry Allen of Richmond; Dianna Joy Fussell of Georgetown; Charles and Peggy Austin of Richmond; and grandchildren Brandon Allen of Concord, N.H., Timmy Austin of Richmond, Heather Fussell and Cooper Allen of Richmond.

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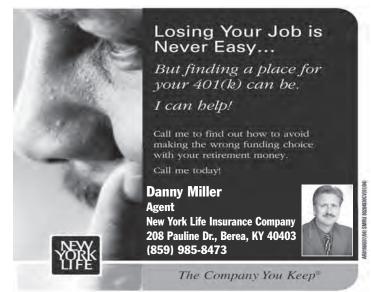
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 - ♦ Madison Southern High School SBDM Council, 4 p.m., third Tuesday of the month, school
 - library. 986-8424. ♦ Berea Women's Club, first and third Wednesday of the month.
 - ♦ The Berea-Laurel Ridges Chapter of DAR, second Friday of the month. All Berea members, visiting state or national, and prospective members are cordially invited to attend. 986-0962
 - ♦ The Berea Weavers Guild, 9:30 a.m., first Tuesday of the month, Berea Arts Council, 986-
 - ♦ Berea City Council, 6:30 p.m., first and third Tuesday of the month, Berea Police and Municipal Center. 986-8528.
 - ♦ Berea Planning and Zoning Commission, second and fourth Tuesday of the month. Second

Tuesday is work session at City Hall. Fourth Tuesday is regular meeting at the Berea Police and Municipal Center. 986-8528.

- Chapter MadCo. of Kentuckians for the Commonwealth, 7 p.m., fourth Monday of the month, child development lab on Jefferson Street. 985-7480
- ♦ Berea Tourism Commission 5 p.m., second Wednesday of the month, Broadway Building. 986-
- ♦ The Alzheimer's Support Group, 7:15 p.m., second Thursday of the month, MadCo. Public Library in Richmond. 623-4906
- ♦ Berea Shape Note Singers, 4 p.m. first and third Sundays, Union Church Sanctuary. 985-5501. New singers always welcome
- ♦ Memory Keepers Memory Loss Support Group, 7 p.m., first and third Tuesdays of each month, Wayside Room of Union Church (door nearest Prospect Street). 986-
- ♦ Berea Writers Guild, 7-9 p.m., second and fourth Tuesdays, Madison County Public Library in Berea. 859-779-0793
- ♦ Mothers' Forum, 10:30 a.m., Thursdays, Room 204 of Union Church. 985-8724.



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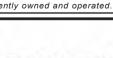
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Violation Code Key

Al — alcohol intoxication

DUI — driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs

RA — resisting arrest

DC — disorderly conduct

POM — possession of marijuana

PDP — possession of drug paraphernalia

PCS — possession of a controlled

substance

TBUT — theft by unlawful taking, shoplifting

TDB — theft by deception

PV — parole violation

OSL — operating on a suspended license

FTA — failure to appear

NI — no insurance

NSB — no seat belts

CT — criminal trespassing

VEPO — violation of emergency protective order

NRP — no registration plate

NRR — no registration receipt RSP — receiving stolen property

DDUI susp. — driving on a DUI-suspended license

PI — public intoxication

TT —-terroristic threatening

CM — criminal mischief

CCDW — carrying a concealed deadly weapon

Information provided by the Madison County Detention Center in Richmond. An arrest only indicates a charge against an individual and is not an indictment. Those charged with a crime are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

Friday, Dec. 12

Mary Carol Jones, 42, Richmond, FTA

Preston Allen Wood, 18, Brooks, OSL Justin Lynn Darland, 27,

Richmond, AI John William King, 21,

Richmond, speeding, failure to signal, NOL, DUI Kimberly Kirby,

Berea, assault 1st – domes-

Greg J. McKinney, 32, Richmond, AI, DC 2nd Keith McKinney,

Richmond, kidnapping – adult, TT 3rd John Wayne Medley,

– adult, TT 3rd James A. Harris, 59, Richmond, contempt

33, homeless, kidnapping

Michael Himes, 19, Berea,

RSP over \$300 Sandra Dee Clemmons,

34, Richmond, parole viola-

Dee Anne Boyd, 23, Irvine, OSL, speeding, possessing license when privileges are revoked, serving warrant (two counts), FTA (four counts)

Charles Allen Jones, 51,

homeless, AI (third offense

Lauren Nicole Gregory, 19, Richmond, TBUT

Dustin Dee Woods, 19, Richmond, serving week-

Valarie Jean Ward, 18, Richmond, serving time

Aaron Blake Raleigh, 20, Berea, parole violation,

Derrick Wayne McKinney, 23, Richmond, TBUT Saturday, Dec. 13

Benjamin Aaron Hogsed, 25, Richmond, AI

Alex A. Sizemore, 23, Corbin, careless driving, DUI, failure to illuminate head lamps, NRR, failure to produce insurance card,

Matthew Charles Cahill, 19, Edgewood, NRR, NRP, display/possession of false/ fictitious ID, possession of open alcohol container in a motor vehicle, DUI

Tashia Love Phillips, 23, Richmond, DUI, PDP, FTA, contempt

Joshua Charles Rose, 29, Berea. AI

Danielle Rechenbach, 24,

Berea, speeding, DUI, failure to produce insurance card

James Harold Harris, 31, Richmond, DUI, failure to maintain required insurance, DDUI susp. 2nd, non-

James Ray Brown, 20, Richmond, TBUT – auto Sonny James Jones, 37,

Richmond, assault 4th, FTA Randall F. Rice, 37, Richmond, assault 4th

Samuel Jackson, 27, Richmond, TBUT Sherry Lynn Bratten, 28,

Sand Gap, TBUT, PI – controlled substance David A. Nolan, 34, Lon-

don, DUI Lynda Tudor, 32, Rich-

mond, TBUT Joseph William Marcum, 24, Richmond, OSL, NRP

Joshua Scott Horn, 18, Richmond, TBUT

Bobby Gene Newcomb, 47, Richmond, AI

Buford R. Pearson, 41, Berea, OSL, serving warrant (two counts)

Colen Wilburn, 32, Richmond, AI, DC 2nd, assault 4th – child abuse

Kyle James Harrington,

21, Richmond, AI, contempt Derrek Shane Walters, 25, Richmond, menacing (two counts)

Nashon Isachaar Mullins, 25, Richmond, parole violation

Sunday, Dec. 14

Adalberto Hernandez, 25, Richmond, AI

Edd Carlos Gibbs, 57, Berea, DUI, NSB, failure to produce insurance card, NRR, rear license not illuminated

Dustin William Lynch, 23, Berea, non-payment

Robin Raye Oliver, 26, Richmond, AI, PDP (second offense or more), POM Brian Douglas Knowl-

ton, 20, Dover, Penn., DUI Larry Keith Goff, 58, Mt. Vernon, DUI

Bradley Shane Rogers, 18, Irvine, failure to illuminate head lamps, NOL

Roger McCreary Million, 18, Richmond, AI Robert Eugene Halsell,

22, Richmond, FTA Shawn Phillips Williams, 28, Richmond, OSL, NRP, failure to maintain required

insurance 2nd Bonifacio Bautista Juarez, 30, Richmond, careless driving, possession of open alcohol container in a motor

Steven Murphy Warren, 20, Richmond, probation violation

vehicle, NOL, DUI, NSB

Monday, Dec. 15

Hubertus F. Von Heyden, 21, Richmond, POM, PDP, NRP, failure to maintain required insurance, OSL

Daniel Lee Blevins, 28, Richmond, one headlight, failure to maintain required insurance, NOL, non-pay-

Stephanie Craig, Richmond, POM, PDP

Joshua A. Dulaney, 29, Richmond, POM, PDP Allison Leigh Scroggins,

20, Richmond, DUI

Tommy Brian Denny, 26, Richmond, non-payment

Virginia Mae Combs, 21, Richmond, non-payment

Donovan Josef Curtis, 21, Richmond, FTA

Susan Jane Howe, 39, Richmond, PCS 1st, PCS 3rd, trafficking in marijuana

– less than 8 ounces Bridgett Nicole Johnson, 20, Richmond, PCS 1st, POM, PDP

James Edward Repass, 38, serving time

Carmel Sue Callahan, 32, Richmond, FTA (two counts) James Phillip Sweeney,

22, Richmond, TBUT Minnie J. Dehne, 52, Lexington, AI, DC 2nd, PCS 1st

Marty W. Conner, 37, Richmond, trafficking in a controlled substance 1st (second offense or more)

Jeremy Joseph Brown, 25, Richmond, PI – controlled substance

James Andy Harrison, 43, Berea, PI – controlled substance

Logan H. Chesebrough, 21, Huntington, W.Va., AI Bobby Gene Newcomb,

47, Richmond, OSL

Tuesday, Dec. 16

Wesley Wakeford, 31, Chattanooga, Tenn., leaving the scene of an accident,

Travis Martin Cook, 31, Richmond, AI, DC 2nd Robert B. Combess, 27,

Richmond, assault 3rd – police/probation officer, DC Jody Pruitt, 33, Berea, PI

controlled substance Cassandra Marie Humes,

20, Richmond, DUI, leaving the scene of an accident Robert W. Short, 20, Rich-

mond, serving time Michael Shannon Pruitt,

31, Berea, parole violation Bobby Kay Abbott, 26, Albany, contempt

James Newell Truitt, 34, Berea, contempt

Stacy Lynn Isaacs, 32, Richmond, trafficking in a controlled substance 1st

(two counts)

Troy Dee Turner, 43, Richmond, DUI

Wednesday, Dec. 17

Tommy Brock, 25, Mt. Vernon, harassing communications

Timothy Turner, Jr., 35,

Irvine, FTA Jacquelyn Dawn Van-Winkle, 25, Richmond, wan-

ton abuse/neglect of an Elliott Dooley, 29, Berea,

TBUT Anisha Lavon Whaley, 19, Richmond, serving time,

non-payment Joyce Mae Jent, 32, Richmond, TBD under \$300

lum, 28, Waco, DUI, DDUI susp. 1st Anthony W. Johnson, 28,

Nicholas Wayne McCol-

Berea, contempt

Ronald F. Randall, 45, Richmond, DUI, failure to maintain required insurance, leaving the scene of an accident,

Wendell Dean Parrett, Jr., 40, Berea, TBUT

Thursday, Dec. 18

Jacob John Simpson, 33, Port St. Lucie, Fla., disregarding traffic control device, failure to produce insurance card, DUI, WE 2nd Leslie Joseph Haun, 44,

Richmond, parole violation, contempt Kelly Smith, 31, London, RSP over \$300

Winfrey E. White, 45, Richmond, DUI, RSP over Judy Ross Cates, 59, Paint

Lick, TBUT Justin Lee Williams, 20, Crab Orchard, serving bench warrant for court

Jacob Lane Newman, 23, Richmond, assault 4th – do-Marva Arlene Moman,

50, Dayton, Ohio, POM,

Julia Dorothea Tory, 50, Richmond, POM

Property Transfers

U.S. Bank NA to Rocky Point \$103,000 Anglin, lot 1 plat 16/33,

Carrie Wright Canady and Brent Canady to Erin and John B. Barnett, lot 36 Subdivision, Fieldstone

\$147,000 John Darrell Wyatt and Johnny R. Wyatt to Johnny R. Wyatt and Bradley Dylan Wyatt, tracts Madi-

son County, \$1 **Dec. 15**

Phillip Robb to Phyllis P. Robb, lot 62 Woods Subdivision, \$30,000

Phillip Robb to Phyllis P. Robb, lot 62 Woods Subdivision, \$30,000 Richard Benson Estate to George Allan Ping, lot 35

Will O Mac Place, \$225,000

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non Todd, lot 11 Breezy Dec. 16

BRT Contractors, Inc., to Vickie Pennington, lot 23 Wilshire Walk, \$148,000 Carlos B. Coyle and Jan

Coyle to Harold and Sheila

Harris, tract 1 plat 8/63, \$235,000 Bradley L. Warford to Chasity Tuggle and Cecil Tuggle, lot 7 Springhurst,

\$136,500 BRT Contractors, Inc., to Carla M. Baldwin, lot 7 Grey Oaks Subdivision,

\$850,000

\$83,500

Alonzo B. Nelson to Melissa Wehrel, lot 110 South Bluegrass Junction, civil action Dennis F. Sexton and

Tina A. Sexton, lots 20 and

21 Shady Hills Estates,

Richmond Center, LLC, to Kentucky TV Partners, LLC, tracts plat 25/83

Larry K. Miller and Lisa Miller to Bobby Joe Miller, tract Mason Lake Road,

Oscar Whittemore to Shirley Anne Whittemore, tract Herndon Lane, \$1 Kimberly C. Claytor and Joseph N. Claytor to B.

Richard Templeton, tract 11 plat 24/266, \$37,000 Kentucky Housing Corporation to Roger D.

Wolfe, Jr., lot 17 Blue Ridge

Heights, \$73,000 Secretary of Housing and Urban Development to Sean C. Morgan and Melissa D. Morgan, lot 44 Creekside Village, \$108,200

Marriages

Melissa R. Renfro. 39, school system, Richmond

to Harold Northern, 44, horse farm, Richmond

Dec. 16 Licia De Freitas Silva, 31, lawyer, Berea to Jason S. Halcomb-Dickerson, 36,

teacher, Berea Charle C. Delph, 24, teacher, Richmond to Paul I. Samarin, 26, officer, Rich-

Megan L. Pelfrey, 23, customer service manager, Berea to Brett W. Arnett, 25, deputy jailer, Berea

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Friday only:

Dec. 17

Dec. 18 Jill R. Arvin, 30, speech

pathologist, Richmond to nurse assistant, Richmond Ray G. Fulks, 37, engineer,

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to Bryan N. Riggs, Army, Richmond

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Locals participate in Crimson Christmas at Transy

Submitted to the Citizen

Two Madison County residents and Transylvania University students recently participated in Transylvania's 17th annual Crimson Christmas philanthropic event.

Transylvania's Office of Residence Life and Big Brothers/Big Sisters of the Bluegrass sponsored Crimson Christmas to provide 50 children with a holidayfilled afternoon. Children paired up with students

from each residence hall to attend a carnival with booths hosted by a variety of Transylvania organizations. Activities included face painting, arts and crafts, trivia, karaoke and other carnival games. The children also enjoyed a Christmas dinner complete with presents and a visit from Santa Claus.

Joshua Wenta, a Berea High School graduate and senior biology major at the University, is the son of Donald Wenta of Monte Vista, Colo., and Suzi Watson of Berea.

Emily Dixon, a Madison Central High School graduate and sophomore Spanish language and literature and history double major at the University, is the daughter of Rebecca Dixon of Richmond.

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Letters % Santa



Paint Lick Elementary School Mrs. Johnson's Pre-Kindergarten

Dear Santa,

I want bells, race car toys and that is it. Love, Dewey

Dear Santa,

I want a tractor, a kite and a stove. Love, Caleb

Dear santa,

I want a Hannah Montana doll that sings and one that plays basketball. That's all, I will tell HoHo the rest in his lap. Love, Sydney

Dear Santa.

I want a roller coaster with ponies, a barbie doll with a microphone. Love, Priscilla

Dear Santa,

I want a real puppy dog, a barbie doll, and I want a dinosaur dig, playdough for my house, a pretend bird with a bottle, and thats about everything I want. Love, Clara

Dear Santa,

I want a baby doll, a barbie doll and some books. I would also like some socks and a pair of boots. I also want a slide for outside and swings. Love, Kayleigh Anderson

Dear Santa,

I want a kitchen, playdough, a book, and puzzles. Love, Scotty

Dear Santa,

I want a coal truck, block, puzzles, and a car. Love, Elijah

Dear Santa,

I would like a Hannah Montana microphone and guitar. I also want a word girl suit that flies. I would also like a Hannah Montana doll. Love, Kadee Mills

Dear Santa,

I want a wagon, a dinosaur, a big turkey and a monster. Love, Derrick

Dear Santa,

I want a baby doll & two puppy dogs. Love, Breanna

Dear Santa,

I want a Lighting McQueen car that talks and everything. Guitar Hero and some story books, and some playdoe because mine is all dryed up. Real gold rings & necklace for Granny. Love, Connor

Dear Santa,

I want spong Bob Game like my Bubbies. Love, Jessica

Dear Santa, I want a jumping game, some cars, a car to drive, and a rocketship. I will leave you new hat. Love, Ryan some cookies. Love, Sean

Dear Santa,

I want a toy horse and a truck. I want starburst candy. I will leave you cookies and Mountain Dew. I love you, Santa. Love, Clint

Dear Santa,

I want a tractor with a front end loader. I want a toy car. I will leave you cookies that will lead to my room. Love, Dylan

Dear Santa,

I would like a banjo and a basketball hoop. I also want a guitar. Love, Seth Lainhart

Dear Santa,

I would like a Sharpei doll (from High School Musical). I also want a Nintendo DS. I would also kike a Gabriella doll. I also want a hair styler like mu cousin. Love, Kennedy McGuffey

Dear Santa,

I want a doll house a very big one and a telephone in it, and a bed in it and I want a real computer, and thats all I want. Love,

Dear santa,

I would like a back yard guitar. A baby doll that is like real. Love, Kelsey

Dear Santa,

I want a Bisquit, the dog, a baby doll and a blanket and an umbrella too. Love, Cait-

Dear Santa,

I would like a Mickey Mouse house and Scooby doo dog. Love, Anna

Dear Santa,

I would like a Batman, Powerman, Games, a race trax and some video games. Love, Lane

Dear Santa,

I want Red Rider BB gun and a red truck and race track, some games. Love, Zachary

Dear Santa,

I want a real puppy, Horsey, donkey, fish, a hand saw, a Batman toy, and Spidder man toy, & Superman, New shoes and hat. Love,

Dear Santa,

I want Tinkerbell Toy, a Hanna Montanta Styling Head, a Pink Monster Truck. A pink motorcycle and a Dirt Bike a pink one. Also a blue sweater from Santa. Love, Kaycee

Dear Santa,

I want a big trackor, scard, new shoes, shirt, pants, dump truck, race car, motorcycles, a Dear Santa,

I want a rocket ship and a little alien space ship, a dinosaur, and a rocket and a toy big snake and I want something for Adeline and that is a horse barn. Love, Noah

Dear Santa,

I want a computer, a bat cave, an elmo kitchen, cars and maybe a car shirt. Love, Conner

Dear Santa,

I want a Barbie, makeup, teddy bears, a toy Santa Claus, Barbie set-up and that is it. Love, Gwen

Dear Santa,

I want a new dollhouse that talks, a new babydoll and princess dress-up clothes. Love, Raelyn

Dear Santa,

I want a computer, a bike, a race car, a superman costume, clothes, a shirt & pants & shoes and a chicken toy. Love, Rafael

Dear Santa,

I want a teddy bear, a stuffed animal pony, a choo-choo thomas train, a doll and I love you. Love, Ashley

Dear Santa,

I want a motorcyle and a monster truck. Love, Alex

Dear Santa,

I want lip gloss, Hannan Montana shoes adn a dress and tap shoes, a tap dress, and another lip gloss. Love, Alexis

Dear Santa, I want marbles, High

School Musical stuff and that's all I want. Love, Mayson

Dear Santa, I want a scooter, and some

other toys. Love Tucker Dear Santa, I want a big car, a big ro-

bot, a big train, games and

big swimm suite like Pappaws. Love, Cody Dear Santa,

and that will be it! Love,

Dear Santa,

I would like a toy sword, puzzles like at school. White & black necklace, race car with a playhouse that does trick and it goes around in circles. Love, Ryan

Dear Santa,

I want a black hat, black boot, black belt, new flash light, video games, skate board, outside games, race cars, some toys for Jake. Love, Josh

Margaret Powell's Kindergarten

Dear Santa,

I want a Ben-10 watch and a pair of steel-toe boots. Also please bring me a dirt bike. I will leave milk and cookes for you. Merry Christmas! Love, Curtis

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a real video camera and some games for a smart cycle. I will leave a snack for you. I have been good most of the time. Love, Zachary

Dear Santa,

I want a chalkboard and a desk and a play pony. I clean my room and fold my clothes. I'll leave you some cookies and milk. Love, Macy Abney

Dear Santa,

I want Barbies and a Barbie movie. I want a game like Kennedy's. You should bring me these toys because you want to. I love you! Love, Sarah Allen

Dear Santa,

I want a Dora Explorer doll for Christmas and the High School Musical 3 movie. I also want a Beauty and the Beast movie. I love you and I will leave you some milk and cookies Christmas Eve. Merry Christmas! Love, Madison Carpenter

Dear Santa,

I love you! I want some art supplies so I can draw and make things. I also want some Barbies. I will leave you a gift too. Love, Lauren Fluor

Dear Santa,

I love you! I want a real dog for Christmas. I also want a stuffed cat. I try to help around the house and clean. We will leave you some cards under the tree. Love, MaKenzie Lainhart

Dear Santa,

I want a bike for Christmas so I can ride around my yard. I also want a building kit so I can build things. I try to help my I want a trampoline, shot Mommy clean the house. bring me. Love, Jonathan gun, race car and race track I also want a Build A Bear Shop. I will leave you a picture and some milk and cookies. Love, Zachary Speake

Dear Santa,

I love you! I want a Lightening McQueen racetrack and some books. We'll put our tree up and then I'll go to bed to wait for you. Love, Lawson Rogers

Dear Santa,

I have been good this year. I want some Matchbox cars and some race cars. I will be asleep when you get there. I will leave you some chocolate chip cookies and milk. Love, Billy Strife

Dear Santa,

Please bring me two batteries for my jeep. It does not work now. I also need a new steering wheel for my bike. Please bring my dad a horse. I will leave you some milk and cookies on Christmas Eve. Merry Christmas! Love, Alex

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a BB gun and an X-Man horn for my bike. I also would like a toy wrestler and some tag-team champion wrestling toys. Please bring my baby sister a baby doll. I have been good. I'll leave you some milk and cookies. Love, Seth

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a toy truck. I have been good this year. I will leave a snack for you. Merry Christmas! Love, Patrick

Dear Santa,

I would like a Teddy bear and a toy dragon. Also, please bring me a drum and a memory game. I love you Santa and I have been kind of good this year. Merry Christmas! Love, Roby

Dear Santa,

I love you Santa! Please bring me a doll and a toy dog. My daddy would like a mecklace. My brother would like a toy truck. Merry Christma! Love, Mary-Grace

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a toy car and some pajamas. I also want some jewelry. I will leave something for you under the tree. I love you. Love, Sierra

Dear Santa,

Please bring me some video games and some clothes. Also I want a real horse so I can ride it. I have been very good. I will leave milk and cookies for you. Love, Alexis

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a surprize. I have been very good this year. Merry Christmas to you Santa! Thank you for everything you are going to

Mrs. Oliver's Kindergarten

Dear Santa,

I want some rings and I want an ABC chart like Ms. Olivers. I want a computer and an Elmo like at school. I want another chart to play school and a book. I have been good and I will leave you some cookies! Love, Hannah

Dear Santa,

I want animal books and Halloween movies. I also would like one of those cars that I can drive around for summer. I will leave you cookies! Love, Hannah

Dear Santa,

I want a car and a tow truck and a Christmas tree. I want a blackboard and a sled and a Scooby Doo book and a green scarf with a hat. I will leave you a Smart Board! See you soon! Love, Nathan

Dear Santa,

I like you! For Christmas I want a High School Musical purse and a Biscuit book and for my sister a Nintendo DS. I want Junie B Jones books. I'm goona leave you a teddy bear! Love, Hayley

Dear Santa,

I want a robot and a kitchen set. I want a Dora chair and a Hannah Montana light and a Miley table. I want a mailbox too and a drawing board and a scarf. And a Hannah Montana letter. Love, Maribeth

Dear Santa,

I miss you. I hope you come to my house this year. I would like you to bring me a barbie doll, maybe a mermaid barbie doll. I would also like a big barbie doll house that I can play with. I will leave you something to eat. See you at Christmas. Love, Abby

Dear Santa,

Hi Santa. I love you alot. This year for Christmas I would like a red dirt bike! I would also like a Thomas the Train movie and a set of drums. I would really like a Wii for my whole family. I could also use a new battery for my old motorcycle. I will leave you milk and cookies. I've been good. See you at Christmas. I love you, Landon Hockensmith P.S. I also want a remote control helecopter.

Dear Santa,

I have been a very good girl this year. I would like a swimming barbie doll for Christmas. I would also like a coat that matches my doll. I would also like a brown

teddy bear, and some cars to play with. If you could please bring my brother a car game. I will leave you some cookies. I'll see you at Christmas, Ashley Tarte



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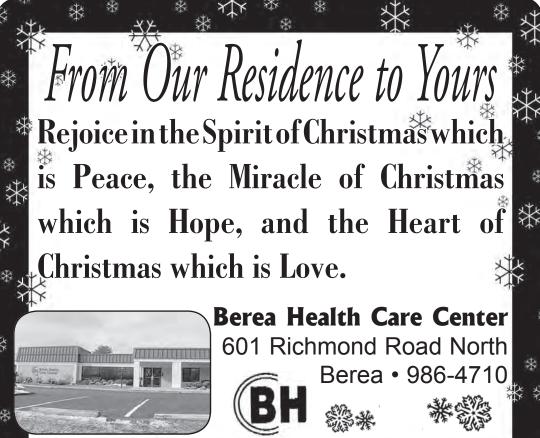
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I would like a Wii for Christmas. Also I would like the game Sonic Unleashed, an Indian Jones toy whip and some action figures. I would also like a game for my Nintendo DS its called Star Wars, the Clone Wars. I would also like an X-box 360, and some boy games for a Wii and an x-box. I'll leave you some milk and cookies. Please bring me a Jeff Hardy action figure. I'll see you at Christmas, Harley Saylor

Dear Santa,

I really like you! I really like the presents you give me, I hope you enjoy them. I hope you get me another Backyardigan. I hope you have a nice day! Love, Sar-

Dear Santa,

I want Fight the Dinosaur the toy and a Wii. I want Halo I and Spongebob the game. that's all I want! And some Moon Sand. Love, Kendrick

Dear Santa,

I want a new DVD, the Princess kind. I want a Panda bear book. I want a marker board. On Christmas Eve we'll give you come chocolate chip cookies and milk. That's all! Love, Emma

Dear Santa,

I want a computer like at school with a Jump Start Kindergarten game and a new bicycle with training wheels and a PlayStation2 Buzz Light year game. Love, Tyler

Dear Santa,

I want to have a dirt bike and Hot Wheel that the guy can't smash. I want my own mailbox, but its gotta be a play one. And a four wheeler and Lincoln Logs. And I want a play kitchen. I am gonna leave you chocolate cookies and carrots and dressing and milk! Love, Nate P.S. I forgot! I want Alligator Golf too please!

Dear Santa,

ine with a shark cage and Love, Kaleb an octupus to go inside? And a play drill that everything can go underwater and a play house and Indian play doh. And I've been always waiting for all kind of Hess trucks. And a giant snow globe and an inflatable snow globe. And baby toys for my little sister. And Big Wheel truck and a buggy. Love, Connor

Dear Santa.

I want a submarine and I want a train, and a firetruck too. And a boat and a dollhouse like at my school. I want an airplane. My Andrew wants a train and an airplane too. He love Thomas too. Love, Mat-

Dear Santa,

I want a whiteboard and markers and a pink camera and a Fun House with little furniture like on TV. And a calendar and counting straws like at school. And number and ABC charts and workbooks to play school. And a desk. And a chair with it. I want Biscuit and a pretend horse to play with. Love, Christina P.S. I will leave you a million dollars & milk & cookies!

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas I would like some make-up, a new purse, some earrings and a puppy dog to play with. I would also like a Dora the Explorer Doll. Please bring my brothers and sisters something for Christmas. I hope I get to see you at Christmas. Love, Casandra

Dear Santa,

I want a Barbie house with dolls and maybe a little pony cold come with it. I want a Barbie phone. I want a fluffy Barbie purse and a Barbie card. I have been good! Love, Nadia

Dear Santa,

I would like Santa to bring me a big Monster Hulk! I would also like a real live baby duck. Also some video games. Please bring my sisters some toys too. I will leave you a snack under the tree. Love, Brian

Mrs. Hellard's Kindergarten

Dear Santa,

Thank you for reading my letter. I would like a Barbie three-story dreamhouse play set for Christmas. I have a new baby brother. Could you please bring him a Galloping Fun Jumper? I hope you and your reindeer have a safe trip. Remember the most important thing about Christmas is baby Jesus. Love, Lauren

Dear Santa,

I would like a play horse that I can feed carrots. small play house remote Can I have a cool subma- control truck and tractor.

