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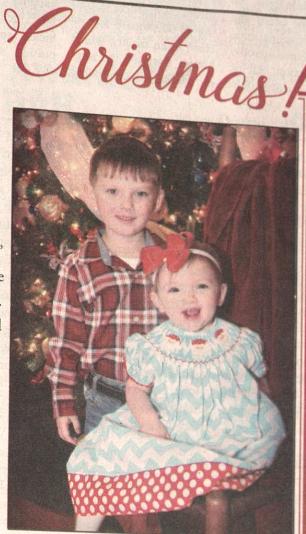
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Thanks for the opportunity to serve you throughout the years, for your ndship and loyalty to "The Vidette," for helping us write, each week, the story of this place called Tishomingo. lay you have a blessed Christmas, and a prosperous New Year!

Charlotte McVay, Nancy Hughes, Pamela Rae, Susan Thompson, Carol Berryman, and Hayley Franks.

OR

for unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be alled Wonderful, Counselor, The ighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.



Merry Christmas and Happy Birthday is what little Whitlee Nunley (1) will be saying to brother Ty Nunley on Friday, when he celebrates his fourth birthday! Ty and Whitlee are the children of B.J. and Kinsley Nunley of Iuka. They are looking forward to spending lots of great holiday time with family, including grandparents Darrell and Rhonda Nunley and Paul and Phyllis Whitlock, all of Iuka.

ka Discount Drugs ounder Joe Hussey Dies

loe S. Hussey, 80, of Iuka, sissippi, went to meet his on Monday, December 2015, at the North Missis-Medical Center in Iuka.



loved everyone and never regretted helping Joe was happiest when he was outside. He red the sunshine and would often just sit on the lack porch to take in God's ever changing scene Joe was known as "Granddaddy" by his grandsons

luka ATK Plant **Gains from New** ir Force Contract

Iuka's ATK plant workers will be working on composite structures for use in Atlas and Delta launch vehicles for the next several years, thanks to a newly awarded contract.

Orbital ATK, Inc., a global leader in aerospace and defense technologies, today announced that it has been awarded a contract from United Launch Alliance (ULA) for large-size composite structures to be used for the Atlas V and Delta IV vehicles in support of the current United States Air Force Evolved Expendable Launch Vehicles (EELV) programs. During the contract scope, Orbital ATK will produce large composite structures for ULA, with deliveries

commencing in 2016 and continuing into early 2019. Hardware from the new order will support both Atlas V and Delta IV launches through approximately 2021.

"Our long-standing involvement on both the Atlas V and Delta IV launch vehicles is a strong demonstration of our workforce's engineering and manufacturing abilities." said Steve Earl, Vice President and General Manager of Orbital ATK's Aerospace Structures Division. "Our support of ULA EELV missions is a critical element of our aerospace struc-

please see **Orbital ATK** on page 2

Hago Bringing 80 Jobs to luka's **Yellow Creek Port**

Last Friday, Gov. Phil Bryant and officials from laserwelded sheet metal and stamped automotive parts producer Hago Automotive Corp. made the official state announcement of the company's new location in Iuka, Mississippi, at the Yellow Creek Port

The project represents a corporate investment of \$10 million and will create 80 jobs. The company is expected to begin operations by mid-2016.

"I appreciate the team at Hago Automotive for choosing

leader in the Southern Automotive Corridor. I wish the company many years of success in Iuka."

"We are excited to join the Mississippi business community and begin operations in Iuka. Our new location will allow Hago Automotive to effectively and efficiently serve our customers," said Hago Automotive President and CEO Joerg Goeppert. "We thank the Mississippi Development Authority, Tishomingo County, the Tishomingo County Development Founda tion and Tennessee Valley Authority for their support as Hago Automotive prepares to locate in Northeast Mississippi."

as born October 7, 1935 upelo. He attended and mated from Plantersville od where he met his wife, who was the angel of his

They were married for 61 1/2 years before her in April of this year. Joe and Pat established Discount Drugs in 1974, where he was also amacist. He loved his community and makthers laugh, always having a joke to tell. He

Joe Hussey

and great-grandchildren. He loved traveling over the years to watch this special group participate in sporting events and as an avid fan. He also had several "granddogs" that each held a special Mac in his heart. Joe was a member of the Iuka Methodist Church. Visitation is scheduled until 8 p.m., Tuesday, December 22, at Cut please see

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to locate in Tishomingo County and for creating so many new bobs for the region's workforce," Gov. Bryant said. "Mississippi's automotive industry is a major economic driver for our state, and Hago's decision to locate in Northeast Mississippi further trengthens our position as a

Mississippi Development Authority provided assistance in

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and all who were present at the Tishomingo County vs Mooreville game on December 8th. I would like to offer up my humblest luring the

apology for my actions during the game. My conduct in front of officials, spectators, and players was unprofessional and unbecoming of the Tishomingo County School District. I let my anger take my focus off of what I love to do and that is growing young men into respectful

athletes. I became more focused ing the game, on winning for this group of McCalmon young men than how to adjust was temporarto the obstacles in our way. Administrators, fellow educators, ily and fellow coaches all experience from times when the decisions and by the adminthe actions we take are directed istration. towards an outcome rather than sissippi guiding young adults through School them. I am no exception to this ties Association and I have realized that I must representatives stay focused on my first love. said they recom-Coaching, leading, and building

integrity in my team is what I love and I am committed to staying game focused on growing my team here at Tishomingo County. Josh McCalmon

outburst occurred received his second which is automatic

ejection," explained Tishomingo County Schools Superintendent Christie Holly. "The first technical was received for trying to call a timeout and coming onto the floor

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by principal Dax Glover, who had

also been helping with the boys'

team as assistant coach. Glover

of the game."

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has coached the team through the last four games.

"It's a public apology for the incident," explained Superintendent Holly. "He's taking steps to better himself as a coach and a professional. This is one of those steps."

"He wants to work to correct his mistake and make it right for his players, colleagues, community and family. He will return to the sidelines after holiday games are completed," said Holly.

Game Seating Changes In addition to McCalmon's

actions during the Mooreville game, the student section, (seated directly behind the home

team's bench), and other fans got rowdy and more than one was ejected. Teachers and administrators worked to control the spectators and players on the bench, and at the New Site game last Friday, fans were directed to sit in different areas than normal - most notably, the student section was moved.

The student section has become more disorderly in recent years, and in the online video of the Mooreville game, it's easy to see that they were taunting the opposing team's players. There's a history between the fans of Mooreville and TCHS; there was a bench clearing brawl involving players and fans at a

football game in 2013 which resulted in many of TC's starting players being suspended for two games.

Takes Actions

In preparation for the following game against Shannon, students were warned numerous times during the day to act with respect and that no one was to sit on the two rows directly behind the home bench. By the December 18th New Site home game, the student section had been moved to the bleachers opposite the home bench.

The next home TCHS basketball game is January 8th. when the Braves and Lady Braves host Itawamba.



Student Section Advice - The festively clad student section (it was tacky Christmas sweater day) at the New Site game chats with an official before the boy's basketball game.

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Pets of the Week

CONGRATULATIONS to Baby & Luke Hayes! These sweethearts are our Pets of the Week at luka Animal Clinic. This is what their owners (Billy & Melanie Hayes) have to say about them: "Baby is a 7 year old black & white Chihuahua who is very sweet. She loves roaming outside. She loves to be petted with both hands. She will give you plenty of kisses whether you want them or not. Luke is a 3 year old Chihuahua & Yorkie Mix. He is 5 lbs of mischief. He loves pestering Baby and

playing with his toys. He likes hiding under blankets. They both wish everyone a Merry Christmas!" Join Dr. Perkins & staff in congratulating Baby & Luke as our Pets of the Week

The best gift you can give your pet is keeping them healthy and happy. They give so much love & loyalty in return. Call luka Animal Clinic for all your pet needs @ 662-423-3470 where 'Pets Are Family, Too'. Merry Christmas & Happy New Year from Dr. Jim & Kay Perkins & staff!

Orbital ATK, continued from front

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tures business, and we are proud to provide support for these marquee launch vehicle programs."

The order consists of a variety of composite structures 13 to 18 feet (4 to 5.5 meters) in diameter with lengths up to 63 feet (19 meters), including fairings, payload adapters and diaphragms, interstages, nose cones and structures providing main engine thermal/aerodynamic protection. All of the structures will be fab-

Hago, continued from front

support of the project for the purchase of equipment and for relocation costs. Tishomingo County and Tennessee Valley Authority also assisted with the project.

"We salute our ecodevelopment nomic partners in Tishomingo County and at the Tishomingo County Development Foundation and TVA for their partnership with MDA, which contributed to Hago Automotive locating in Mississippi,

HUSSEY, continued from front

Funeral Home in Iuka. Funeral services are scheduled for 11 a.m., Wednesday, December 23, at the Iuka United Methodist Church, officiated by Rev. Kerry Powell, Rev. Tim Green, and Chris Cornelison. Interment will follow in Lee Memorial Park Cemetery. Pallbearers include Bill Moore, Johnny Rhodes, Cliff Rhodes, Billy McKissick, Shad Lamb, and Justin Lamb. Dr. Kelly Segars

ricated in Orbital ATK's Large Structures Center of Excellence (COE) in Iuka, Mississippi, employing advanced fiber placement and hand lay-up processes, automated machining and ultrasonic inspection techniques. The Large Structures COE boasts more than 320,000 square feet of manufacturing floor space, including 86,000 square feet of clean room facility, which houses some of the largest specialized processing

creating career opportu-

nities for the people of

said MDA Executive Di-

rector Glenn McCullough.

"MDA looks forward to

Hago's long-term success

and growth in Tishomingo

sidiary of Germany-based

GmbH. Founded more

than 40 years ago, it has

grown from a regional tool

shop to a specialized man-

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equipment of its kind in the United States. **About Orbital ATK**

Orbital ATK is a global leader in aerospace and defense technologies. The company designs, builds and delivers space, defense and aviation systems for customers around the world, both as a prime contractor and merchant supplier. Its main products include launch vehicles and related propulsion systems; missile products, subsystem defense electronics sion weapons, arm systems and amm satellites and ass space component services; and aerospace Headquartered in Virginia, Orbital employs approxim 12,000 people in 18 across the U.S. several internation tions. For more j tion, visit www.orbi com.

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plier of sheet metal and stamped automotive parts.

From its Iuka location, Hago Automotive will perform the following for its customers: automated stamping with up to 400 tons of processing power, transfer stamping with up to 630 tons of pressing power, several laserwelding applications, parts washing and cleaning, parts processing and the production of assemblies. The facility will also house a tool-making department and a test laborator Hago will occu facility at Yellow Port built for p Steel, who pulled it's Iuka operation meeting agreed-to commitments. Tist go County was on the for the state loans to Dennen, and fac receiving further support for future trial clients, but Han helped the county with state requirements

County Officials Swearing-In Ceremony December 30th

You are cordially invited to attend the Swearing In Ceremony for the 2016 - 2020 Tishomingo County Officials on Wednesday, December 30, 2015, at 10:00 a.m. in the Tishomingo County Courtroom.

Honorable Paul S. Funderburk, Circuit Judge for the First Judicial District, will be presiding.

A reception will immediately follow the ceremony.

County Garbage Normal Pickup Schedule This Week

courthouse, the county's garbage pickup schedule

According to the will run as normal this week.

pallbearer. Cutshall Funeral Home of Iuka, MS is entrusted with arrangements. He is survived by

two daughters, Charlotte Cornelison, and husband, Rick, of Iuka, and Cindy Smith, and husband, Ken, of Saltillo; two grandsons, Chris Cornelison, and wife, Janet, of Iuka, and Brad Cornelison, and wife, Amy, of Pontotoc; four great-grandchildren, Alex and Megan Cornelison of Iuka, and Nathan and Cooper Cornelison of Pontotoc; a sister-in-law, Margaret Lamb Turner of Eggville; two brothersin-law, David Monaghan of Planterville, and Doug Lamb, and wife, Ellen, of Tupelo; and other extended family.

He was preceded in death by his wife; his mother, Mary Morgan Hussey; and his siblings, Charles Hussey, Ruth Black, Mary Alice Jobe, Annie "Skeeta" Monaghan, and "Jimmy" Hussey morials may be m the American Lung ciation by phone at 315-8700, or at lungusa.org, or the United Methodist (Memorial Fund, Eastport St., Iuka, sippi 38852 or by at (662) 423-6097. online guestbook mag accessed at www.cumit funeralhome.com



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Citizens Awards - From left, Ronny and Christy Griffin, Kaitlyn Griffin, Sue Kerby, Brandi th Laura and Jerry Smith

Good Citizen Awards" resented by DAR

On December 13, Chief Tishomingo oter DAR met at the library for their an-"Christmas Tea and d Citizen Award Preation". Regent Mary Wright welcomed guests and members called the meeting to with the opening R ritual with members icipating and followed the Pledge of Alle-

The DAR Good Citiawards under the diion and leadership of King Kerby was the in part of this meet-This program is open senior class students nlled in accredited puband private secondary ools in good standing the State Board of cation. The student tted must have qualiof Dependability. vice, Leadership and riotism demonstrated good citizen. The mselors pick 3 seniors the senior class chose student to honor as DAR Good Citizen. s consists of two parts: r grade transcript and o letters of recommentions and they must te an essay under the pervision of a faculty DAR member and with certain restrictions. The entries are judged by non-DAR judges. The winning essays are advanced to the state and national levels.

The award recipient from Belmont High School was Kaitlyn Griffin. She was accompanied by her parents, Ronny and Christy Griffin.

The Tishomingo County High School recipient was Brandi L. Smith. She was accompanied by her parents, Jerry and Laura Smith.

Sue Kerby gave each winner a Good Citizen Certificate, a wallet recognition card and a "Good Citizen" pin which each mother pinned on their daughter. She also presented each with a Pray Pottery ornament. Each award winner read their essays' which were outstanding. Mrs. Kerby expressed her thanks to the counselors: Rhonda Bonds at Belmont High School and Shane Wigginton at TCHS. Mr Wigginton attended the ceremony.

everyone was invited to the refreshment table provided by the members. A time of picture-taking, great fellowship and deli-

cious food was enjoyed by the good citizen winner, parents' siblings, grandparents, friends and DAR members.

To conclude the meeting, we had a brief business meeting.