Dear Santa,

I want a big toolbox and a car that goes up the wall. I have been a good boy. from

Dear Santa,

I want a nintendo DS. And pures of Hannah Montana. Picture books of scary. Coloring books with markers. Earings of Hannah Montana. A big ball of Hannah Montana and toys. from Carina Vella

Dear Santa, How are you and Rudolf? How an I doing on the naughty or nice list? Please bring me and Maddy a Wii. I would also like

a Keyboard, two slinkeys, moonshoes and anything else I might like. Bring my dog a new bowl with her name on it, Chessy. Bring mommuy and daddy some stuff too. Be sure that all the kids get something this year. See you soon! Love, Morgan Day

Dear Santa,

I have been a good boy. I want a Happy New Year, I want a car, I want a train, I want a Norfolk Southern, I want a conrail CSX adn I want an Ipod and Andy Griffith DVDs. Thank you, Alex Miller

Dear Santa,

Will you please bring me a train for Christmas. I have been a little good. Thank you, Eli

Dear Santa,

I have been good at school and at home. All I was wanting is a Hannah Montana doll that has a guitar and sings to. Haley Dyer

Dear Santa,

I would like to have my very own guitar, Dora Snow princess Barbie mirror and laptop to play games. Love,

Dear Santa,

I want a girl gourmet, a peekaboo rockstar and a peekaboo, an easy bake oven a barbie. Diamond castle and the Two princesses. I would also like to have 100 stickers. Thank you very much, Makayla

Dear Santa.

I want a dirt bike. Tools are good too. Thanks, Love,

Dear Santa,

for Christmas I would like a stuffed animal, a chalkd board to play teacher with, a bookabout cats and dogs, spongebob game, a pair of earrings, polkadotted socks, Don't wake Daddy game, a Belle cup, clothes for my Build-A-Bear critters, clothes, shoes and a Bible. I love you Santa. You are a good man to give out presents. Tell the reindeer I said Hello! Love, Vanessa **Brooke Hume**

Dear Santa,

Hello Santa. I wold like an Imaginext Bat Cave & Imaginext Gorilla Mountain for Christmas. I would also like Club Penguins & Lego Spider Man. I have been a good boy this year and I will leave you some cookies and milk by the fireplace on Christmas eve so you won't be hungry and my brother will leave the reindeer some food on the sidewalk. Oh! I almost forgot I would also like a McDonald's drivethru. Thank you very much and Merry Christmas Santa. from Ryder Young

Dear Santa,

Look on the fireplace for cookies and white milk and a carrot for Rudolph. May I please have the furball pet I saw at Kmart. I would also like a My Meebas video game, Pix O's, a FuRreal Kitty, Jungle in my pocket, Tinker Bell Fly away Friends, Bicycle and Hoops and Yo-Yo stuffed toys. from Meggie Mor-

Dear Santa,

I want some new games for my Nintendo ds. Please. Thank you for all you give me. I need new boots, Please! Also, I want a high school musical necklace, hannah montana radio, and a pool. I will make you some cookies and milk. Love, Kennedy

Dear Santa,

I want a pink sparkly DS with a Hannah Montana or a princess game. I have been good. I will leave you some cookies and milk. Thank you, Taelor Alexan-

Dear Santa,

I would liked wedkins and a wii, x Box and color book, sketch board. from Kenly

Dear Santa,

I want a toy Elvis that has a button on him to make him sing & dance. I want a toy dummy. I want a game boy. I want a toy big wheel truck Santa Claus. I will leave you cookies and milk. from Gus Hensley

Mrs. Shockley's First grade

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? How are the reindeer? If I can, I will put some reindeer food on the sidewalk for them, so they can have

Rock band 2, Guitar Hero and a pet rabbit. I would from Landon also like an i-pod, and an i-dog. I have been very

a snack when you stp[good this year so hopefully at my house. This year I you can swing this. I hope want the Nerf can CX6, you & Mrs. Clause have a good time this Christmas.



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I would like a Ninntendo DS for Christmas. Also, a pet guinea pig would be nice. Maybe Santa will bring me the new Drake and Jos movie, toy cash register and a gumball machine. from Ethan

Dear Santa,

What I want for Christmas is a x box 350, camera, nintendo ds. That is all I will leave you milk and cookies. Love, Trenton

Dear Santa,

I want a Barbie. Santa I want a Bargie head that makes lipe stecke. I want a game. Can I please have a Baby Alive. Santa can I please have a books. Santa can I please have a Jeep. Santa can I please have some ear reigs/ Santa can I pleas a cputrue. Santa can I pleas have a cat. Santa can I pleas have a tent. Santa can I pleas have a teve. the end. from Alyssa

Dear Santa,

for Christmas I want a nintendo DS, a HSM bedroom suites, a digital camera, a Hannah Montana game, and a skateboard. I have been very good this year. Bring Cameron a John Deere tractor. He's been good too. We will leave you milk and cookies. I love you Santa. Love, Megan

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a portable DVD player and digital cameorde. and bring my brother something we have been good. Lauryn Bailey

Dear Santa,

I would like to have Scooby Do movie of Cyber-Space. I would like to have a C.D. player for my room. If your sled is not to full you can also bring me Pirates of Caribean movie. Merry Christmas to you and all my family. Michael P.S. I will leave the reindeers & you some snacks

Dear Santa,

I am writing to ask you to bring me a real cell phone. from Karissa

Dear Santa,

I can't wait until Christmas! Thanks for giving the children a lot of presents and I'll say thank you. And thank the reindeer too! I would like a red and black little bag and black and red big bag to put stuff in, some clothes, new boots, nintendo DS games, some books, and stuffed animals. Thank you - I love you Santa! from Lauren

Dear Santa,

For Christmas this year I woud like a big monster truck, amp for my guiter, a little dog and a chess set. from Teddie

Dear Santa,

I wish I had a Baby Doll I would like a barbie doll. and I would like a new bicycle and a For Real pet, kitten and a For Real Pet rabbit. I would want a pet ril fr Mommy and Daddy and I would a pack a mackup I would a us a shirt. from Al-

Dear Santa,

My name is Noah. I am in first grade. I would like some toys. I would like a turtle. Thanks Santa, Noah Stanton

Dear Santa,

I want a toolbox with Hammer screwdriver money keys race car, police car, firetruck, ambulance, gun, handcuffs, fire helmet, boots. I love you Santa Claus, Jerry P.S. Bring willie a fire truck. I love my brother Willie He loves Santa. I will leave you some milk and cookies.

Dear Santa,

I have been really good this year! I would like you to please bring me a Florida Gators Football, a Tony Hawk skate board and Helmet. Knee pads and arm pads. Some new playstation games. A new Board game and a Play Doh playset. Please don't forget my little sister and my 2 baby brothers. They have been pretty good too! Love, Austin Dailey

Dear Santa,

I would like a Lego Batman playset, a Lego Batman video game, a puppet from the movie Saw, a Nintendo Wi, Star Wars toys, Toy Story toys, a Chucky doll, a Hotwheels laptop, toy astronauts, a remote control car, a toy Santa Clause, a Madagascar game for Xbox 360, and a big set of army men. oh and a toy helicopter with army men. from Isaac

Dear Santa,

I would like a bike, bow and arrows, Wii, a soft fur dog and hunting toy. I promise to be good intil Christmas. thank you,

Dear Santa.

Santa, for x-mas i would like a game boy, the Wimpy Kid Books, the wall-E toy and the Iron Man Game. I love you Santa, frum Beau

Dear Santa, I would like army stuff, tank, and D-Rex, and some toys for my sister this year. Thanks, Parker Walton

Dear Santa,

I would like make up, jewerly, Baby doll, purse. from Sarah

Dear Santa,

I want tech deck skateboards with ramps, a wrestling belt, a wrestling action figure, and a blue ipod. Thank you Santa. I love you, Braden

Dear Santa,

I have been good. I would like a Wii, Journey to the Center of the earth movie and a Ben Ten watch. and can you give me a guitar and haw is your reindeers. I would like a Ky. hat, also. love, Trevor

Dear Santa,

I want a stuffed horse, hopper ball, laptop computer, hot wheel cars, makeup, and I want some snow for Christmas. from Caitlyn

Dear Santa,

I have tried to be good skatebeord torromer vido games ds player. Bring my brother and sister some thing too. I will leave you some cookies and milk. Thankyou, Wayne

Dear Santa,

I want my family to have a good Christmas and I want a baby doll and a stroler and clothes for my baby and a carseat for my baby and a sweater, hat and gloves for me. Be sure to stop by my house. I will have cookies and milk. Tell your rain deers I love them. I love you Santa. Love always, Cassie Wilson

Dear Santa,

I want a electric gitaur and a Dirt bike for Chistmas. How is rudoff the red nose your buddy, James Wilson

on the wall and a new BBgun. from Michael

Dear Santa,

I what a horse sculpure a mp3 player I what a spa set stuff for my dog like clothes adn a phone I what a camera a dolls a pet horse a pet dog and a dog or set a tea set. from Kirsten

Mrs. Cole's First grade

Dear Santa,

I would like for you to bring me new games for my playstation 2 and some monster trucks. Also I would like a Turbo Wheelie cycle Bike. Love, Aaron Anderson

Dear Santa,

I have been very good this year. I would like to have Biscuit the dog and the roll over puppy, pet city, Lucky the dog, Nintendo dogs game, Littlest pet sjp[carrying case and any other dogs. I love you Santa, Love, Kristin H.

Dear Santa,

I would like to have some new wrestlers, a black spider-man, the new Ben10 Ailen Force Chang watch thingy and the Ben10 called Chrome stone. I also want a set of bunk beds, the new smackdown vs. Raw 2009 edition, and the wrestler named Matt Hardy. Please bring me a new Harry Goblin. from Noah

Dear Santa,

A metal detector is all I want for Christmas. from Cayden Webb

Dear Santa,

I want Galaxy Force Optimub Prime Cybertron prim. Inicron quick mix with. Mini co strip mine men abor winigon heavy

load. Love, Trevor

Dear Santa,

I want bisicuit the dog book, roll over puppy, bratz cloe, yasnin Jade, Sasha, baby clothes baby dolls, makeup, cupcaker, nintendo Ds, mp3 playes, scap book, bratz folder, bratz pencil, love, Hailey

Dear Santa,

I want a remote control Dodge Charger, a digital kids camera and a Husky puppy from build a bear and a real cell phone. from

Dear Santa,

This year I would like a Dirt Bike, some play station games, the trans former movie, the iron man movie, two remote control monster trucks, Nerf Bisket Ball goal, lazer tag! Love:

Dear Santa,

I want Hannah Montana dolls that sing, a play puppy that walks, a new backpack with lots of new cloths and shoes. I want new play makeup, movies and many more, I would also like to see Santa, Love, Brooklyn Hembree

Dear Santa,

I want a Model helicopter and the hardy boys toy, some minature wrestlers, ripstick (red), a power wheels truck, some magnetix, some lego blocks, bike for Home and a power wheels truck and pokemon and chaotic cards. Santa please bring me what I want this year. I have been a really good boy this year. I haven't been gad. I have not picked or beat up my brothers either, so can you bring what I want this year. Love, Logan Keith Johnson

Dear Santa,

foldubl scooter and baby, bunk beds a dress and a digital arts and crafts. from Brandi

Dear Santa,

I want a Baby doll n I want a dog neme Tedd, I want a Bure neme monkey, I want a pir shoes, I love you Santa, I love you Mrs. Cole, from Briallynn

Dear Santa,

I want a Piano I have been a good girl I love my Piano I like dolls I want a doll I would like a piano and doll. I love Santa a xoxoxo I hope you give me a special pres Haley Sparks. I love Santa

Dear Santa,

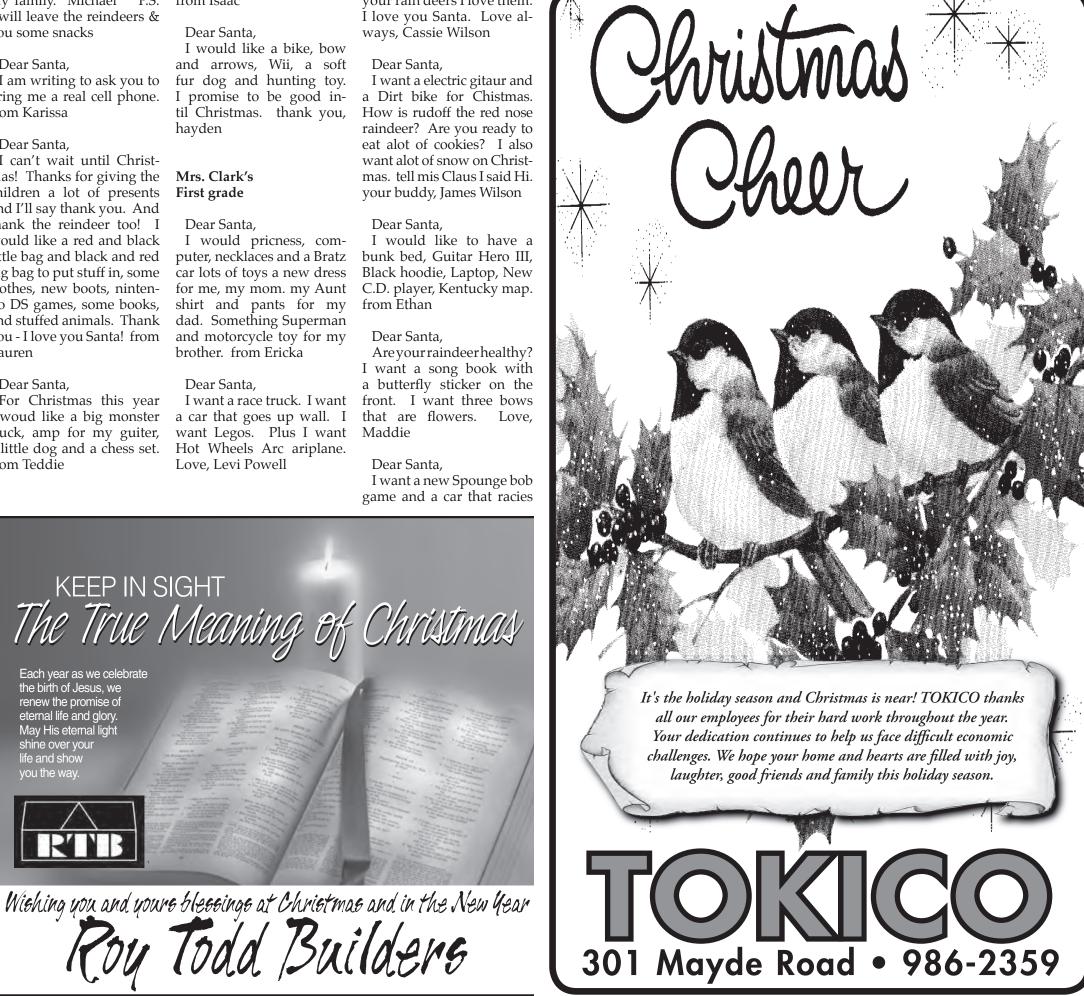
I want you to bring me a password journal, barbie laptop, the Girl Gourmet Cupcake maker, a pink Nintendo DS, iCarly & High School Musical 3 CD, Julie the American Girl doll, and pixos for Christmas. Please bring my sister Kenzie a Wiggles guitar. I hope you like your milk and cookies. Love, Peighton

Dear Santa, I have been very good

this year. I would like to have Biscuit the dog and the roll over puppy, Pet city, Lucky the dog, Nintendo dogs game, Littlest pet shop carrying csae and any other dogs. I love you Santa, Love Kristin H.

Dear Santa,

I would like for you to bring me new games for my play station 2 and some monster trucks. Also I would like a Turbo Wheelie Cycle Bike. Love Aaron Anderson



Mrs. Connie Brown's Second grade

Dear Santa,

I would like another DS so me and my Dad can play at the same time. I will leave you some cokies and milk. I would also like a D Rex. The rest I would like suprises. I beleve in you Santa. Love, Gavin Green

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I would like Biscuit the fur real dog and I would like some Bendaroos and some new paint, and a bell from your sleigh. I would also like a pogo stick. I will leave you some milk and cookies. Merry Christmas! Love, Hallie Turner

Dear Santa,

I want a little mermaid Barbie doll. She's big, has red hair, a green top. Her arms move, she turns into a human, and she loses her voice. Baby K will like it too! I like the nice things you bring me. Kameron

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I want a Xbox 360 with a game and I'll leave you some cookies and milk. Thank you Santa Claus and Merry Christmas to you and to all the kids in the world and grown-ups and also grandfathers, grandmothers, and people on the nice list or the naughty list. From Mariano Cordova

Dear Santa,

I want a cupcake maker and a jacket. I am going to leave you cookies and milk. Love, Jessica Harris

Dear Santa,

I want a stuff woody and moonsand. And I want a Spider-man bingbag. I'll give you milk and some cookies!!!!! Your friend, John Tuttle

Dear Santa, I would like a baby gold-

en retriver or a baby black lab and a little Pilgrim outfit for Spirit. My dog Jake would kike a smoshy bone. I would like a Wii with a horse game and a bell from your sleigh. I would love that and a Build a Bear elf outfit and a Mrs. Claus dress for Spirit and a royal blue dress for Spirit too and a Taylor Swift C.d. "Fearless and Taylor Swift" and some High School Musical singing doll and a bike. I have not picked out a bike yet, but I will this week. I will leave you some cookies and milk. Merry Christmas!! Love, Laura Collett

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I would like a Mp4 player and a bike and a cumputer and a Indian Outfit and a Xbox 360 and a wii and a game cube. Your friend, Dylan Lear

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I would want a wii and a Hannah Montana Barbie doll and a big DS or like one of those thin, like the game that my cousin Madi has and it comes with a pen on the side of it. I will leave you cookies and milk. From Hannah Nicole Herren

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I want a Ben10 Alien Force the game for a playstation 2 and I want the big Jetray and the big Humongusore. I will leave you some Oreo cookies and milk. From Blake

Dear Santa,

I want for Christmas is a High Musical shirt, and a Brat doll. And a movie, any kind. And a Hannah Montna doll. And a pear of boots, and a Nitendo Ds. Love, Haylee Denny

Dear Santa,

I want for Christmas is a Nitendo Ds, shoes, American Girl doll, clothes, High School Musical 3, American Girl doll brush, a stuff turkey, American Girl doll clothes, Hannah Montana clothes, Hannah Montana shoes, and a Hannah Montana game for the Nitendo Ds. I will lave you some Love, Bryan milk and cookies. Love, Elizabeth Wix

Dear Santa,

I whad love to have a Thomas the life sise train you can ride in. And I also want a bubble blizzard. Love, Jacob Norsworthy

Dear Santa,

I would like a singing Hannah Montana and some Hannah Montana earings and I would like a puring tiger, and a stufed panda. I might leave you some hot chocolate and choclate ship cokies. I would like to thank you for the presents from last year. Love, Hailey

Dear Santa,

For Chirstmas I want a dvd player, Bisucit the fur real friend. And the horse that walks. It is a fur real friend. A Hannah Montana doll that sings a Chirstmas song, A thing that has you face on it, a stuffed monkey that has any tipe of clothes. It is from Builfdabear workshop. I want a Barbie car for me to ride in. I want clothes like Hannah Montanas, Bendroos, Nitendo Ds, I want the bell from your sleigh. Love, Destiny Hampton

Mrs. Valentour's Second grade

Deat Santa,

Can I see you Santa? I have been a good boy. Santa, I want a toy called a Dragon. It's a Bak-u-gone. Love, Payton

Dear Santa,

I want a set of drums an x-box, a flutte and a guitar. Thank you Santa. Love,

Dear Santa,

I want a wrestling ring, some wrestlers, a remote control truck, a toy ladd, a toy chair, a toy broom, a bing game, clothes, a big air plane with army men in it. a tv, new shoes, Junie B. Jones books, a basket ball, an army tank, a coloring book, a phone, a computer, a toy dog, a toy cat, a hat, some paper, a play Station 2, an x-box 630, an xbox and a candy bar. Love, Jordon

Dear Santa,

I want a remote control monster truck, an army set, a globe, a calculator, a laptop, some play money, a quizmo, a match box set, a phone, a guitar, a lunch box, a yahtze game, a time shift game, a kite, a game cube, Lego Star Wars 1 #, Lego Batman A wii and an alam clock. Thank you Santa. Love, Preston

Dear Santa,

I want a Hannah Montana guitar, a play station 2, a guitar Hero, a rock band and Hannah Montana Boots, Hannah Montana clothes, a bracelet Maker, a diamond Hair bead, a hair beader, some make up, necklaces, two best friend necklaces, earrings, rings, roller skates, a four wheeler, an IPod, a walking horse, and a new bike. Thank you Santa, Love, Kyliegh

Dear Santa,

I want a doll and more games, I want new shoes, a red dress, and moonsand. How are you? I really want a talking house and makeup. Thank you Santa. Love, Jessica Johnson

Dear Santa,

I want a Wii, a DS a Game Cube, and a collar for my Thank you Santa. Love, Dalton

Dear Santa,

I want som Pakemon cards, an X-box 360, a lap top, and a trampoline, and a PSP. Thank you Santa.

Dear Santa,

I want a new DS Light that's pink because my sisters have one. I also want a TV in my room. That would be cool. I also want a laptop for Christmas. I would love a real guitar too. I also want a drum set. I also want alot of stuffed animals. I want new clothes. I want some CDs too. I want a Freaky Body Illusion. Thank you Santa. Love, Alea

Dear Santa,

I want a PCP, call of Duty 4 the video game a PSP game, and a war game please! Thank you Santa. Your friend, Dudley

Dear Santa,

I want a dirt bike and a motorcycle. I also want a PSP Game and an AC/DC game. Love, Christopher

Dear Santa,

I want a play station 2, a toy Godzilla, Jurassic Park Movie 2 and 3. and a Juraccis Park Game. Thank you Santa. Love, Christopher Amburgey

Dear Santa,

I want a Mp3 player, a video Now, a DS, a Hanah Montana Barbie doll that sings, a puppy for real, an electronic planner, and a High School Musical game. Thank you Santa. Love, Jessica Phillips

Dear Santa,

I want a Nintendo, Bendaroos, Pixos, IPod, a phone, some clothes, some shoes, a new tv, a 100 dollar gift card, and a Guitar Hero Hannah Montana. Thank you Santa. Merrey Christmas! Love, Olivia

Dear Santa,

I want a stuffed puppy, a puzzle, a blow-up globe, a book, a lunchbox, a Christmas coloring book and Christmas stickers. Thank you Santa. Love, Brenna

Mrs. Hawkins' Second grade

Dear Santa,

I want a drum set for Christmas please. I want drums because I love music. I will play soft. I want a set of blue drums and drum sticks. I will leave you milk and cookies. Love, Whitney

Dear Santa,

I want clothes for Christmas please. I want a pair of pink pokea dot pants and shirts. I also want a Hannah Montana doll. Love, Samantha

Dear Santa,

I want a Wii for Christmas. Will you get me one pretty please? My sister Sam and I would love it very much! I want to play different games. I love gun games, golf games, and racing games. I also like bowling games. I think we both deserv a Wii. Love,

Dear Santa,

I would like some close for Chistmas. Some close like summer close. That has all kides of summer stuff. I want a new house thats got a swimming poul. Love, Dalton

Dear Santa,

How is your elves at the Northpole? I hope you are haveing a good time to. Can I have a playstation 3? and can I have a set of grams? Love, Cory

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? The North Pole is cool. I want for Christmas is a deecdeecoed car, Lego Star Wars, evil storm trooper ships, spiderman moterciycle that transform into spiderman, and a ben 10 Alien Force chamber, the two last gift is a Luke sky walker Star Wars toys, and dameg dark vater toy that all.I want for Crhistmas. Your friend, Jose

Dear Santa,

How is rudolph. How is the North pole? Is it snowing? For Christmas, I would like a Wii, PSP, xbox 360 and I would also like a new football. Have a safe trip! Love, Daylan

Dear Santa,

What's up? How are you doing? Is Roodof doing oka? I gess I'v been pretty good. All rihgt I want a Wii DS vidieo game and a cap gun and a xbox 360. Love, John Ball

Dear Santa,

Do you like candy canes? I hope you have a great Christmas and I almost forget: My present! I want a Nintendo D.S. I love them. I've been playing my sisters all day. I love them. Can you get me one. Thank you, From Faith

Dear Santa,

How are you? Can I have an American doll outfit for me and my doll, littlest pet shop, pet store, Ipod I have been very good. Pleaes! I love Christmas. It is so much fun! Yours truly, Josie Dear Santa,

I hope you are geting ready for Christmas! To tell the truth, I do not know if I was good or bad. I would only like 1 thing that is for my little cousin and her brother to get better. Thank you, Annalee Wilson

Dear Santa,

How are you? I have been very awesome. I want a Wii and some Pix-tos. I also want an American doll. Girl tech stuf is very cool. I want a Ds game for Christmas. Good bye Santa. Love, Molly

Dear Santa,

I would like a toy elf, a toy reindeer and a box of Candy Canes and a little toy ducks that you can wind up and they walk. My favorite of course, and a shot gun for when me and my dad go hunting and some Ds and playstation 2 games and I would like a xbox my favorite thing about Christmas is writing to a happy New Year and save Dallas Max from the Grinch! your friend, Clay

Dear Santa,

How are your reindeer? For Chrismas I want a movie, a new dress, a new saddle and last but not least a sled. yours truly, Jessica

Dear Santa,

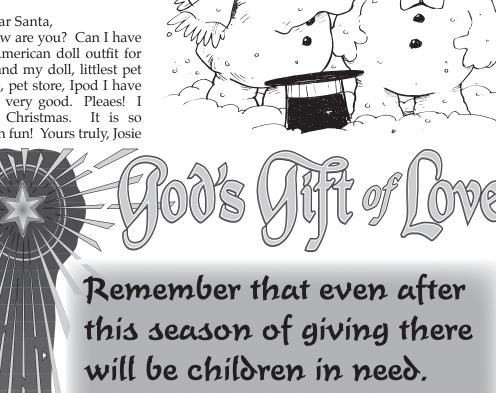
How are you? Have roodoff and the reindeers been good? Is it snowing at the North Pole. For Christmas I want a DS and a electric guitar and I want a black DS. I want star wars the clone wars for my DS. Have a happy new year! your friend, Patrick

Dear Santa,

How was Christmas? Was it fun? Is your raindeer fine? Is it Snow? Is your raindeer been good? I want a big dollhouse. Have you been good? I love Christmas and I love raindeer. Your friend, Bethany

Dear Santa,

How's Rudolph? How are you? Are you going to bring me some mighty big presents. I've been really good. I really want a xbox 360 and I want a hello 3 game. I really like your reaindeer. I love the snowflakes. your huge pack is awesome and I wish that I you. Merry Christmas and had Nintendo game. love,



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Dear Santa, This year for Christmas, would like a race car. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Dalton

Dear Santa, This year for Christmas, I would like Go Cart games. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Matt

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like pick-up trucks, tractors ad trains. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Cameron

Dear Santa, This year for Christmas, I would like a skapdd (skateboard). I have been very good this year. Thank you,

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like American Girl doll and a guter. I have been very good this year. Thank you, hagmon?

This year for Christmas, I would like a baby doll and a camera computer. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Haeli

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like a doll that swims and a computer. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Ellie

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like a Power Ranger with a motor cycle, and a Batman with a motorcycle too. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Chris-

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like an under dog toy and a really soft blanket. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Har-

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like a new Ds case and a new toy doll. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Ava

Mrs. Stephanie Lakes' AM Kindergarten

This year for Christmas, I would like a Play Station 3 and a new remote and a game boy, and a base ball set. I have been very good this year. Thank you, JJ

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like Eye Spy and a remote control bulldozer. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Austin New

Dear Santa,

I would like a For Real friends doggie. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Rylea Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas

This year for Christmas, I would like some Hannah Montana toys. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Tiffany

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like a Hannah Montana doll. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Brooklyn

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like a blow up fish, and a scooter. I have been very good this year. Thank you, John

Dear santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like a hunting cell phone, and a army set. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Ricky

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like a black guitar and two airsoft guns. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Gavin

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like a black cell phone with hearts on it, and two real sea horses, and a house puppy that is brown. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Maddie Lee

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like a guitar and a nerf ball. New playground for my yard. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Reagan

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like a pink basketball. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Brilee

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like a cheerleader dress and a Hannah Montana bookshelf. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Tessa

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like a Barbie house, a doggie, and a snowman. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Trasy

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like a T-Rek, a kitchen set, and a monster truck. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Aaron

This year for Christmas, I would like a monster truck and a car, and a dinosaur. I have veen very good this year. Thank you, Trey

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like army men toys and a brand nu video game. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Jacob (or Jason?)

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like battle ballers. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Dustin

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like a rocking horse, and a paintball game. I have been very good this Thank you, Ballee

Mrs. Childers' **AM Kindergarten**

Dear Santa,

I want some ballerina stuff like necklaces, bracelets and dresses. Eliana

Dear Santa, I want transformers, play

dough, iron mans and guitar. Aren

Dear Santa,

I want a princess dress, and a teddy bear. I want a doggie. Aliscia

Dear Santa, I want "barbie". Melana

Dear Santa,

I want a robot, and a teddy, a transformer, an iron man toy, green goblin, and spiderman toy. Jace

Dear Santa, I want a dragon. Clayton

Dear Santa,

I want a Nintendo DS, a choo choo train, and a cat.

Dear Santa,

I want a remote control car, a nerf gun, and a incredible hulk thing and batman things. Ty

Dear Santa,

I want baby dolls and a barbie jeep and a Dora jeep and a toy stroller and a toy cook set. Hailey

Dear Santa,

I want a train, train tracks, trees and grass. Also flowers, stores, houses and stop signs. Micah

Dear Santa,

I want a race car, a race track for my car to race on and a frog. Dawson

Dear Santa,

I want a choo-choo train.

Dear Santa, I want a huge flyer, a jedi

starfighter, and a big toy.

Dear Santa,

I want a red and green train, that's all. Maggie

Dear Santa,

I want a transformer and a camo four wheeler. Con-

Dear Santa, I want a four wheeler and

monster truck. Bailey Dear Santa,

I want a spider man toy.

Dear Santa, I want toys. Reed

Dear Santa,

I want cars, trucks, and Spiderman toy. Tyler

Dear Santa, I want a race car, drums, and a guitar. An electric one. Logan

Mrs. Childers' PM Kindergarten

Dear Santa,

I want spiderman toys, games and transformers. Nate

Dear Santa, I want a big four wheeler

and a big bike, a big scooter, a live monkey and Spiderman stuff. Madison

Dear Santa,

I want a four wheeler that has a mouth that opens up and a reindeer that flies. Conner G.

too. Dylan

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa, I want a remote control car, a car movie phone and

I want a big rocket with

heroes in it and a movie

Dear santa,

a motorcycle. Kyle

I want a doggie and makeup. Desaray

Dear Santa,

I want makeup, dress up costumes and Santa toys. Adara

Dear Santa, I want makeup, a doll house. Peighton

Dear Santa, I want a Spcae Chimp and a lego game, a dinosaur. Ri-

Dear Santa, I want a Barney and a dollie and a Christmas tree. Abbie

Dear Santa,

I want a doll house and a bunny. Isabelle

Dear Santa,

I want a doll house. Em-

Dear Santa,

I want a big car and bumblee transformer toy than I want a skateboard. Blake

Dear Santa, I want a wii. Braedon

Mrs. Bailey & Mrs. Jeannie's AM Kindergarten

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like new clothes, shoes, littlest pet shop, movies, Hannah Montana and High School Musical. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Destiny

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like a big car, a train track, and cars. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Keith

Dear Santa, This year for Christmas, I

been very good ;this year. Thank you, Makayla Dear Santa, This year for Christmas, I would like a watch bos, a watch and a phone. I have

been very good this year.

would like Easy Bake oven,

a doll house, and DS. I have

Thank you, Maverick

Dear Santa, This year for Christmas, I would like the dog Buscuit, pretend pony, and bow and arrow. I have been very good this year. Thank you,

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like a big motorcycle, a robot. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Tommy

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, i would like a brand new pajama set. rocking horse, and a brand new baby doll and scooby that talks with moving eyes. I have been very good this year. Thank you,

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like a shake up cars, an eight shaped track and truck mountain. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Cole

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like a toy car, Buscuit the dog, and a horsey. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Autumn

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like earrings, a baby doll with a and thats all. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Chayse

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like a weight set a fake dinosur like at the night at the museum, and a remote comtrol car...an awe one that has flames of fire and stuff on it. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Calob

Dear Santa,

would like a football, a jeep you get in and theres a but-

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ton and it goes and a truck that has a remote with it. I have been very good this year. thank you, Andrew

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like a Scooby Doo game and a Playstation 2 game. I have been very good this year. Thank you,

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like a doll set, blocks, the dog Buscuit, the pony smores and that is all. i have been very good this year. Thank you, Alli

This year for Christmas, I would like a Shoo Shoo

Dear Santa,

I have been very good this year. Thank you, Caylen Dear Santa, This year for Christmas, I would like a VTek game.

Maggie, earings, and a boat.

I have been very good this year. Thank you, Chase

Dear Santa, This year for Christmas, I would like a PlayStation and games for it and a remote control car that flames come out of it. and a toy dog and a real hemster. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Tyler

Dear Santa, This year for Christmas, I

would like a remote control cash register, a new tractor, and a new pair of jeans. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Cody Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I

would like puppies that you

brush, tea set and blocks. I

have been very good this

year. Thank you, Hayley Mrs. Carpenter & Mrs.

Dawna's AM Kindergarten

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like a cupcake maker and a barbie scooter. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Amanda

Dear Santa,

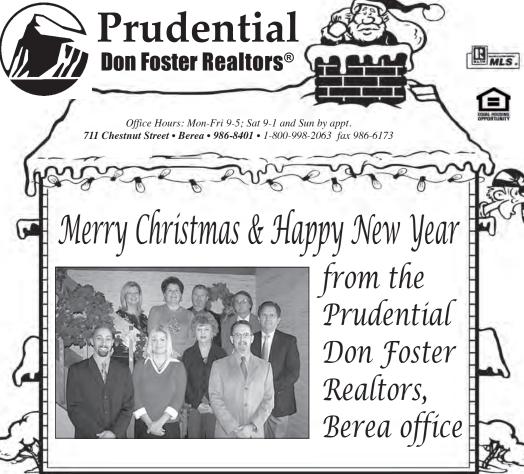
This year for Christmas, I would like a wonder kith sleepy kittn a Barbie scooter. I have been very good this year. Thank you, C (?)

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like Bentin crahnmaker little empine on the bed (a Benton alien Force Creation Maker, 3 Little Monkeys Jumping on the Bed). I have been very good this year. Thank you, Justin

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like a Tribot and some cars a Benton Alien Force creation maker. I This year for Christmas, I have been very good this year, Thank you, Thomas



This year for Christmas, would like a Thomas the Train and some cars. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Walker

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like a DS, a doggy, a soccer ball, and an electric scooter. I have been very good this year. Thank you,

Deear Santa,

This year for Christmas, would like blocks. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Masdt (?)

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like a computer, dress up clothes, hats. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Georgia

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like a baby doll and a Barbie. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Chelsea

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like a space guy end an alien, a rocket ship, a trampoline, a remote control bug a pogo stick. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Cannon

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like a dollhouse, a trampoline. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Emma

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, i would like a spacemin, a soldier, an alian, a scubaman. I have been very good this year. Thank you, James

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, would like a toy making machine. I have been very good this year, Thank you, Blake

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like a dollhouse with a family, a baby horse, horse Biscuit the Dog. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Brroklyn

Mrs. Carpenter's PM Kindergarten

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like an airplane with a remote, a choo choo train, and a toy robot puppy dog and my own bubble gum machine. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Dakota

Dear Santa,

would like a Hannan Montana doll, a Hannah Montana shirt. I have been very good this year. Thank you,

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like a girl doll, and a boy doll. I have been very good; this year. Thank you,

Dear Santa,

For Christmas this year I would like ABCD's, a doll, and a Hannah Montana Shirt. I have been very good this year. Thank you,

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like a Scooby Doo shirt, a dinosaur, roller skates and a T.V. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Hunter

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like a Hannah Montana bed. I have been very good this year. Thank you,

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like a pink dress with short sleeves, pink flowers, a baby and baby doll clothes. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Audrey

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like a blue gas four wheeler a dirt bike. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Sebastian

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like a race car card. I have been very good this year. Thank you, (?)

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like a barbie and a Teddy bear. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Lexi

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, i would like legos, dvd players, car and tv. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Jacob

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like a remote conmomma horse, a sister trol car, toy house, dirt bike for Snone. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Mason

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like a trampoline, a robot, a remote control car, a castle, with a little guy that kills sharks. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Teddie

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, i would like a spiderman bike that is big and orlle. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Preston

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like a kitti cat and a doggy, a huge big teddy bear with clothes a new bike hih heels, boots, a Barbie, a black backpack, some shapes. I have been very good this year. Thank you,

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas, I would like a pee-wee football and a racing track. I have been very good this year. Thank you, Britton

Mrs. Gilliam's First Grade

Dear Santa,

How are the reindeer? I want a DS and a skateboard and minutes for my fone. Please bring me a fourwheel friend too. Santa, I want all of that. I did like my Dad sade and picked up the chrash. Love, Brylee

Dear Santa,

How is Rudolph? I have been good this year. Will you please bring me a skeeball and Bolt the game. I will bring you milk and cookies. I will have to bring you a note to bring me a half of my presents to my dad's house. Love, Reece

Dear Santa,

I howp you have a good and sayf ride to houses and back home. I want a remote control train and a cowboy hat. I have bin a good boy. Have a good time. Love, Coty

Dear Santa,

How are the reindeer? Are they good for you? I will put cookies and milk on my table in my liveroom. I want a ril phone. I want a XBox 360. I need some tinnishoos and a new room. I have been a good girl. Love, Alexis

Dear Santa,

How are you and Rudolph? I want a Nintendo DS for Christmas and a ril phone also. Please, Santa. I care alot about other people and I do my chores. Santa, it is almost Christmas. Tell Mrs. Cloz dello for me, please. Love, Mad-

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,

How is Rudolph? I was wudrin if he's OK I want a DS game of my own and a Little Pet Shop. I helped my Sissy make a book. Love, Hallie

Dear Santa,

How are the reindeer? I have been good in school. Please bring me a Xboc 360 and a guitar hero. I will leave you milk and cookies. Your friend, Jesse

Dear Santa,

How are the reindeers? I have been really good. I hope you give me tozs. I want a banjo, and I want real targets. Santa, I clean my room up. I love you Santa, Aaron

Dear Santa,

How is Rudolph? I have been rile good. Please give me a strawberry shortcake and a Hello Kitty. I have been goo to others. Your friend, Alex

Dear Santa,

I want a noo bike and a Barbie house. How are the reindeer? I work hard at school. Love, Kelsey

Dear Santa,

How are the reindeer? I have ben a good girl this year. Can you please bring me ril phone and a Nintendo DS and a turkey sandwich. If I had a phone I could talk to my Daddy at school. I help my Mamaw with the dishes. Your friend, Sidney

Dear Santa,

How is Rudolph? I have been good this year. I have been good to others. Please bring me a Nintendo DS and cars. I will put cookies and milk on the table this Christmas. I love you, Santa, Your friend, Hunter Dear Santa

Is Dasher ril? Is Rudolph ril? I want an electric gitar and a blue wig. I stand up for my sister. Once when someone laughed about my sister onb a boy's baseball team, I said it wasint funny. Your friend, Joseph

Dear Santa,

How are the reindeer? You are the best. Can a plece have a Guitar Hero and a black Nintendo DS? I wash the dished for Mom. Love, Ethan

Dear Santa,

I na that you are real. Your elfs are real. Your randirs are real. Is it cold in the North Pole? I have been good every year. I will leave you milk and cookes. I want a Nintendo DS and a scooter. I have helped my family with chores around the house and have gotten good grades in school. Love, Jordan

Dear Mami and Papa,

I want to give you stars. I am saving up for a monster chrunk. I hope to have fun at your house? I love you. Love, Spencer

Dear Santa,

I want a pistol. I want a WII game. I want to visit you. I want to come pet Rudolph. I have bin good. I have bin good to Madey. Your friend, Tommy

Dear Santa,

How are you and yor reindeer? I wont a Nintendo DS and a punch bag. I duserv it because I do lots uv chores. Love, Ryan

Dear Santa,

How are your reindeer? I would like a new Little Mermaid bike and a Barbie doll for Christmas. I have been good when we went on vacation to mamaw Tarte's. I also help set the table when it time to eat. Love, Paige

Mrs. Cornett's First Grade

Dear Santa,

How is Rudolph doing? How are you? Can I pet Rudolph? I hope you get to all of the houses. I would like a locket and a Biscuit dog. I have been a good girl this year. Love, Gabby

Dear Santa,

How are the reindeers doing? How are you? I want a remote control monster truck for Christmas and a Play Station 3. I have been a good boy this year. Love, braeden

Deat Santa,

I hope your elves don't bite, and are your elves ears sharp? I want a I-Carly movie and a Wii game called Lego Indiana and a Lego Batman game for Christmas. I have been a good boy this year. I love Santa, Love, Your friend, Jalon

Dear Santa,

I hope the snow isn't too heavy on Christmas Eve. I hope you get to all the houses safely. How are you? I want a Nintendo DS and a I-Carly movie for Christmas. I have been a good girl all year. Love, Payton

Dear Santa,

How are the reindeer doing? How are you? I hope the elves are healthy. I want a puppy and a MP3 player. I have been a good boy this year. Love, Colby



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I hope the reindeer are doing fine. How are you? I hope you get to all houses. I hope the snow isn't too heavy on Christmas Eve. I want seven Webkinz and I want candy canes. I have been a good girl. Love, Heather

Dear Santa,

I hope the elves are very good at making toys. How are you? How is Rudolph doing. I want Lego Batman and I want Lego Indiana Jones the game for Christmas. I have been a good boy this year. Love, Kaugh-

Dear St. Nick,

I hope the elves are healthy. Is Rudolph guiding your sleigh? I want a DS and IPod for Christmas. I have been a really good girl all year. Love, your friend, Taylor

Dear St. Nick,

I hope the snow isn't too heavy on Christmas Eve. How are you? I hope you get to all houses safely. I would like a snow globe and a Monique doll for Christmas. I have been a good girl this year. Love, Hadley

Dear Santa,

I hope the snow isn;t too heavy on Christmas Eve. I would like a new TV and books for Christmas. I have been a good girl this year. Love, Madison

Dear Santa,

I hope the reindeer doing? How are you? I can't wait until Christmas. I would like a new brother for Christmas and a Little League video game. I want this because my sisters don't play with me. Love, Britten

Dear Santa,

How are you? I have been a good girl. I would like a Hannah Montana doll, a Barbie dress up store, and Hannah Montana stickers. Have a safe trip! Your friend, Brooklyn

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? How are the reindeer doing? For Christmas I want a hunting game,a MP3 player, PSP, and Xbox 360. I have been a good boy this year. Sincerely, Bryer

Dear Santa,

How are you? I have been a good boy. I would like a race track with cars, a silver car, and lots of toy cars. Have a safe trip. Your friend, K

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? I want a doll and MP3 player for Christmas. I have been good this year. Love, Hailie

Dear Santa,

How are you? Ho are the elves? I hope you get to all the houses safely. All I want for Christmas is a MP 3 player and a real turtle. Your friend, Cody

Dear santa,

How are you? I have been a good boy. I would like Little Einstein movie, sticker books, and games for my Leapster. I will leave you soem yummy cookies. Your friend, Shawn

Mrs. Bonar's First Grade

Dear Santa,

I love you santa I would like a guitar and two Barbies. i help my mom clean the house. I would like a Hannah Montana House. Your friend, Maggie

Dear Santa,

Merry Christmas and I would like a Kit Fisto star Fighter and Death Star Playset. I have don my homework and I help my sister play. I help mom wash the dishes and take care of my sister. Joseph

Dear Danta,

What will you do if you get stuck in the fireplace? Could you bring me a computer and limo? I have helped my mommy clean my room. Love, Thea

Dear Santa,

How is Rudolph? I would like a laptop prow and a pool table. I earn this because I helped my sister clean her room. Sincerely, Rachel

Dear Santa,

Happy Christmas! I would like a big screen TV and a elf. I have helped my mom sweep our flor. What cookies do you like. What milk do you like. Sincerely, Ali

Dear Santa,

HO!HO!HO! please bring me a nerf game for wii and a TV stand. I done my homework and I want a game Rock Band for wii and a new TV. Love, Trent

Dear Santa,

Merry Christmas! please bring me a wii and a Ben Ten game. I have make my bed today I am going to klean my desk. Santa how do you get in my house. Thank you, Tucker

Dear Santa,

ho!ho!ho! Welcome! Santa how is Rudolph? Can I have a dog plese? Can I have a book? I do the dishis. And a long time ago I changed my sister. I'll leave lots of milk and cookies. Isabella

Dear Santa,

How is Rudolph? I would like a wii, and sum ear phones. I earn these because I help my mommy clean the house. Thank you, Halie

Dear Santa,

How is Rudolph? Could you bring me a D.S. game and hermit crab? I clean my brothers room and my room. Thank you for all the things you have giving my family. I am really glad. I may get you sumthing. Love, Kaslyn

Dear Santa,

Merry Christmas. I would like a mp4 players and a Easy Bak overn for Christmas. I have been cleaning my room. Thank you, McKenzie

Dear Santa,

Merry Christmas! I want a Hulk and a Spiderman Hero for Christmas. I have helped my mom do the dishes and make my bed. I have been good. Your friend, Preston

Dear Santa,

Merry Christmas! I would like a leapfrog and a transformer game. I help my dad clean the dishes. I will leave you Christmas cookies. Your friend, Dailon

Dear Santa,

How are you? I have been a good girl. I would like Hannah Montana socks and shirt and a Hannah Montana movie. I will leave you chocolate chip cookies. Your friend, Tiffany

Dear Santa,

Happy Holidays! please bring me a DS and a swimming dog. I have been reading and working a lot. Moriah

Dear Santa,

How is Rudolph? I would like a bobblehead and a shert. I have been good at school. I help Mom and dad clean my room. Love, Hannah

Dear Santa,

How are you? I have been a good boy this year. I would like a Fire House dog movie an I pod and fireman. I hope to see you soon. Your friend, William

Dear Santa,

How are you? I have been a good boy. I would like night goggles an Ipod and a remote controlled bulldozer. I will leave you cookies with sprinkles. Your friend, Austin

Mrs. Hembree's First Grade

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? Thank you for the gifts last year. I have been a good girl. For Christmas I would like an American Girl doll. Wii, long pajamas with a robe and slippers, pixo beads and a baby puppy. You shoold get me thas givts because I am a good girl and I am prowed of you. Fery prowed of you. Love, Jayden Barrett

Dear Santa,

How are the elves doing? I want a PSP a dirt bike a PS2, a laptop, a bulletin board, a phone, an I-dog, a Wii, and an Ironman. I have been good this year. Love, Morgen Begley

Dear Santa,

I hav been a good kid this year. I would lik a doll, and my two front teeth. I wish I had a bunch of candy. I wish I was a princess with a king wich is mi daddy. I will give you milk and cookies and a present. I hope you have a good year. Love, Breonna Durham

Dear Santa,

Santa can you give me a football? I will have you sume mke and sume cookies. I been a good boweye this yir. Love, Britton Eads

Dear Santa,

How is your year been? Thank you for my toys last year. This year I want a dirt bike, a video game and shoes. I have been good this year. I will leave you milk and cookies. Love, Ben Ferguson

Dear Santa,

How has your week been? I have been a good girl. I will leve you sume milk and cookies. I want a cat and dog and I want a pony. Love, Ashley Garrett

Dear Santa,

How is Mrs. Claus? I have been good girl. Can you bring me two Bratz dolls? Love, Alondra Gomez

Dear Santa,

How has your year been? Thank you for my toys last year. This year I want a bunny and a cage. I will put cookies by the tree. I have been a good boy this year. Thank you so much. Love, A.J. Gosto

Dear Santa,

I love you. I have been good this year. I think you should bring me a swetr. I will leave you milk and cookies. I want two crabs and a chair and stuff anmiss and littles pet shops. Love, Erica Hellard

Dear Santa,

How are your reindeer doing? I hope they are feeling well. Remember when I gave you cookies one Christmas? Well this Christmas I would like a puppy, a doll, a video game, a dog that walks and wags it's tail, a real magic wand, a pretty new dress, and most of all a magic kit! Well, I'll have to ask my dad about the puppy. Your Speshal Girl, Anna Julian

Dear Santa,

I want a telescope. I have been good this year. I hope I git a telescope. Love, Jasmine King

Dear Santa,

I been doing good this year in my class and how aer you this Christmas? I can't wate intil Christmas because we get to open aer pretints and we get to loock at the present and we aer going to set up the Christmas tree and we get too put the Christmas lights on the rooth. Aer Christmas tree has the ornmits on. I wish I could have a list of things to do and a calendar. I will leave you milk and cookies Christmas night. I like the elves and the reindeer. Love, Samuel Lee

Dear Santa,

How have you been? Thank you for my toys last year. I have been good this year. I think you should bring me sled real star wars stick, and transformer game because I am going to leave you milk and cookies by the Christmas tree. Thank you. Love, Kazuto Nozaki

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? Iev been a good boey this wir. I want GI Joe's games and books and mooves, and star wars the clone wars games and books and moves. I want military toys and a play station. I will leave you some milk and cookies, Love, Koby Rogers

Dear Santa,

I no you are wondering if I am a bad boy or a good boy. I no I have ben good if I have a bad boy I am sorry fut thes Christmas I will leave you milk and cookies if you bring me a Wii, a Star Wars and Indiana Jones video game, a candy cane, a toy stage, and a baby puppy that likes to sleep a lot and likes to sit in my lap. Breng me these beckus I have been good. Love, Zachary Sadler

Dear Santa,

I have been good this year. I will leave you some milk and cookies. How are the reindeers doing? This year I went swoop, Grimlock, Guitar Hero, GI Joe, Sama6, the movie, GI Joe the movie, GI Joe for xbook, a xbox for nerf, a nerf for Wii, a GI Joe action figure named snake eyes, and a dirt bike with traning wheels. Love, Logan Short

Dear Santa,

How has you reindeer been doing? Are they all right? Are you all right too Santa? I want toys bcus I am leving you milck and cookies. I want an I-dog, a cat, a doll, a dog, another doll, a big present, a big dog, and a big big big doll. Love, Mackenzie Simpson

Dear Santa,

I have been good this year. I have been good this year. I wunt a EX 3 for Wii and a dirt bike. Love, Bradley

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I want beef jerky, Pokemon cards, and GI Joes. I thank you should breeng mi sistr stheng to this year. Love, Matthew Stockly

Dear Santa,

How have you been? I want Star wars the clone wars game for my DS, a bike, star wars the movie and I want a dog. I will leave you cookies and milk and i have been good. Love, Walter Stratton

Mrs. Hazelwood's First Grade

Dear Santa,

Are the reindeer bein nice? I hope so. for Christmas i would like a Necklas, a ring, and a teddy bear. Your friend, Kailey C.

Dear Santa,

Is it cold in the North Pole? Are the reindeer being good. How is Mrs. Claus. For Christmas I want laser battle, wrestling games and a X Box. Your friend, Dawson M.

Dear Santa,

Are the reindeer being nice? I hope so. For Christmas I would like a M.P. player, Football cards, and Football stadium to play with. Your friend, Clay T.

Dear Santa, Are the reindee be? I

hope so. For Christmas i would a book a picachoo cards, balls. Your friend, Charity

Dear Santa,

How is Mrs. Claus? Ihope she is fine. For Christmas I would like a Mario cards, Curby super star and Magnetick Roller coaster. Your friend, Chase L:.

Dear Santa, Are the reindeer be-

ing nice? For Christmas I would like a Chuckey doll and a pair of boots. Also a I pod. Your friend, Ethan

Dear Santa, How is Mrs. Clus? I hope

she is doing fine. I would like a Go-cart, and a sailboat. Your friend, Levi F.

Dear Santa,

Whats it like in the North Pole? Is is cold? For Christmas I would like a hannah Montana pass, a Nut Cracker and a laptop. Please and thank you! Your friend, Ashley

Dear Santa,

How are the reindeer? I bet they are good. For Christmas I would like a Nitindo D.S. Junie B. Books and Zoo books. Your friend, Kennah S.

Dear Santa,

Are the reindeer being nice! I hope so. For Christmas I would like a I pod, xbox, and and DS. your frind, Cory P.

Dear Santa,

ARe the reindeer being nice? I hope so. for Christmas i would like Hannah Montana tickets. I pod, and Hannah Montana house. Your friend, Nichele F.

Dear Santa,

How is Mrs. Claus? I hope she is doing fine. for Christmas I would like a Computer, roodoff ears, and a pink PSP. Your friend, Hayleigh H.

Dear Santa,

How are the reindeer? Are they nice? I hop so. For Christmas I would like a elf, cloths, and a ant farm. your friend, Aspen G.

Dear Santa,

Are the reindeer being nice. I hope so. I would like a puppy, playmobeitnites, R.C. and hellicopter. Your friend, Trevor K.

Dear Santa,

How is Mrs. Claus? I hope she is doing fine. for Christmas I would like a Star Wars clone wars book, toy, and a Star wars game. Your friend, Camron P.

Dear Santa,

How is Mrs. Claus? I hope she is doing fine. For Christmas I weuld like a candy cane, a Polly Roll, and a Picachew. Your friend, Eian S.

Dear Santa,

How is Mrs. Claus? I hope she is doing fine. For Christmas I would like a Skoodr, two Dolls, and a Dres. Your friend, Cami

Dear Santa,

Is it cold in the North Pole? It is cold in Berea. For Christmas I would like a I pod, Power scooter, pjs and new boots. Your friend, Jessica L.

Dear Santa,

Are the reindeers being nice? I hope so. For Christmas I would like a hot tub, the little people farm set, and sum cookies. Your friend, Any M.

Mrs. Moberly's **Second Grade**

Dear Santa,

ing toys becaue I want them to make me Carol CDS. I a new eletrick pink bath will isten to Jingle Bells robe because I don't have and can the elves make my Mom perfume because she wants to smell good. and please tell the elves to make a monster truck for my brother. tell the elves to make a camera and ipod for my sister. and tell the elves to make my dad a raser. Love, Cassidy Newby

Dear Santa,

I wont you to get my dad a cool thang to cut the grass please!!! Get my mommy a cool labtop!!! get my brother a cool wiggel toy please!!! get me a baby doll please!!! Love, Kaitlyn Goins

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? my mom wants jewelry, my Dad wants a light for hunder his car. my sister wants Hannah Montana doll. I want a lot of dinasours. I want my famly to have the best Chrismas ever. Love, Dawson Hounshell

Dear Santa,

I bet is is relly cold at the noth pole. What I relly want is a camera and I want some fake nails. I really want my family to have the

best Chistmas! The reason I want fake nails is because I like nails. The reason I want a camer is becous I like to take pictures. The reason I want my famely to have the best Cheremas so they can be happy. Love, Hailey Car-

Dear Santa,

I hope your reindeer are doing good. I walld like pokemon mystery dungdn and my mom wants will fit. And I also want pokeman shadow of almia. And I think you should give my dad puppy slippers. I hope you can get down the chimny. I will leave you some cookies. Love, Scottie Frederiksen

Dear Santa,

Do you still love cookies? I really want a Rock band an a gaitar hero. My brother might like playing with it too. My brother might like a transformer. Can you bring my dad clone? I want to give my Mom kitchen stuff. Can I also have clothing? I also want lots and I mean lots of candy. Another thing I want is a DS. Well Merry Chistmas. Love, Alicia Venter

Dear Santa,

I want a x box 360 with a Wirles controler. With an vibeo game. And put anything in my stocking it is awsome. Love, Jace Gentry

Dear Santa,

I wont th holiday pop star. Anther thing wont is a i cat. Also I wont alot of canbo I will be vere vere good uncle Chrismas. Love, Caitrana Ilene Trimble

Dear Santa,

I hope you are doing fine. What I most want for Christmas is a book about making a book. I'll enjoy it alot. I wish for it because I like to write, another reason is i want to be a writer. Love, Ava Wiggs

Dear Santa,

How many cookies would I hope the elves are mak- like? This year I would like an art set. I would also like one. So pleaes bring me one. Kacey would like a trompolen. Love, Adrianna Cashin

Dear Santa,.