DAR's next meeting will be on Sunday, February 14, 2016, at 2 PM at Barbara Sweeney's home. All members and prospective members are encouraged to attend.

First Pitch Banquet Planned for January 21st

The Alcorn Central Bears Baseball team is pleased to announce Ole Miss Athletic Director, Ross Bjork, will be the featured speaker for its annual First Pitch Banquet to be held on Thursday, January 21st, at 6:45pm in the Fellowship Hall of 1st Baptist Church in Corinth, Miss. Seating is limited to the first 175 tickets sold and must be pur-After the ceremony, , chased in advance. Tickets are \$20.00 each and include meal and seating for speaker presentation. For more information or to purchase a ticket, please call (662)322-7389



Letters to Santa

Dear Santa, December 8, 2015

This time I'm going to give you a letter ... I want toys, I want a toy bear and a dog and robot plushy! Love, Alex

Dear Santa

My name is Jase Fooshee and I'm 2 years old. Would you please bring me some trucks, cars, gas pump and an Ipod. I have been real good Santa. I love you and will leave you some milk and cookies.

Dear Santa. My name is Marlee

Fooshee, and I'm 8 years old. I would like a baby doll, Ashton Drake Doll - All God's Grace in one little face. I would also like some movies and toys. I have been a good girl this year. Would you please send me a special elf to help me make good grades? I love you and will leave you some milk and cookies. Love,

Marlee Faith Fooshee

Christmas Light Show @ Candy Cane Lane

The Christmas Light Show will be up and running nightly Dec. 1 thru Dec. 25th at 46 CR 288 in luka. For further directions call 662-424-0366. Santa will make an appearance between 6:30 and 8:00 Saturday night. Merry Christmas from the Fitzpatricks.

Tishomingo State Park Set to Participate in Nationwide **First Day Hike Event**

TISHOMINGO - Celebrate the New Year with a First Day Hike at Tishomingo State Park on January 1, 2016. Rejuvenate by taking a family-friendly trek through a state park close to home.

America's State Parks announced that all 50 state park systems will sponsor free, guided First Day Hike Programs on New Year's Day 2016.

America's State Parks First Day Hikes offer individuals and families an opportunity to begin the New Year rejuvenating and connecting with the outdoors by taking a healthy hike on January 1, 2016 at a state park. First Day Hikes offer a great way to get outside, exercise, enjoy nature and welcome the New Year with friends and family. State park staff and volunteers will lead the 1-2mile hike on the Outcroppings Trail.

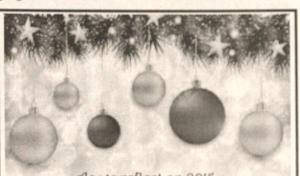
Details about hike difficulty, terrain and tips regarding proper clothing are listed on the America's State Parks website. Visit www.naspd.org. Trail maps and other park information are available from mdwfp.com.

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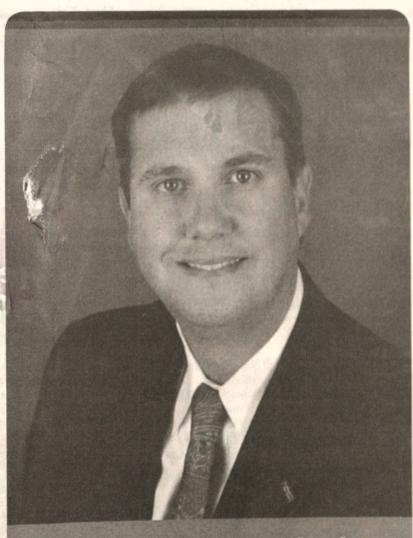
Time & Location: 10:00 a.m. at the Loochapola Lodge at Tishomingo State Park. Refreshments will be served. Bring a snack, bring your family and bring a friend! Come join the fun!

Friends of Tishomingo State Park representatives will be in attendance. Membership dues and donations will be accepted.

For more information please contact the park office at 662-438.6914, Terry Harp at terryh@mdwfp. state.ms.us or Charlotte Lard at charlottel@mdwfp.state.ms.us.



As we reflect on 2015, the staff of Moore's Jewelry would like to wish you and your family a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We appreciate your loyal patronage this year and are so thankful for this community. Moore's will be closed Christmas Day and Dec. 26 to spend time with our families and to reflect on this blessed time of year.





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GFWC-MFWC luka 20th Century Club Supports The Boy's/Girl's Club

Jo Russell, Iuka 20th Century Club President, presents a donation to Kevin Lovelace, Director of the Boy's & Girl's Club of Iuka. This donation was given in memory of Libby Murtagh, a former 20th Century Club member. Our goal is to help support this very worthwhile agency, the children and the families it serves. The Boy's & Girl's Club is very important to our community.

ACT Center to Host Sign-ups for Free Smoking Cessation Classes

Individuals making a New Year's resolution to quit smoking or tobacco use can find a helping hand as the North Mississippi Medical Center-Iuka's ACT Center program will host an open enrollment on December 29, 2015. The center, based at NMMC-Iuka, is staffed by Respiratory Therapists certified in helping people quit using tobacco using an evidence-based planning method that is recognized statewide for its effectiveness. The treatment for clients involves a six-week course and provides some medications in order to help people kick the tobacco habit. The classes are free for those interested in "kicking the tobacco habit."

The ACT Center will have open enrollment on Tuesday, December 29, 2015, at the hospital from 3:00 - 5:00PM for people to come by and enroll or just see what the program is all about. Classes will begin on January 5, 2016, at 6:00 PM at the hospital. The ACT Center program is designed to help people quit using tobacco, and many people each year make this one of their New Year's resolutions. For more information on the ACT Center or other Respiratory Therapy programs at NMMC-Iuka, please call (662) 423-4675.



LEGAL NOTICE IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF TISHOMINGO COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF BETTY FRANCINE PARKER, DECEASED CAUSE NO.: CV2015-000247-71MM

NOTICE OF SALE

I, Mark Smith, Administrator, C.T.A, will receive sealed bids, for cash, on or before the 15th day of January, 2016, for the purchase from the highest and best bidder for the following described real property located in the County of Tishomingo, Sate of Mississippi

Part of the SE 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 17, Township 4, Range 4 South, Range 10 East, described as follows: Commencing at the intersection of the Northerly line of Highway #364 and the West line of said SE 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 17, and run thence with said Northerly line, North 81°-00' East 685 feet to an iron pipe, 43 feet from centerline of road and the point of beginning hereof; thence North 9° - 00' West 179.8 feet to an old fenceline; thence with said old fence, North 81°-00" East 89.0 feet; thence departing said old fence South 30°-33'-00" East 193.3 feet to the Northerly line of said road; thence South 81°-00' West 160.0 feet to the point of beginning . Containing 0.51 (0-51/100) acres, more or less. The above description based on a survey by Horace Ledgewood dated March 19, 1999. Said description is part of the property conveyed to Bank of Mississippi by deed from Bobby W. Jourdan dated August 25, 1997, and recorded in Book B-190 at Page 144, of the records of the Chancery Clerk of Tishomingo County, Mississippi. Any deviation of the above description from the distances contained in aforesaid deed are believed to be the result of survey differences. That portion of the above described property, if any, which is not contained in said deed from Bobby W. Jourdan is hereby quitclaimed. This deed only conveys that portion of the property in Book B-190 at Page 144 that is included in the above description.

Sealed bids for the above described real property should be delivered to the office of Harold S. Jackson at 301 W. Eastport Street, luka, Mississippi, on or before 11:00 A.M. on the 15th day of January, 2016. Bids will be opened between the hours of 11:00 A. M and 4:00 p.m. on the 15th day of January, 2016.

ALSO: I, Mark Smith, Administrator, C.T.A, will receive sealed bids, for cash, on or before the 15th day of January, 2016, for the purchase from the highest and best bidder for the following described personal property:

a 1997 Buick Century 4 door car, bearing

VIN#2G4WS52M5V1470324, Title # 7700422-02.

Sealed bids for the above described personal property should be delivered to the office of Harold S. Jackson at 301 W. Eastport Street, luka, Mississippi, on or before 11:00 A.M. on the 15th day of January, 2016. Bids will be opened between the hours of 11:00 A. M and 4:00 p.m. on the 15th day of January, 2016.

The title to the above described real and personal property is believed to be good, but I will convey only such title as vested in me by these precedings.

We reserve the right to reject any and all bids.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this 21st day of December, 2015.

<u>Mark Smith</u> MARK SMITH, Administrator, C.T.A. of the Estate of Betty Francine Parker, Deceased

D-24-30-J-7-chg

Substitute Trustee's Notice of Sale STATE OF MISSISSIPPI COUNTY OF Tishomingo

WHEREAS, on the 3rd day of December, 2010, Gary D. Credille and Wife, Marlo M. Credille, executed and delivered a certain Deed of Trust unto Michael Burns, Trustee for Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Everett Financial, Inc., DBA Supreme Lending, Beneficiary, to secure an indebtedness therein described, which Deed of Trust is recorded in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Tishomingo County, Mississippi in Instrument# 2010004170; and

WHEREAS, Gary D. Credille and Wife, Marlo M. Credille is

Thursday, December 24, 20

LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF SALE

Notice of Mississippi Code Annotated §63-23-1 et. Sec.

AMOUNT OWNED 1J4FA24178L558793 2008 JEEP \$2113.25 3VWBK21C43M418907 2003 VOLKSWAGON

\$1899.25 This instrument prepared by Timbes Tire. D-17-24-chg

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF TISHOMINGO COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

SCOTT VERMOCH, PLAINTIFF

VS. DEFENDANTS

TISHOMINGO COUNTY SPECIAL MUNICIPAL

SEPARATE SCHOOL DISTRICT

AND UNKNOWN PERSONS CLAIMING

AN INTEREST IN CERTAIN PROPERTY

CAUSE NO. CV2015-000400-71

SUMMONS

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TO: UNKNOWN PERSONS CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED IN PART OF LOTS 10 AND 11 IN BLOCK TWO OF THE OFFICIAL SURVEY OF THE TOWN OF BURNSVILLE

You have been made a Defendant in the suit fuint this Court by Scott Vermoch, Plaintiff, seeking Confirm and Quiet Title.

You are required to mail or hand deliver a win response to the Complaint filed against you in t action to Phillips and Phillips, P.A., attorneys for Plaintiffs, whose post office address is P.O. Box 50 luka, MS 38852 and whose street address is 131 Fulton Street, luka, MS 38852.

YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED DELIVERED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY DA AFTER THE 18TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 20 WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATI OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR RESPONSE IS N SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOUR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMANDED THE COMPLAINT.

You must also file the original of your Response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable tr afterward.

ISSUED under my hand and the seal of said C this the 15th day of December, 2015. Peyton Cummings

Chancery Clerk of Tishomingo County, Mississip D17-24-31-CHG

Thomas Nast's "Santa Claus and His Works" appeared in the Dec. 29, 1866 Harper's Weekly.

Shiloh National Military Park

Announces Holiday Schedule

Shiloh, TN - The Shiloh Battlefield Visitor Center, Shiloh Bookstore, and the Corinth Civil War Interpretive Center will be closing at noon on December 24, and remain closed on Christmas Day, December 25. Visitor facilities will re-open at 8:00 am on December 26.

All visitor facilities will also be closed on New Year's Day, January 1. The park will re-open on January 2 at 8:00 am.

For more information Shiloh National Military Park please visit the website at www.nps.gov/shil or find us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/ShilohNMP and follow us on Twitter at twitter.com/shilohnps

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also known as Gary Credille & Marlo Credille per the land records of Tishomingo County, Mississippi; and WHEREAS, on the 4th day of December, 2014, Mortgage

Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Everett Financial, Incorporated, doing business as Supreme Lending, assigned said Deed of Trust unto Wells Fargo Bank, NA, by in trument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chance & Clerk in # 2014003933; and

WHEREAS, on the 19th day of November, 2015, the Holder of said Deed of Trust substituted and appointed Emily Kaye Courteau by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in # 2015003762; and

WHEREAS, default having been made in the payments of the indebtedness secured by the said Deed of Trust, and the holder of said Deed of Trust, having requested the undersigned so to do, on the 14th day of January, 2016, I will during the lawful hours of between 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., at public outcry, offer for sale and will sell, at the east front door Tishomingo County Courthouse, 1008 Battleground Drive at luka, Mississippi, for cash to the highest bidder, the following described land and property situated in Tishomingo County, Mississippi, to-wit:

Part of the NE 1/4 of Section 4, Township 7, Range 10 East described as beginning at the Southeast corner of the NE 1/4 of Section 4, Township 7, Range 10 East and run thence North with the East line of said Quarter Section 60 rods to the true point of beginning; thence continue North with the East line of said Quarter Section 60 rods; thence run West with the South side of the Bay Springs and Belmont Road 64 rods to the Northeast corner of the Raymond Moody tract; thence run South 60 rods; thence run East 64 rods to the true point of beginning. Containing 24 acres, more or less.

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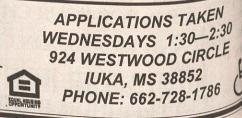
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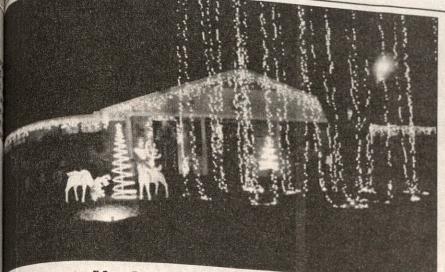
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ristmas Under The Stars

the 20th Century Club has chosen the home of Susie and Ben Deleeuw at 1821 rendence Square as the winner of the "Christmas Under the Stars" for the third of December. Their home is decorated with a multitude of beautiful lights and many trees are decorated with lights which extend high above the house. There are recorations close to the house, such as deer and a spiral tree. The porch is lined beautiful, large colorful Christmas balls. To the left is a Nativity scene and to the are many Christmas characters. If you enjoy Christmas lights, drive by and you the over-whelmed with the sight!!! You'll be glad you did!!! The owners' daughter, was presented a lovely poinsettia courtesy of Wal-Mart.

The 20th Century club wishes every a Merry Christmas and hope that you ned all of the beautiful Christmas lights this year as much as we did.

hristmas Memories lake the Season Sweet

there hasn't been a Christmas, not that 10w of. Some are than others, some stick in my mind. n you are a toddler are fascinated with a Claus, and all sparkle and fun of stmas. Adults really those years most, hing the youngest stigate the wonder joy of all things istmas. Your own mories of toddler istmases are sweet, though they are

ant and vague. Then come the big years, and the fun of ching in closets for den gifts. They manto surprise you with joy of Christmas ning and the puzzle where did they hide ?" Those are good mories, and still crisp sharp.