I have been a good boy. I would like a Transforing wall:E and spike the ultra Dinasaur this year. I also like the video game sonic unleach the Bolt. I would be happy with any one of those. Love, Ryan Branstutter

Dear Santa,

I would like to see you becuse you are grate. What I want for Christmas is a baby doll and I want it to have a pink outfit and a purple sparkuley stroller by by santa. Love, Barbara Chambers

Dear Santa,

It is cold at the noth pole? If I could come to the north pole I'd be so glad. but that is not what I want for Cristmas. I just want my famly to have the best Cristmas ever. I would be the happyist man alive if you give me the best Christmas ever. Love, Jakob

Dear Santa,

How is it going up at the north pole? Are the reindeer ok? How are the elves? My sister ann may wanta laptop for Christmas because she needs one for school and for homework. I would like to have a cell phone because I would like to have a cell phone because I could call my grandpa Luis. Love, Evan Farley Dear Santa,

Hi I hope Rudolph can guide the sleigh on Christmas night and did i tell you what I want for Christimas. I want a Biscuit puppy! Did you knhow it dose whatever you want. So can you get me Biscuit? This is what "Biscuit" loeks like. he is brown and a little yellow and thank you for all the toys you make me last year. And I hope Rudoph can

Dear Santa,

Is it cold at the north pole? I want you to get my Mom a ring a dress, a pair of earrings a pair of shoes. I want xbox 360 because I just want one. Love, Ethan Williams

bring me my Biscuit puppy

please. Love, Sheila Bray

Dear Santa,

Are the raindeer doing. What might you get me for Christmas. I wont to know. I relley want a D.S. so I can play more with it. Santa pleas pleas geve me a Dad! Love, Austin Allen

Dear Santa,

Is it going well at the North Pole? I would realy want you to bring my mom some jewerly because se would love it. She loves rings because she collects them. If you get her this I will leave you milk.. Love, Fred Richmond

Dear Santa,

How is it at the North Pole. I want a DS for Christmas. Ive been a good boy. I want it becas I will play it all the time and I will share it with my brothers and sisters. Love, Lincoln Rose

Dear Santa,

Hello Santa. Scence I have already gave you what I wanted Here is what I want you to give to my mom. Apear of earrings, necklace and a ring that match. With a hart locket with a picture of me in it. i hope my mom doesn't see the paper. Also I hope that you get to my house. Santa one more thing, I have no clue what my sister wants so I want you to take it to her. Thank you. Love, Rachel Ausmus

Mrs. Tipton's Class

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas I wold like to have laptop. You should give it to me because I am nice to people and my teacher to. And because I am special and sweet to. And because I listen to my mommy, daddy, ant, sisster to. I love you Santa and tell your raindeer I love them to. From Madison

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This year for Christmas I would like a English Bull dog. Please get me one of them becasue my dog needs a friend. Also I althey are cute. Santa please get me that. the end of my happy. From Rachel sentence. From Paxton

Dear Santa,

How are you? I have been good. I help my mom do dishes. I help Mrs Harn the most lovelist teacher in the world. I would like a King Hurrican. From Joel Dear Santa,

This year for Chrismas I would love a motorbike because I've seen one of my friends in Lexington has one. Also I have never bean on one. Also I really want a motor bike. From Adaira Wilson

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas I would like a i touch. I really like this because I can lison to music on it. You can also wauch vidios. I would really like that if you get me this. From Connor

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas I would like for my dad to move back in with us. 1 reson I would like him to move back is because I want to see him 7 day instead of 2. I miss him during school days when I get home. I miss himplaying with me after school. Please Please let him move back in. Thank you. From Cheyanne Snead

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas I would lik to have a zebra telephone for Christmas because I can call you at the North Pole. Also I love phones so much. I also want it because I can call my Mom if I get hurt or in a fire so she can call the firefighters and the hospital if I get hurt. From McKenzie

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas I would like a football. I would like to play football games. And I know I been good. I love to play football. From Brennan

Dear Santa,

would like a cellphone for this years Christmas and I would like a azor. it's so fun. Now I would be so exid for you to come to my house and I might hear your foot steps and I will wake up and weat untill your are gone and then I will look in my stoking I then I will wake my sister and she can look her staking and she will be so exidid and so will I. From Tracy

Dear Santa,

This year for Chrismas I would like a play station portable so I could have one like my big brother. And another reason so I could have more games then my brother. So me and my brother Shaun trade. From

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I really want 4 Twilight book and the movey and 3 rezenz I should have them is because when I get to my house I will do my homework and then I will read them. And then I can slo take one tow school and I can reed one tow my mom and dad at

waise wanted one. And night and if you brung me 4 Twilight books I will be so

Dear Santa,

can you bring me ben 10 alien forece that game rocks. And the are reasons that I should have it number one becauese I finished the frest part one and now I was thicking to have megue comunation of the frist adn seckent. this is my seckent reason I should have it I will not lost it. And I promis not to trad it ever ever ever! I promis by God. From Amit

Dear Santa,

For Chrismas I wont a phone. The reason I think I should get this is because I have been really good in school. I have good grades and I am really nice to people. Thank you for considering getting this for me for Chrismas. From Nia Akande

ten. Because my cat died. Because me and my sister alwase want to go to the pet shop. I love kittens is why. From Laney Dear Santa,

For Chrismas I want a kit-

This year for Christmas

Dear Santa,

I would like High School Muskical 3 DVD so I will like because High School Musical is my favorite. I am not see it and I have fun with it. Thanks so much. From Yuzuki

Dear Santa,

1 thing I would like for Christmas is an I'm so Digital set. Because I wold like to record myself listen to muzic adn take pictures. I also want it so I can put myself on youtube. Another reason is I can liston to Hillary Duff. From Sylvia

Dear Santa,

This yar for Christmas I would like a brats world with the dolls. reson I want this is because I have been so good and we will leave your favorite cookies out at Christmas. You can bring This year for Christmas I me this thing thank you. p.s. love the hat. From Samantha

Dear Santa,

Ahbk in his red pants. I would take care of it. I would make srue it is in save. I would like it for Christmas. From Adam

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas I would like a pokemon book. One reason I think I should get a pokemon book is I have read alot of my pokemon books. Another reason I think you should bring me pokemon books to be able to lots of books. Once more thing is I love reading books. I really looking forwerd to geting one. Thanks for thinking about it. From Jake







Mrs. Merida's Second Grade

Dear Santa,

Junie B. Jones, frog, toad, pupies, pupies I never had a pupies in my whole life. I just a dog. Frog toad I read is and I like is it is the best book. Junie B. Jones I read is the best book. Love, Whitney

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas I would like you to get me a Barbie Coffie maker because they are ausome and my cousin Julianna has one and I want one. A bell from your sliegh because it is from your verey own sliegh, and the verey last thing I would like a surprise and can I have the first gifts of Christmas? Love, Rebekah Gilliam

Dear Santa,

I would like a I pod for Christmas because brouther has one. I want a Xbox 360 because my brouther never let me play it. I want a xbox because my brouther will not plaa are uther one in. Love,

Dear Santa,

What I want for Christmas is Polly Pocket and a Fur Real friends pony and my lie ponys with its play set. here are the reansons why. Because: I like ponys. 2. I like to play with ponys. 3. and Polly Pockets I like to play with them and clecket Love, Makenzie them. Frontz

Dear Santa, I want for Chistmas I

want a DS becuse I never played one. D Rex becuse I just want one for christma. Ax-box306 beches I like to play one and the have alot of games for thim like army game adn fast cars. Love, Dustin

Dear Santa,

fro Christmas I want a gormet cupcake maker because I like to cook. I want a bild you own dolhouse because I would like to bild. I want a tree house because I like outdoors. Love, Abby Schwab

Dear Santa,

I would lik a DS because mine fell and broke, I would like Sonic Rush because I lost mine. amd Sonic Rust Adventure because agin I lost it. Love, Samue Stonecipher

Dear Santa,

All I want for is a barbie coffe and tea maker because I like coffe and I like tea. Coffe taste better when you put the mix in first adn then the sugar. And then, you have coffe. Thank you for all the presents you have gotten me. Love, Lauren Thomas

Dear Santa,

You know what I want for Chistmas I want a Nidods because I want one and I don't have one. And I also want an all American girl doll. Because I don't have one and I want one. And a teacher Play set because I like to play school alot but I don't have one. please bring the presents that I

asked for. I hope you like the cookies that I leave out for you. And I hope you liek the milk and cookies! Love, Sydney Michellelina Reed

Dear Santa,

I want a guitar and a set of drums and a violin for Christmas. I hope yo like my cookie that we left for you and the milk. I hope you give me all of my presents I hope you dont get lost. Love, Erin

Dear Santa,

All I want for my Mom and Dad and Daddy and Me 1. perfume so my Mom will smel pretty. 2. a air hose because his broke 3. and my daddy a hoddie 4 and for me a nentendo DS 5. adn a Drex. Love, Da-

Dear Santa,

I want a game for Chistmas the lego bat man and a toy the blast rocket kit and a book to so I can read the book and play with my game and my toy to and I hope I the gifts and a x box 360 to so I can play my game and so I can finish it. Love, Koty

Dear Santa,

I want a xbox 360 dirt bike, paint set I like to paint. I do not have a xbox 360. I do not have a dirt bike. Love,

Dear Santa,

I wont a D.S. becaus I play it win I am bord. I asow wont a art box with art stuf in it. I asow wont a play gteurd beause I wat to play on it. I can't wan for you to fin my cookies I left for you. Love, Cheyenne

Dear Santa,

I am a good girl so you probably mite give me all of my toys fo Christmas is a good day for hot cocoa and relais in beed to wach moves all day so tack a brack on Christmas so I nede to leave you some milk and cookeys and I hope u will hav a big bag of cheldrin and poles give miss merida sumpthing to !!! Love, Kaaitlin

Dear Santa,

presents this year. Because I have been a good boy. I want a PSP for Christmas. Love, Tucker

Class Unknown

Dear Santa,

Wold you get me 24 Dinosaur Books because I like Dinosaur welee Like them and i wish that I was one of a dinosaur I have kind of ben good. and I bleevin you Santa. Kace S.

Dear Santa,

I wont a army met set becase they have guns and tanks and jets. I will play with them alot. I help my mom by cleaning up my room. Love, Logan Payne

Dear Mom

This is what I would like some cloths and Barbie dolls I deaserve in because I help you clean. I will love you forever if you do it. I'll keep my room clean. Love, Ken Z.

Dear Santa,

Will you bring me a bow & arrow that is what I want for Christmas. I will be sad. I thing I should get it because I throw my mom and dads popcans away. Your friend Kursten

Dear Santa,

I hope that you can get every thing on my list. I might have a few bad days but I have a few good days too. I hope you can get the DRex thing realy bad. Logan M.

Dear Santa,

I wood like to now how is rootof doing and how are the elves doing hear is one thing I wunt for Christmas i wunt a camruy to tack a picker of my trttle I like the toy I had last year. I have been rilly good this year my stocing is red and white at the botem it is red and at the top is is red and white strips and it is at school. From Katie

Dear Santa,

I hope you bring me littes pet shops D.S. game and wii game and the best Christmas ever. from Taya

Dear Santa,

I want a puching bag becus I ned to reles my anger becus my brother makes me angry. love, Jack

Dear Mom,

I would like a slinky for Christmas. I been good. Love, Avery

Dear Santa,

I want Webkinz Webkin clothes and a bell from your slight a to ride on your reindeer. and a Golden Wii adn a new Born girl puppy with Black and Brown and long hair with pritty clothes and shoes a bowes with a pritty bed with she look like this. Love, Olivia

Dear Dad,

It is almost Christmas and can you give me a Wii. I go to bed on time. I do good work at School. This is why I'd like a Wii. from Tyler

Dear Santa,

I would like an Optimus Prime transformer. I want Pleas bring me a lot of this transformer because he is red and blue. He is strong like me. I will have fun playing with Optimus Prime. From, Austin M.

Dear Santa,

I realy want a Hand Held My life game for Christmas. I have allwase wanted one. For my birthday I am getting a leap frog. I can't wait till Christmas. It is my favorite time of the year. I have everything ready beside the Christmas tree and the Christmas lights. But I think Santa isint real. Because every year I stay up and all I see is Mommy and daddy wrapping a bunch of gifts. And daddy making fake santa letter. So I don't believe in Santa clause. Love, Kayla

Dear Mom,

I want for Chrimas is Ds games. And littest pet shop. And close. And I want presetns because I want to play with my Ds games, and I want to were the close for school. love, Heather Col-

Dear Santa Clas,

How many Christmas cookies on a plate and for Chirstmas I want a parrot you know a fur real friend parrot and a DC becase I just know I can have rusty for it, and I can take care of it and outdoor pool Santa pretty please adn my sister Abigal she want a makup box and I want music box with a balace dacer it the music box and with ashly Your friend real music. Grace Goodin

Dear Santa,

I wold like a truck with a duck boat and a combine and I think I deserve it because I helped put up the Christmas tree! I love you Santa. Seth

Dear Mom,

I love you mom alot. You are nise to me. You are cool. What do you want for Chresmis. I want a PSP for Chresmis. Love, Rocky

Dear Mom and Dad,

I want a dirt bike for Christmas. Look how good I take care of my fourwheeler. Ask Dad - o how good I ride. Tell me one good reason why I should not get one. But I know what you will say. I can't stand up on my bycicle!! do you know wy? I don't have a kick stand. Dirt bikes have kick stands. Please let me have dirt bike. I will love you 1,000 times more. I have got A's on all of my report card ever sence I started school. Your son, Calvin

Dear Santa,

I hope you have a good trip to Amica. I would like a Nintendo DS for Christmas please with a puppy dog game and a monster truck game and I know most of your deer roodof and dasher cuoobit. I want this gift because you don't have to plug it in your tv it's easy to play. I promes I won't break it I have been a good little boy all the time I dovers this gift because I have been wanting this gift for my hole life and a dohfin game to. Love, Clay

Dear Santa,

I would want a PSP for Christmas and tcks decks and a dirt bike for Christmas. Then I want a football gue for Christmas. At shoclof I have been good. And I wonut is tecke deckes. And for out play I am Santu Cluse. And your firned Jackson PS stay safe

Kingston Elementary

Dear Santa,

Hi my name is Marley. How are you doing? Mr. Jack is very nice so is Ms. Howard. I will make you cookies. Fist I want a room make over because my room is a messy room. Next I would like a new horse because I love to ride horses. Third I would like a video game because me and my dad love to play video games. I would like a DS because I relly don't get to play with DS's much. Love, Marley

Dear Santa,

How is your wife? How is your elfes? How is your elfes make toys? How do you

make your rain deer fly? Hi my name is tyler I been very good I want lots of presents. I want a ds because they are a cool toy and I like toys a lot and it has lots of games. Next I would like books because you could tack ar test and if you meet your goel you get a prise. Then I want teck decks because you can do tricks iwth it. Xbox 3 60 I want so bad is because you get cool games. Love, Tyler

Dear Santa,

How is your reindeer? My favoit reindeer is Rodalf and Panser and the other reindeer. I want lots of presents. My school is Kingston Elementary. Is Rodolf skineny or fat? Santa how old are you. What I want for Christmas is a labtop and teckdecks, an Ipot and bakugon transformers. will leve cookies and milk. Friend forever, CJ Helton

Dear Santa,

I know it is very cold at the North Pole. My favrit rander is Rudof. I have been good so I want a few theings. First I want a bucogon. Nest theing I want is a transformer. The thirde theing I want is a robot. The last theing I want is a car. Frends forever, Mason

Dear Santa,

How is Rudolf doing? I hope you have a good Christmas Day. We have the greatest teacher named Ms. Howard. She needs loots of jewelry. I have been good. First I want bakugan because they are fun to play with. Next I want Dc shoes because they had Dc on the side Third I want a psp because they are expensive to play. fourth I want a guitar hero because it has music. I wish you a safe trip. Sincerely, Nick

Dear Santa,

Why is Rudolph's nose red? I know it is very cold at the north Pole so I will bring you a cote. My favorite reindeer is Rudolph. I will bring all the cookies you wat. I love you, Santa. First I'd like a game boy because I like to play games with my brother. Next I want a Barbie doll so I can play with it. I wood like an mp3 player so I could listen to music every where I go. Lsat I want a purse so I could carry things every where I go. Love, Lydia

Dear Santa and Mrs. Clause,

Hi Santa and Mrs. Clause. How are you and Rudolf? Yes or no. I ben a good boy and my sisters been a good girls. And i wut dog toy and a Wii and a wii walle and a DVD walle. Thank you, Love Cordell and my sisters and my mom and my dad, Kingston

Dear Santa,

Why do you love cookies and milk? Your toy makers can make lots of presents and toys. Your toy makers put the toys inside the boxes. I love the toys that you bring. I have been good this year. I would want a baby tub because I have a toy bear and I will pretend that my bear is taking a bath. I want a dance mat because I want to dance litke the 12

dancing princesses. Next I would like some fake dishes because I would cook pretend food. Next I wold like a tea set buggy because I want to bring some tea. I can not wait to see you Santa. I will give you lots of cookies and milk. I will see you on Christmas eve. Your friend, Ireland Bell Cook

Dear Santa,

Why do you like cookies? Why is Rudolph nose red. How old is Rudolph? How are you doing? Do you bring Rudolph erver year? How do your raindeer fly? I know it is cold at the north pole so I will give you a cote so you will be worm. I will give you all the cookies you want. I want a lot of presents for Christmas. I will put out cookies for Christmas. This is why I want a phone for Chritsmas is so I can play games on my phone. This is why I want a laptop for Christmas so I dott buy my ganny to get on the computer. This is Why I want purple and blue hare so my hare will be prity. this is why I want a mp3 player is so I can lilsn to music. Love, Sarah

Dear Santa, How is Rudalph? How is Mrs. claus and you? I have been good this year. How are the elfs? My name is Aaron. How old are the reindeer? I am 7 years old. How old are you? I love you, I lave mrs. Claus. I lave the reindeer. I like giffs. How old is the Elif? Do you put up a tree and deckorait? Do you bring Rudalph EVER YAER? First I will like the CD Chipmunks Sonng Because I love mize. I wold like a mangerseen for Christmas with all of people. I like a ds game for my ds so I can play it when we are at Tennessee so I wont get bored. Merry Christmas! Love, Aaron

Dear Santa,

Why do you like cook-How does Rudolph fly? I will give you m ilk and cookie for Christmas. I know you like cookise. What is Rodoloffs favorite cookie? Make sure you give Rodoloffs one cookie. How do your elfse build toys? I want an i pod because I love music. I want a DS for cristmas to play with and games are cool. The gamses I want for it is spore creasers and my Sims kingdom. I want mar shin matter because I like making stuff. I want a pet frog because I like slimy stuff and because there good. fly catcher. Merry Christmas. Your friend, Dakota Willis

Dear Santa,

How is Rodoff? My favorite reindeer is Rodoff. How is Mrs. Class? I would like to go to the North Pole. I would like lots of toys. I mostly want a PSP so when I go on trips if will be fun to play. I want a 3 foot boat so I cold shoot my cousin little's remote control boat down in the water. I would like a four whiller so I cold take it down to the garage and go in the woods. I would like a go cart. I would race it because racing is fun. i hope you will be sage. Love, Cameron V.







How is Rudolph? I love you Santa. When you come to my house I want to give you a big hug. I have a play stashen before Nesx I will lvoe a toy pony for Christmas Nesx I love Wall'e the move. Nesx I will play with Bratz dolls. Merry Christmas Kelsey Jefferson Kings-

Dear Santa,

My name is Dream. I'll try to get you a present. Please tell my mom and everybody you're real. But if your not don't tell me. Please give my cousin a present he's been trying to be good. If you're hungry I'll try to get you cookies and milk. I want a package of link cloths. Also a toy sword for the link costume. A chaos toy and a mecha sonic toy. Have a safe flight and a merry Christmas!!! Sincerely, dream

Dear Santa,

I want lots of toys this year. My favorite reindeer is Rudolph. How are you doing? If you don't mind I will leave a little bit more cookies this year. I want lots of presents this year. First I want the toy pony because I really like to see what it does. Second I would like a Bratz doll because I am collecting them. I think they are cute. Then I want a Barbie doll because I really like to play with it. Last I want a real cat because they are my favorite animal. I hope you have a merry christmas. Have a safe trip. Love, Christa Oliver

Dear Santa,

I hope I get lots of toys. My favorite reindeer is Řudolph. My school is Kingston Elemtary. Do you bring Rudolph every year? How are you doing. I want a Ben ten Alien Force creature because I love the toy and the show. I want an mp3 player. It is cool and I love music. I want a teck deck scate park I like scate boarding and the toy scate boarding. I want transformer autobot and deceptions. I like transformer's autobot and decepticons. I hope you have a great day. Love, Christian

Dear Santa Clause,

How are you doing? How are the reindeer? My name is Shelby Neal. I will give you soem cookies and milk. I hope I get lots of presents on Christmas Eve. I just want a couple of things. First I want a little mommy because I can teach it to go to the bathroom. Second I want a bean bag chair because I do not have a chair in my room. I also want it so I can lay back in my room. Third I wand a Hannah Montana doll that sings Rockin around the Christmas tree because I like that song a lot. Last of all I want

a sewing machine because I can sew. I hope you have a good trip. Love, Shelby P.S. Merry Christmas

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? I am doing fine. How are the render doing? How is Miss Claus Doing? Please give me and my brother a lot of presents under my Christmas tree. I have been good this year. First I want books so I can give some to mis. Howard. Second I want a boy baby doll because I thank that boy baby dolls are cute. Third I want a cup cake maker because I like cup cakes a lot and when I go some where I can make cup cakes fast. Last I want a boy baby doll crib because when I pretend that my doll is crying I can rocket it to sleep and put it in the crib so I can go halp my Mom in the kitchen. I will see you on Christmas day. love ;your friend, Madison

Dear Santa,

How are you? How are the raindeer? This year I would like to have a fold yp art set because you know I love art. I also need a fold up art set so I can decorate my room and all my pictures. Second I would like a white fluffy shizu so it can have a good home and I can sleep with it. Third I want some chapter books because you know I love to read. Fourth I want a dress with medium hell sandals because I am going to have a Christmas party with my family. Love your friend, Kaydon Leigh Kindred

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? Because I want to no. How dus it fill in the north poll because it fill good here. for Christmas I want a phone and jewelry. Love, Kennedy Rose

Dear Santa,

How is your wife? Are the elves fine? How are you? Anyway what will you bring me for Christmas. I want a Wii and an xbox 360. I have a good Christmas. From, Cameron Lamb

Dear Santa,

Hello santa, how are you? How old are you and how is Rudolph good. I want a Wii or an xbox 360 or a PSP. I want a combo bow and arrow. I want nine bacugan and a pool set. Love, Trenton King

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? How are the reindeer? Sure that they are doing fine. I hope I have a good Christmas! My name is Jalyne rose berry. I hope I need a DS because you get to play a lot of games. I am on the nice list! I have been good this year! I need a baby kitten because I will take good

care of it! I need a game boy because it ha a lot of buttons and I sure do love buttons. I need jewelry because it is very pretty and you get to wear it all day long! Santa I might cook you some cookies on Christmas eve! Havve a good Christmas! Love, Jalyne Berry

Dear Santa,

Ive been good this year. And I would like a DS and a like picture of the pilgrims and I hope you know my great great great grandfather. Because I never got to see my great great great grandfather. Please also give me a picture of my great great great grandmother. And a nother cd of Hannah Montana because I am a big fan of her. And one of the scary eyeballs that glow in the dark and an action figure for my dad and a stuffed animal for my collection. And I wonder if like rudloph and your wife is doing okay? Love, Alexis K. Baker

Dear Santa,

Yo, what's up? Tell Rudolph to call me. Hey what are you doing Christmas day? Yo, my name is Natalie Calico. Is Rudolph okay? I miss you can you get me the ACDC Cd. And the Alvin and chipmunks cs. My causen Jacob is mean and evil and sometimes can be annoying. And I'd like a stuffed bunny rabbit and a kitty cat. I hope I get lots of presents. I also like a sleeper and a diamond ring. And my teacher Miss. Howard is the best teacher ever. Love, Natalie Danielle Calico

Dear Santa,

Sorry Santa for lyeing. I hope I'm on the nice list. I have been very good. How are the raindeers? How is Mrs. Claus? How are your elves? I want a lot of pres-First I want ghost buster and guitar heo four and an xbox 360 and a PSP and a Wii. Love, Chance Nobbe

Dear Santa,

your rain deers. I will give theme carrets or oatmeal. Please give me lots of gifts because me and my brother have been good. Love, Dylan Hanney

Dear Santa, How are you doing this Are you feeling year? good? Yes me oh I been good this year. Some of my friends are getting in trouble this year and they are working on it. they will be better this year. And have a good time at the north pole this year. And don't be sad this year about us. We will be good. I want Bratz doll with hairdo, and I want a holiday Barbie doll. American girl doll. I want a play

the mud. I want some paper so I can draw. Love, Mackenzie

Dear Santa,

What's up? How are you doing Santa? And especially how is Mrs. Claus doing? So how is Dasher and Prancer doing? And I can't leave out Rudolph. My name is Lacey. I have been good this year. So I want just a few presents. First I want a digital camera because I want to take pictures with it. Next I want a Webkins. I like to play on the computer. I'm just getting started so another thing is books because I love to read. Miss Howard hs taught me a lot. This is the last wrestling people because me and my dad watch UFC fight night and I am starting to like it. Love,

Dear Santa,

Hello, how are the reindeers? I'm ging to my Granma and Granpa's house for Christmas, to spend Christmas Eve night. Can you please bring my presents there? I would like a Bakugan, and a motorcycle, and Bakugan cards. Thank you, Matthan Sutton

Dear Santa and Mrs. Clause.

Hello, I have helped take care of my little brother and sister. I want a Lameein Thalcon from Star Wars. A motorcycle game, a dirt bike game, a Play Stashen STAR WARS game. A Darth Mall and a Xbox. Thank you Santa, from Joseph Barrencotta, Kingston

Dear Santa,

How are you doing Santa? I would like Batman car, I want 2 Ironman toys. I want a Bakugon, Batman game. A Robot and a charger for my Nintendo. Tank you Santa, By Joshua Reece, Kingston

Mrs. Hoy's 2nd Grade

Dear Santa Claus,

I hope you have a safe trip How are you and your to my house. I would like Love, deanna Napier rain deers. I will give some Teck Deck and a pupyou cookies and milk and now a cute one. I would also like some nike shoes and boots and some psp games. HOHOHO! Love, Austin B.

Dear Santa Claus,

I hope you have a good trip here. You be careful coming here. I hope people get their presents from you. I would like a scooter and a pair of Heelie skate shoes and a battery car you can really ride in. I would also like to have an Easy Bake Oven so I could bake goodie. I will leave you cookies and milk and a carrot for your reindeer. Love, Casey

Dear Santa Claus, How are you Mrs.. Claus? I hope the elves are work-

ball because my ball got in ing on toys. For Christmas I would like to have a game boy and make your own lip gloss. I would also like to have a Hannah Montana doll and a Bratz snap on. Merry Christmas. friend, Devyn S.

Dear Santa Claus,

How are you? Are you and the reindeer ready for your big flight? I hope I have been good this year. I would like you to bring me a PS 3 video game system and a game to play on it. I hope you and your family have a good Christmas this year. From, Dalton M.

Dear Santa Claus,

How are your reindeer doing? How are your elves? How cold is it going to the different houses? How is Mrs. Claus and Rudolph? I want an MP3 Player and a skateboard please. I hope you are safe when you are flying around the world. Merry Christmas! Love, Alex H.

Dear Santa,

How are you doing this year? I hope the reindeer are ready for their trip. I hope you are too. How cold is it up there? I hope the elves are working very hard for all the children. For Christmas i would like to have...A nintendo ds and a jumprope and a pack of teck decks minature skateboards. I hope you have a good Christmas. Love, Em-

Dear Santa,

I have been thinking a lot about you. How are the elves? I would really want to see one? How are the raindeer. I would really like to see one of them too? I'm going to tell you your treat it will be cookies and pop like last year. If it's okay I would like to talk about what I want a Gormade Cupcake Maker and a Nintendo Ds so I can make you a cup cake next year. I hope you have a safe flight. Thanks for everything. HO-HOHO!!! Merry Christmas!

Dear Santa.