Teenage Christmas where it really gets d, and you can put a legitimate request anta Claus. of memories that stay with you forever, the kind that makes those Christmas songs special SO and warms your heart. It makes us want that

feeling again and again. Those are the years when you realize how much you need the love of another person.

marriage, Then those first few years are basically a repeat of the teenage years, except more fulfilled and sweeter. These don't last long, because that first child is just around the corner and Christmas takes on the toddler era again. This time it is for you. You hid gifts just like your Mama did and get up at 5 am on Christmas morning to share the surprises.

These years pass



time and add more memories of how sweet it was to be there. Every year I

hear some complain that we pay less and less attention to the birth of Christ. I don't believe that we do. Christmas is a

by Tommy Cadle do. Christmas is a holiday that we as hose are Christians made, the you realyou need to do so. It's a time we other perset aside to appreciate our faith and to be more narriage, Christian, to love our years are family and friends and neighbors. We do it in a human way and if that includes Walmart, then don't last on control of the total to do so. It's a time we set aside to appreciate our faith and to be more family and friends and neighbors. We do it in a so be it.



Dear Santa

I hope you and Mrs. Claus are doing well. Here are some ideas for me for Christmas.

I would like any of this on my list.

Star Wars Legos Battle Front Fallout 4

True Heroes Ultimate Military Playset Gaming Computer

Any Call of Duty Mega Bloks

I will leave a snack out for you and your reindeer. Love, Hannon

Dear Santa,

I have been a good boy this year. I would like for you to bring me some movies, Spongebob stuff, a Snoopy that talks, a pair of cowboy boots, and surprises.

Love, Kurtis Franks

Christmas Eve Service at luka Methodist

The annual Christmas Eve Carols, Communion, and Candlelight Service will be held Thursday evening, December 24. Service time is 5:00. Everyone is welcome to come and experience this beautiful service. Come as you are.



"Happy 16th Birthday" January 1, 2016

Hannah Noelle Brown Sophomore at Tishomingo County High School (Daughter of Annette Brown and the late David Brown)



Happy 4th Birthday Ty! We love you, Momma, Daddy, and Whitlee (Parents: BJ and Kinsley Nunley)

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But the very best part those years is hava girlfriend. Someto buy a present to save money for, e really, really hapabout. Christmas with a girlfriend is ably the best Christuntil you have kids your own- to see sparkle in her eyes a she opens your and the smile on ace when you open These are the kind

quickly, much too and then it's "the kids coming home" are Christmas, and you try to go back and those early relive years. Thankfully, you can; it's special because now you start to appreciate a special extra gift of Christmas...memories.

Then grandchildren come into our lives, and you get to relive the toddler years another

C President's & ean's Lists

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^{hesident's} List ^{lamed} to the presi-^s list, which in-^{es} those students ^a 3.8-4.0 grade ^{taverage} were ^{elmont} - Tanner B. ^{fon}, Makenzie Ni-Gray and Adam T. ^{feld}

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Keep Christ in Christmas

by columnist,

Wyatt Emmerick

It's Christmas in Mississippi, the most religious state in our nation. For most of us, we will attend church services to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ or perhaps Hanukkah.

But you may not see many nativity scenes at public schools or public property. Our federal courts are increasingly ruling nativity scenes illegal.

How did this come to pass? How have our schools, which desperately need to teach children morality as well as knowledge, come to ban Christianity, a religion of peace, love, gentleness and civic responsibility?

In Titus 2:6 St. Paul writes: "Encourage young men to be self-controlled. In everything set them an example by doing good. In your teaching show integrity, seriousness and soundness of speech that cannot be condemned, so that those who oppose you may be ashamed because they have nothing bad to say about us."

In Titus 3:1 St. Paul writes: "Remind the people to be subject to rulers and authorities, to be obedient, to be ready to do whatever is good, to slander no one, to be peaceable and considerate, and always to be gentle toward everyone."

Why would anyone in their right mind want to ban such teachings from a school? Meanwhile, school administrators often allow rap music on campus.

Buddhism, Judaism, Hindu and even Islam, have great moral principles young people should learn. Banning religion in schools deprives young people of a huge work of moral philosophy.

It's in our Constitution, people will decry. It's the separation of church and state. It goes back to the founding of America, they say. But they would be wrong. The First Amendment to

The First Amendment to our Constitution reads as follows: "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof."

A public school nativity scene is a far cry from Congress establishing a state religion. A school is not Congress. The display of a nativity scene is not the establishment of a state religion. If anything, the banning of

a nativity scene would seem to violate second part of the First Amendment which prohibits the free exercise of religion.

This is ironic in Mississippi, where our state constitution specifically forbids the exclusion of the Holy Bible from any use in any public school. Indeed, the U. S. Constitution does not prohibit nativity scenes on public property. This is the work of liberal judges issuing activist court decision over the last few decades.

I asked my friend and Constitutional legal scholar, Luther Munford, how this came to be. Over the years, he said, the courts determined that what applied to Congress should also apply to the executive branch of government, since the executive branch implements the laws of Congress.

Then after the Civil War and the passage of the Fourteenth Amendment, the courts began applying the First Amendment to the states, through the legal philosophy of "incorporation."

So what started out as a restriction on Congress to prevent the establishment of a national religion was extended to the executive branch, then the states, then the executive branches of state government and ultimately the school districts themselves. That's a lot of judicial interpretation.

Constitutional historian Stephen Mansfield wrote: "For 150 years, this delicate religious balance prevailed. There would be no national church, but there would be national encouragement of faith. There would be no official religion, but the states could nurture as vibrant a faith as the people wished. So solid was this arrangement, so clear this vision of religion and government, that the Supreme Court was not even called upon to issue a ruling directly related to it until just after World War II, more than a century and a half after the defining words were first penned.

In 1947, the 5-4 majority opinion in a case called Everson v. Board of Education dismantled the wise configuration of the American fathers erected instead a confusing and nearly unenforceable mishmash of prohibitions"

The Everson decision has created a constant stream of lawsuits and confusing court decisions. Teachers are now afraid to even mention the name Jesus Christ in a public classroom. School administrators worry nativity scenes will get them in trouble.

This is deeply disturbing to Christians. A good portion of the Old Testament describes the misfortune of the Jews when they abandoned God. They were conquered and banished to Babylon.

In Oklahoma City, state officials just removed a monument of the Ten Commandments to avoid lawsuits.

I am curious why some atheists are so insistent on banning religion from schools and public property. Even a non-believer should be able to appreciate the underlying values of Christianity: love, honesty, self sacrifice, gentleness, forgiveness, kindness, morality. How can anyone be

against these things? The impending Presidential election will be crucial. Four of the nine Supreme Court justices are around 80 years old. The Supreme Court created this mess with the Everson decision. They can fix it and return our country to common sense. Maybe one day we can celebrate Christmas again at our public schools.

again at our public schools. This will be the first Christmas with three teenagers. Please pray for the Emmerich family. As a journalist, I would love to provide more details on both the comedy and the tragedy, but then familial insurrection would be complete.

My wife Ginny accuses me of sugarcoating our family life in this column. I recall the words of Cervantes in a scene from Man of La Mancha which I had to recite as an assignment in high school English.

"I have lived nearly fifty years, and I have seen life as it is. Pain, misery, hunger ... cruelty beyond belief. I have heard the singing from taverns and the moans from bundles of filth on the streets. I have be dier and seen my coma in battle ... or die may under the lash in Afna held them in my arms a nal moment. These who saw life as it is, yet despairing. No glor, na last words ... only there with confusion, whing question, "Why?"

I do not think the why they were dying i they had lived.

When life itself seen tic, who knows where a lies? Perhaps to be too pa madness. To surrended this may be madness To sanity may be madness maddest of all: to see is and not as it should be

Okay, maybe it's a Okay, maybe it's a bad. In fact, our family told me just this weed family is not even close most dysfunctional family northeast Jackson "

So on that optimise I wish y'all a very Merry mas. Find that time to a all turmoil and feel the to of Christmas. That spin It's powerful and it will way into your heart.

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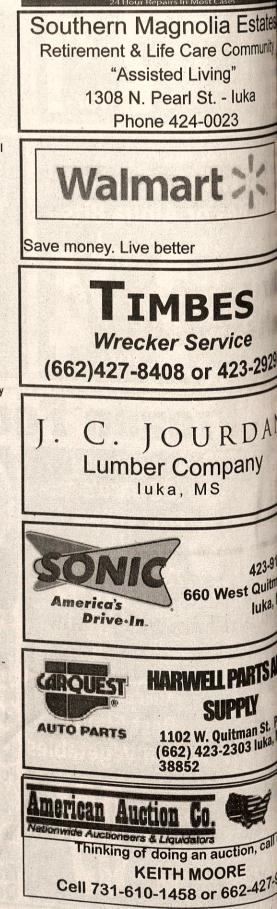
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oday December 24, 2015

Irs. Etta "Jo" white

"Jo" Nunley White, 98, of Iuka, MS, died resday, December 16, 2015, at Southern Magnolia in Iuka. Born in the country outside of Iuka, January 30, 1917, Jo married Morrison White on value, KY, on March 25, 1934, in Tuscumbia, Over the following ten years Jo delivered six chilwith the first five being boys. Jo was a member luka Baptist Church where she was a Girls Auxleader and sang in the choir. She also worked on al committees and helped in the building of the Educational Building. Jo designed and made many luka girls' formal dresses without patterns. In Morrison and Jo moved to Jackson, MS, where of their sons lived. Morrison became ill, and as all Jo went to work as a fitter, first at Gus Maydeventually retiring from Camille's at age 80 1/2. e of her clients included Mississippi author Eudora several Mississippi governors' wives, and former America Mary Ann Mobley. Upon Morrison's in 1971, Jo had to learn to drive a car, take care of bills, and other activities. Jo began traveling the in 1977, especially the Northwest. She also trav-10 Mexico and Canada. At age 75 Jo went white rafting. Following retirement Jo began traveling Tope. In a series of five trips overseas, she slept in stle, dined at the highest altitude restaurant in the atop a mountain in Chamonix, and visited snowad mountains in Switzerland. She also traveled up the Arctic Circle to Svalbard Island and took a side nthe Russian-occupied Pyramiden Islands. While forway, Jo stopped in Hell, so that she could see it over. Of all her travels, though, Jo would say, U.S.A. has and is the best."

Funeral services were at 11:00 Saturday, December Cutshall Funeral Home Chapel in Iuka, officiated no. Johnny Hancock. Interment followed in Oak Cemetery. Pallbearers were Earl Walker, Tucker ell, James Grisham, Bobby Gist, Burlon Durham, Hugh Van Presley. Cutshall Funeral Home of Iuka. was entrusted with arrangements.

she is survived by five sons, Thomas White and wife of luka, James White and wife Sue of Starkville, White and wife Sherry of Florence, Fred White mrall, and Morrison White and wife Barbara of one daughter, Edythe Bishop and husband Richof Houston, TX; sixteen grandchildren; nineteen grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild. was preceded in death by her husband, Morrison or" White; and her daughter-in-law, Beverly White. leeply loved her family, her friends, and her God. eturn, she was loved and truly blessed. She will be ally missed. Memorials may be made to the St. Jude dren's Research Hospital Memorial and Honor gram, by phone (901) 578-2805, or online at www. mile.org; or to The Gideons International, Tishom-County Camp, P.O. Box 314, Iuka, MS 38852, or ne at www.gideons.org. An online guestbook can be wissed at www.cutshallfuneralhome.com.

arolyn Fisher

Bonnie Carolyn Butler Fisher, 70, died Tuesday, Deber 8, 2015, at Sanctuary Hospice House in Tupelo. was born September 28, 1945. She was a seamstress es ewing factories for many years. She was a Baptist. She is survived by one daughter, Debbie West and band Carl of Iuka; two sons, Timothy Helton of nomingo and Anthony Helton of Iuka; two broth-Eugene Butler and wife Linda of Paden, Malcolm er of Alabama; two sisters, Mary Ellen Johnson and and Junior of Booneville, Dorothy King and hus-Warren of Texas; four grandchildren, four great dchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Mike her, and a sister, Betty Ann Whitehead. At her request, her body was donated to medical reth. A private memorial service will be held later. In lieu of flowers, donations in her name may be to a favorite charity.

Harmon Davis

DENNIS, MS - Ernest Harmon Davis, 70, died Thursday, December 17, 2015 at his residence. He was born in Dennis to A.T. Davis Jr. and Inez Harris Davis. He was a supervisor for Schnadig and a member of the MS National Guard.

Services were Saturday, December 19, 2 p.m. at Deaton Funeral Home Chapel, Belmont, MS with Bro. Roger Wood officiating. Burial was in Dennis Memory Gardens, Dennis, MS. Deaton Funeral Home, Belmont, MS was in charge of arrangements.

Survivors are his wife of 46 years-Mary Ann Davis of Dennis; one daughter-Lisa Snell and husband Steve of Tishomingo; three grandchildren-Amber LeighAnn Credille and husband Brandon of Golden, Ashley Nicole Mock and Hunter Davis Mock both of Tishomingo; one sister-Brenda Reeves of Golden; several nieces and nephews on both sides of the family who all loved him dearly.

He was preceded in death by his parents and two sisters-Sonja Horn and Pansye Davis.

Pallbearers were Mike Smith, Hermon Long, Jimmy Aldridge, Bob Robinson, Jimmy Tidwell and Ralph Sexton. Honorary pallbearers will be James Garrett, Mark Wanner, Hunter Mock and Pat Aldridge.

Dennis LaPradd

Dennis LaPradd, Jr., 58, of Tishomingo, MS, died Saturday, December 19, 2015, at his residence. He was loved and cherished by his family and friends. A private memorial service will be held at a later date. Cutshall Funeral Home of Iuka, MS is entrusted with arrangements. He is survived by his mother, Margaret LaPradd of Cherokee, AL; 1 daughter - Charlene Kennedy and husband Joseph of Tishomingo; 1 sister - Margaret LaPradd of Alaska; and 1 grandchild - Joseph Kennedy, Jr. He was preceded in death by his father, Dennis LaPradd, Sr., and his brother, Donald LaPradd. An online guestbook can be accessed at www.cutshallfuneralhome.com.