How is the reindeer doing? Are the reindeer being good? I would like a dirt bike helmet. I would also like a Toy Jeep and Tech Decks. I hope you have a good flying trip on Christmas nite. Love, Billy

Dear Santa,

How are your elf's and reindeer doing? I hope your doing well also? Are your reindeer ready for flight? I would like some Yu-Gi-Oh and Pokemon cards, X box 360 and a Play Station 3.. I will give you milk and cookies. I hope everything is doing well? Merry Christmas, Love, Patrick

Dear Santa,

How are you and Mrs. Claus doing? I hope the eve's have been busy building the toy's? I hope the reindeer are ready for Christmas. This is what i would like to have for Christmas. I like a cup cake maker so I could make them for my little brother. I would like a pixo's maker so I could desigh things. Finally I would really like an Mp3 player so I could listen to music. Hope you have a Merry Christmas. Love, Courtney Bloss

Dear Santa,

How are you and Mrs. Claus? Are the randeer ok? Have the elves been working hard on the toys this year I want a nintendo ds and some intendo ds games and may I have the spa factory and bratz magic hear color and some coloring books some teck decks and some marckrs and a rescue pet and tumblls my roll over pup girl gormet cupcack maker and some pokemon cards and bratz snap on consurt and a pony and a Hannah Montana ipod mack your own lipglos nell glitr and gym I hope you have a safe trip. I will leve extru milk and cookys for you p.s. ho ho ho p.s.s. I love you Merry Christms Love, Lyric

Dear Santa,

How are you and the reindeer? For Christmas I would like a go cart and a laptop computer. I would also like a cell phone so i could call my parents. I will leave some milk and cookies for you. Merry Christmas, Jonathan

Dear Santa,

How are you? How is Rudolph? How is your head elf? May I please have a spa factory and a baking oven for Christmas? I hope you have aMerry Christmas and a Happy New Year! Merry Christmas, Laure G.

Dear Santa,

How are the reindeer? Are you Ok? How is Mrs. Claus doing? Are you ready for vour flight? What I would really like for Christmas is a Teck Deck and a scooter. Also, if I could I'd like a Biscuit My Loving Pup so I could play with it. Hope you have a Merry Christmas. Ho, Ho, Ho, Merry Christmas, Alex. W.

Dear Santa,

How are you and Mrs. Claus and the reindeer doing? Are the elves working hard? For Christmas I would like to have Biscuit My Loving Pup and the spa factory and a pair of Heelie skate shoes. I will leave you some milk and cookies and I hope you have a good night. Thankyou, Erica R.





How are you and inthe North Pole? I hope Rudolph is ready to lead the rest of the reindeer. I hope the elves are making lots of toys for me. I would like to have an XBox 360 and a kite for Christmas. I would play games in the winter and fly my kite in the spring. I will leave some milk and cookies for you and hope you have a safe trip. Love, Zack

Dear Santa,

How are you and in the north pole? How is it in the north pole? Are the reindeer ready for their big night? For Christmas I would like a pack of nails and some nail polish for little girls and I would like a pair of earrings and a necklace. One last thing is a pack of lipgloss. I hope you have a Merry Christmas. Love, Destiny B.

Dear Santa,

How are doing in the North Pole? How are the reindeer doing? Are the elves busy making toys? Will you stop at my house for Christmas? If you do would you please leave for me a pair of Heelies and a skateboard? I would like some Teck Decks and a picture of my teacher and my class and a Nintendo ds. I would really like a pack of markers so I could draw and do artwork. I hope you like milk and cookies. Merry Christmas, Mahala C.

Dear Santa Claus,

How are you and Mrs. Claus? I want a Nintendo ds and a Hannah Montana Doll and a Bratz walking dog, and a Sponge Bob. How are the reindeer? I will leave you milk and cookies. From, Kayley R.

Dear Santa Claus, How are the elves doing?

How are the reindeer? I want a Nintendo ds and Mega Blocks. I will leave you some cookies and milk. Merry Christmas. Love, Shane B.

Dear Santa Claus,

How are you and the reindeer doing? I hope you are ready for Christmas. I hope the elves are doing their job of making lots toys. For Christmas I would like Make Your Major Lipgloss kit. I would like a My little Pony and I could use a sweater because of the cold weather. I would really l ike an Easy Bake Oven if you could. I will leave you cookies and milk. Merry Christmas, Tana P.

Mrs. Alcorn's **Third Grade**

Dear Santa, How are your elves doing? I'm sure that they are working hard by making all those toys for all the children. I am going to tell you what I want for Christmas. I would really really like a Nintendo D.S. Here are 3 reasons I feel I should have this gift. 1. Because I've tried to be good, 2. Because I've respected my parents, 3. And I've done what I have been told. Here are 2 things that I am willing to do to receive this gift. I am willing to listen to my parents, and do helpful things for my Grandma. Thank you for all the things you have done for the children that get presents on Christmas Eve. Yours truly, Kyra Waits P.S. I love you Santa! PPS Merry Christmas! PPPS I hope you like the drawing!

Dear Santa,

Hello! How are you and the elves doing? I hope you are ready for the big day. I'm excited! The one thing I want is a Hanna Montanna guitar with stars on it. I have 3 reasons why I should have this gift. I can sing with my guitar if I get scared during a storm. I want to play the guitar so maybe someday I'll be a country music singer. If I ever get sad I can play my guitar. I can take out the trash for a week. I can do the dishes for a week. I can give the dog a bath. I hope you like the cookies and milk in the kitchen. Yours truely, Twila McDonald

Dear Santa,

Hello! How are you doing and your reindeer? Have your elves been working hard? I hope the sled is ready for Christmas Eve. The one thing that I really want for Christmas is a pink camera. I have 3 reasons why I want you to buy this gift for me is to take pictures of my family and to have memories of them. My second reason is to take pictures of my friends in case if they move I can still see them on my camera. Last, is to take funny pictures and make me laugh because I like to laugh. Two things I am willing to do for this gift is to keep my room clean. Another reason is to take out the trash for 2 months. I hope you have a safe trip and a fun trip. Merry Christmas, Abigail

Dear Santa, Hello! My name is Meredith. I'm in thrid grade, I'm eight years old, adn i can't wait till Christmas Eve! The one and only thing that I would really enjoy having this Chrismas is a labtop. I have three resons I feel I should get this gift. I'm a good child. I wash the dishes. Sometimes and I take the dog out. I'm willing to wash dishes for two weeks and I will clean my room, I hope I'm not asking for too much and i hope you have a great Christmas Eve ride. your truely, Meredith

Dear Santa,

Ola! I hope you are getting fattened up for the big night! Are the reindeer ready to? I will have cookies and milk for you. I'm wanting an I-pod for Christmas. I have three reasons I want this gift. 1. It would make me cooler. 2. I would listen to it. 3. It would be handy because it can be something I can listen to on the bus if I get bored. I have 2 things I'm willing to do in order to receive this gift. 1. I'm willing to watch my sister for a year. 2. I'm willing to work hard in school all the time. Yours truely, Justin

Dear Sants, Hello! I'm sure your busy. Are you doing ok? I can't wait in tell Christmas Eve! One thing I want this year is a bed for my dog. I have 3 good reasons why I should have this gift. 1. Because she has no where to sleep 2. She can play games in it. 3. she can relax in it when she's hurt. I'll clean up it's doggy poop. I'll clean up my room. I hope you can bring it to me on your slegh on Christmas Eve! Your truly, Jeri

Dear Santa,

Hello! What have you been doing since Dec. 25-2007? How are the elves and reindeer. I cant wait till Christmas. Tell mrs. Claus I said "hi". The one thing I would really enjoy having is a Wii. I have three reasons why I feel I should have a Wii. They are 1. It will help me exercise in a fun way, 2. It can help me get better at som games. 3. I will have fun with my family. So if you could, please on Christmas deliver me a Wii. And to receive a Wii I will be nice to my sissy and bubby for a year, well maybe a month. I will clen my room evrey week Have a good ride! Love: Olivia Goode

Dear Santa,

Hello! How are you? How are the reindeer ready for Chrismas Eve. I hope the Elvs being good. I can not wait for Chrismas Eve. The one thing I wah for Chrismas is a Hanna Montana make up case. I have 3 reasons why I want this for Chrismas. Because I like makeup I like playing with my sister puting it on my sister. So I can put make up on when my Mom put's it on. I have 2 things Im willing to do to get the make up case. I would wash the dishes for a week. I would keep an eye on my little sister when I come home from school. I can put on makeup and my sister to and my Mom mite say that we look cute. From Breanna Kidwell

Dear Santa,

How are you and Mrs. Claus doing? Is Rudolfh being good? How are the elves doing? Are they working hard for Christmas? I really want a Nintendo D.S. Three reason are, first, so I can play with it because I love it. I can learn from it, and I can play multpliction games on it. I would be nice to my sister for 1 month, secend I would clean the dishes for 1 month. I hope you can get me it. Yours truely,

Dear Sata, How are you dowing How is Mrs. Claus dowing? I hope you are getting ready for Chrismas eve I want hot wlells cars I wont tear them up I want to collect them It will teach me responysidility If you get me some hot wheels I will be good to my brothers and sisters I will wash the dishes and take out the trash. I hope you a great Christmas Eve yours truely Brandon Lee Adams

Dear Santa,

Hello my name is Michael Johnson. How are you doing? Are you reindeer ready for the ride? I want a wii I can lern to do things like move my body and jump up and down. It will keep my busy on the week ends It will keep me acive. If you get this wii for me I'll studay a lot more at school. I will help my mother do the laundry. Have a very happy Christmas. Your truely, Michael J.

Dear Santa,

hello1 How are you, Mrs. Claus and the reindeer doing? Do you think I have been good this year? I hope your sled is not broken before the big night! I would like an ipod or MP3 player. I have 3 reasons why you should give me one. First, l have been trying to be good Second, I have been trying to respect my parents. Third, I donated a Build-A-Bear to the poor. In order to receive the gift, I am willing to do the following listen to my parents, and feed the dogs 4 times a week to get my presetn. Have a safe trip on Christmas Eve! Love, carly Mays PS I love you!

Dear Santa, Hello! How are all of the reindeer doing? And how are you doing? How is Mrs. claus doing? I would really enjoy a new bike becaus will I got 3 reaons why. First, A new bike will help me exercise. Ny number 2 reason is my family will walk while I ribe my bike with my brother. I will tell ya things if I get it. I will clean my room each day for 6 weeks, I will load and unload the dishwasher. I will leave milk and cookies for you, Santa. A child in Kingston Logan

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Hello! How are you and Rudolh doing? Mrs. Claus how are you doing too? I hope the sled and you are ready for the big day. The one thing that I would really like a slidre phone. There are three reasons why I should have this present. First, just in case of an emergency, i can call my parents. Next, I can look at the Internet for my homework for high school. Last, if my mom or dad needs me they can call. In order to get this I will mow the lawn for 3 years. Next, I will take out the trash for 4 years. Make sure you don't get to fat. Make sure that Rudalphs nose is bright enough. I hope you bring it. Yours truly, Austin

Dear Santa, Hello! How is Redolph? Is he excited? Is he ready to fly the sleigh? Is he ready for Christmas? I know I am! The one thing I want for Christmas is a Wii. I have 3 reasons why I feel I sould have a Wii. Fist, you work out while you play. Next, I won't bug my parents. Last, I could give it to my future child. I am willing to do the following to receive this gift. I will clean my room and I will also wash dishes for 3 weeks. I hop you like the cookies on the table at my house1 Love, Rachel Dear Santa,

I hope you're having a great day. I wish I could ride on your sleigh. Are the reindeer doing fine? 1 reason why I should have it is because I can playit because I love it! I will my sister Hope. I can get games that will help me with my schoolwork If I get this, I will take Tasha for a walk everyday. I will leave you cookies and milk by our tree. Ashley D.

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? How are the Reindeer? Is your sleigh ready to go? realy want a radio alarm clock this year. Three reasons why I want it is: I will use it to get up for school, I like music so I can listen to it on my radio and I don't like my other alarm clock that much. Two things I'm willin to do to get the gift is: Clean my room if it gets too messy. Once in 2 weeks and i will fold towles and washrags. Hope you like the cookies and milk on our fireplace. Love, Taylor

Dear Santa,

Hello! How are you and reindeer doing? I'm sure you are getting ready for Christmas Eve. I can't wait! The one thing I would realdy want a Pup Boxer for Christmas. I have 3 reasons: I will take him for a walk I will bath it 2. Feed having a dog will teach responsibilit3. he will make a good play mate for my mother and I will keep my room clean I will good to my brother. Your turely, Bran-

Dear Santa,,

Hello! How are ya doing? I hope your ready for Christmas. Can't you wait until Christmas? The one thing I want for Christmas is a Nintendo Wii. I have 3 solutions what I can do with it. The games are egicatioenal. I can give it to my grandchild in the future. I can let my brother play it whever he wants to. These are the things I am willing to do to get this 3 times a week, I will clean my room and take out the trashcans every week , last, I will help my brother write his name. I hope you can get me this. I hope you can fit this on your sleigh. Yours truly, Trey Eden

Dear Santa,

Hi! How are you and ;your rendeer? I hope you're having a good time giving presents. Is your reindeer fatned up for the big night? I hope they are because I want a present from you. It's a Wii and if you will give me a Wii I'm going to give you 3 reasons why I want a Wii, First, I can teach my little sister how to play it, next, when I'm bored it will entertain me, Last, I could get a learning fame and make myself smarter. I hope them are 3 good reasons why I need a Wii. Plus if you think them are good reasons, I'm willing to do 2 things for a Wii. First, I will be nice to my sister for half a year. Next, I willhelp my mom with the chores for 2 years. Them are the 2 willing things I'm willing to do for a Wii. Well I hope you can fit the Wii in your sleigh. Your friend, Chan-

*** Mrs. Robinson - 1st grade - Kingston

Dear Santa,

I have been a good girl. I got a note from techer Mrs. Robinson that ses I have done a good job on money. Sens I have ben good I want a DS with a now Hellow Kitte game for Chrimas. Thank you for my dogs last year. I love them. Love, Rebecca VanWinkle

Dear Santa,

Thank you for my XBox 360 last year. I have bin helping tak kar of my sister Karle. I want a nitendo DS. I wont the noow sonik unleshed. I will be good. Love, Dylan Riddell

Dear Santa,

Are you going to make it for Christmas? Is Mrs. Claus feeding you? Have I ben good all yir? I theek I have. I lisin in school. I wownt a Nintendo with a pet shop game and a camru. Love, Linsey Adams

Dear Santa,

How is comet? I hope he is doing good. I have ben a good boy. I helped my dad fex the fenx. I helped my mom swep. Wood you bring me a hrmoneku? I want a xbox. Wood you bring me a video camur? I want you to bring me a hi school music scool DVD. I love you Santa. Love, Logan Kirby

Dear Santa,

Haw is Rudolf? I hope Rudolf is good. I have ben a good boy. I have cleynd up my room. I have picked up toys. I want a woch for Crismis. I want a star wars the cloan wars for Chrismas and a web kins for Chrismas. I want backugon bois for Chrismas. I want a laptop for Chrismas. I want a tv for Chrismas. I want a clock for Chrismas. Love, Luke Brock

Dear Santa,

I lov uoy. I bin gooad boa. I wont bi sgate bord. I hep ym dad at the has. I wat a ball. I wont chcreer. I woi brng a rubof a aple. I lov rubof. Love, Zachary Rob-

Dear Santa,

I have ben a good girl. I help Mom klen the house. I liked the borde dol you got me last yer. May I have a Ipod and a stuffed Aneml? Thank you Santa. Love,

Dear Santa,

I have ben good at hom and at schol. I hele mom clen the has. I woot a dirt bice. I wont a sled. I woot to slide it dawn the hil. Have a Merry Christmas. Love, Andrew Powell

Dear Santa,

Thank you for my fireman toy. It was cool. I have been good for you Sana. I help my brother clean up. I can count my numbers by myself. Please give me a ice man toy and a school bus toy. Thank you Santa. Love, Josh

Dear Santa,

I have ben good all yer and I help my mom and dad mace cooces. I love you Santa. I like the muvey of haspray and the muvey of \$10 dolrs. I wod like for you to give me the wii sports. It is the one that you stand on the mat. Can you get a new girl wen dog for me? I will be good. Love, Ashtyn King

Dear Santa,

I hav bin a good girl. I help my money with my litl sistr and bub. Pleas bi me a hart neclis. I wont lots of toyes. I wood love a ril pup. I wil word it and fed it. That is all I wont for Christmas. Love, Rhenda

Dear Santa,

Are your Ranedirs doing good? I hope they are. I have bin a good gurle. I helped my mom coock. I helped my sistr go her home work. I want a Hannah Montana radio. Also I want a pink and white tv... Love, Dixie Tennant

Dear Santa,

Is Camit earing more candy? Be careful not to get a belly ake. I have been a good boy. I clean my room. I have helped my mom cook. Sence Ive been good, will you bring me Drex, camera, wwe wrestling match, x-box 360 and bakuganballs. Thank you Santa. Love, Gabriel Cottengim

Dear Santa,

Hiw dus the elfs make toys? I hope that thay are making mor presits. I have bin a good girl. I help my brothr win he is sik. I help my mom cklen the dishis. I wont a ipod and a idog, a Hanu Motan gitar, a Hanu Montan bed set and a DS. Love, Regan Ledford

Dear Santa,

I have ben a good girl this yer. I help my mommy poosh the cort in wol-moirt. Thak you Santa for my puppy last yer. She is doing good. I want a bobble head dog. I love them. Love, Olivia Hamilton

Dear Santa,

Ha r your bogh of yoor rander doon? I bin a good bi. I hlt my brother clen his room. Thac you fr my soothr. I wod lke a Ipod fr Chrstms. I wel lev a alple fr Roodof. Love, Zachary Lear

Dear Santa,

I want a batman and spiderman action figure. I been good all day. I like to help daddy under the trailer. I help daddy and mommy cook supper. I have been really good. Love, Austin Bufkin

Dear Santa,

I love you. Thake you for the presins last yer. I was hape. I bin good gerl. I dun the dishis last nite. I watn a terae. I like too dres up

sumtimse. Love, Zoe Sta-

Dear Santa,

Thack you four my remote control car last yer. I had fun with it. I have been a good boy. I wurk hord at school Will you bring me a I dog? I woont to lisn to muzik. Love, Tommy Noland

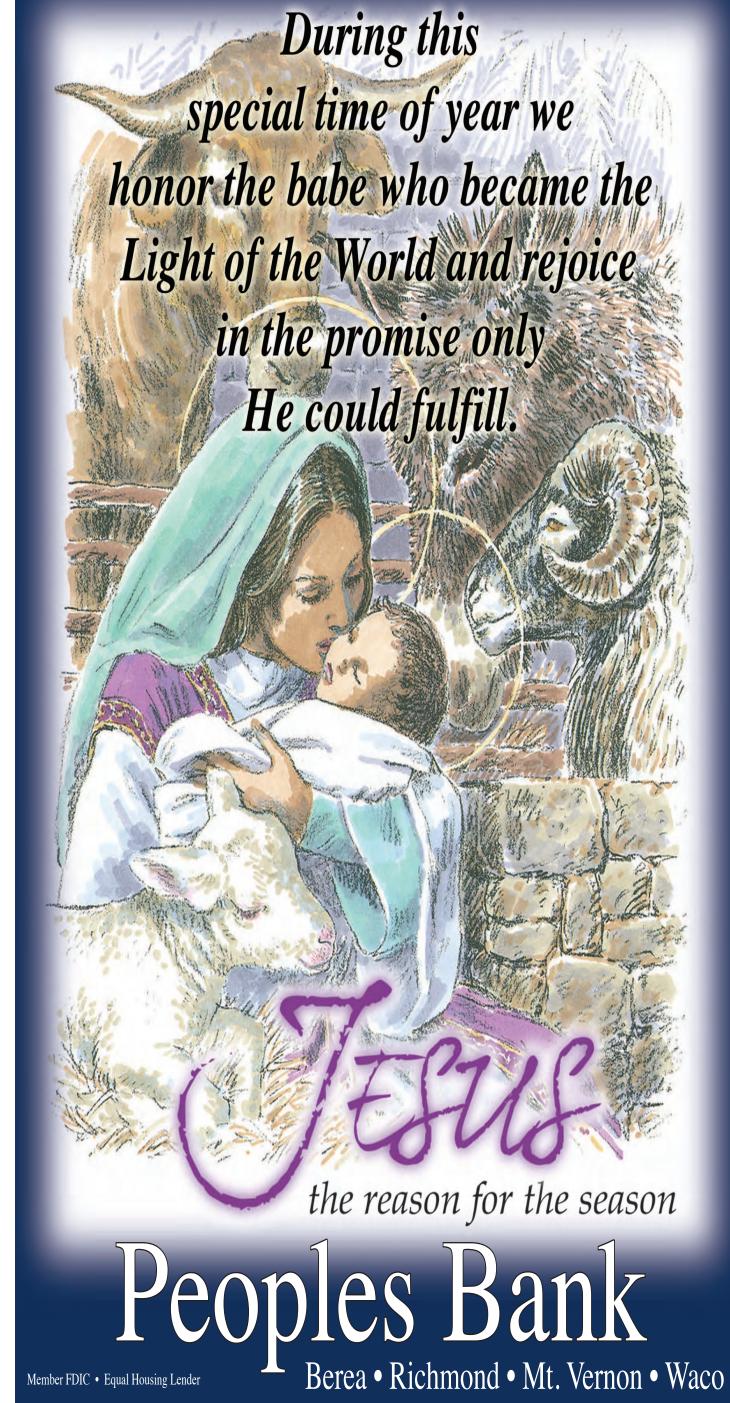
Dear Santa,

Thak yeu for my brd last yer. I luv it. I bin a god boy. I helt klen my nabor hews. Wut I wat for Chrismus is bawkegon. I also wut bindroz. Love, Cash Anglin

Mrs. Strack's First Grade

Dear Santa Claus,

I wood like a hot weels beet that skate bord. I deserve it because I wash the dishes when my grandma tells me too. I take the trash cans out too. I clean my room so my papaw is happy. I have been a good boy so bring me my skate bord. I wood love to ride your slay on Christmas day. Your friend, Jordan Monroe



Dear Santa Claus,

I would like to get a dirt bike. I have been loving my monny and daddy. I have been helping them clean the house. I have been cleaning my room too. Have a good Your friend, Christmas. Dakota Creech

Dear Santa Claus,

I would like a new skateboard. The wheel broke off of my other one. I help my papa clean the garage. I help my mama pack things up for a yard sale. I was good all year. Your friend, Charles Mason

Dear Santa Claus,

I wood like a Gabriela doll with a micrfon. I deserve her because I clean my room. I will take good care of her. I help my mommy put up the laundry. I hope you have a vare good Christmas. Tell Rudof hi for me. Your friend, Kyleigh Jackson

Dear Santa Claus,

I wood like a pink DS. I deserve this because I cleaned my room last night. I wonte drop it and I will take good cer of it. I will make shor that I will not play the DS intil I do my homework. Santa pleas bring me the ds because I've been a good girl. I hope you have a ho ho ho holaday. Pleas tel Rudolf I like his nose. Your friend, Rebecca Bowman

Dear Santa Claus,

I would like a; Nintendo DS. I shood get it becos I love my family. I also take care of my family when they are sik. Santa I have bin a good boy. I want to no how you fli your sleigh. Your friend, Jesse Lewis

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a babe dol with short black hair. I should get her because I clen up the house. I alsow fix my nannas bed. I have bin a good girl. I love you Santa. Love, Kaitlyn Feck

Dear Santa Claus,

I wood like a blue PSP. my mom do the londrea. I and sistr. Santa I have bin a good girl this yir so will you plees bring me a PSP? Will you tell me where the North Pole is? Love, Savannah Adkins

Dear Santa Claus,

I wod like a noo DS. I deserve it becos I help my mom. I help my mom clen the dishis. That's why I deserve a noo DS. Tel Rudof I said hi! Your friend, Randall Conner

Dear Santa Claus,

I wood like a coten candee macr. I will mace my mommy some conten candee. I helpt my mommy wash the dishis. I also cleen my room. Santa plees bring my coten candee macr because I have bin a good girl. Your friend, Isabella Crowe

Dear Santa Claus,

Santa I want a spider man toy and I want a venom toy too. I deserve those toys because I help my mommy clean up. I wosh the dishis too. I help my mom do the londry and my dad do the londry too. Santa pleas bring these toys because I have bin a good boy. Santa I love Christmas! Your friend, Josiah West

Dear Santa Claus,

I wood like a little pet shop bunny. I deserve it because I clean my dogs. I have been a good girl because I make my bed. I clean m y room too. Santa plese bring me the pet shop bunny because I have been Griffith

Dear Santa Claus,

I would like a pink DS. I deserve it because I clean my room. I have ben a good girl because I help my mom do the longree. I have one question. Where is the North Pole? Your friend, Nora Madden

Dear Santa Claus,

I wood like a Junie B. book. I donte care wich one. I need this because I have bin a good girl. If i rede evree nite I will be a good redr. I shood get a good book because I will do my homewrk befor I read my book. But Santa will you pleas get me a Junie B. book? I have bin a good girl. I have a question. Where is the North Pole? Your friend, **Taylor Perkins**

Dear Santa Claus,

I wood like a black DS. I deserve it because I clean my room. Also I wash the dishes. And I baby sit my two brothers. I deserve a black DS because I have bin a good boy. Your friend, Philip Tartt

Dear Santa Claus,

I wood like to have sum barbie's that have difrint her and diffrint close. My mommy said that I have been good for 200 dae's this yir. I also have ben good for going to skool and Irning. I also have ben good for doing the londry and clning the howes. Santa I have ben a good girl. So plees bring me my faverit barbie. My mamaw bot you a pagwen cup for you to dip your cookies in. Will you tell Roodof hi for me? Love, Michelle Garrett

Dear Santa Claus,

I wude like a brand new playmobill kasule. I have been good all yir. I do what my mom ses. I cleen my room too. Santa I deserve a new playmobill kasule because I have been good all yir. Your friend, Grace Douglas

Dear Santa Claus,

I wood like to have gittor I deserve it becus I helpt hiroe 3. I have ben good to my bruthr. I hav ben good have bin good to my bruthr for 14 daes. I have been good to my mommy and daddy. Santa I have ben a good boy this yir. So plees bring me my gittor hiroe 3. Plees tell Roodof hi for me. Your friend, Isaiah Buttry

Dear Santa Claus,

I would like a red DS because I have been good at school. I also got A plus on a spelling test. I am very good listener when Mrs. Strack is talking! Santa, I have been a good boy! I will put out cookies and milk for you. Love, Lucas

Dear Santa Claus,

I wod like to get Science stuf for Christmas. I help my momy klen the dishes. I put the Christmas tree up. Science stuff will help me to Irn ubot animals. Santa I have bin a good girl. Love, **Becky Vickers**

*** Mrs. Adams - 2nd grade - Kingston

Dear Santa,

I hope you have a good Christmas! I really want a purple laptop! and a game for my DS. I also want a new big goldy locks. You will see cookies and milk and carrotes for your reindeer. Love, Megan

Dear Santa,

How is Mrs.. Claus doing? How are the reindeer? I want a DS. I want a mario game. I want a cell phone. I also want a laptop. Santa a good girl. Love, Payton I will see you at the mall. Love, Austin

Dear Santa,

I have tried to be good this year. For Christmas I would like a back pack and a lunch box. Thank you! Love, Sarah

Dear Santa,

How are you? I hope I see you. I want a helicopter a remote control car. And a puppy please. How is Mrs. Clause? Is the reindeer flying? Love, Aaron Sturgill

Dear Santa,

How is Mrs. Claus doing? Is Comet doing fine? I want a Nascar racing game. Also I want a Wii. I would also like the Clone Wars game. Are you doing fine? At my house you will find milk and cookies. Merry Christmas! Love, Stephen

Dear Santa,

Merry Christmas! I hope you have fun with Zack. Santa I definitely want a cell phone so I can put music on it. Also I want a pink intods. I would like biindaroos to play with. Have a good night with your reindeer. Love, Zayla

Dear Santa,

I hope you have a very good Christmas! I want a pair of tennis shoes so I run. I can't run in my old ones because the velcro keeps coming undone! Also I want a Mario Cart Wii game. I want some play pistols too. Santa why is your beard so big? Sincerely, Cole

Dear Santa,

I hope you have had a great year. I definitely need the Tinker Bell movie. I also want a baby doll so much. I want a dog named Too-Too. But, it is a fake dog. It is a fashion pup that has combs and things to help you take care of it. I have you some chocolate chop and peanut butter cookies and milk for you at Christmas! Love, **Brittany**

Dear Santa,

I hope you have a Merry Christmas! Santa I want a stylin'studio so I can take my own picture. I want a pink or green DS. I also want a PSP for Christmas I love you Santa. Have a happy Christmas. You will find some chocolate cookies with milk at my house. Love, Lindsey

Dear Santa,

Merry Christmas! I hope you see me on Christmas this year. I want a DS and a starter for my four wheeler. I want 10,000 Legos. Santa I will leave you chocolate milk and chocolate chip cookies. Come to my house. Love, Chandler

Dear Santa,

What is you favorite cookies and milk? I would like a black Holy Bible and all of the Starwars books. Also, I want a real bell from your reindeer. Have a wonderful New Years and Merry Christmas. Sincerely, Colton

Dear Santa,

How is Mrs. Claus doing? Is your suit red or blue? Santa I want a DS and a PSP. I also want a Wii. Cookies and milk will be waiting for you. Have a great Christmas! Love, Tyler

Dear Santa,.