Jesse Coke

Jesse Coke, Jr., 79, of Glen, Mississippi, died Saturday, December 19, 2015, at the North Mississippi Medical Center in Tupelo. He was retired from the Mississippi Highway Patrol, and was an U.S. Army veteran. He was a member of the Burnsville Lodge #233 F&AM where he was a 32nd Degree Mason and Shriner. He was president of the Tishomingo County Singing Convention for 20 years, and loved listening to and promoting Gospel music and singings. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, and helping people at any time.

Funeral services were at 1 PM on Wednesday, December 23, 2015, at Cutshall Funeral Home Chapel in Iuka. Interment followed in Burnsville Cemetery. Pallbearers include Dillon Horn, Samuel Vaughn, Samuel Rester, Steve Smith, Greg Smith, Doug Messer, Greg Adams, and Joey Moore, Cutshall Funeral Home of Iuka, MS was entrusted with arrangements.

He is survived by his wife, Bonnie Foote Coke of Glen, MS; his mother, Jewel Wright Coke of Glen, MS; 1 son - Jay Coke and wife Janie of Glen, MS; 1 daughter - Mitzi Horn and husband Jeff of Belmont, MS; 3 grandchildren - Jessica Rester and husband Samuel, Shana Vaughn and husband Samuel, and Dillon Horn; 2 step grandchildren - Julia and Emily Daniel; and 2 great grandchildren - Gideon and Sarah Rester. He was preceded in death by his father, Jesse Coke, Sr. An online guestbook can be accessed at www.cutshallfuneralhome.com.

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Pastor's **Tidbits** by J. Briggs King, Evangelist, Phone (662)427-0350



What Is Jesus Saying To The Churches? (part XXVIII)

It always amazes me, then it bothers me, that so many people do not read and study the Bible for themselves. I hear this statement continually: "Our pastor says; or our preacher believes". It is good to listen to what your pastor says, and I might add that many pastors are doing a great job of teaching God's word, yet not all are good teachers. The thing I am really saying, however, is that everybody should check out everything that anyone else has said, for there are times when speakers are wrong! It may not even be an intentional error, when the preacher is wrong, but sometimes it is! Revelation 2:28-29 could illustrate what I mean, "And I will give him the morning star. He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches" It may not be crystal clear to any of us as to exactly what Christ meant by giving to the believer the morning star, but it certainly does mean that he will give him light, for stars give light. The big thing I want to emphasize, however, is the point that the one who has an ear should listen to the Spirit as He speaks to the churches. The words that the Spirit has said to the churches are recorded in Revelation chapters 2 and 3, as well as the Bible in general. Any saved person can hear what the Spirit is saying, if he will take the time and effort to learn what the actual words of Scripture are saying and what they mean. It is not impossible for any of us to learn the general teaching of the Bible, even if there are areas that are hard for any of us to understand. Mark Twain did not actually claim to be a Christian, but he said something that makes good sense: he said, "It is not the part of the Bible that I do not understand that bothers me; it is the part that I do understand." Perhaps that is a general problem with many people, because they are unwilling to obey what they already understand!

It is worth noting that the Spirit of God will never "speak to us" in any way that is contrary to what we have recorded in the Bible, moreover, He is not giving "new revelation" concerning God's truth, for nothing is to be taken from or added to written Scripture (Revelation 22:18-19). Yes, the Spirit of God may shine more light on the Scripture, so that we can understand it, and we call this "illumination", but it is different than revelation. We do not need new revelations, for nobody has yet mastered all of the revelation that we have in the 66 books of the Bible. I have heard of preachers saying: "The Lord just spoke to me and told me that there are one hundred people in this audience who are supposed to give one hundred dollars each into the offering plate." Do you want my honest opinion? I do not believe God told those preachers that, at least not in the same sense that He inspired Scripture! It is fairly easy for preachers to manipulate people to get them to do what they want them to do, chiefly because many people have never read the Bible enough for themselves to be able to discern when someone is speaking without Bible authority! What the Spirit says to the churches cannot contradict what the Bible says to the churches, or else God would be inconsistent within Himself. So, always listen to what is written in the Bible, for it was inspired by the very Spirit of God, whereas what some high-powered, money hungry preacher says may be nothing more than his own psychological appeal to the people to carry out his wishes! By J. Briggs King, Evangelist, Burnsville, MS (662) 427-0350

hristmas Mass cheduled

St. Mary Catholic Church, 205 Eastport St., will have a Christmas Mass on December at 10:00 am celebrating Christ's birth. The Year's Day mass celebrating the Solemnity of y on January 1st will also be at 10:00 a.m. the usual Sunday Vigil Mass for both weekwill be at the regularly scheduled time, 5:00

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e angel Gabriel said TY: 'Peace be with od has blessed you pleased with you." was very surprised is and wondered he angel meant. The said to her 'Don't nid, God has been ind to you. You will e pregnant by the spirit and give birth by boy and you will m Jesus. He will be own Son and his om will never end.' was very afraid but misted God. 'Let it n as God chooses.' replied to the angel. el also told Mary ter cousin, Elizabeth everyone thought no old to have chilwould have a baby whom God had choprepare the way for

lary said goodbye to mily and friends and to visit her cousin beth and her hus-Zechariah. Elizawas very happy to Mary. She knew that had been chosen by to be the mother of on. An angel had altold Zechariah that abeth's baby would are people to wele Jesus. He was to be d John. Mary stayed Elizabeth about three

months and then returned home to Nazareth.

when he found out that Mary was expecting a baby before their marriage had taken place. He wondered if he should put off the wedding altogether. Then an angel appeared to Joseph in a dream and said: 'Don't be afraid to have Mary as your wife.' The angel explained that Mary had been chosen by God to be the mother of his Son and told Joseph that the baby would be named Jesus which means 'Saviour' because he would save people. When Joseph woke up, he did what the angel had told him to do and took Mary as his wife.

At this time, the land where Mary and Joseph lived was part of the Roman Empire. The Roman Emperor Augustus wanted to have a list of all the people in the empire, to make sure they paid their taxes. He ordered everyone to return to the town where their families originally came from, and enter their names in a register (or census) there. Mary and Joseph travelled a long way (about 70 miles) from Nazareth to Bethlehem, because that is where Joseph's family came from. Most people walked but some lucky people had a donkey to help carry the goods needed for the journey. Joseph and Mary travelled very slowly because Mary's baby was due to be born soon.

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ter their names in the census, that every house was full and every bed was taken in all of the guest rooms. The only place to stay that they could find was with the animals. People often kept animals in the house, especially at night, and used them like 'central heating'! People normally slept on a raised/upper level with the animals below to give them extra warmth.

So in the place where the animals slept, Mary gave birth to Jesus, the Son of God.

In those days it was the custom to wrap newborn babies tightly in a long cloth called 'swaddling clothes'. Jesus' bed was the manger that the animals ate their hay from.

In the hills and fields outside Bethlehem, shepherds looked after their sheep through the long night. As the new day began, suddenly an angel appeared before them and the glory of God shone around them. The shepherds were very, very scared, but the angel said, 'Don't be afraid. I have good news for you and everyone. Today in Bethlehem a Saviour has been born for you. You will find the baby lying in a manger.'.

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praising God singing: 'Glory to God in highest, and peace to everyone on earth.' When the angels had gone the shepherds said to one another, 'Let's go to Bethlehem to see what has happened.' So the shepherds went to Bethlehem and found Mary and Joseph. The baby Jesus was lying in a manger as they had been told. When they saw him, they told everyone what the angel had said and everyone who heard the story were astonished. Then the shepherds returned to their sheep, praising God for sending his Son to be their Saviour.

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When Jesus was born, a brand new bright star appeared in sky. Some Wise Men in faraway countries saw the star and guessed what it meant. They were very clever men that studied the stars and had read in very old writings that a new star would appear when a great king was born. They set out to find the new king and bring him gifts.

Then The Wise Men folmany lowed the star towards the country of Judea more anand when they got to the appeared, capital called Jerusalem lighting the The shepherds heard them

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they began to ask people: 'Where is the child who is born to be king of the Jews?' Herod, the king of Judea, heard this and it made him very angry to think that someone might be going to take his place as king. Herod sent for the Wise Men to come to him. He told them to go on following the star until they had found the baby king. He said: 'When you have found him, let me know where he is, so that I can go and worship him.'. But Herod did not tell them that he really had an evil plan in mind to kill the

The Wise Men followed the star towards Bethlehem (where it said that the king would be born in the old writings). It seemed to stop and shine directly down upon the place where Jesus was.

The Wise Men entered the house where they now lived and found Jesus with Mary, they bowed down and worshipped him. The Wise Men spread the the gifts they had brought before Jesus. The gifts were gold, frankincense and myrrh. The Wise Men were warned in a dream, by God, not to go back to Herod. So they returned

home to their countries in the East by a different way.

When the Wise Men had gone, an angel appeared to Joseph in a dream. 'Get up,' the angel said, 'take Jesus and Mary and escape to Egypt. Stay there until I tell you, for Herod is going to search for Jesus to kill him.' So Joseph got up, took Jesus and Mary during the night they left for Egypt, where he stayed until Herod died.

When Herod realized that he had been tricked by the Wise Men, he was furious and he gave orders to kill all the boys aged two or younger in Bethlehem and the surrounding area. This was to try and kill the new King, as his plan to find the location of the new king from the Wise Men had failed.

After Herod had died, Joseph had another dream in which an angel appeared to him. The angel said, 'Get up, take Jesus and Mary and go back to Israel, for those who were trying kill Jesus are dead.'

So Joseph got up, took Jesus and Mary and they went back to Israel. But when he heard that Herod's son was now king of Judea, he was afraid to go there. So instead they went to Galilee, and lived in their old town of Nazareth.





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Mrs. Mayo's 1st **Grade Class Burnsville Elementary** School

Wish Lists for Santa Arlei Cummings would like new shoes, footed pjs, hamster with cage, tablet like Sophie's with keyboard, pogo stick, suitcase, new bike, and go cart.

Ashton Peters would like a race car, truck, backpack, shoes, Xbox racing games, clothes, and football

Aubrey Brockenshire would like an Easy Bake Oven, shoes, Barbie doll, Sharpie markers, and American Girl doll

Avery Wright would like a dirt bike, 4wheeler, Xbox 360, PlayStation, and Wii,

Cash Hyde would like a remote control monster truck and racecar, skateboard, dirt bike, and a knife.

Carleigh Evans would like an American Girl doll, Lisa Frank coloring book, and crayons.

Dayton Ryan would like a bike, candy canes, toy car, toy helicopter, and Skylanders.

Emalyn Marlar would like books to read, coloring sheets, iPod, clothes, new socks, Santa doll, and wooden Christmas tree.

Huston Ligon would like a dirt bike, 4wheeler, 3wheeler, and motorcycle.

Kalie Cummings would like a hamster with suitcase, Barbie cage, house, new bike, footed pjs, rain boots, clothes, and shoes.

Newcomb Leeana would like a doll, cat, dog, fish, 4 teeth, and toys.

Madi Phifer would like Amercan Girl doll and twins, lava lamp, ihome iPhone dock, sewing machine, spirograph, Shrinky Dinks, and Devotions for Girls.

Maggie Young would like tickets to Florida, American Girl doll, unicorn toy, Fat Head, Elsa doll, cowgirl boots, Shopkins toy, and ornaments. Paxtan Markle would

like a 4wheeler, helmet, Ole Miss tshirt, wrestling men, and PS4 games.

Peyton Hicks would like boots, clothes, toys, a bike, cars, helicopter, Minecraft shoes, and games

Phaedra Wicks would like to have boots, American Girl doll, dollhouse, iPod, clothes, cowbell, toy owl, and tummy stuffers.

Tristan Johnson would like a Christmas tree, backpack, dog, tv, toy car, 4wheeler, jacket, dirt bike, and basketball.

Serenity Massengill would like a doll, Wii games, American Girl doll, and play washer and dryer.

Sterling Durham would like Barbie and Ken dolls, Barbie house, a dog, and cat.

Little Crumb Snatchers Christmas List-2015

Dear Santa,

Me and mommy will leave you milk and make you homemade cookies. I have been good this year and I want you to bring me lots of stuff. I really want you to bring me a birdhouse so me and Paw-Paw can play. Please bring Paw-Paw the car he wants too.

From, Landen

Dear Santa,

I have been really good to my mommy. want you to bring me a big train and a toy school bus. Please don't forget to bring my brother some toys. I am going to leave you some chocolate milk and cookies. From, Rylan

Dear Santa,

I have been really good this year. I want you to give my mom a dog from the show Paw Patrol. I want you to bring my dad a transformer toy. Also, bring my sister a new Barbie and board game. Please bring me toys from the show Miles from Tomorrowland. Thank you very much!!

From, Noah

Dear Santa,

I want you to bring me a dog like my Aunt Page. I also want you to bring me an Ipad and more crayons. I really want a new Minion jacket and a Frozen TV

From, Aubrey

Dear Santa, Please bring me a lot of presents. I really want a new pair of shoes and a baby doll.

From, Adi Reese Dear Santa,

I want you to bring me a Mermaid and a scary Chucky doll.

From, Shelby Dear Santa, I really want a toy robot dog and Blaze toys.

I also would like some super hero toys and an Elf on the Shelf. I have been very good and hope you bring me everything I want.

From, Cameron

Dear Santa, I have been really good

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me two four-wheeler a wagon full of "That's all I want" From Jaxson

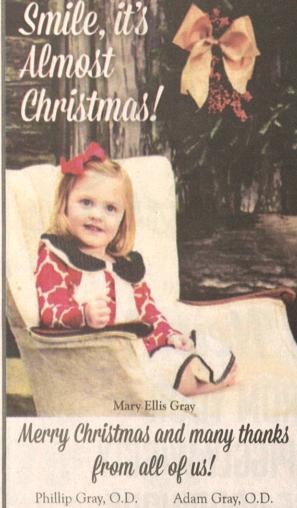
Dear Santa, I have been a girl. I want a real car doll, and lots of Also, bring my Bubb of candy and present From, Lillie

Dear Santa,

I want a mer doll so I can play with cousins, Penny and I want to say thank and I'm glad I saw the fair. I hope you me a Elsa house hope Olaf will be singing "Let It Go" From, Kaitlynn

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And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, | bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord!



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Christmas in France

In France, Christmas is called Noel. This comes from the French phrase les bonnes nouvelles," which means "the good news" and refers to the gospel.

In southern France, some people burn a log in their homes from Christmas Eve until New Year's Day. This stems from an ancient tradition in which farmers would use part of the log to ensure good luck for the next year's harvest

Australian Christmas

In Australia, the holiday comes in the middle of summerit's not unusual for some parts of Australia to hit 100 degrees Farenheit on Christmas day. In Sydney, thousands of families prepare their Christmas dinner and take it to Bondi Beach for a picnic. Australians decorate with Christmas Bushes, plants with little red-flowered leaves that are native to Australia.



Virginia, There is a Santa Claus to, "Endeavour to clear your mind of cant." When controversial subjects had to be tackled on the editorial page, especially those dealing with theology, the assignments were usually given to Church.

> hands à little girl's letter on a most controversial matter, and he was burdened with the responsibility of answering it.

> "Is there a Santa Claus?" the childish scrawl in the letter asked. At once, Church knew that there was no avoiding the question. He must answer, and he must answer truthfully. And so he turned to his desk, and he began his reply which was to become one of the most memorable editorials in newspaper history.

was a little evasive subject. was a habit in our that whenever any scame up as to how onounce a word or question of historit was in doubt, we to the Question and er column in The Father would always If you see it in the sm, it's so,' and that

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He said, 'Go ahead, ia. I'm sure The Sun ive you the right anas it always does.' " nd so Virginia sat and wrote her paravorite newspaper. er letter found its into the hands of a an editor, Francis P. ch. Son of a Baptist tter, Church had covhe Civil War for The York Times and had red on the The New Sun for 20 years, recently as an anons editorial writer. ch, a sardonic man. or his personal motNow, he had in his

Church married shortly after the editorial appeared. He died in April. 1906, leaving no children.

Virginia O'Hanlon went on to graduate from Hunter College with a Bachelor of Arts degree at age 21. The following year she received her Master's from Columbia, and in 1912 she began teaching in the New York City school system, later becoming a principal. After 47 years, she retired as an educator. Throughout her life she received a steady stream of mail about her Santa Claus letter, and to each reply she attached an attractive printed copy of the Church editorial. Virginia O'Hanlon Douglas died on May 13, 1971, at the age of 81, in a nursing

home in Valatie, N.Y. We take pleasure in answering thus prominently the communication below, expressing at the same time our great gratification that its faithful author is numbered among the friends of The Sun:

of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus. Papa says, "If you see it in The Sun, it's so." Please tell me the truth, is there a Santa Claus?

- Virginia O'Hanlon

Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They do not believe except they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's, are little. In this great universe of ours, man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge.

Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus! It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The external light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished. Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies. You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if you did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not,

but that's no proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in the world.

You tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, nor even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived could tear apart. Only faith, poetry, love, romance, can push aside that curtain and view and picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding. No Santa Claus! Thank God! he lives and lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia, nay 10 times 10,000 years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood.

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Dear Santa, I have been very good this year. Here are a few things that I want for my Christmas: Spiderman toys, cookies and a kitchen play set with food.

Love, Devon

I have been very good this year. Here are a few things that I want for my Christmas:Trucks and cars, new clothes and blocks.

Love, Leo

I have been very good this year. Here are a few things that I want for my Christmas: Phone, Elsa toys and microphone. Love, Charleigh

I have been very good this year. Here are a few things that I want for my Christmas: Spiderman toys, motorcycle and toy gun.

Love, Clay

I have been very good this year. Here are a few things that I want for my Christmas: Elsa toys, Doc McStuffins toys, new clothes and shoes. Love, Stormy

I have been very good this year. Here are a few things that I want for my Christmas: Princess dolls, clothes, shoes, Santa Claus stuffed

animal. Love, Nevaeh

I have been very good this year. Here are a few things that I want for my Christmas: Batman toys, Spiderman toys and trucks.

Love, John

I have been very good this year. Here are a few things that I want for my Christmas: Babydoll, new clothes and blocks. Love, Addy

I have been very good this year. Here are a few things that I want for my Christmas: New clothes, shoes, Elsa doll, Olaf doll and new hairbows

Love, Rhianna

I have been very good this year. Here are a few things that I want for my Christmas: Doctor set, Barbie shoecase and computer.

Love, Anna

I have been very good this year. Here are a few things that I want for my Christmas: kitchen set with food, Barbie dollhouse, new clothes and shoes.

Love, Madisyn

I have been very good this year. Here are a few things that I want for my Christmas: new dresses, shoes, baby dolls and Mickey Mouse toys. Love, Keyonce I have been very good this year. Here are a few things that I want for my Christmas: buggy, big house with a heart and baby dolls.

Love, Ania

I have been very good this year. Here are a few things that I want for my Christmas: a house, toy farm animals and trucks. Love, Brantly

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I have been very good this year. Here are a few things that I want for my Christmas: X-box, T-Rex toy and Santa Claus toy. Love Westen R.

I have been very good this year. Here are a few things that I want for my Christmas: Grand Theft Auto game and X-box One

Love, Kamo H.

I have been very good this year. Here are a few things that I want for my Christmas: X-box One and X-box Games.

Love, Bryse

I have been very good this year. Here are a few things that I want for my Christmas: Ballerina toy, magic wand and Barbie doll.

Love, Madison

I have been very good this year. Here are a few things that I want for my Christmas: toy airplane and wolverine doll. Love Westan L.

I have been very good this year. Here are a few things that I want for my Christmas: John Deere tractor, Toy airplane and playhouse.

I have been very good this year. Here are a few things that I want for my Christmas: drums, racecar and airplane.

Love, Jadon

I have been very good this year. Here are a few things that I want for my Christmas: Power Rangers, Blue Power Ranger toy and Ninja turtles.

Love, John Grady

I have been very good this year. Here are a few things that I want for my Christmas: Unicorn, Barbie Dreamhouse and bunny.

Love, Khloe

I have been very good this year. Here are a few things that I want for my Christmas: baby doll and bike.

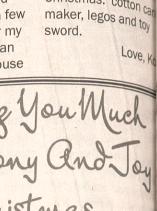
Love, Aisha

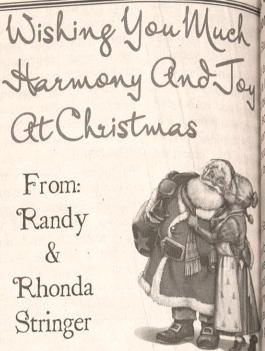
I have been very good this year. Here are a few things that I want for

my Christmas: Barbie Dreamhouse, turtle, and bed with blanket for turtle.

Love Sophia

I have been very good this year. Here are a few things that I want for my Christmas: Spiderman table and Mickey Mouse







HRISTMAS GREETIN

To all of those who've passed by our way, WE EXTEND OUR DEST WISHES FOR A GRAND HOLIDAY!

Weather's Auto Parts, II

Jordan Pruitt and Family

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shirt.

I have been very good

this year. Here are a

things that I want for

Christmas: cotton can

Love, A

Merry Christmas!!

WISHING YOU A



Robbie Archer, Agent 423-9000

Love, Jeramiah

I have been very good this year. Here are a few things that I want for my Christmas: Barbie Dreamhouse, Barbie and baby doll.

Love, Bristol I have been very good this year. Here are a few things that I want for my Christmas: Basketball game, transformer, Paw Patrol toys.

Love, Easton C. I have been very good this year. Here are a few things that I want for my Christmas: Elsa Doll, Elsa bedroom and trampoline.

Love, Molly A

I have been very good this year. Here are a few things that I want for my Christmas: Drumset, drum and candy. Love, Braylan

Merry Christmas and mas From

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For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. Isaiah 9:6

We're proud to join you and your family in sharing the miracle of Christmas.

The City of Iuka Mayor John Castleberry Aldermen Martha Biggs, John Kent, Joel Robertson, Johnny Southward and James Grisham

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chenoa's Kindergarten Class Santa Letters shomingo Elementary School

pear Santa,

want a remote control at, a large toy truck (it be remote control ol), some pants that fit e, some new t-shoes d boots. I've never got get boots before!

Your friend, Jayden Mullins

year Santa,

nave been a good girl is year. For Christmas, would like for you to ing me a kitty cat, ad, and a case for it, so a pair of earrings. Your friend.

vname is Kylen astings. Please bring esome cooking pots nd pans. Pawpaw ought me a stove and frigerator and a police otorcycle. I want some ongeBob stuff and kind of play things. I ant a play tractor and ambulance and lots surprises. I have been really good boy. Me nd Kalli will leave you pokies and milk.

Your friend, **Kylen Hastings** Dear Santa, want a computer and wo phones and some

othes and shoes. I ant some Barbie dolls nd earrings. I want a y puppy and a fourneeler.

Tonisha Johnson

Dear Santa,

I have been a very good girl. Please bring me some puzzles, coloring books, and lots of toys. I will have cookies and milk.

Your friend, Anna-Bell Johnson Dear Santa,

I want a Rapunzel doll with a brush and two clippies. I want a candy cane. I love you!

> Your friend, **Brooklyn Lambert**

Dear Santa,

boy this year. Will you please bring me a fire truck, a police car, a cotton candy maker, an army trunk, and some cool cowboy boots and a doctor playset? Be careful up in the sky, you might see a plane!!! I think you are so cool Santa! Merry Christmas! Ho Ho Ho!!!!

Your friend. Ethan Blackman

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I want a big truck an da tablet, a remote control big truck and a remote control firetruck.

> Your friend. Jermiah Johnson

Dear Santa,

I would like a Barbie house, everything that's frozen. My biggest wish is make my brother and

sister to stop fighting with me. I forgot one more thing, I want to meet Mrs. Claus and you. I love you Santa Claus!

Your friend, Clara Lambert Dear Santa,

For Christmas, I want Baby Alive, Baby Doll Bed, New Shopkins, Pink Glitter Bus, iPhone, Barbie Doll, New Fringe Boots, Earrings, Jewelry, Shopkin Pillow, Make up, and a Finger Nail Set.

Your friend, Jayden Switcher

Dear Santa.

I want a power wheels Ford- 350 and a Dodge truck. Thank you and Merry Christmas!!

Your friend, Brayden Southward

Dear Santa,

I would like an Iron Man Piggy Bank, and an x-box game. I want Marvel Green Goblin. Hulk smash car would be awesome! I want a ring for my sister and a flying dinosaur. I want a Marvel book. Also, I want some cowboy boots.

> Your friend, JJ Lambert

Dear Santa,

I have been a very good girl this year. I would like an easy bake oven, glittery high heals, and a Barbie pop up camper with Barbie Skipper, Stacy, and Chelsea Dolls. I also would love to see Rudolf's red nose. Merry Christmas!!!

Your friend

Some Children See Him

Some children see Him lily white the infant Jesus born this night Some children see Him lily white with tresses soft and fair

Some children see Him bronzed and brown the Lord of heav'n to earth come down Some children see Him bronzed and

brown with dark and heavy hair

(with dark and heavy hair!)

Some children see Him almondeyed This Saviour whom we kneel beside Some children see Him almond-eyed

With skin of yellow hue!

Some children see Him dark as

they Sweet Mary's Son to whom we pray Some children see Him dark as they



And, ah! they love Him so!

The children in each different place

Will see the Baby Jesus' face Like theirs but bright with heav'nly

> grace And filled with holy light!

O lay aside each earthly thing and with thy heart as offering Come worship now the infant King 'tis love that's born tonight!

Merry Christmas from Jesse & Patsy and all the staff & family at Sheppard Kennels.



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ear Santa,

I have been a very good **Annsley Ware**



Miranda, Sherry, Brandon, & Reuben Merry Christmas Happy New Year from Tishomingo County First District Supervisor Brandon Grissom and Family

Breelynn Miller

Dear Santa,

I really want 100 love surprises. Eggs a 100, Surhopkins and lots of blind bags. I SUPER want a big swing set. I have been very good. I love you!

Your friend, London Gattis

Dear Santa,

I want a 4-wheeler, dirt bike, x-box one, and I want a dune buggy sideby-side. I would like new fishing pole, a gun, a 26 gun. I want a house, not a big house, just a toy house. Please see me Santa Clause. That's all! Your friend Marshall Ty and Whitlee Nunley



Charli Elisabeth & Noah Sheffield



Maura, Taylor & Luke Nunle

Hayden & Bryson Taylor May His blessings be great to you and yours this joyous hristmas season!

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luka Head Start Unit 3

Dear Santa,

I have been very good this year. Here are a few things that I want for my Christmas: new clothes, bike and new toys.

Love, Waylon

Dear Santa,

I have been very good this year. Here are a few things that I want for my Christmas: green shotgun, Iphone and boomerang.

Love, Clayton

Dear Santa,

I have been very good this year. Here are a few things that I want for my Christmas: ice cream maker, new chalk and new toys.

Love, Liam

Dear Santa,

I have been very good

this year. Here are a few things that I want for my Christmas: Sponge Bob toys, roller skates and a new bike.

Love, Oaklee

Dear Santa,

I have been very good this year. Here are a few things that I want for my Christmas: Barbie computer, Frozen jewelry box and Pepper Pig house.

Love, Lilyona

Dear Santa,

I have been very good this year. Here are a few things that I want for my Christmas: Barbie house, Barbie dolls and new toys.

Love, Makayla

Dear Santa,

I have been very good this year. Here are a few things that I want



Burnsville

for my Christmas: Dump truck, sand for my turtle and new toys.

Love, Conner M.

Dear Santa,

I have been very good this year. Here are a few things that I want for my Christmas: Dinosaurs, Dragon(red) and a reindeer.

Love, Zach

Dear Santa,

I have been very good this year. Here are a few things that I want for my Christmas: Monster truck, driver for the Monster truck and a new bike.

Love, Jacobi

Dear Santa,

I have been very good this year. Here are a few things that I want for my Christmas: Barbie Dream house, doctor set and Barbie car.

Love, Madison T.

Dear Santa,

I have been very good this year. Here are a few things that I want for my Christmas: new crayons, new teddy bear and robot.

Love, Hailey

Dear Santa, I have been very good

for my Christmas: big Easter eggs, My Little Pony and a shocking toy.

Love, Madison F.