Merry Christmas! I hope to see you this year. I'd want a DS for Christmas with an Ipod. I also want the Clone Wars Legos with bad guys. I hope you eat some cookies this year. Love, Preston

Dear Santa,

I have tried to be good this year. For Christmas I would kie a back pak and a lunch box. Thank you. Love, Sarah Summers

Dear Santa,

Thank you for the presents you have given me. Have a wonderful Christmas! Santa, I want a Christmas tree to put in my room. I also want an easel to play school with my brother. I would like a DS to play with. What does Mrs. Claus pook like? Which reindeer is your favorite? Where is the North Pole? Hope to see you soon. Love, Skylar

Dear Santa,

Merry Christmas I hope I see your raindeer. I want a star wars movie because I like it. I want a black Ds. I watn a game for my Playstation 2. Merry Christmas Santa. Love, Joshua

Dear Santa,

Hoiw is Comet doing? How are you doing? Hope to see you this year. I would like an Ipod Shuffle. I also want a dog house for my dog. I want for my family to have a good Christmas. Merry Christmas Santa. Love, Dawson

Dear Santa,

I wish you a Merry Christmas. What kind of cookies do you like? Do you like soy milk? I would like a Wii and a XBOX 360. I would also like some games for my PlayStation 2. I will have some food for your reindeer and some cookies and milk for you. Love, Brendan

Dear Santa Claus,

Are you ahving a good day? I hope Rudolph doing good. For Christmas I want some new Webkinz Clothes for my stuffed animals. Also, I would like Mario Cart DS game. I would like a sewing machine to make clothes for me and my dolls. Santa, you will find cookies and milk when you visit. Merry Christmas! Love,

Dear Santa,

I have seen you at the Walmart already. Be good to the kids. Don't wack them with a candy cane. Santa, I want parachute and a plane to jump out of. Also, I want a Nintendo D.S. because I think the games are really cool. Have a Merry Christmas Santa! Love, Conner

Dear Santa,

What do you want for Christmas? Santa I would rather have Mario carts DS more than anything. I would also enjoy some Berenstain Bear books to read over my break. The last thing I want is Bendaroos to play with over Christmas break. Santa you will find cookies at my house, but first I need to know what kind of cookies you like. Love, Mackenzie Paige

Dear Santa,

What is the reindeer's favorite food? What is your favorite kind of cookie? Santa I really want a silver DS because I think the games are really cool. I also want a Coach purse because they are really cute. I would like to have a lot of new clothes this year. Santa, which is your favorite reindeer? Merry Christmsa to you and Mrs. Claus! Love, Caylin

Dear Santa,

I hope you know I love you lots. Santa I would like my own computer. I would also like a neey size doll. I would like six pink dresses. Why is your beard so big? I hope you have a great time. Love, Victoria

Mrs. Ballinger's First Grade

Dear Santa,

I would like a Tinkerbell skateboard and Tinkerbell helmet for Christmas. want a real live skateboard

and helmet because I have never got one. I have been good to my cousin and friends. I ehlp people when no one else will. I really want a Tinkerbell skateboard and Tinkerbell helmet for Christmas. I have been really good and helpful this year. Love, Kyla El-

Dear Santa,

I would lice a Hannah Montana gtra for Christmas. I hav bin clening my bedroom. I hav bin helping my mom. I hav bin lilstning to my mom. I hav bin listning to my teacher. Santa please bring me agtra because I have bin a good gir. Tel Rudolf helo. Love, Dorothy Cooper

Dear Santa, I would like a sktbord

for Christmas. I have been good to Kody and Kalon. I have been helping my dad wrk on kars. I help my mom klen the hous. I have been a gud boy. Love, Kohl Centers

Dear Santa,

I would love to get a Wii for Christmas. My syster has a Wii and she nevr lets me play it. She has so many fun gamse and she nevr lets me play them. Santa if I get a Wii I wel share my gamse. Please tell Rudolf hello. Love, Katie Whittamore

Dear Santa, I would love a Hannah

Montana DS game for Christmas. I lost my old Hannah Montana DS game. I have been grat all year. I have helped in my hous. Santa please bring me that game because I have been a good girl. Love, Katelyn



I would like a Ford tractor for Christmas. I hlp my baby sistr. I hlp my mom klen the house. I work hard at school. Santa pless bring me a Ford tractor. Love, Jr.

Dear Santa,

I would love a Hannah Montana geuytar for Christmas. I have bin good all year. I will play music for my mom and dad with my geuytar. I will help my mom clean the hosue. I hope you have a safe trip. Love, Hannah Zschokke

Dear Santa,

I would like a new Wii for Chrismas. My old one broce. I help my mom clene the fish tanc. I am nice to my bruthr. Santa please tell Rudolf hello. Santa ples bring me a wii becus I have bin a good boy. Santa I love you. Love, Damian Turner

Dear Santa,

I would liek a Ben Ten Alien Force game for my PSP for Christmas. Santa I am doing good in school. I have been playing good. I have been listening to Mrs. Ballinger. Saint Nick plis, plis, plis, bring me a PSP game. Tell Rudolf I love him. Love, Gunnar Rhodus

Dear Santa,

I would I ike a cookbook for Christmas. I will cook for my mom and dad. I help my mom clen the house. I have bin nise to my frendes. Santta ples brning the cookbooks because I have bein good. Santa I hope you have a safe trip. Love, Cyrilla Santa Teresa

Dear Santa,

I want a Hannah Montan skateboard for Christmas. I help my mom cook. I have been nice to my cousis. I have lestened to my mom and dad. Santa I want a Hannah Montan skateboard because I have bin a good girl. Love, Ashley Cope

I would love to have a new skatebird for Christmas. My brother broke my other skatebird. I've been wonderfool this year. I have helpt in the house Santa Please bring me this skatebird because I have been good to my teacher. Love, Allyssa Miracle

Dear Santa,

I want a spidrman web because mine broc. I will put is on my arm. I like it because it sprays a web. Say hi to your reindeer for me. Love, Travis Scenters

Dear Santa, I want you to bring me a

Pet Shop game for my DS. I want it so I can go anywhere with it. I lilke it because you can have pets. I can make the pets play on the playground. My brother and I will make you 4 cookies and milk. I will make 2 and y brother will make 2. I will leave it in the living room. Love, Morgan Cain

Dear Santa,

I want a Hannah Montana gootar for Christmas. I have been good to my brother Nate. I am wrking hard in schoole. I help my babby cat. Santa please bring my gootar because i have been a very good girl. Love, Miriam Parsons

Dear Santa,

I would like a Hello Kitty Ds gam for Christmas. I help my sistr win evr she neds me. I help my dad clen around the house. I hept my memaw up when she fel. Santa please bring me a DS game because I have been a very good girl. Love, Magan Abrams

Dear Santa,

I would like a littlist pet shop Nintendo DS game for Christmas. Santa I lisend to my teacher. I help my mom pick up my little sistrs clos. I have been a vere good grll. Plez tel Rudolf I love him. Love, Madison Hoover

Dear Santa,

I rilly want a Hannah Montan Holladay doll for Christmas. I have don good deeds this year. I have not fot with my frends. Santa please bring this doll to me because I have been a good girl. Love, Lexi Baumgard-

Dear Santa,

I would like a real bat man skatbord. I have bin cleaning my bedroom. I hept my bruthr when he fell off the hi bunk bed. I listen to my teacher. Santa please bring me a skatbord because I have been a gret boy. Love, Lewis Rogers

Mrs. King's First Grade

Dear Santa,

How are you? I have been a good boy. I hep my Mom in the garden. For Christmas I want a new coat, and a mortcicle, and a DS. Love, Noah

Dear Santa,

How does your sleigh fly? I have been a good boy. I help Mom do the dishes For Christmas I want a Spiderman game. Love, Elijah

Dear Santa,

How do you carry all that stuff? I have been a good girl. I helpe Nana do laundry. For Christmas I want a lion that is on TV, horses that I can play with and a play sea horse. Love, Hal-

Dear Santa,

How is your reeghneer? I have bin a good boy. I hep my Mom in the grden. For Christmas I wan an DS and a I dog. Love, Dustin

Dear Santa,

a good boy. I help my Mom at night. Thank you for the Spongebob game last year. For Christmas I want a 40wheeler, new game, and a furry wrm thing. Love, Dalton

Dear Santa,

How is Dantr? How are you? I bin a good boy. I helped my brother build a train track. I want a holk and cars. Love, Brandon B.

Dear Santa,

How is rudolp? I have been a good boy. I help my dad with the kawlz. I wot a clon trooper for cismis. Love, Brandon R.

Dear Santa,

How is rudolyh? I have been a good boy. I have Helbt my Mom by doing laundry. Thank you for my presets last year. For Chritsma I would liek a toy kar and roller skats. Love, Zeke

Dear Santa,

I have been a good girl. I help my Mom wash the dishes. That is why I been a good girl. All I want for Chrismise is a bike and a pol Pokt. Love, Breanna B.

Dear Santa,

How is Rudolph? I have been a good girl. I have stad in school. For Christmas I would like an IDOG, Marers, and a Hanha Montana movey. Love, Aleigh

Dear Santa, How is Denser? I have been a good boy becos I ehllp clan the dishes. For chistias can I ples have some pants and hot wils. Love, Ethan

Dear Santa,

How is Doner? I have been a good firl. I have helped Dad feed the horses. For Christmas I would like a Nintendo DS littlest pet shop game. Love, Ciara P.

Dear Santa,

How is Rudolph? I have been a good boy. I have been good beecus I help my mom doing dishes. I wan for a presit is a lot of toys. Luve, Ethan L.

Dear Santa,

How was your months? I have been a good boy at skool. Thace you for the presens lest year. For crimis I wood like Intindow ds and sum more games and sum more hot wils. Love, Elijah Prather

Dear Santa,

How is the raders? I have been a good boy. I have pict my toys up win my Mom tells me and I go do it. I want a ecs box for crismis. I what mor dirt racing cars. Love, CJ

Dear Santa,

I have been a good girl. I have been helping my mom and dad. Thack you for the prenses last yer. This yer I wot a ds. Love, Meghan

Dear Santa,

How is Rudolph? I have Ben a Goo Girl. I help my Mom cleen the diths. Thak you for the prens. I want a markin dol and game for my deeEs. Love, Minako

Dear Santa,

How is Rudolph? I have been a good girl. Becos I have stad in schod. For Chistmas I would like and I dog and I pod and some marcrs. Love, Madison

Dear Santa,

How is the raders? I have been a good girl. I have been helping a round the back yard. I want for cresmes is a doll. Love, Breanna H.

Dear Santa,

How is Rudolph? I have been a good boy. I hep my sister with her homwrk. I hep How is Rudolf? I have bin Mom clen the dishs. I would like to hev resleen gams for Christmas. Love, Caleb

Dear Santa,

I am hape. I want to no what your ;rinders name are? I have been a gud boy. I said I wud pik up my shirt for my Mom. For Christmas I want a spi control. Love, Braiden

Dear Santa,

How is Rudolph? I have been a good boy. I have been helping my Mommy wash the dishis and clen my bedroom. I wuld like a star wars, and a Game Boy badgoogon. Love, Alex

Mrs.Rogers' Kindergarten

Dear Santa,

I would like to have some building blocks so I could be a house for Santa for Christmas. I have helped Mommy hold Mason my baby brother while mommy dries clothes. Thank you, Clayton

Dear Santa,

I would like to have a real horse for Christma. I have helped mOmmy take care of my little sister. Thank you, Maria

Dear Santa,

I would like to have big fake cupcakes for Christ-I have helped my mommy set the table for supper and wash the dishes. Thank you, Christina

Dear Santa,

I would like to have a horse that has wheels on its feet for Christmas. I have shared my toys with my twin borther, Tucker. Thank you. Faith

Dear Santa,

I would like to have a DS game for Christma. I have helped take my dog Baxter outside to the bathroom. Thank you, Jordan

Dear Santa, I would like to have a

STarWars Lep Frog game for Christmas. I have helped my Mommy carry the groceries inside the house. Thank you. Nate Dear Santa,

new Legos for Christmas. I have helped my mommy cook. Thank you, Fred Dear Santa,

mas. I have helped my dad

I would like to have some

I would like to have a Redrider BB gun for Christ-

build a new dog house for my puppy. Thank you, Dear Santa,. I would like to have a new bike for Christmas. I have

picked up my toys. Thank

you, Aytmnl

Dear Santa, I would like to have a Hannah Montana game for Christmas. I have been listening to my Mom. Thank you, Alyssa

Dear Santa,

I would like to have a doctor's kit for Christmas. I have colored good. Thank you, Makensie

Dear Santa,

I would like to have a xbox for Christmas. I have cleaned up my bedroom. Thank you, Justin

Dear Santa.

I would like to have a Star Wars plane for Christmas. I have helped my sister clean up her bedroom. Thank you, Tucker

Dear Santa,

I would like to have a toy horse that walks for Christmas. I have cleaned up my bedroom and picked up my toys. Thank you, Cassidy

Dear Santa,

I would like to have a High School Musical doll for Christmas. I have cleaned up my room and I eaten all my vegetables. Thank you, Madison

Dear Santa, I would like to have a

bumble bee transformer for Christmas. I have I just want one. Thank you, Keegan Dear Santa,

I would like to hve Bar-

bie house for Christmas. I have shared my toys here at school. Thank you, Aletis Dear Santa,

I would like to have a bulldozer for Christmas. I have picked up my toys and helped mommy clean up my room. Thank you, Donovan

Dear Santa,

I would like to have a doctor's kit for Christmas. I have helped mommy rake leaves in the yard. Thank you, Kenzie

Dear Santa,

I would like to have a little poney Merry Go Round for Christmas. I have heped my Moma clean the dishes. Thank you, Nina

Dear Santa,

I would like to have a puppy dog for Christmas. I have helped Mamaw put the ornaments on the Christmas tree. Thank you, Lauryn

Dear Santa,

I would like to have a Polly Pocket swimming set for Christmas. I have helped put up the groceries. Thank you, Destiny

Dear Santa,

I would like to have a truck and a car for Christmas. I have played with Alex. Thank you, Jose

Dear Santa,

I would like tohave my little pet shop for Christmas. I have listened to my Mommy. Thank you, Kelsa

Dear Santa,

I would like to have a guitare for Christmas. I have done my homework. Thank you, Jessica

Dear Santa, I would liek to have train

set (Thomas) for Christmas. I have helped Mimi put the Christmas tree. Thank you, Matthew Dear Santa,

I would like to have Care

wash the dishes. Thank

Bear stuffed animal for Christmas. I have helped

you, Sarh Dear Santa, I would like to have a Hannah Montana TV with remote for Christmas. I have been watched my sis-

ter while Dad takes a show-

er. Thank you, Hannah

Dear Santa,

I would like to have transformers for Christmas. I have helped my sister clean her room. Thank you, Alex

Dear Santa, I would like to have a

Hannah Montana Christmas Barbie for Christmas. I have been helping my Mom do laundry. Thank you, Kaylee

Dear Santa,

I would like to have a diamond castle for Christmas. I have helped clean my room. Thank you, Mercedes



I would like to have Little Pet Shop raceing Center for Christmas. I have clear my bedroom. Thank you, Au-

Dear Santa,

I would like to have a orincess desk with lots of make-up for Christmas. I have helped my Mom clean dishes. Thank you, Lexi

Dear Santa,

I would like to have cowboy boots for Christmas. I have cleaned up my room. Thank you, Shane

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,

I would like to have horeses with fences for Christmas. I have cleaned my room. Thank you, Isabella

weightlifting set for Christmas. I have taken out the trash. Thank you, Jacob Dear Santa,

I would like to have a

I would like to have tattoes Barbie ones for Christmas. I have cleaned up my room. Thank you, Cecilia Hall

Mrs. Conley's Fifth Grade

Dear Santa,

I would like the following. My Dad to be home on Christmas. Rings, Jeans and Baby Alive dappers, food juice and last Jeans. Sincerely, Cheyenne Helton

Dear Santa,

I have been realy good this year. Can you please give me the following items. sega games, BB gun, Guitar Hero, Rock Guitar, Rock guitar stand, stereo, Thanks for wii games. reading my letter. Sincerely, Devin Neal

Dear Santa,

This year for Chirstmas I would like... Rue 21 clothes, Blue PSP, DC Straight hat, lime green earrings. I hope you bring me those items. Sincerely, Alexis Fowler

Dear Santa,

All I want for Christmas is a new more powerful BB/ pellet gun and scope with safety glasses, so I don't shoot my ee out. A good boy, Samuel B. Mullins

Dear Santa,

I would like a PSP Playstation portable and the game Crash Mind Over Mudent. From Sean L. Bond

Dear Santa,

I would like a nintendo DS game of Dogs 2. I would also like guitar hero 1,2 & 3 for Christmas. Thats all I want for Chrismas and to have a wonderfol Christmas this year. Sincerely, Lydia Napier

Dear Santa,

I want a ripstic, Star War the clone war movie, some Star War people. I want a Star Wars game for DS, and I want a pro skate board. Sincerely, Kyle Daniels

Dear Santa,

I would like the following items... Fashion Wedding Design, The Movie Madagascar 2, A puppy, Talor Swift CD Fearless. A verry good girl, Jamie Dixon. PS Merry Christmas

Dear Santa,

I would like to have the following items below for Christmas. Ds, makeup, Rue 21 clothes, Tech Deck pack (limegreen, Black, and Hot pinkcolor) hoop earrings. Sincerely, Meghan Gillum

Dear Santa Claus,

Hi, my name is Adrianna. I was a very good child this year. This year for Christmas I would like a pair of Croc Boots ethier clack or light brown. My sister was kinda good but she still derserves her pink and white tv. I also would like more High School Musical stuff, and Little Pet Shop Stuff too!! I hope I get my Croc Boots because I really want them. Sincerely, Adrianna Tennant PS Tell the reindeers and Mrs. Claus I said Hi. see you later.

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I would like White PSP, Playstation 2, Shoes, Cell phone, 4wheeler, Ipod, bicycle. Sincerely, Dakota Jones

Dear Santa,

I would just like you to know what I'd want for Christmas. You got me a microphone for Christmas you also gave me astand for it. Idon't know how it happened but it broke and I would like a new one. I would also like some new board games. Some of the pieces to mine are lost and some of them are little kids games that my sister still like to play. Lastly, I'd love some new decorations for when I get my own room. When either my uncle moves out or my grandma I'll get my own room. Sincerely, Bitty Hires

Dear Santa,

I have thought about what I have wanted for Christmas over the summer and I have made my decision below, Blue Ipod nano, black laptop, maroon slider phone, wooden desk, lime green converses. My name is Makayla Webb. I am 10 years old and I go to Kingston Elementary and i would really like these items. I have been wanting a slider phone for I don't know how long, and I woul dlove to have a laptop because my old computer messed up. Then I need a desk to put my laptop on. Also I would like a Ipod Nano because I love to listen to music. And I want converses because they are my favorite shoes in the whole wide world. Tell the raindeers I said "Hello". Sincerely, Makayla

Dear Santa,

I would like a psp and ps3 with rock band2. I would want a pro plan B skatebord and some know tech decks. Sincerely, Cody Shumaker

Dear Santa,

all I want for Chistmis is a BB gun and a dirt bike. Sincerly, Anthony Wortham

DearSanta,

I would like to have the following items for Chrismas. flat screen TV and a dirt bike. Sincerely, Cody Marcum

Dear Santa,

What I would like for Christmas is a flashlight, CD3 player, entendow, Wii, and baby alive. I wont these thangs for Christmas. Sincerely, Meagan Carrier

Dear Santa,

I would like the following item won of the item is a PSP an another thag that I wont is a game cold Rockband. An another thag is a game cold a DS. Sincerely, Josh Mullins

Dear Santa,

I would like the following items for Christmas this year: Samsung propel, pink digital camera, fox Racing hoadie, pink, white and lime green Nike Shox, Lime green alarm clock, to go to a Bengals game with Aunt & Uncle, earings, Black PSP, Rue 21 clothes, Pink Fox hat. Sincerely, Ionna Riley

Dear Santa,

I would realy like the following items, A wii, Wii games, night vision goggles, my Littlest Petshop Planner (red, purple or green). I made you a gift

again this year, because you give me gifts. Well I'll see you on Christmas well maybe. Love, Kyla O.

Dear Santa,

I want to have for Christmas is for my family to be happy. I also like to have Nintodem DS, Littlest Pet Shop, Ipod Touch, 30 Dollar Gift Card, Grand Theft Thoto Sandaddress (PSP Game), D & G Purse, Playstation 2, Guitar Hero (World Tour), Boots, Clothes, Makeup. That is what I would like to have for Christmas. Sincerely, Alyssa Guinn

Dear Santa,

Hi, my name is Brandon Henry. I want the following items for Cristmas: Pokemon Ranger C for Nintendo DS, Crash Mind Over Mutans C Nintendo Ds, D-Rex, Spsongebob globbs of doom C Playstation 2, Moon Sand. These are the items I want for Cristmas. Sincerly, Brandon T. Henry

Dear Santa,

I would like the following items for Christmas..1. clothes from Hollister and American Eagle, 2. A green fox hat, 3. A wii with softball games., 4. Pink adn black dirt bike gloves. 5. a grey, blue, purple and pink foc hoodie. I, Hannah Parker have been very good enoughto receive these items. Sincerly, Hannah Parker

Dear Santa,

I would like the following items for Christmas, Fur Real Friends, (horesa). Pet Shop (hores), High School Musical bed, sheets and an I pod. I would relly wont' all of the items for Cristmas. Thank you so much for reading what I wont for Cristmas. Sincerely, Lorna

Class Unknown

Dear Santa, Hi my name is Sara. How are you and Mrs. Claus? How are you and the reindeer? I want a psp for Christmas. I really want one. I whant one for Chrismas because I toock care of my mom when she got out of the hospital. I helped my friend Laken pack her stuff. I toock care of Laken when she got sick. I am going to tell you want I am going to do in the order to receive this gift. Help my momwhen she needs help. I would take the puppy to use the bathroom outside. Love,

Dear Santa,

Hi, my name is Nicole Mayton. I would like to know hawe Miss. Claues and the riandeer are doing. This year I would like a ipod for Christmas. I will give you the resons why I should recive this gift. One reson is I can take good care of it, second is I like to listen to music. finily I go to school every day. for you giving it to me the first thing is I will share with friends. Second I will give you and Miss Clause a letter thanking you for my gift. I will see you on December 25, 2008. I will leave some cookies and milk have a nice trip. Love, Nicole Mayton

Dear Santa,

My name is Jeremy. How are the raindeer? I have been a very good boy this year. since I have been a very good boy, I would like a phone case because mine broke. I think I should get this gift because I followed rules at home and at school secondly, I did not fight with my brother third, I recycled bottals. If you bring me these presetns I will help my neibor mow the grass, secondly I will help Charity. Have a Merry Christmas. Your friend, Jeremy Thomp-

Dear Santa,

I am Tyler Thomas Powell. Ive been very good this year. For christmas I want a PSP. I want this gift cause Ive been good this year. I clen up my room. I have been very nice this year. I'll clen up my room. I'll clen up my brothers room. I promise I will. Have a happy Christmas. Merry Christmas. Sincerly, Tyler Powell

Dear Santa, My name is Stefanie and

I have been good this year. How are you Santa? I want a baby pig for Christmas. When it is still a baby pigg three get this. pig are that reasons i have not been hitting or kicking two things i will do ifyou get me this pig will be good to my Mama and daddy not hit people. Sincercly, Stephanie

Dear Santa,

Hello my name is Milheaha. I want a pet shop bring it tomy granmas howse and play whith it. Three reasons why is should get the gift I have been good this year. I want and I havent fliped my card. the two things i'll do if you bring me this gift are clen bedroom and under my bed. Sincerely, Milhea

Dear Santa,

Hello Santa, it's Jeremy Bowles again. The reason I should have a playstation 3 is that I have been a very good boy. And I will take care of it and my little sister. I will do anything good. I have been generous. Also I have been very very nice. I believe. Sincerely, Jeremy

Dear Santa,

My name is Jaiylon how are you and your reindeers? I would like for Christmas a bike fecause my brakes broked. Second my bike is two little for me. Third my wheel is is flat. the two things i am willing to is come to school and be good. My brother, Hope, you don't full off the slagh. Sincerley, Jaiylon

Dear Santa, Haw are you and Miss Claws. and the rane dears. I'm writing what I whant for christmas. I think i should get this game for christmas because I have been good in school. I didt hit my brother. I didt hit my sister. If you bring momy present, I will do my best in school. I will help my class if they ask me a question. Have a good Christmas. Sincerely, Your friend Courtney

Dear Santa, How are ;you raindeer I knowed 9 raindeer name. Comet, Cupid, Doner, Dasher, Dancer, Prancer Vicin, Blitzin and Rudoph. This year I want a DS because my playstation wont work

half of the time. My second reason I have been good to my classmates My third reson I have been good to my cuisun. These are the things I would do in return I will take care of it. My second reson I will help my perents. Love, Carlie

Dear Santa,

Hi my name is Lesley. How is Mrs. Claus and the randeer? I want a wii for Christmas. I want a wii because I have been good this year. I also want a wii because I ahve been nice. I watn a wii because I have nto lied. I will not be mean to my sister. I will be really nice I hope you have a safe trip. Love, Lesley

Dear Santa Clause,

My name is Zachary. How are you and Mrs. Clause adn reindeer doign? I want a gun for Christmas. Three reasons why I should have this gift because I am nice, really helpful joyful. The two things I will do if I get this gift are I will e nice to other peopel. I will be helpful to others and animals. Sincreley, Zachary Carrier

Dear Santa,

Hi my name is Joshua. I would like for Christmsa I would liek a dirt bike because I help my mommy and dad by giving my moeny, help cook adn give to the poor. I fyou give this to me I will not fight with my sister and be the best I can. Sincerely, Joshua

Dear Santa,

Ny name is Andrew How are the randeer? I'm Andrew adn I life in Richmond, I hope you find my house. I have been very good this year. I would like a new Joker toy. I think i shuld get this gift because I have been good this year and I did not flip a card on Monday. If you give me this gift i will clean my room. I will not be bad. Love, Andrew Quintin

Dear Santa,

Hi Santa, how are the elfs and Mrs. Claus? Remember me I'm Cameron. I want some drumming stuff like more crash sibles adn song cibles and a double kickdrome and a little crash cimbl adn more drome sticks. I should get this gift becaues I'm in a band and me and my dad need it. I am good at playing the drome. I will do two things to git this gift. I will ask for something next year. I have been good well a little. Sincerley, Cameron

Dear Santa,

Hi Santa ny name is Tyler. How are Ms. Close adn the raindeer doing? I have been good this year. Since I have been a good boy for Christmas this year I would like sega games I think I should get this gift because I have been good this year. Secodly I need it for the playstation 4. lsatle I will not hert my bro.