Dear Santa,

I have been very good this year. Here are a few things that I want for my Christmas: Dinosaurs, robot and bird.

Love, James

Dear Santa,

I have been very good this year. Here are a few things that I want for my Christmas: kitten, baby doll and a jumpy house.

Love, Emma

Dear Santa,

I have been very good this year. Here are a few things that I want for my Christmas:



transformers, balloons

Love, Kaleb

and jump house.

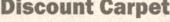
Here's wishing you a holiday that's filled with a generous dose of health and happiness. We thank you for your trust in us and look forward to serving you again next year.



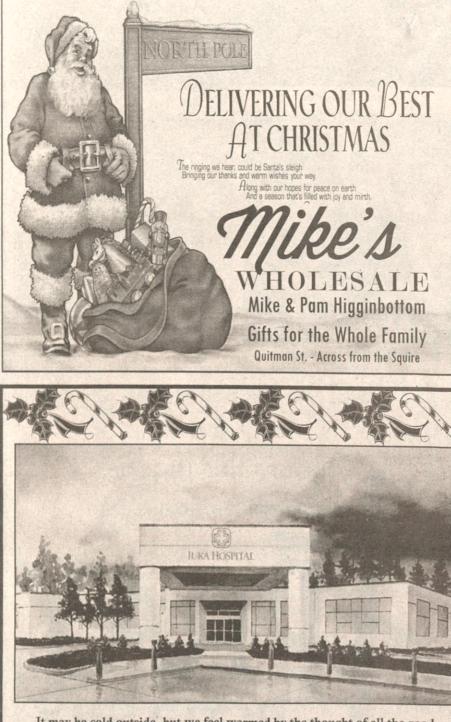
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this year. Here are a few things that I want



It may be cold outside, but we feel warmed by the thought of all the good people we've had the pleasure to know this past year. With our warm wishes for a beautiful holiday season.

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Serving Iuka & Belmont We appreciate your business in 2015!

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, goodwill toward me

Merry Christmas PSP Industries/Monotech of Mississippi

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Warm Wishes for Christmas

Tishomingo County Officials

Have a safe & happy holiday!

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Mrs. Dampeer's Kindergarten Class **Burnsville Elementary School**

Dear Santa.

I have been sorta good but mostly good this year. If I could have three wishes for Christmas, I would wish for lots of Legos, A Tablet, and a DS to play Mario games. My house has a red top so don't miss it!

Love, Kirk

Dear Santa,

My name is Jadon. I have been real good this year. I am trying very hard in Kindergarten. Will you bring my sister a bike? I hope you can bring me a dirt bike, too, Be very careful.

Love, Jadon

Dear Santa.

I need a new iPad because my Nana left my other one on top of her car and it fell off...got run over, 100 times! I want a red, white, and blue Razor. The kind that you press on the pedal and it goes. I live in the United States. I'll be at Nana's house.

I love you, Anthony

Dear Santa.

Thank you for making toys for all of us! I would like a Mermaid for me and Ninja stuff for my little brother. We have been good this year. I am in kindergarten. I get

only green dots in my notebook! Please stop in Burnsville. I love you! Merry Christmas, from Kaydence

Dear Santa,

How have you been this year? I have been good. I want a trampoline. a motorcycle, and a Basketball goal. My house is gray with a black roof, but you know where I live. I hope you come. Merry Christmas, Noah

P.S. 4-wheeler and

movies

Dear Santa,

Hello! Have you been busy making toys, like Xboxes, Legos, bikes, and other stuff? Well, I hope you made enough for me, Atlas W. I am in Kindergarten. I have been very good, NO RED or YELLOW dots! I live in a big white house with 2 garages. I will leave a key for you to get in. Cookies are by the tree. Love, Atlas

Dear Santa,

I want an Xbox with a controller. I like trains and jeeps. I want a Jeep with a remote control. I have been very good in school. Oh, and I almost forgot ... I need a new backpack, too. Love Kagen

Dear Santa,

I saw you at Wal-Mart! I didn't tell you what I wanted, so, here is my list. I want a bike, a Paw Patrol Set, toys for everybody and a new backpack. I have been so good this year! Please stop at my house. Be careful.

Merry Christmas, Hunter

P.S. I need the Internet!

Dear Santa.

My Name is Bethany H. I broke my arm but now its better. I want a horse and I forgot to tell you! I love school, my teacher and my friends. I love you, too! I will leave cookies and milk for you to eat!

> Merry Christmas, Bethnay H.

Dear Santa,

Hove you! I hope you can bring me a Teddy ear and one for my NEW Baby Sister. Me and my brothers want a rocking horse. Not a real one though. Be careful.

Merry Christmas,

Carrie

Mrs. Wilmeth's 1st Grade - luka Elementary

Dear Santa, I want a toy truck with a ladder.

Dear Santa,

Santa have your elves been working hard? | want a toy jeep, an IPod 5 and an American Girl Doll. I also want books. Love, Dakiera Dilworth Dear Santa,

a doll.

Dear Santa.

Dear Santa,

plushy.

Dear Santa,

What I want for

a punching bag.

How are your elves? Is

there 8 or 7 reindeer?

I want a Barbie dream

house, some shoes and

I want an IPhone, a Dora

kitchen set, and a DVD

This time I am gong to

give you a letter. I want

toys, a dog and a robot

Christmas is a truck and

Love, Preston Courtney

Love Alex Cornelius

player for the car.

Love Liza Henderson

Love, Calina Figueroa

Dear Santa,

Are the elves working hard? I want Legos from you.

Love, Cayden Langston

Dear Santa,

I want a mermaid doll, a jewelry maker, a mermaid movie, a mermaid mirror, and a lava lamp.

Love Maddie Wilson

Dear Santa,

Are the elves working good? I hope yes! I want a Bible, notebook, and a guitar.

Love, Emilyn Ruple

Dear Santa,

I hope you have a good Christmas break. Are your elves working hard? For Christmas I want a 3DS.

Love Eli Elingan

Dear Santa,

Thank You for the presents from last year. I want a pink phone and walkie-talkies. I want to see Brain and Annie. Love Maggie Sanders

Dear Santa,

I want a bike, a phone and a Barbie dream house.

Love, Addie Tyson

Dear Santa,

I would like a book, socks, a phone and a remote control robot. Love, Jonah Gray

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Dear Santa.

I hope you had a good break. I want a Crayola Crayon Carver. Love, Corey Bur

Dear Santa.

Are the elves working hard? I want a gas powered racing car and KTM dirt bike. Love, Braxton Brow

Dear Santa,

I want a flying toy car, How are the reindeen Love Eli Net

Dear Santa,

I want an IPhone, a bik and a Barbie house Love, Kayleigh Bro

I want a horse, cat dog and a new laptop Love Emma Stinso



Thank You For Your Business

Drugin Wasnes O Warm Regards

At Christmastime, we're all aglow, When we think of the good folks that we know So before the candles all burn out, We'd like to say without a doubt -That for your goodwill and friendship too. We're really thankful for each one of you!

Walmart >

Dear Santa,

I want a Lego Hotel, an I-Tunes card for \$100, and walkie-talkies. I also want an IPhone 6 and a new American Girl Doll named Mary.

Love, Scotty Testerman

Love, Londyn Wilson

Dear Santa,

I hope you had a good Christmas break. I would like a robot T-Rex.

Love Gunner White

Are the elves work hard? I want an X-Box, Pop the Pig game and kenetic sand. Love, Cullan Strickland

Dear Santa.

Have a

Beautiful

Christmas!

You are nice. You are cool. You are sweet. Love, Carson Collins



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Here's to a season filled with tenderness, love, and the best of friends. We appreciate your making this year a memorable one. Merry Christmas

Jidings Of Comfort & Joy

David N. Nichols, CPA & Staff

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Best Way to Spread Christmas Cheer.... Michael Busby lead this choir ing the Dickens Christmas celebration in luka December 11th.

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Alli Claire Smith & Veronica Smith

Thank you ^{and} Nerry Christmas!

From our Families to Yours

ETTERS TO SANTA

msville Head Start-Unit 1

acher- Leigh Anne Thomas & Jennifer Clark

Hen Brown-Light up ow and a candy bar da big truck

thryn Conaway-A guitar, ette Tea Party, a piano bert Dennis-car carrier all my hot wheel cars, nt loader and dump

aiden German-some andy and lots of presents ison Jones-new clothes, andy canes, baby doll, aw shoes

dee Kelley-new shoes, lot of toys, a lot of candy thony Letson-cars and a gmonster truck hance Madden-a big ruck and a car to drive

an McCoy-Dump truck, nd a different dump uck and some candy

Tylan Mills-a horse, saddle, rope, motorcycle, some dogs

Parker Roberson-race car track with cars, a toy that looks like Santa

Hoop, Bubble Blaster, Police Car, Police Costume

Addilyn Tucker-A scooter, some candy and lots of surprises

Baileigh Wallis-American doll, baby stroller, new shoes, Elf on Shelf Zaxston Welch-Big Big Monster trucks and a

Lacie Yates - lots of surprises and some candy Lexie Yates - lots of surprises and some candy

Eason Stricklin-yoyo, Hula

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Back row: Jody Dawson, Ross Parker, Larry Stanford Middle: Kaliana Smith, Kaila Timbs, Tanya Leatherwood Front: Kayla Robinson & Tina (Rudolph) McCay

First nerican National Bank

Burnsville Branch

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photo J. Charbauski Santa Time! Taylor, Will and Presley Lewis visit with Santa Claus at the Dickens Christmas in Downtown luka December 11th.

LETTERS TO SANTA

Burnsville Head Start

Unit 2 Teacher-Ms. Brenda, Teacher Alde-Ms. Darlene

Marilyn Barnett-Elsa and Anna Stuffed animals, Batman stuff, Doc McStuffin Bag with tools

Avery Borden – Paw Patrol and Batman toys

Annsley Feltman – Peppa Pig House, Veterinarian check-up center and a Barbie Doll Camper

Kensley Garland-Peppa Pig House, hippopotamus pillow and a Red Farm House

Rilee German-An airplane, Dora Doll and a real puppy

Weston Ligon-Books, firetruck and a toy gun

Keegan McCoy-Goggles that go under water, Ninja Turtle Mask and a sword

Paisley Pounds-Barbie Dolls, Elsa Doll and Anna Doll,Dr. McStuffin doctor kit

Zaye Puckett-a baby doll, Doc McStuffin bike and a toy dog

Katelyn Reed-a doll house, Barbies that look like Anna and Elsa, DocMcStuffin, Star Bright and stuff animals

Joe Roach-glow that lights up, Batman toys

Braxton Smith-a robot, batman house , Ninja turtle and a monster Bella Sparks- An Elsa doll that closes her eyes and an Anna doll

truck

Ashton Tackett-A razor that me and Sarah can ride together in

Caleb Thorne-Terrain Twister, Phlat ball and Play Doh

Sophie Williamson-Elsa doll, Anna doll and an Olaf doll

Addysen Wilson-An Easy Bake oven, a pink baby doll, play doh and a bike

Bailey Wilson-A foot massager, an Easy Bake oven and a Frozen bike Thursday, December 24, 2016



wish you a very Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

State Farm

Harold Lomenick luka 423-1231



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enn Mollette

when I was a child I mber my grandfather ing chest pains. He putting nitroglycerin s under his tongue ep with the pain. My her and I along with dma and a couple of us sat with grandpa he family dining room After his heart pain ided he sighed, "I'll pably never live to another Christmas." king back I remember he did have one more

stmas. After grandpa and naw died Christmases enever quite the same. those special s together we thought would never pass. seemed that life and istmas were frozen in To a child Christmas always been this way I could never imagine ristmas being any dif-

We can never compred tomorrow. We hope wish for tomorrow we don't fully underd all the changes that rrow will bring. We be for good jobs, paid mortgages, graduation

security and on and on. However as one Christmas after another rolls by, so do the years and so does life's scenery and the people around us. Some people this year will spend their first Christmas in a nursing home. Some this year will spend their first Christmas without a parent or a spouse. Some will try to get through this season without them. Others will try to make it through the season unemployed or with a recent terminal health diagnosis.

My wife and I were talking tonight but how better it would be if her father and my parents and others that we loved were still alive. Christmas without them is different. I don't know what you are going through today. Our nation is dealing with a lot. We have terrorism, financial struggles, and people experiencing lots of stress.

Many American families are hoping to just survive the Christmas season and make it to January 1. Hopefully you and I will have one more Christmas.

from school, retirement If we do, let's savor each moment. Whatever and whoever you have in your life please take the time to embrace them and love them. Next year could be very different.

Take the time to personally enjoy Christmas. I realize Christmas is about giving. We want to see our loved ones smile. However, in the days ahead recharge your battery a little. Read some Christmas stories. Watch some Christmas movies. Reflect on the message of peace and love delivered to the world in the baby Jesus through a peasant couple in Bethlehem. Visit some people in the nursing home, the jail, or those who are aged and lonely. Also connect with some people through visits or just the telephone and say Merry Christmas. It will do them and you a lot of good.

May you have many more Christmases, but at least one more, and may it be one of your best ever.

Plum Pudding

Plum pudding is an English dish dating back to the Middle Ages. Suet, flour, sugar, raisins,

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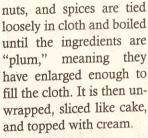
Caroling

Caroling also began in England. Wandering musicians would travel from town to town visiting castles and homes of the rich. In return for their performance, the musicians hoped to receive a hot meal or money.



hes et Welcome Christmas into your home By gathering friends from wherever they roam; Welcome Christmas into your heart By sharing the faith and doing your part;





Fathers, mothers, sisters, brothers; Welcome the season in your own special way, And enjoy all the blessings of Christmas Day! THANK YOU FOR SHOPPING WITH US! B & J Supermarket

Welcome Christmas by honoring others





JOY! PEACE HOPE HEALTH HARMONY GOOD FORTUNE CONTENTMENT Here's hoping JOY tops it all this Christmas season! Dr. Scott Segars & Dr. Margaret Glynn and the staff at The Segars Clinic

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For all the joy you've given us this year, we are sincerely grateful, and look forward to seeing you again in 2015.

ferry Christmas from liams Fish House **Burnsville**, MS

Happy Holidays

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The Little Matchgirl thick.

by Hans Christian Anderson

It was so terribly cold. Snow was falling, and it was almost dark. Evening came on, the last evening of the year. In the cold and gloom a poor little girl, bareheaded and barefoot, was walking through the streets. Of course when she had left her house she'd had slippers on, but what good had they been? They were very big slippers, way too big for her, for they belonged to her mother. The little girl had lost them running across the road, where two carriages had rattled by terribly fast. One slipper she'd not been able to find again, and a boy had run off with the other, saying he could use it very well as a cradle some day when he had children of his own. And so the little girl walked on her naked feet, which were quite red and blue with the cold. In an old apron she carried several packages of matches, and she held a box of them in her hand. No one had bought any from her all day long, and no one had given her a cent.

Shivering with cold and hunger, she crept along, a picture of misery, poor little girl! The snowflakes fell on her long fair hair, which hung in pretty curls over her neck. In all the windows lights were shining, and there was a wonderful smell of roast goose, for it was New Year's Eve. Yes, she thought of that!

In a corner formed by two houses, one of which projected farther out into the street than the other, she sat down and drew up her little feet under her. She was getting colder and colder, but did not dare to

go home, for she had sold no matches, nor earned a single cent, and her father would surely beat her. Besides, it was cold at home, for they had nothing over them but a roof through which the wind whistled even though the biggest cracks had been stuffed with straw and rags.

Her hands were almost dead with cold. Oh, how much one little match might warm her! If she could only take one from the box and rub it against the wall and warm her hands. She drew one out. R-r-ratch! How it sputtered and burned! It made a warm, bright flame, like a little candle, as she held her hands over it; but it gave a strange light! It really seemed to the little girl as if she were sitting before a great iron stove with shining brass knobs and a brass cover. How wonderfully the fire burned! How comfortable it was! The youngster stretched out her feet to warm them too; then the little flame went out, the stove vanished, and she had only the remains of the burnt match in her hand.

Christ-

her hands toward them.

Then the match went out.

But the Christmas lights

mounted higher. She saw

them now as bright stars

in the sky. One of them

fell down, forming a long

ing," thought the little girl,

for her old grandmother,

the only person who had

loved her, and who was

now dead, had told her

that when a star fell down

match against the wall. It

became bright again, and

in the glow the old grand-

mother stood clear and

the child. "Oh, take me

with you! I know you

will disappear when the

match is burned out. You

will vanish like the warm

goose and the beautiful big

And she quickly struck

Christmas tree!"

"Grandmother!" cried

shining, kind and lovely.

She rubbed another

a soul went up to God.

"Now someone is dy-

line of fire.

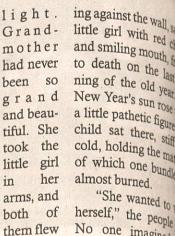
She struck another match against the wall. It burned brightly, and when the light fell upon the wall it became transparent like a thin veil, and she could see through it into a room. On the table a snow-white cloth was spread, and on it stood a shining dinner service. The roast goose steamed gloriously, stuffed with apples and prunes. And what was still better, the goose jumped down from the dish and waddled along the floor with a knife and fork in its breast, right over to the little girl. Then the match went out, and she could see only the



the whole bundle of match-

joy above the earth, very, very high, and up there was neither cold, nor hunger, nor fear-they were with God.

But in the corner, lean-



in bright-

ness and

and smiling mouth, f to death on the last ning of the old year New Year's sun rose a little pathetic figure child sat there, stiff cold, holding the mate of which one bundle almost burned.

"She wanted to herself," the people No one imagined beautiful things she seen, and how h she had gone with old grandmother int bright New Year.

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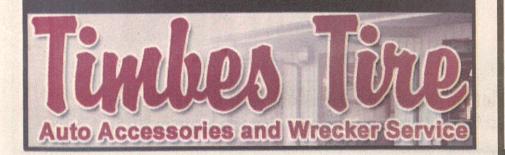


mas tree. It was much larger and much more beautiful than the one she had seen last Christmas through the glass door at the rich merchant's home. Thousands of candles burned on the green branches, and colored pictures like those in the printshops looked down at her. The little girl reached both

es, for she wished to keep her grandmother with her. And the matches burned with such a glow that it became brighter than day-

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eeper Meaning to the Twelve Days o Thursday, December 24, 2015 page 13 hristmas

the song, "The Twelve of Christmas" is an sh Christmas carol. 1558 until 1829, an Catholics in Engwere not permitted to rice their faith openly. cone during that era this carol as a catsong for young olics. It has two levels neaning: the surface ing plus a hidden ing known only to thers of the Church. element in the carol a code word for a rereality which the tren could remember. the number scheme, nyou reach number 9, senting the Fruits of Holy Ghost, the origicombined 6 to make

were similar: the fruit in each parenthesis is the that was not named separately. There are actually Twelve Fruits of the Holy Ghost.

The "True Love" one hears in the song is not a smitten boy or girlfriend but Jesus Christ, because truly Love was born on Christmas Day. The partridge in the pear tree also represents Him because that bird is willing to sacrifice its life if necessary to protect its young by feigning injury to draw away predators.

According to Ann Ball in her book, HAND-BOOK OF CATHOLIC SACRAMENTALS: The two turtle doves were the Old and New Testaments

The three French hens stood for faith, hope, and love.

The four calling birds were the four gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John.

The five golden rings rerepresented the first five books of the Old Testament, which describe man's fall into sin and the great love of God in sending a Savior.

The six geese a-laying stood for the six days of creation.

Seven swans a-swimming represented the sevenfold gifts of the Holy Spirit----Prophesy, Serving, Teaching, Exhortation, Contribution, Leadership, and Mercy.

The eight maids amilking were the eight beatitudes.

Nine ladies dancing were the nine fruits of the Holy Spirit----Charity, Joy, Peace, Patience [Forbearance], Goodness [Kindness], Mildness, Fidelity, Modesty, Continency [Chastity].

The ten lords a-leaping were the Ten Commandments.

The eleven pipers piping stood for the eleven faithful Apostles.

The twelve drummers drumming symbolized the twelve points of belief in The Apostles' Creed.

Original Source: Fr. Calvin Goodwin,

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The legend of San-Tlaus can be traced thundreds of years monk named St. holas. It is believed Nicholas was born etime around 280 in Patara, near in modern-day key.

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Much admired for piety and kindness, Vicholas became the riect of many legends. s said that he gave wall of his inherited with and traveled the intryside helping the and sick.

One of the best own of the St. Nichs stories is that he

sisters from being sold into slavery or prostitution by their father by providing them with a dowry so that they could be married. Over the

course of many years, Nicholas's popularity spread and he became known as the protector of children and sailors. His feast day is celebrated on the anniversary of his death, December 6. This was traditionally considered a lucky day to make large purchases or to get married.

By the Renaissance,



St. Nicholas was the most popular saint in Europe. Even after the Protestant Reformation, when the veneration of saints began to be discouraged, St. Nicholas maintained a positive reputation, especially in Holland.

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Dear Santa.

I want an American Girl doll, three horses, high heel shoes, shiny red dress, Frozen nail polish and little Olaf. I have been good. I will leave you some cookies and milk. Please leave my brother some hunting stuff. If you can, leave Coco an Ole Miss sweater, but if you can't that's ok, just leave something else for him. I hope you bring enough presents for everybody.

> Your friend, Lori Madison Daily

Dear Santa,

I have been a good boy this year. I would like to have a tablet, I Phone, xbox 360, and electric guitar. A Charlie Brown Nativity set, a stereo and a dirt bike and a heater. Give Eli a new dirt bike. And give me a WW Smackdown game and a TV where you see yourself. I will leave milk and cookies for you. Please bring Copper and Little Bit some surprises too! I love you!

> Your friend, Luke Edwards

Dear Santa, I would like three pup-

pies, go cart and a four wheeler, I Pod, IPad, legging and shirts, tablet, Frozen earrings, football, shoes, tablet DS games, paint, horses, zebras, dresses, posters and I will leave you some cookies and milk and some carrots for the reindeer.

> Your friend, Jayden Goss Dear Santa,

How are you doing? How are your elves doing? I want a computer for Christmas, please. I will leave your some milk and cookies.

> Your friend, Kaden Graves Dear Santa,

I'm really glad it's Christmas time. I've asked mommy about calling you. She let me last year. For now, I hope my letter reaches you. I asked Mom if I'm on the nice list, she thinks so. I hope she is right. If so, will you please bring me a Frozen bike with Frozen, Elsa and Anna on it. Also, I've really been wanting a huge teddy bear with a white polka dot dress on it. Maybe a big bouncy house



with a slide, a toy cat with a remote, Minnie Mouse movies, Barbie doll set and one more thing a Sopie dress. Also, I have a little sister and brother, Serenty and Serenity. Maybe you can bring her a Frozen tricycle. Some Paw Patrol legos, big ones he's only 11 months old. I'd like some legos too. And whatever you bring me I'd be grateful for and Santa I'm a girl. I hope I see you. If not, I'll leave you a treat. Merry Christmas!

> Your friend, Spirit Hill Dear Santa,

I might have been a good boy. I want a Mario video game. I want a real gun for deer hunting. Also, I would like a rocket fishing rod. Also, I wish for a box of candy canes to share. I wish for a coloring book with crayons.

P.S. Tell Rudolph I said "hello". Thank you Santa.

> Your friend, Nathan

Dear Santa,

I want a remote control snake, a phone, a toy rifle, a nerf gun, german shepherd, a toy soldier set and a Wii.

Your friend,

have new clothes. I would love to have a pretty diary. I would also like a viva piñata game. I would also like to help people.

> Your friend, Adleigh Kelly Lyn Lambert

Dear Santa, I have been good this year. For Christmas all I want is a phone and a punching bag. Thank you!

Your friend, Kaleb Dear Santa,

I want a baking oven. I want two elves on the shelf. I want some clothes for my American Girl doll. I need a tablet and a case. I really need some earrings for my teacher. I want some clip on earrings. I want Calya. I want crazy sand. I want little live pets. I want My Little Pony. I want the crayon caver. I want the Wabble bubble ball.

Your friend,

Brooklyn Posey Dear Santa,

My name is Abbi Rivers. I have been good this year. Please bring me a Barbie House and dolls. Also, bring me a monster high house and dolls. And please bring me some surprises. Please bring my brothers and baby sister some toys too. I love you, Santa.

> Your friend, Abbi Rivers

Dear Santa, This year I would like a Doc McStuffins game, Barbie doll house, Olaf

game and a Doc Mc-Stuffins pet shop.



Dear Santa, I would like a trampoline, Monster High floating doll and a Frozen Karoke machine. I will leave you some milk and cookies under the tree. I

will also leave the reindeer some carrots. Your friend, Kaylon Upton

Dear Santa,

You are nice because you give us presents. I want a stuffed snake, a colorful bracelet, and a remote controlled truck. I will leave milk and cookies out for you.

Your friend, Logan McQueen

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he reason "Silent Night" was created: How the world's most Thursday, December 24, 2015 page 15 mous Christmas carol came to be written and set to music

tors was performing wins throughout the nan Alps. On Deher 23 they arrived at ndorf, a village near burg where they were eenact the story of sts birth in the small th of St. Nicholas. Unfortunately, the St. volas' church organ tworking and would be repaired before simas. (Note: some verof the story point to mice problem; others say rust m culprit) Because the ch organ was out of mission, the actors ated their Christmas a in a private home. Christmas presenof the events in ist chapters of Matand Luke put asnt pastor Josef Mohr meditative mood. Inof walking straight is house that night, r took a longer way The longer path

From that hilltop, Mohr looked down on the peaceful snow-covered village. Reveling in majestic silence of the wintry night, Mohr gazed down at the glowing Christmas-card like scene. His thoughts about the Christmas play he had just seen made him remember a poem he had written a couple of years before. That poem was about the night when angels announced the birth of the long-awaited Messiah to shepherds on a hillside.

Mohr decided those words might make a good carol for his congregation the following evening at their Christmas eve service. The one problem was that he didn't have any music to which that poem could be sung. So, the next day Mohr went to see the church organist, Franz Xaver Gruber. Gruber only had a few hours which could be sung with a guitar. However, by that evening, Gruber had managed to compose a musical setting for the poem. Deeply impressed, Maura-

mattered to Silent night! holy night! Mohr and All is calm, all is bright, Gruber that 'Round yon virgin their church mother and Child! organ was Holy Infant, so tender inoperable. They and mild, now had a Sleep in heavenly peace, Christmas Sleep in heavenly peace. carol that could be

sung without that organ. On Christmas Eve, the little Oberndorf congregation heard Gruber and Mohr sing their new composition to the accompaniment of Gruber's guitar.

Weeks later, well-known organ builder Karl Mauracher arrived in Oberndorf to fix the organ in St. Nicholas church. When Mauracher finished, he stepped back to let Gruber test the

instrument. When Gruber sat down, his fingers began playing the simple melody he had written for Mohr's Christmas poem.

> cher took copies of the music and words of "Silent Night" back to his own Alpine village, Kapfing. There, two well-known families of singers - the

Rainers and the Strassers -- heard it. Captivated by "Silent Night," both groups put the new song into their Christmas season repertoire.

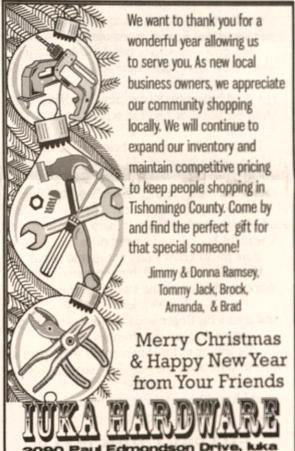
The Strasser sisters spread the carol across northern Europe. In 1834, they performed "Silent Night" for King Frederick William IV of Prussia, and he then ordered his cathedral choir to sing it every Christmas eve.

Twenty years after "Silent Night" was written, the Rainers brought the song to the United States, singing it (in German) at the Alexander Hamilton Monument located outside New York City's Trinity Church.

In 1863, nearly fifty years after being first sung in German, "Silent Night"

was translated into English (by either Jane Campbell or John Young). Eight years later, that English version made its way into print in Charles Hutchins' Sunday School Hymnal, Today the words of "Silent Night" are sung in more than 300 different languages around the world.