If you bring me this gift, I will do betr in school and I will help my mom with the chores. love, Tyler Barnett

Dear Santa,

I want to see you and your elves. My name is Rachel. I want to make alist of toys that I want. Please if you can want a phone, the 3 reason I should get this gift are because I never had a phone befor and I have being good to have a phone. the two thaings I will do if you get me this phone are I will clean my bed room. I will do homework. do not fall off the sleigh. sincerely,

Dear Santa,

I am Michael. How are do Santa, How are the rindeer doing? I want a cat it is cool. The reasons I want this cat is because I have been good. Because I like cat. We will be friends and we play together I will clean up my room. Sincerely, Michael

Dear Santa, My name is Brandon Roe

how are you Mrs. Claus and the reindeers? I want a playstation I choses this gift because it's special for me. Thhee things why I should get this gift are because I realy wanted this gift real bad. I dont have one and I really want one. if you bring me this gift, I won;t have bad behavior. I promise. Sincerely, Brandon

Dear Santa,

What's up I'm David. I want a Uhimute light saber. The three reasons why I shoud have this gift are I can play star wars the clone wars. It's cool. I m going to play it all day. Two things I will do in order to recieve this gift are I'll do my homework and help people up. your truly David

Dear Santa, My name is Cassie. I have

been good this year. Hi Santa, How are you and Mrs. Clause Doing? How are the elfs doing? I would liek a green DS becasue it's cool, fun and it is nice. The two things I'll do if you get me this gift are clean up the house and be good in school. love, Cassie

Mrs. Long's Class

Dear Santa, How are you doing? Is it

cold at the North Pole? Are your elves doing good? How are the reindeer? I sRudolph coming with you to deliver presetns this year? There are three things I want for Christmas. I watn a Playstation 3. You can playgames onit. I want a skateboard. You can go down hills and roll on it. I also want a paintball gun. You get to shoot people with it. I have been a good boy this year. I think you should bring me these presents because I've continued on page B17



continued from page B16 been good. I have helped people out if they're stuck on something. I helped my mom and my granny clean the house. I helped my uncle fix things. From Ethan

Dear Santa,

How is Rudolph? How is the elves? How is Mrs. Clause? I hope you have a safe trip all around the world. I hope you've checked your naughty and nice lilst twice. I want a X-box 360 for Christmas. I will play it everyday. I want Halo 3 for my X-box 360. I want some more car games for my X-box 360. I have been a good boy this year. I helped my mom, I have been good at school. I have geen good when my mom goes shopping. Sincerely, Noah Mullins

Dear Santa Clause, How are you doing?

How many inches of snow do you got up there? I bet Rudolph is very bright adn ready now. I'm wondering if I'm naught or nice. I really hope you have a nice trip. How are the elves doing? I really hope Mrs. Clause is doing okay. I hope you have a great journey to everybody's houses. I want many things for Christmas. But I am only going to list three.First I want a laptop so we dont fight over the computer every time. Next I want is a miniature dirtbike because I don't have a bicylce at my house. Finally I is a Dallas Cowboys football because my favorite team is the Dallas Cowboys. I been so good this year. I have eaten my vegetables so can get presetns from you Santa. I make breakfast every 4 days. I also obeyed my parents and teacher. I think I deserve those presents. Your friend, Zachary Howard PS I hope you like you cookies and milk.

Dear Santa,

Does Rudolph still have a red nose. I hope you and Mrs. Clause are feeling well. I hope the reindeer are all right. ARe all the elves doing all right? I hope they are. I hope you are giving me alot of things. Are you giving me and my sister alot of toys. I want many things for Christmas But I will only choose three, First I would like an X-Box 360. I like to play games. Next, i would liek a PSP. I like to play games. Finally I would like a bicycle. To get exercise. I have been a good boy this year. I have been listening to everybody who tells me something. I have been keeping my room clean. I deserve these three things because I have been good. Sincerely, Trace Sharp PS I hope you have safe trip around the world.

Dear Santa,

How are you and Mrs. Clause doing? you and the elvs works so hard. I hope the reindeer are okay. I was wondering how are the toys coming? I ope you are staying on schedule. I watn many things for Cristmas, but I'm only going to ask you for three things, First I want a Wii second a want one game for my leapstar. The third thing I want is any game for the Wii I hope you leave these items u the family tree. I alos hope the sliegh is okay. I have been very good this year. I have been doing good in school and made good grdes. I have also kept my room clean adn listed to my parents. I deserve those items. ps Hope you have a good and safe trip and enjoy the

Dear Santa, How are your reindeer> Is the North Pole very very

chocolate chip cookies. Sin-

cerely, Britteny Jones

cold. I am very excited for Christmas. I ike Christmas as a holiday. I am wondering if you will bring toys. What are elves doing at the North Pole? I want three thing for Christmas. the first thing I want is a Littlest Pet Shop Packs. the second thing I want is a pack of all the piractes of the caribbean books. the third this I want is a PSPand a Nintendo DS. I have been good this year. I listen to my mom and dad. I don't de mean to my sister. I have been getting more work done in school. Sincerely, Alesha D. Ps Have a wonderful Christmas year!

Dear Santa,

How are you in the North Pole? Is Mrs. Clause okay. How is the reindeer? Is the elves okay to? I want many things for Christmas, But I am asking for three things. first I want a map of Kentucky so I can see Kentucky. Next I want a laptopso I can get on the web. Finaly I want one Math book so I can learnmore. I have been very good this year. Me and my sister play together. I help my mommy clean the house. Finly I play with my baby cousin. Sincerely, Jena May Chaney

Dear Santa,

How are the elves doing on the toys? How is Mrs. Clause doing? Is she fattend uyou up. I will leave cookies and reindeer food so you whill get some yummy food on Christmas. I hope nothing is going wrong with your reindeer and your sleigh. But most of all, how are you doing? I hope you didn't get really sick like get a cold or the flu. Santa, I would like three things from you this Christmas I would like a PSP with two games. I would like a CD for my DC player. I would like to listen to music. The last thing I will ask for is Bokugan so I can battle with my friends. Santa, I have been really good so I will tell you why I deserve these toys first, I have got A+, A, A- on my report card. Isn't that good? Second I have ate all my vegetables that were on my plate. Finally, I have obeyed my mom and dad. So please please give me those items. Your friend, Jordan Petty PS I hope you have a safe flight

Dear Santa,

How is Rudolph? I hope that the Elves are not acting up. I know that you checkign the naughty and nice list. I love you Santa. I hope that i'm on the nice list, your good. I hope that you have a good trip. Santa, can you bring me these things? First I want a Nintendo DS so you know that I love video games. Second I want kind to Eth so wo will be good to Eth. Third Bolt the video game so you still know I love video games. I've been good this year and I made good grades. Ive imprest my teachers, Ive been listening to my parents. I love you. Love, **Hunter Roark**

Dear Santa, How are you? I'm fine. I hope the reindeers are okay. Is ther alot os snow up there? I know you must be awake checking your naughty or nice list. Well I hope your trip around the owrld will be a very peaceful flight. I know it definintly will be fine. I want many things for Christmas but im only telling you my top three. First, I want a PS3 for Christmas second I want a PC game called MechWarrioir the Fourth Best of all I want a Guitar Hero World Tour. Please leave these things under my Christmas tree. I hope you get these things I sk for Santa. I think that I've done so good. I

deserve these gifts. I have ntoo bugged my sister. I was nice to people. And most of all I lstend to my parents. So if you think I should get thme will thank you. I hope this is enough Santa. I hope you have the best Christmas ever! PS I hope you have a good flight plus eat bunches of delicious cookis. Your little buddy, Luc Reynolds

Dear Santa,

How are you and Mrs. Clause doing? Is it cold in the North Pole? Do you eat all the cookies? How are the elves and the reindeer too? Is Rudolph nose still glowing in the dark? I want many things for Chistmas, but I'm going to only ask for three things. The first is a puppy to play with. The second thing I want is a Wii, A wii is exercise for you arms. The third thing I want is a laptop. So I don't have to beg my sister to get off the computer and I can play on the laptop. I have been good this year. I have abeyed my parents and teachers to. I have also been good to my sister. I have been getting good grades this year to. Love, Rebeka

Dear Santa,

I am very exited about Christmas! How are you and Mrs. Clause and all of the reindeers doing? Have you checked the naughty or nice, list yet? Are the elves doing good with making toys? I hope you have a nice trip. I do want alot of presents but I am going to aks you for three things. The first thing I want is High School Musical 3CD for my boom box, the second things is a barbie doll house. The third thing is a Hannah Montanna toy guitar for the playstation. I have been very good this yar. I made breakfast this morning and I listen to my parents well. I deserve those things Santa. Love your friend, Makayla

PS I hope you have a great trip. Santa and Dont forget to train the raindeer.

Dear Santa,

How is Rudolph doing? Is his nose still glowing? I hope you have a very very good Christmas. I believe you are real. I love the holidays. I want three things for Christmas. I want a for real frinds horse. I want alaptop. I want a moving toylion. I deserve these three things because I made dinner. PS I made it all by myself with out cuting myself. Sincerly, Morgan Munroe

Dear Sana,

How are you and the reindeer? How many inches of snow do you have? Have you been checking your list? Have you been working out for all the cookie and milk? How are the elves doing on the toys? I wonder if I have been naughty. I would liek many presents but I am only gonna ask for three gifts. The first one is a Playstation 3.. Second I watn a new WWE ring. Lst I want a Christmas surprise. This is all I watn. I've been good this year. I have been listening to my mom and dad.I did a few things wrong, but I want a Playstation3 really bad. I got good grades on my report cards. I want a WWE ring becase my dad threw my other one away. Make the surprise a good one please. Ive been listening since the last naughty thing I did. Love, Levi Howard PS I like these things and can you please give them to me. Merry Christmas

Dear Santa,

How are the reindeer? Are you on schedule? How are the elves? I hope you make lots of toys. I want alot of but I can only ask for three. I want cagellas Hunting 3 game. I also want a dirt bike and an electric guitar from the 80s. I have been very good this year. I have helped my parents clean house. I tried to help clean my old room. I have also helped make dinner. I think I deserve those toys. Love, Loondon Horn

Dear Santa,

Are you ok this year? Is Mrs. clause ok? Is the reindeer ok. Is fly fun? What are the elves doing? I wont these things. My first is wii. Muy second is a Need for Speed game. My third thing is a Lego batman. I love toys. I have been good all yar. I've listened to my parents. I've worked hard in school. I have cared for others. Sinserely, Peyton Keene

Dear Santa,

How are you? I'm doing very fine. How are the reindeer doing to? Have you checked the naughty and nice list yet? I hope Mrs. Clause is doing good and also the elves to. I want these three things for Christmas. I wanta x-box 360, a real guitar, a real laptop. I deserve these stuff I have been good to my mon Dad and my sister. Your love, Savanna Thompson

Dear Santa,

How are you and Mrs. Clause doing? How is Rudolph the reindeer and the reindeers doing? How are the elves doign? How are the people at the North Pole doing? Are the elves on schedule? I want thigs for Christmas. I want a game boy because I like games. I watn a dirt bike becase riding bikes are fun. I want spy gear for Chrismas because spying is fun. I have been good this year. I have not

bugged my sister. I listed to my parents. I hope you have a good trip. I hope you have agood Christmas. Sincerly, Steven Cain

Dear Santa,

How are you and Mrs. Clause doing? Is Rudolph's nose still bright? How do you get in people's houses that don't have achimney? Are the elves staying on schedule and making toys? I want many things for Christmas but I'm only aksing for three of them. First I want a Wii with the games Wii Fit and Wii Sports for exercise. Second I want a Pulse for exercise. Third I want a Pant ball gun adn gear I like to shoot things. I have been very good this year. I have cleaned up my dogs mess. I made straight As. I have listened to my parents I have earned those three things. Your friend, Willie M.

Dear Santa,

How are your elves doing? I don't have achimney. I'll leave the door open. You can have cookies and milk. Remember about the treeand the presents. I want a skateboard, a scooter and a parrot. Sincerely, Matthew

Mrs. Bailey's Third Grade

Dear Santa,

Hello Santa1 I hope you get this letter this year! I hope you com to America first. and that you and your raindeer feel good so you can have a safe fly! I been working around the house so thats why I deserve my present. What I want for Christmas is a Wii with two games please! One more thing I want an XBox 360 with mortal combat. Please I will give you soem cookies and milk.. Fly safly, Brandon

Dear Santa,

Merry christmas1 Hope this letter finds you in a great holiday spirit. I am very excited about Christmas. I have been working on chores, and working ir school. I really make progress with help from my sisters, mom, dad. I read to my little sister all the time.. Ihave been taking care of my cat, hamster, sea monkey, rabbit and dog. would like to have Littlest Pet Shops and a reallybig book. Most of all, Iwani something my whole family can use. I hope you have a safe Christmas Eve trip al around the world. Have a nice Christmas Eve! Best Wishes, Kacie

Dear Santa,

Merry Christmas! Hope you get this letter! I am wishing you a great Christmas this year. I been working hard on my chores and helping my mom with the baby. I have been good this year. I would liek a PSF adn a labtop, a small play horse and a pair of shoes I hope you can make it to my house. I like you Santa You are the nicest! Love and Merry Christmas, Olivia

Dear Santa, Merry Christmas Santa! hope you and the Reindeen enjoy the vacation you had since last year. We are so glad you are coming. I will put candy adn cookies or the table for you. I have beer working hard in math class I have been taking care of mu dog Lucky and I lister in school to my teachers. have been taking care of my caat Katie. Santa, I would like for Christmas my Dog and cat to be healthy, smart and strong. I would like a Nintendo wii and a hamster that is black and white and fluffy all over. I hope you enjoy the trip here. Love Mikayla Griffin



Hello! I'm so excited about Christmas! Are you excited about Christmas too? I bet you and your elves are getting ready for Christmas. I have been practicing my singing at home. I have also done a chore every week. The chore is dumping out the bathroom garbage into the big garbage. I would appreciate twothings for Christmas if this is possible. I would like a Nintendo DS and a book called 'On Christmas Eve', I hope you have a safe flight on Christmas Eve. I wish you a Merry Christmas! Love, Sarah PS How are your reindeer doing? PPS I made up a new Christmas song called Getting Ready for Christmas. Maybe I can make you a

Dear Santa Clause,

Merry Christmas! Hope this letter finds awsome holiday spirit in you. I am tremendously excited about Christmas! I've been working hard in school and helping do my Christmas tree. I've also been tkaing care of my little brother. Also, I've been helping Miss Bailey. So I would liek a DS and a Mario Spuer Bro. DS game and a D Rex if possible I hope you stay safe. Best Wishes! Love, Brooke

Dear Santa,

Merry Christmas! name is Ashlynn I hope you get this letter I have working hard. I babysat my baby cousin at my aunts house. I made a 100% on my spelling test1 I'm helping my brother read a book. What I would like for Christmas is a guitar and I ant a soccer game for PlayStation 3. I also want PSP. I hope you h ave a good New Year1 Love, Ashlynn

Dear Santa,

Merry Christmas! I hope you have a Merry Christmas. I have been working on my chores very hard. For Christmas, I would like a labtop, and Nintendo DS and a Bratz doll that change the hair when you spray stuff on. Thank you, Savan-

Dear Santa,

Merry Christmas! Hope this letter finds you in great holiday spirit. I am very excited about Christmas! I have been doing my chores. I have been working my all inschool. Iam not being naughty. I am being nice! What I would like is a D. Rex and A DS Last but not least is some Pokemon cards. I hope you have a Merry Christmas. And it is safe. I love Christmas. I hope Rudolph is getting bigger. Happy New Year! Your friend, Caleb

Dear Santa,

I hope you have a Merry Christmas. I also would like to know if the reindeer are ready to go around the world.at night. Im excited about Christmas. This year are you? I feel like I have improved and worked hard in school. For Christmas I would appreciate the following things, A new drum set, maybe a new Ipod, and an I Coaster. Have a safe trip! Sincerly, Keaton Rob-

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? My name is Jade and I love Christmas! You are very nice. I have been very good in school. I help Mrs. Bailey and I help Kaitlyn too. For Christmas I want 3 things. Here is what I would like to have. A DS, Ipod and a Wii. Thank you! Love, Jade

Dear Santa, Merry Christmas! I am sol excited because Christmas is so close. Hope you eat your cookies this year and drink

your milk too. I have been trying to babysit and its really hard. Ive been working real hard in school this year. Its pretty fun too! Have you been working hard? I would care for a PSP to play games on, new earrings just to be cool, laptop. Thanks for remembering me. I hope you have a safe trip here. Thank you in advance.. Take care, Austin Patrick

Dear Santa,

How are you. I bet you elves are working hard. I have made progress on my school work. I really want a PSP and I definately want a Xbox 360 and I want a wii also. I hope you have a Merry Christmas. Your friend,

Dear Santa,

My name is Meghan. I want a PSP, a Hannah Montanah doll, new Hannah Montanah guitar. I have been taking good care of my mawmaw. Her husband died 2 weeks ago. I love you! Have a good Christmas! Love, Meghan

Dear Santa,

My anme is Kaitlyn. I am in the third grade. I am a very good girl. For Christmas this yar I would like to have some Little Pet Shop animals Game Boy, and a new real pup for my self. Have a nice Christmas Eve! Love, Kaitlyn

Dear Santa,

Merry Christmas!!! Great you got my letter. I work hard I can't wait until Christmas. I would like to see you some time. Oh and I would like a Wii a toy and book. I hope you have a good Christmas. Love, Doug

Dear Santa,

Merry Christmas! I hope your Reindeer are ok. This year, have they got a cold? This year at school, I have been very good in Math. I'd like a Wii for Christmas, a PSP and an Apple I phone. Take care, Kendra

Dear Santa,

Merry Christmas! I am so happy Christmas is here, I hope you can have all the cookies you cane at. I need a lap top. Me and my sister need clothes. I want a Xbox 360 and a PS3. We want to play in snow on Christmas Eve. Your frined, Vito

Dear Santa,

My name is Dane1 I hope you have a lovely Christmas. I hope this letter gets to you because Millons of people will be telling you want they want for Christmas. Well I want something too. I want something really cool! I want a Wii, Ipod and a is an Xbox-360. I have been helping around the house and feeding my cat. Love, Dane PS Merry Christmas

Dear Santa, Merry Christmas. hope vou and Mrs. Clause and the elves are ready for Chrimes How are the reindeer? I broke my leg Friday after Thanksgiving. My cousins were fighting and my little brother has a broken collar bone too. I have had a great year! Now here is what i want 1st. I'd like D-Rex, 2nd I'd like Guitar hero on tour, 3 I'd like the new pokemon Ranger game for DS. Your friend, Jeffrey

Silver Creek Elementary Mrs. Webb's Class

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? Are you getting ready for Christmas? Are the elfs doing OK? I hope you will make it to everybodys house. I sure hope the reindeer are ready for the long trip. I hope people are good this year. I would like a Hannah Montana bet set for Christmas. My other bed set is to small.

My covers will not cover up the two side and the bottom of my bed, therefor I need a new one. Santa, I want one more thing for Christmas. I would like a Hannah Montana rug because my brother bring shis food in my room and spills it on my carpet. So I would like to have a rug to cover up my carpet. So then I don't get food on my carpet. Santa if you do not mind could you bring a Hannah Montana bed set and a rug because it would be nice to not have food all over my carpet. From Hannah Hisle

Dear Santa,

How do you deliver all those toys every year Shuuh!!! that would be hard to deliver every year I bet you sure are tied when you get home so Santa have I been a good girl. I really hope so? How are you and Mrs. Claus adn the elfs and the randeer I hope every body has been good. Please Santa can I have a Easy Bake oven. The reason I ... (?)

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? hope you don't get the flu. How is Mrs. Clas? How are all the elves? Have I been good? I would like a wii because I need a game to play. My sisster plays mygame. Santa there is one more thing I need some games for the wii if I get it because win she plays my game I don'n have a game to play! Santa if it is possible will youbring me the game. also put stuff in my stocking. from Summer Blevins

Dear Santa,

Are you and the elfs doing allright? Are the raindeer doing all right? I hope you don't get sick on that longtrip. I watn the new Monster jam video game for Christmas and it would be cool ro crush cars on city streets adn it is cold outside and I could play it on cold days. Santa my final wish is an Undertaker costume because I like to play wrestling and I want to dressup like the Deadman. Santa if it is possible I would like you to bring the new Monster jam video game. Sonic Unleashed and an undertaker costume. from Hunter Hicks

Dear Santa,

How are you and Mrs. Clays the elfs and raindeer doing? I hope you do not get sick on Christmas day. Have I been a good girl? I would like to have a Didj for Christmas because I have really been wanting a Didj for a long time because it is geting cold out side I need something to play with inside. Santa I have one more wish for Christmas is a electric skooter. Santa why I want an electrec skooter is that I do not have a skooter and I really want one to play with inthe spring so I can get some exercise. Santa I really hope you can come to my house this Christmas to bring my Didj and my electric skooter. from Madison **McCarty**

Dear Santa,

How are you and the elves and the reindeer? You are my friends and pal too. I hope you dont get sick when you are delivering presents on Chrismes Eve. I would like a DS for Chrismis. I would like to play it when I don't have home work to do during the winter months I know Chrismis is a very busy timeIt takes a while to eliver the toys. Your pal, Eric Whittemore

Dear Santa,

How are the reindeer nd you doing. I sure hope that you dont get sick and the reindeer. I would like a PSP for Chrismas. because my other one got sold. I got one more wish will you get me a dirt bike for Christmas because my other one got broke. From Tristan

Dear Santa,

How are you and Mrs. Clous doing? How is the elves duing. Are this elefs making prezents how are the reindeer doing I hope you dont get a stomach viris on Christmas eve. I hope you get to evr home I hope I hav been good and I hoe nobody is on the notey list. I wont a radeyow because my o done got tore up at my ukds home. I hope it is possible that you can or. From Courtney Wilson

Dear Santa,

How are the Elvs doing? Are they working hard on the presents? So Have I been good lately. I have got so many things in Harlen. Are you doing good? I hope nobodys on the noty list this yar. I would like a dog because I have never had a dog of my own. I would like some clothe because my old clothes are getting to little on me. I have saved one more wish for you. I want a mp3 because I love misic and I can listun to it wen Im bored. I would really like if you brought a dog for Chismis because I would realy want one. from Hailey Boggs

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? I sure hope you did not put me on the bad list. I hope you do not get sick on Cristmas Eve. May I please have a zero glavity micro? I want this toy because it is an R/C cat that can drive on wall. Also may I please have aknex big rig set (Parts sold seperatly)? I will try not to break it. Also I will not lose nay pieces of my big rig set. From Ian FlanDear Santa,

How are you and Mrs. Claus doing? Are you ready for Chistmas? Are the raindear doing ok Isure don't wont yo to get sick this yaer. Are the Elfs being good I hope no one is on the noty list? Have I been a good girl? I would liek aphone for Christmas? Cause I don't have one. I need a phone for christmas if an emergency I could call my mom or dad. Santa I want a baby alive cause it cry and I do not have one that crys. Santa I really know it is hard for you at Christmas I wont be mad. From Kaitlyn

Dear Santa,

Im going to give you cuckes chrisms Dad mike I wont a pvorep jrago because sume bite stor it and bakugan that I do have monrchrisrand an garunaro andproisiand tar slow slok iad sspg it is posub you cuid brek breng all this bokugdn thes ent evofed jrago. From Nathan Campbell

Dear santa,

I hope we get as manuy presetns as we can get. so I will try my hardest to try to get a good christmas. Present so I hope you do a good job to find us. do your best if you can't I will help you. Now I can help, Mrs. Clos, and the raindeers to an Santa I would liek a intendo ds because my old one got lost. Santa I would have pecep for good wishes. happy Christmas Day. Santa is possible if you can get a intod ds to me can the elk come to how are you doing santa close. and Ms. clos. breng it darn rhus you can be hear ainy time you. your pal, Blak roder

Dear Santa,

I want a skateboard for Christmas. I want a doll, bill for Chistmas to save for a prest. From Christian

Dear santa,

How are the elfs doing with the presents. How are you and Mrs. Claus doing. I don't want to get the Flu. And are you ready for Christmas are the raindeer doing ok can you bring me a wii for christmas. cause it is very cold, and I need some insil toys Santa i have one more wish for Christmas. Can you give us one extra presents. Santa it is very possible you can get me the wii and some games pleas. From Ryan Reed

Dear Santa,

How are you doing I want a i pode becaus my brother is proble going to get a wii and he proble wont let me play it and i culd lisine to my ipod. I want a dress becaus I d'not have that much dreses. I want a new pare of heles becaus my old heles do not work that good. From Hannah Thomas

Mrs. White's First Grade

Dear Santa,

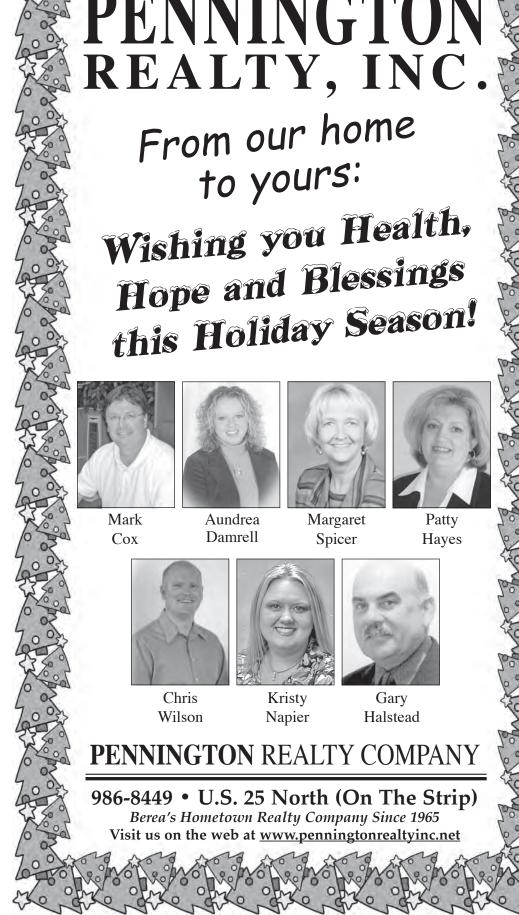
I want a Nintendo DS Play Station 3 new bike, a laptop telephone ad the gams ald the Spy Kids toy bakugan. Your friend, Fransico

Dear Santa,

How are you. I would like a motor scooter. My Mom would like a laptop. My Dad would like a winter coat. My brother would like a play station. Love, Heidi

Dear Santa,

I would like a D.S. for Christmas. And maybe a Xbox 360 oh and how is Mrs. Claws? and for Christmas I would like a new action figures and a computer. And I would like the best christmas ever. Love, Tobias



I want a Nintendo I wat a scooter, mi mamna to hav4 a camera my dad was a kot my sistr wos a bifon. miy brust was a bick. Love Re-

Dear Santa,

I want a Ipod for Cristmas. How are your elfs. I want a wagin. Love, Skylar

Dear Santa,

you are the best ever. Can you let the world have the best Christmas ever. love, Olivia

Dear Santa,

All I want for Cristmas I want is a new DS game. and picksowse. and three pups. and a camera and I will leve you some cookies and some millk on a plat. Love, Savan-

Dear Santa

I would liek a razer scooter, and a PSP and a laptop and wish I had a new ceputer. And a waterbed with peronas in it. And I wish I had a new shark tooth. Love, Pierce

Dear Santa.