Robin Redbreast's Christmas Song

ch Folk Tale Retold

There was once an old Cat, who went for a one Christmas mornto see what she could As she was walking small lake, she saw a in hopping about on a

"Good morning, Rob-Redbreast," she said, here are you going on cold and frosty morn-

I'm going to the answered the Robin, sing him a Christmas

"Oh, but wait before go," said the Cat. "Hop n to me a minute and show you the beautiwhite ring around my

But Robin looked down on Cat and saw an evil look in his eye. 'Ha! ha! gray Cat." He

said, "You can't trick me. I saw you show your white ring to the little gray mouse and you ate him! I'm not coming down to you! I'm flying straight on to the King

So he spread his wings and flew away. He flew, and he flew, and he flew, till he came to a fence. There sat a greedy old Hawk who was looking about for his breakfast.

"Good morning, Robin Redbreast," cried the greedy old Hawk, "where are you going on this cold and frosty morning?"

"I'm going to the

King," answered the wee Robin, "to sing him a Christmas Song.

'Oh, but wait before you go," said the greedy old Hawk, come close and see my magic green feather.

But the wee Robin did not like the look in the eye of the greedy old Hawk.

Ha! ha! old Hawk," he said, "I saw you peck at the tiny birds, and you'll not peck at me. I'm going straight on to the King!"

So he spread his wings and flew away. He flew, and he flew, and he flew, till he came to a hillside where he saw a sly old fox looking out of his hole.

"Good morning, Robin Redbreast," said the sly old Fox. "Where are you going on this cold and frosty morning?"

"I'm going to the King," answered the wee Robin, "to sing him a Christmas Song.' "Oh, but wait before you go, said the sly old Fox, "let me show you the black spot I have on the end of my tail." Ha! ha! sly Fox," said the Robin, "I saw chase a small lamb, I'm not interested in the spot on you tail. I'm going straight on to the King." So the Robin Flew away once more, and never rested till he came to a rosycheeked boy, who sat on a log and eating a big piece of bread and butter. The tired Robin sat on a high branch and watched boy. "Good morning, Robin Redbreast," said the boy. "Where are you going on this cold and frosty morning?'

King," answered the Robin. "Come a bit nearer," said the boy, "and I'll give you some crumbs from my

bread.' 'No way rosy-cheeked boy," I saw you catch a goldfinch with your crumbs. I am not interested in your crumbs. I'm flying straight on to the King.'

So, no matter who begged him to stop and wait the Robin flew straight on to the King. And he lit on the window-sill of the palace.

There he sat and sang the sweetest Christmas song he knew. He was so happy because it was Christmas Time that he wanted the whole wide world to be as happy as he. And he sang, and he sang, and he sang.

The King and Queen sat at the window, and they were so pleased with his joyful song that they asked each other what they could do to pay him for his loving thought in coming so far to sing to them. "I know what we can do," said the Queen, "we can find him a friend," Then the King clapped his hands and asked his servants to find a friend for Robin Redbreast. One servant knew a bird named Jenny Wren who lived in the kitchen courtyard. "Bring her to me," said the King. Jenny Wren and Robin Redbreast, when introduced, liked each other very much. They sat side by side on the window-sill, and they sang, and they sang. And they sang on that merry Christmas morning and many Christmas mornings there after.



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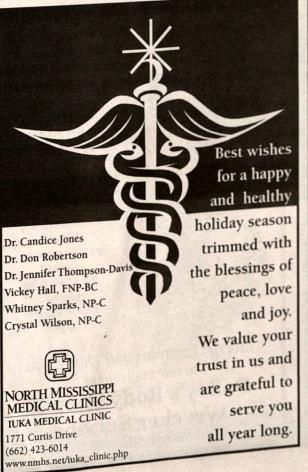
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Twas' The Night **Before Christmas**

By Clement Clarke Moore

Twas the night before Christmas, when all through the house

Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse; The stockings were hung by the chimney with care, In hopes that St. Nicholas soon would be there;

The children were nestled all snug in their beds, While visions of sugar-plums danced in their heads;

And mamma in her 'kerchief, and I in my cap, Had just settled down for a long winter's nap,

When out on the lawn there arose such a clatter, I sprang from the bed to see what was the matter.

Away to the window I flew like a flash, Tore open the shutters and threw up the sash.

The moon on the breast of the new-fallen snow Gave the lustre of mid-day to objects below, When, what to my wondering eyes should appear,

But a miniature sleigh, and eight tiny reindeer, With a little old driver, so lively and quick, I

knew in a moment it must be St. Nick. More rapid than eagles his coursers they came, And he whistled, and shouted, and called them by

name;

- "Now, DASHER! now, DANCER! now, PRANCER and VIXEN! On, COMET! on CU-PID! on, DONNER and BLITZEN!
- To the top of the porch! to the top of the wall! Now dash away! dash away! dash away all!"

As dry leaves that before the wild hurricane

fly, When they meet with an obstacle, mount to the sky,

So up to the house-top the coursers they flew, With the sleigh full of toys, and St. Nicholas too. And then, in a twinkling, I heard on the roof

The prancing and pawing of each little hoof.

As I drew in my hand, and was turning around, Down the chimney St. Nicholas came with a bound.

He was dressed all in fur, from his head to his foot, And his clothes were all tarnished with ashes and soot;

A bundle of toys he had flung on his back, And he looked like a peddler just opening his pack.

His eyes -- how they twinkled! his dimples how merry! His cheeks were like roses, his nose like a cherry!

His droll little mouth was drawn up like a bow, And the beard of his chin was as white as the snow;

The stump of a pipe he held tight in his teeth, And the smoke it encircled his head like a wreath; He had a broad face and a little round belly, That shook, when he laughed like a bowlful of jelly.

He was chubby and plump, a right jolly old elf, And I laughed when I saw him, in spite of myself; A wink of his eye and a twist of his head, Soon gave me to know I had nothing to dread; He spoke not a word, but went straight to his work, And filled all the stockings; then turned with a jerk,

The Date of Christmas

Taken from the Internet

No one knows the real birthday of Jesus! No date is given in the Bible, so why do we celebrate it on the 25th December? The early Christians certainly had many arguments as to when it should be celebrated! Also, the birth of Jesus probably didn't happen in the year 1AD but slightly earlier, somewhere between 2BC and 7BC (there isn't a 0AD - the years go from 1BC to 1AD!).

Calendar showing 25th December

The first recorded date of Christmas being celebrated on December 25th was in 336AD, during the time of the Roman Emperor Constantine (he was the first Christian Roman Emperor). A few years later, Pope Julius I officially declared that the birth of Jesus would be celebrated on the 25th December.

There are many different traditions and theories as to why Christmas is celebrated on December 25th. A very early Christian tradition said that the day when Mary was told that she would have a very special baby, Jesus (called the Annunciation) was on March 25th and it's still celebrated today on the 25th March. Nine months after the 25th March is the 25th December! March 25th was also the day some early Christians thought the world had been made, and also the day that Jesus died on when he was an adult.

December 25th might have also been chosen because the Winter Solstice and the ancient pagan Roman midwinter festivals called 'Saturnalia' and 'Dies Natalis Solis Invicti' took place in December around this date -

Christmas or Xmas?

Taken from the Internet

Christmas is also sometimes known as Xmas. Some people don't think it's correct to call Christmas 'Xmas' as that takes the 'Christ' (Jesus) out of Christmas. (As Christmas comes from Christ-Mass, the Church service that celebrated the birth of Jesus.)

But that is not quite right! In the Greek language and alphabet, the letter that looks like an X is the Greek letter chi / (pronounced 'kye' - it rhymes with 'eye') which is the first letter of the Greek word for Christ, Christos.

The early church used the first two letters of Christos in the Greek alphabet 'chi' and 'rho' to create a monogram (symbol) to represent the name of Jesus. This looks like an X with a small p on the top: *

The symbol of a fish is sometimes used by Christians (you might see a fish sticker on a car or someone wearing a little fish badge). This comes from the time when the first Christians had to meet in secret, as the Romans wanted to kill them (before Emperor Constantine became a Christian). Jesus had said that he wanted to make his followers 'Fishers of Men', so people started to use that symbol.

When two Christians met, one person drew half a basic fish shape (often using their foot in the dust on the ground) and the other person drew the other half of the fish. The Greek word for fish is 'Ikthus' or 'Ichthys'. There are five Greek letters in the word. It can also make up a sentence of Christian beliefs 'Ie-sous Christos Theou Huios So-te-r' which in English means "Jesus Christ, Son of God, Saviour". The second letter of these

Sweet Little Jesus Boy - a beautiful song of Christmas

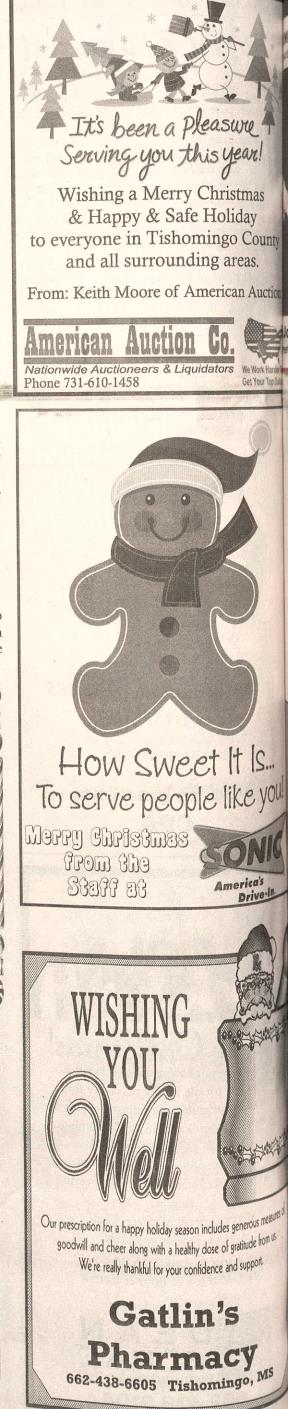
On Christmas Eve 1932, Robert McGimsey tended a midnight church service in New York and then headed back to his one-room apartme As he walked the final blocks, he passed the doors of private clubs where people were show and swearing and singing. Others were so dry they had passed out on the sidewalk.

What a strange way to celebrate the birth of them perfect Person who ever lived on this earth, McGin thought. We seem to have missed the whole signific of His life.

That night McGimsey wrote his thought the back of an envelope. These words, which we written like the spirituals he had loved growing in the southern United States, flowed out of heart:

- Sweet little Jesus Boy,
- They made You be born in a manger. Sweet little Holy Child, didn't know who You we Didn't know You'd come to save us, Lord To take our sins away.
- Our eyes was blind, we couldn't see.
- We didn't know who You was.

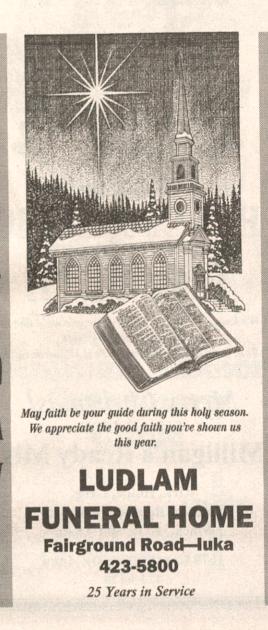
The song offers an apology to the Christel for not recognizing Him when He came to earth. But every year gives us an opportunit look again at Jesus' birth with new eyes of un standing and acceptance.



And laying his finger aside of his nose, And giving a nod, up the chimney he rose; He sprang to his sleigh, to his team gave a whistle, And away they all flew like the down of a thistle.

But I heard him exclaim, ere he drove out of sight,

"HAPPY CHRISTMAS TO ALL, AND TO ALL A GOOD-NIGHT!"



five letter is X or Christos!

So Xmas can also mean Christmas; but it should also be pronounced 'Christmas' rather than 'ex-mas'!

Advent - The Time Before Christmas

Before Christmas, many Christians use the time of Advent to prepare themselves and get ready to celebrate the joy of Christmas, when Christians celebrate of the birth of Jesus, who they believe is the Son of God.

Advent is normally a period of four Sundays and weeks before Christmas. In many Orthodox and Eastern Catholics Churches Advent lasts for 40 days, starting on November 15th.

In Orthodox Churches which celebrate Christmas on 7th January, Advent start on 28th November!

During Advent many people fast (don't eat certain foods). The types

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MC Handbells- The handbell choir from luka United Methodist Church provided



Joyful Noise- J.C. and Casey Johnson along with several other voices caroled in the reets during luka's Dickens Christmas Celebration.

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Mrs. Lindsey's 1st grade class Tishomingo Elementary School

I wish for the Big Blue Book of Beginner Books and toys and a phone. Clayton Stewart

All I want for Christmas: remote control turck, tablet, a monster truck, a lot of snow, and wifi on my tablet.

Ethan Bledsoe

For Christmas I want a diary, a power car, a scooter, shoes, a big doll house, a Barbie, a monster high, a shirt, a la la loopsie, a my little pony toy, a kitchen, pants, and a tablet. Lilly Swann

I want a hot wheels ten pack, a monster truck with a remote controller, a yoda, and a ninja turtle. Please remember my two sisters too. Gavin Pollard

I want everything. I really really want a chicken for my pet. I want an xbox 360.

Micah Dew

I want a real life candy apple and subtraction flash cards. Also, I would like a monster high castle with all the monster high dolls. I want the disco ball that I saw at Lowe's. I hope you have a safe trip. I can't wait until you get here!

Hannah Hamm

Santa can I have a nerf gun? I have been a good boy. I want an x box and games. Thank you Santa. and an imaginext t-rex. I also want treasure truck. Thank you for bringing me toys every year. Your Friend, Kaleb

My name is James. I want a car with flames with a motor sticking out. It is orange and it has white stripes. My moma said I can't have a helicopter but I really want one. I want a build a bear from build a bear workshop.

James

I want a kitten because my other cat ran away. I also want a puppy. I want a new monster high doll, a clip board, and a dictionary. I want a chalkboard. That is all. Brooklyn Calley





Gabriel Curry

I want a karaoke machine. I want a dress. I want a cooking set. I want a Bell doll. Elly Reno

I hope you have had a great year. For Christmas I would like an American girl spa chair, doll and pet carrier, funky pet bed, and pop arty beads. Also, I would like the Polar Express movie. Please be careful coming to my house. Cela-Cathryn Taylor

I want a spider man and I want an iron man and I want a hulk.

> Your Friend, Tanner Hopson

I want hot wheels and a fire truck and a crane truck, and a police car, and a remote helicopter,



Wishing you as much joy this holiday season as you've brought us all year long... thanks! Harold S. Jackson Attorney at Law