I wot a lasre. I wot a euge I wot a fon Love, Ethan

Santa Claus I want you to bre me a big psm scablr Love, Nathan

Dear Santa, How are you? I want a

Dear Santa,

new Ds and a new toy gingerbread house. Love, Seth

Dear Santa,

Santa cad we giv my fmlle the but cilm evre kid uo giv me a veggi kid no giv my covr a black beggt adn id yo give my mom a hagis and kid ue giv my dad a talliz adn kis uo giv my sir a doll and gix love, Gavin Lamb

Dear Santa,

Are you well? Is one of the elfs sick? Why can we see elfs adn you Santa? Love, Brooke

Dear Santa,

I wrl like i a gam coudod five. would I wi like a sp. hv I be bad. Love, Mason

Dear Santa,

I would like a pink nintendo ds. for Christmas this year. Please. Love, Natalie

Dear Santa,

How are you am I wasants I wud wit a cuum I wud wut a pup. Love, Astin

DearSanta,

How are you? I am fine I want a nintendo Ds. Have a happy christmas. Love,

Dear Santa,

How cold is it in the North pol? Very cold I want Nitendo ds. I wish that the ward was safe. Love, Ryann

Dear Santa,

How are your christmas eve I woudl wot a ipod. Love, Sadiah

Mrs.Bowman's Second Grade

Dear Santa Claus,

Hello! How is the elfs dowing santa? Are you ready for cristmas? I would like a razere for me to call you. Santa claus? Please bring it for me? Thank you for reading my letter. Thank you for given me my presents Santa Claus! Love, Mackenzee Johnson

Deer Santa,

Hello, How are the reindeer? How are you? I want for chrstmas I would like to have a pack of pokeman cards Draw to life spung BoB and D rex. Thank you for reading my letter. Love, Ellie Beaver

Dear Santa,

Hello! How are you doing? Are you ready to give me and other people are presents? I would like Mario party 7 for a game cube. And the new pokemon Ranger for a DS. Thank you elfs for making me this. Thank you elfs and santa. Love, Tristan

Dear Santa Claus,

Hello! How are you? Are you ready for Christmas? For Christmas I would like to have a razor to call people on it. Make up to put on and laptop. Thank you for reading my letter. I can't want to Christmas santa. I hope I get a lot of presents from you santa. Love, Maryann Abner

Dear Santa,

I wanta toy kitchen for my brothers and me. Then I wanta necklace a xbox 360 game, Lego, Indiana Jones, and gift card from McDonalds. Love you Santa, when are you going to let the elfs on a break? Write a letter back to me, put the letter under my Christmas tree. See you soon, Paige Schoonover

Dear Santa Claus,

Hello! How are you doing? How are the elfs? Are the reindeers ready for their long trip? For Christmas I would like to have a wii and a mp3 player and a DS amd guitar Hero for a DS and a baby alive doll and a little pet shop toy and a video camera and a sopermeo for a DS and some key chains and a laptop. Thank you for reading my letter I will leave some milk and cookies. Hope you have a happy trip. Thank you. Love, Taylor Allen

Dear Santa,

Hello are you doing good? How do you give 50,000 presents in a night? Whats up my man? I want a TV so I can watch it. I want toy cars so I can play with them. I would like HOT WHEELS. Thank you for presents and gifts. Love, Levi Taylor

Dear Santa,

Hello! Santa How are the elvfs? And how are you santa? For Christmas I would like to have a couple of new games for our Nintendo DS

1. super marioDS. 2. Star wars the complete saga. 3. Microscope with case. 4. Nerf gun with nerf dart belt. 5. Nerf gun video game. Thank you santa for the gifts. Love you, Garrison Carrier

Dear saint nick,

Hi! How much people did you put on the bad list and the good list? I would like for Christmas a DS game littlest pet shop beacus I love my DS. And I want you to have a littlest pet shop worck out set. And a scarf to stay warm. And some slippers because I don't want to keep the ones I have. And some clothes my mom and dad want me to have clothes. Thank you for the presents in the future. Love Rachelle Cordova

Dear Santa Claus,

How are you today? It's time for presents. Here's what I want for Christmas. I want a big Bratz car, big white play house, and a Barbie play house. Please get something for my family. My brother would like for his bed to be covered up with spider man. My sister would like her bed to be covered in Dora. For my mom please bring a ring and church clothes. For my dad bring shorts and a new white truck. I will get something for Rudolph and Blitzen all the other reindeer. Just tell me what yur reindeer eat and I will get it right away. Lov Haley Gordon

Dear Santa,

Hi santa how have the reindeer been doing and how are you? I would like for you to bring me a snake, a flying spider toy, like spider man. I would also like a playstation2. I want to also thank you for reading my letter, and all the Christmas presents, that you have braught me in the past. Thanks, Eugene Knuckles

Der Santa! Hello! How are your elves? Are you ready to give the presents to all the children's. For Christmas I would like a xbox 360 and lego men. Tank you for the presents in the past and the xbox. Love! Zachary Ches-

Dear Santa Claus,

Hello! How are you? Are the elfs fine? For Christmas I want a wii game because I can play a game so I wont be bored. I want a t.v so I can watch t.v. Thank you for the gift Santa Claus. Love, Casey Dees

Dear Santa,

Hello! How are you? Are you going to bring my lots of toys? For Christmas I would like this new board game called pyrna panio I saw it on a commericell and it looks pretty fun to me. I can hardly wait for Christmas. Be careful on your journey. I wish I can hide in your sleigh but my mom and dad wont let me. I will have you some chocolate chip cookies and milk. Love, Shelby Watts

Dear Santa,

Hello! How are you and your elvs? are you ready for Christmas? Here are the things I want for Christmas a wii and wii game, puppy DS and Ps game I will leave you cookies and milk. Love, **Dalton Otterson**

Dear Santa Claus,

Hello! How are you and Mrs. Claus and the reindeer? Are they ready for the big trip? For Christmas I want an I pod and Hanna Montana dolls, Guitar Hero III, a cell phone, littlest pet shop, and Hanna Montana Guitar Hero 4. Thank you for the presents, I will leave you some cookies and milk for the reindeer. Love Savanna

Dear Santa,

I would like to have somethings for Christmas. I want a beauty shop doll so I can cut her hair. I would like a puppy like Clifford. It would be fun to have a big, big, big dog. Love Hevin Brinegar

Mrs. New's Second Grade

Dear santa,

How cold is it at the north poll. How are you and the elfs doing. I hope you made a grat we wing. Christmas is my favorite time of the yer. I hope my dad can come back. I wode love for a 22 shot gun. I wode love for xbox360 for a rock band. I wode like all of thes gifs but the wone I wont the moste is for my dad to come back, so as you can see, santa I wante a 22 shote gun and I wont a xboxe360 for a rock band. I wode be so happy so bad I wode cry. Thank you so much for reding my sentens. Love, Chase

Dear Santa, Hey Santa can't wait until Christmas! It will be fun! Are you having a good time! I love Christmas. It is whay to fun, I'm writeing a letter to tell you what I want for chrismas. I can't wait until Christmas. It will be fun. I want some pixsows for chrismas. It will be fun because you can make 3D stuff. I want a dog that gets it's hair done because I love hair. Hair is fun to play with. I want a puppy a wedcans for chrismas. I ant a

bog and horse wedwedcan. I ant all the presents really. It would be the best chrismas. So as you can see santa, I want some pixsows, bog that get's its hair done, and webcans for chrismas. I can see it now! I will be smileing! I will be happy. Thanks for reading my letter santa. I love chrismas. It's my favorite holiday. Love Jordon

Dear Santa,

How is Mrs. Claus? What are you doing are yo making toys how are the little alvs are they making toys for christmus? Because I want three things for christmus the first one is dollars and all the video games in the world also roo; a;ot of toys and other stuff to because my mom and dad my sister and brother needs presides to for christmus because its about giving them presitds too and its gods berthday and its close to my berthday too. Love Joshua

Dear Santa,

Have a good day? What is your favorite food? Christmas is my favrit holiday. I all ways have lots of presents. I am writing to tell you about three things that I would like to have. Santa I hope you have a good Christmas. I would realley love to have a video camra because me and my cousin made a show. And I have to go to her house to do the show. She is not allowed to take her video camra to my house because her parents think it might brake. I would like to have the video game cong fu panda. Because I liked the movie cong fu panda a lot. And I have never played the game cong fu panda And it looks very fun. I would also like to have money because I love money a lot. I would like all these things but what I would realley like to have is a video camra. So as you can see Santa I want a video camra, cong fu panda video game and money. I can see it now I will be so happy that I will be screaming to the rop of my lungs all because of you. Thank you for reading my letter santa. Kaley

Dear Santa,

I hope this will be the best cresmes ever are for elfs doing. Cregmes is my sekent favret holoday. Im riting you this later becus it is omost cresmes. I am writing to santa the new Kirby game for ps. I wond like the new Kirby game for Ds I like Kirby games. I have already beat the new Kirby game for ps. I would whant wake tarts. I like them and I don't hav eny. Care bear be cus I just need two more. The toy I would like to hav the moste I would whont the moste is the new kirbee game for ps. So as you can see santa I rely whant the new kirbee game for Ds I

also whant wale ters and care bears becus I just need two more. I can see it now I would give to you snacks and cooks and milke santa. Thanke for reeding my leter. Love Nick

Dear Santa, Hello santa how are you

doing how is the toy making goweing. Have a happy crismas. I like crismas becase I spend time with my family. It is my faviet holiday. Santa I really really wanted surtan gift for crismas. I hope I get it. Santa there are a few toyas rthat I hope I get this year for crismas. Goodluck making the toys. Santa I would like to have Iron man the video game becase I really like to play video games. Santa I would like to have are dare devil action figure becase I like dare devil and I don't have medium size one. Santa there is one more thing I want it is a cell phone. But the two I want is the cell phone and the iron man video game. So as you can see santa I really would like to have the iron man video game and the dare devil action figure and cell phone. I can see it now I will tell my mom and she will wake her up and rip the paper of the gifs. Santa thank you for takeing your bussy time to read my leter merry crismas. Love, Kyle

Dear Santa, I would like to have some thing s for Christmas. First I want Barbie because I like to play with Barbie dolls. Next, I would like to jump out of an airplane with a parachute. My dad said that he will help me. It would be fun to land in the water. Last I want a Benton Alien force Bracelet. It makes cool Alien monsters. Tahnk you santa. Love Nicole

Mr. Gay's Class

Dear Santa,

I have been goo this year. Hal is roodof and the elfs or tha wrieg hurd? For Christmas I want a ipod and a viteogam and a laptob and if you git thes thangs I will lev cookies undr the thrismis tree. And I will klen my room. Your frand, Austin

Dear Santa,

I have been a really good student this year. I have worked so hard to get good grades. I would really like to have a DS. I promise to share it with my family. I would also like to have that Lego star wars the complete saga. I promise to share it with my sister. Thank you for read my letter. I promise I will leave you milk and cookies. Your friend, Zane

Dear Santa,

Hay Santa how is rodof. I have been good. Halw are you doing sant. Santa cep thas Efs bise. Santa I wauld

a DC and the gams I wauld a peppy gams and a cat game and a munky game and a Hanha Monten game. I would a game for P.S Brat game. I wauld a game for P.S Peppy game for P.S. cat game. I wawlda lato a rilm. Your friend, Rebecca

How is roudoff and the gang is roudoffs nose stell red. I have been good this year. I hope Mrs. Class is doing well. I would like SP stuff this year that is the only thang I would like this ever. Pleas nothing els thats all I would like this yaer. Your friend, Ally

Dear Santa,

I like an ipod amd a mp3 player and a intendo DS and a Mario game and a spider man game. I have been realy good this year. I mad new friends 2 and he is my friend and hunter is my best friend to. Your friend

Dear Santa,

I have been vary good this year. I have gotten good graides too. I what a DS for Chrismis. I will shar it with avrone. I also whant a game for DS cald crdey the sopre tufe puff too. I will also make cookes for you I will live them on the tabl. Your buty, Trey

Dear Santa,

I have been good this year. I have worked hard in scool this year. I would like to have a DS so I can keep myself busy. I would also like to have an idog because they are soft and fun. Thank you for reading my letter. Have a happy mary Christmas. Your friend, So-

Dear Santa, I have been very good this

year. I have made very good friends. I would really want to have a nentendo D's for Christmas. I knoe your raindeer's name comet and blitsen and cuped and I think is coner. I like your raindeer even I haven't even saw them. I will leave cookies and some milk. Thank you Santa. Your friend, Daisy

Dear Santa,

I have been making the good list and the bad list if you have that is good work. I would like to have a new brats movie for Christmas. I will live you a big plate of cookies a big glass of milk. Your friend, Mackenzie

Dear Santa,

I have been a super good girl this year. I want a white dresser baibie doll, gottagogeta doll, pink white tv, little baby bunny. Thank you for reading my letter. I will leav some cookies ann a glass of milk under the crismas tress. Your friend, Megan



I have been a asome boy this year. I have made good grades. I wold really like to get a xdox 360 for Christmas. I promis to share it with my brother and sisiter. I will chang the batteres and thank you for reading my letter. Your friend, Berkly

Dear Santa,

I have been a rilly good girl this year. The way I want a ipod and laptop and a baby alive and a carebears and puppy and kittey and a huge bari phones. Thank you for reading my paragraf. I will leave you cookes. Your friend, Freedom Anglin

Dear Santa,

I have made good grades in school. Iv made tons of new frinds. How is Comet and Dasher? I'll like a skate board game for my laptop. I'll like a trybot for Christmas. Thank you for reading my letter. I hope you will have a good Christmas. I'll leave you more cookies and milk. Your friend, Callyn

Dear Santa,

I have been a little bad and a little god this year. How is Roudoph and the gang. Tell me in a note please and thank you. I would relly like a ipod, a rile teacup pulddel, a laptop, a picksell chick, gittour hero the D.S. game, the new cook in mama 2 D.S. game, 2 desks to put in my room, a climeing wall to go in my room, some new wallpaper please. Your friend,

Dear Santa,

I was rear good this year. I hope I get a lot of presents. I won't a rip for my dirtbike and guttar hero too and my playstation2 and I hope I get it. Thank you for reading my letter. Chad

Dear Santa,

Ive been good this year and a little bad to but I still want presents. So hers the things that I want. I want a Barbie Chritsmas movie, moon sand, polly pockets, pretty Clothes, sleeping Beauty Barbie doll, Hanhah Montana doll, Barbie Jammin Jeep. I will take care of these toys and share them. Makayla Burns

Dear Santa,

I have been a good boy this year I have been a little bad. I'm sorry. I been bad. How are you doing and your wife and elves? I want a DS, Wii, football jersey and a new game for my ninendo 64. Your friend, Hunter

Dear Mom and Dad,

I have been super good this year. I have worked hard and obeyed all the rules. I love you and I know you can't buy much, so won't ask for anything big. I would like to have another video game for my PS2 and also a poster with whales on it. Will you please try to get these for me? Your loving son, Dalton

Mrs. Ping's Class

Dear Santa,

I was tryng to tell wot I wont for chrismia. I hope I get somethg for Chasms. I hope I get me the thang that I askt for. I want for chrisames I want like a chalk bord brown it like pecher, art stand do art stuff. Sorry, sliders game. Well Santa, I hope you enjoyend my letter. I trid very hard to clearly explain what I wanted for Christmas this year. I just know youll do the best you can to get me wot I askt for. Sincerely, Taylor

Dear Santa,

I am glad it is Christmas because I get to see you. Is every day Jesuses birth. Santa, I am writing this because I want you to understand that I realy bad want

that stuff like if I had a dirtbike I'd go 100 miles pour hour and like I would like a gocart because I can run over my brother and a sled. I would realy like a sled. I would like a Jurasic skate board because I can lay down on it and skate down the sidewalk. Well, Santa I hope you liked my letter. Are you doing realy good. How are you too. I tried very hard to think of what I want for Christmas. I know you will give me presents for Christmas. Thank you Santa for listening to my letter. Sincerely, Derrick

Dear Santa,

How are you doing. How is roadoff doing today? Chrismas is omost here and I most get in contact. I want same presents as they are nice. I want a naw care bear so I will play teportye with it. I want naw pink D.S. so I will play games. I want a naw Mily games so I will play Mily with my sisse. Also, I woud like a naw baby doll, a naw ball, a Mily ball, a naw brat and a naw bed. Well Santa, I hope I get my presents. I tries very hard to get my presents for chrismas. Thank you santa for reading my leter. Sincerely, Hayley Stuckey

Dear Santa,

It's been a year since I've seen you. Christmas is so close I need to get in tuch with you. I would like to git in wat I woint wier are sam than gs for Christmas. I would like a black and white and brown bebe gun. I will shoot cans with my bruther. I would like a baskit balll and a foot ball. I will pas with my bruthers. I would like a siming pool. I will swim in it in summer. Also, I would like a pistl and a shot gun. What I what for Christmas santa. I tried very hard riting my letter to you. I can not wat for cristmas morning. Santa thank you for reading my letter to you. Come to my hous I will lev you sum cookys and milk. Sincerely, Tyson Isaacs

Dear Santa,

How are you doing it has been so long since I have seen you. Christmas time is just about hear so I better get in contact with you. I was just writing so you will now what I want for Christmas. I wont a labtop so I can get on line with my buby to. I want a DS game called littest pet shop games. It dose not matter wich one you get me so I can play with my baby. I want a Ds game called bratz to play with me mom. I also want a new dog and a new tety bear and a bathroom. I can bild in my room. Well Santa, I hope you like my letter. I have tried to tell you what for Christmas. I just knoe you will give me all the presants that I want for Christmas but I just knoe you will. Thank you Santa for reading my letter because I rilly injoy you reading this letter. No name

Dear Santa

It's been a long time since I've seen you last year. Christmas is just around the corner and Christmas is my faverite mouth. I want to make a short letter. What I want for Christmas is a furreal horse, A pet shop wolf that is white, A toy Rudolph put on to the sled and a horse that runs. I hope you like my letter. I've ben a really good girl this year. I can see it now. All the toys that youll put in my socking. I'm glad you took your time reading my letter. Sincerely, Katelyn Timmer

Dear Santa,

Hello! How are you doing? It is Christmas and I thought I'd need to tell you what I want. I'm writing to give you my letter of toys I want for Christmas. Hare is some thanks I want for Christmas. I ware psp and I will play it with my frands. I want a ds I will play my ds. I want a lot a reslrser and I will play it with my frands. D rex tattoo makre, drt bike git on. Sincerely, Harley Da-

Dear Santa,

How are you? I wuod like all the toys. I dawe a pecher for you. I wuod like all sore apple. Wii and Wii game and Ds game. I can see it now. Thnk you for rend the letter santa! Sincerely, Tanessa Grimes

Dear Santa,

How are you doing its been a long time sents I've seen you. Chrismas is comeing. Thank you. Please rite back. I hope you idlest get 3 for me. I want a blue scull tony hawk skate board so I can ride my big brother in the skate park so I can slide acos the bar. I walso want a xBox 360 so I can play halo 3 with my little brother. I also want a black ipod so I can lisen to roch in my room. And finale a wii playstation 3, 4 techdecks and rock band two. Well santa, how are you and your workers doing. I tried to get in contact with you so I ges you could id list 3 things that I ask for. I can see it now all the toys you will bring me in the world. Thank you Santa for reading my letter. If you come to my hous I will leve you some milk and cookes. Sincerely, James Kenton Castorina

Dear Santa, How are you hope Mrs. Clouse is doing ok. Christmas is almost here I hope this year Christmas is better than last year. I hope I could get presents this year. I would like to tell you what I want for Christmas. I would like a twister game to play with my mom and brother. I would also like my own board game of scrable to play with my mom dad and brother. I also would like a Pink DS so I can play my DS with my mom. And I would like a DS game call nintenal dogs. A pokemon game for my DS called perl. A polly pocket set with a house bed and a stove and kitchen. Sincerely, Kaitlin Coyle

Dear Santa, How are you doing. Christmas is hear and I thought I would write to you. Im writing to you to tell you what I want. I have thought of what I would like for Christmas. I want a new gun to help my papa shoot dogs. I want new hunten boots to where them to the barn and school. And a Ipod for I can listen to music wy going to school and a new atv so when we go on bike rides I can ride it wy my brother takes a bike. Also I would like a fork, snake, lizard. I hope my letter was clear to you. It was fun writing to you. I can see it now all the presents you are bringging me. Thank you santa for reading my letter. Sincerely, Gavin Shanks

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? I hope you are doing okay. How is rodof going. Chrismas is almost here. And I thought I'd better get ready for it. I want to make this letter a littel bit shorter. I will ride my now bike up and down the streat. I will throw a now ball with hoho and my new dog. I want a now kitten some and my family can play together. I want a now skator so me and my family can play. Well, santa I hope you had a good time with my letter. I tried very hard to get my presents for chrismas. Plese get my presents. I now you can do it santa. I hope you do it. Thank you for reading my letter and I hope you will be okay. Sincerely, Cathy Thompkins

Dear Santa, Hello how are you doing.

It is almost Christmas. and I hope you can come. I won't to wright you a letter so you could get me. I want a real fish so I can feed it. I want a game player so I can play it with my frinds. I want a pink DS do I can play it. Also I would like a fish tank that is a circle with a lid and a Americe girl doll a suffed raddit. Well santa, I know you will like my letter realy realy tried to thank are you doing well today. I can see all the toys in the world. I realy hop you will give me what I whant. Sincerely, Brandon Callahan

Dear Santa,

It's been a long time since I've seen you. Are you doing okay? The time for Christmas is just around the corner and I thought I'd better get in touch with you. I wanted to write you a good letter to let you know what I want. This year I have been thinking about what I want for Christmas and I have thought of eight things I want. I would like a spa factory toy so when I'm stressed out and I won't be so stressed out. Another thing I would like is a High School Musical cd so when I'm bred I can put itin my radio and listen to it. The next thing I would like is a pink Ipod so I can download songs on it. Also, I would like a pink mp3 plater, a Bratz little angels doctor time toy, a pink I-dog with pink fur a Barbie and the diamond castle dvd and a littlest Pet Shop tail waggin' fittness club. Hey Santa know you just enjoyed my letter. Did you like my letters or not? I realy tried my best to clearly tell you what I want for Christmas this year. I believe that you will try you best to gve me my Christmas wishes. Santa I'm happy that you took the time to read my letter. Sincerely, Melody Thacker

Dear Santa, It's Christmas time agin it's time for me to write you. Agin . it's been a long time I hope I see you agin. I wanted to write you a long letter but it will take me to long. I have thot of a lot of thangs for Christmas. I would like a new easy bake oven to mack my mom and dad and sisters and brothers cupe cakes. And also a puppy that I can talk I will share it with my sisters. And a High School Musical toys. I will share it with my cusin. Also, I would like a poster of Hannah Montana and a doll of Hannah Montana. Well Santa, I hoped that you had a good day so far did you enjoyed my letter. I'm glad that it is Christmas agin. I know you will do the best of all I know it's. Thanks for reading my letter it was fun writing to you. Sincerely, Amber Willard

Dear Santa,

Well Santa, I hope you like my letter. I have a queston. How cold is it up at the north pole. I can see it now. Toys I best they will be nice and fixed my the elfs thanks santa. I would want for Chrismas is I want a lot of things for Chrismas. I want a new for wheeler for chrismas. I want sorry sliders for chrismas. I want chuse ladders for chrismas. I want twister for chrismas. Sincerely, Taylor Hatfield

Dear Santa,

It's been so long sents last Christmas so how are you and miss clos doing? Almost christmiss. Hope you got it ready. We want resent not to be rood. Love you bye bye. I hope you liked my letter. I worked extrlymy hard on it thanks for reading my letter. I will give you milk and cookies. Sincerely, Sydney Hager

Dear Santa,

It's been a long time sinse I have sine you are you doing well. Christmes is almost her in a ful tas. I was ritghing you a later because I want presens. I would like a golden eve game and I would like a drastick park game. I would like a pogo stick I would like a game. Wen is your workrs doing what I have been thanking about. I won't for Christmas this year. I know it I know it, he is going to get my stuff for Christmas. thank you I can't wate until you get to my stop. Sincerely, Kimberly

Ms. New's Second Grade continued

Dear Santa, How is the weather there

Mrs. Clause and Santa. What is your favorite cookie. Crismas is almost here. It's my favorite holiday. I am writing you a letter because cristmas. I am writing a letter about want I want for cristmas I have three of my favorite toys that I hope will be under my tree. I hope I could have a football game for cristmas. I like to play it with my cousin. I would like a xbox360 for cristmas. I like to play it because it is fun to play with my family. I hope I could have books for cristmas. I like reading to my mom. I would like all of them presents for cristmas but my favorite on is a football game. So as you can see, Santa I really want a football game, xbox360 and books for cristmas. I can see it now! I'll be the happiest kid in the world because he brought me the things that I wanted. Thank you Santa for reading my letter I now you tried very hard to bring what I want.

Love, John

Dear Santa

How is the wathr is it clod is it warm in the north pol. Christmas is my 1st one in

the world. I an writing to tell you about some of the gifts I would like for Christmas a ipod and a Hannah Montana bed a hores too. I would like a ipod we love music and my mom will be happy and my sister will love it and me too. I love Hannah Montana beds and my sister is a big fen and i am too. I love to have a hores my best one in the wold and i would love to ride one hores but i wish i had one. I would love to get and of the gifts that I love to get and this is my favorite one and it is a hores I love them. So as you can see santa I really want a ipod and a Hannah Montana be also a hores. I can see it now! I will be happy and be jumping up and down on my bed. Thank you for reiading my Love Adrianna

Dear Santa, 1. How are you and the

reindeers doing? 2. How are the elves and

Mrs. Claus doing? Christmas is my favorite holiday because 3 days after Christmas is my birthday. 3.I am writing to tell every

thaing that I would like I would like to see my mom 4.I really would love to

rite on because it is coole. 5. I wish that I get to see my mom again because I miss her.

have care bear a that I could

6. I wish that my mom would stop doing drugs. 7. If I get all of these gifts it

would be the best Christmas 8. So you can see, Santa,

I really want a care bear, I

wish I see my mom again, I wish my mom would stop doing drugs. 9. I can see it now! I'll be jumping up and down when I see these presents

morning! 10. Thank so much for reading my letter. I know

under my tree on Christmas

you'll try very hard to bring me what I want. Love Ashley

Dear Santa

How are you and every body I'm writing a little to you because I want to. I am writing to you so you will know some things I want for Christmas. Can I please have these toy for Christmas Santa. I would like a stuffed dog for Christmas. I love dogs and stuffed dogs are soft. I would love to have some more puppy in my pockets. There like little dog fugures that you can play with. I would really want a ball for Christmas. It bouces. I would really love it if I got all of these presents. It would really surprise me if I did. So as you can see, Santa, I really want a stuffed dog, puppy in my pockets and a ball. I can see it now! I'll trie to wate. I'll be so happy. Thank you for reading my lettler. Merry Christmas!! Love Kallee



How is Mrs. Claus Hi My Nam is Matt tri to be grat. I kandt dreve Christmas is hir I am tlling you about some of the presis a ipod and a gam for the wii

Ihave a few of things that I wunt I hop you are bise

I really would love to have a Guitar Hero my famulla would love it

I really would love to have a ipod it would be really kll I would love it I would li-

I would really love to have a gam for the wii is a for wilr I would play it. It would be grat to have

all of the gifts I would wunt a Guitar Hero it would be So as you can see, Santa, I really want an ipod and a

guitar Hero and a for whelr

game for the wii. I can see it now, I will be so happy I will screm my hed off!! Thank you Santa I love you. Love, Matt

Dear Santa,

How are the raindeer doing? Christmas is here in 24 days. It is my favorite holiday. I'm writing to you, to tell you what I want for Christmas.

I hope you are bussy making toys because I would like 2 or 3 toys. I would like a laptop for Christmas. Because my Dad tuke mine that I would play with. I would really like a Ipod because my friend has one. I would like a Bo because my brother has one but he wont let me youse hes. I would be ok with no pressints this year because the pepple that don't get get pressints.

So as you can see Santa I would like a laptop, Ipod and a bo. I can see it now, me scriming my hed off. Thanks for being the best person ever.

Love, Abby

Dear Santa

you are I love youo very love and xbox360 Because I

much you grat. You go boy. You are the king. I no you are not rilly. But you like cookies and milk and you ride in a slay inone nint having chuble gowing out bird or not are you ok? You beter git sleepin bed and be rety to go in our slay it is going to hainis at nint and all nint long. I want a ds with a game and a laptop and a coputer ano mis.

Îlove you very much. Candace the end

Dear Santa

How are the raindeer doing. What about your wife. I cant fergit the elvis. Is I clod there. What about your favorite cookies. I hope there choclet chiep n mild.

Christmas is my favorite holiday because it's Jesesis birthday and I get lots of

I am writing to tell some gifts I want for Christmas

Hey I have some things I How are you good I hope want for Christmas. I will love video games and I have a xbox and want to try a xbox360. And I want a new flat screen tv because my old tv doesn't work. I want money because I love money. I love all these gifts but the one I want most is the xbox360

So as you can see, I really want a flat screen tv, an xbox360 and this much 100,000,000,000, money 000,000 I can see it now I'll be jumping on my couch to my chair because I got what I wanted. Thanks for reading my letter. I want you to have the best night ever. From the mailbox Love Dakota

Dear Santa,

Do you have t be married to be santa claus? For Christmas I would like a four wheeler. I want it at my frinds house on his trail. I would also like a ipod. I can listen to rap music. I have been good.

Love, Blake

Dear Santa, I would like a Henry, a Cranky and a Rocky Love, Caleb

Dear Santa,

I want a lego kit and I want an art set. And I would like boxing gloves. I would like a spy kit and I want Rock'em Sock'em Robots. I want a hunting kit. And I want a Golf Mat. And I want a REAL cowboy hat.

Happy Christmas Santa,





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