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## POINT CITY COUNCIL

### Three members resign from council

By TREY HILL  
Rains County Leader staff

A special meeting was called for the Point City Council. The meeting was scheduled to begin at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 16. However, when the meeting was scheduled to begin, it was announced that three members had submitted their resignations, leaving the city council without a quorum; no meeting could proceed.

Leigh Thompson, the city's attorney, said that because there was no council to

accept the resignations, they would not take effect until Thursday, December 18. Thompson said that if none of the resignations were rescinded, the city would be left without a quorum and that the city's citizens would have to petition the Rains County Commissioners Court for a special election to fill the vacated seats.

A quorum for the city council is a majority of its voting members, which is three. The Mayor does not count toward the quorum.

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Leader photo by TREY HILL

## Pushing new truck into service



Leader photo by CHUCK FITTS

Future firefighters pushed Emory Volunteer Fire Department's new ladder truck into service on Monday night, December 15

### ESD, VFD celebrate new truck with push-in ceremony

By CHUCK FITTS  
Rains County Leader staff

The Emory Volunteer Fire Department, with help from the community, officially rolled the new ladder truck into its bay following the regular meeting of the Rains County Emergency Service District on Monday, December 16.

The agenda for the monthly meeting

of the ESD had only monthly reports and approval of monthly affidavits.

The board was informed that Teri Rose had stepped down as chief of the East Tawakoni Volunteer Fire Department and James Felts had been appointed as the interim chief of the department at their last meeting.

Following the meeting, the departments, community residents and children of all ages helped push the new

ladder truck that was purchased by the ESD for the Emory VFD into the fire house.

After the truck was secured into the building, everyone attending enjoyed a free meal of chili with all the trimmings.

In monthly activity reports for November, Hopkins County reported 165 requests for service, with 51 refusals.

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## Holiday hours for the Rains County Leader

This week's issue of the Rains County Leader marks the final issue of 2025. There will be no paper on Thursday, December 25, so we can spend the holiday with family and friends. Our office will be closed from Thursday, December 18, at 4:00 p.m. and will reopen on Monday, December 29, at 8:00 a.m.

Publication for the Rains County Leader will resume on Thursday, January 1, 2026. The deadline for news and advertisements for that issue will be Monday, December 29, at 5:00 p.m.

We thank all our advertisers, contributors, and readers for making 2025 a successful year, and look forward to serving our community in the hope that 2026 will be just as successful.

## RAINS COUNTY Commissioners approve signing contract, subdivision plats

By CHUCK FITTS  
Rains County Leader staff

The Rains County Commissioners Court approved plats and a resolution to sign a contract for lawn care services during the short regular meeting on Thursday, December 11.

Commissioner Mike Willis presided over the meeting as Rains County Judge Brent Hilliard was out of town.

The court approved a resolution to authorize Hilliard to sign a contract ap-

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## SPOTLIGHT

### Retired teacher, Keri Bangs, taught school in Rains County and in Alaska

By JUDY KRAMER  
Rains County Leader contributor

Keri Bangs is a retired teacher with many great memories from her career. But retirement hasn't slowed her down. She is still busy substitute teaching, volunteering in local organizations, traveling and spending precious time with her children, nephews and two-and-a-half-year-old granddaughter Charlie. Although she grew up in Rains County and graduated from Rains High School in 1991, Bangs spent 13 years living in Alaska before returning to the local area in 2010, coming back full circle to her home where family members live.

"I received my teaching degree at University of Texas-Tyler in 1995 and began teaching in Rains County," said Bangs. "Then I heard about teacher opportunities in Alaska where the pay was triple what I was making, and I ended up teaching there for 13 years. I taught in a

small Athabaskan village school for eight years. It was remotely located on the west bank of the Yukon River. During the last five years in Alaska, I moved into the district school office in Fairbanks. My two youngest children, from my marriage to my ex-husband, are half Athabaskan. My oldest child, Kyra, was 14 months old when we arrived there and she learned the culture and language in Head Start and was treated like she was one of the villagers' own. They made her a big deal and clothed her in traditional wear for kindergarten. These teachers flew from Kaltag in Alaska to attend Kyra's wedding. My son, Kylar, still goes back to visit the area, and Kyra has also returned there for a visit."

Because of her teaching background, Bangs is attracted to educational organizations. She is a member of the Elementary Campus Improvement Committee

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Keri Bangs and family

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**Rain Report**

No rain reported this week.  
Total for Dec. .... 0.27 in.  
Year to date .... 43.78 in.



# Community outreach & organizations

**ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS**  
Emory - Tues. & Thurs. 7:00-8:00 p.m., open meetings.  
Emory Methodist Church Fellowship Hall. For info call 903-243-6766 or 903-439-7573

**AL-ANON** - Thurs., 7:00 p.m., Crossroads Al-anon Group, 103 N. Houston St., Edgewood, 903-896-7270

**AMERICAN LEGION POST 156, Rabb Bro. Mem. Rains Co.** - 4th Mon., 5:15 p.m., 215 N. Duffy St., Emory, 903-438-6045. Buffet breakfast - 2nd Saturday 7:00-10:00 a.m.

**ARBALA DANCE** - Mon., 7:00-9:30 p.m., Arbala Community Center

**CELEBRATE RECOVERY** - every Tuesday, 6:30 p.m. Emory Baptist Church

**EAST TAWAKONI SENIOR CITIZEN GAME DAY** - every Wednesday, 9:00 a.m., 255 Oakleaf Trail.

**EMORY LIONS CLUB** - 1st and 3rd Tuesdays, 12:00 p.m., Dos Charros in Emory. Call for information 903-473-2311

**FOOD BANK AT FREEDOM CHURCH OF GOD** - 3rd Fri., 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., 10830 FM 514, Emory. 903-473-2457

**FRIENDS OF RAINS COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY** - 3rd Thurs., 1:00 p.m., Meadows Cultural Center, Rains Co. Public Library

**LAKE COUNTRY NEIGHBORS** - 1st Thurs., 11:30 a.m., www.lakecountryneighbors.com

**LAKE FORK BAPTIST CHURCH FOOD PANTRY** - 2nd Tues., 1-3 p.m. 9483 W. FM 515, Alba

**LAKE FORK CHAPTER OF THE WELL ARMED WOMAN** - first Thursday, 4-7 p.m. at Winnsboro Gun Club, Winnsboro TX. Sue Parrish 903-473-9819

**LAKE FORK SPORTSMAN'S ASSOC.** - 2nd Tues., 6:30 p.m. Jamie's Restaurant, Lake Fork Marina

## GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES

**EAST TAWAKONI CITY COUNCIL**  
3rd Tues., 7:00 p.m., East Tawakoni City Hall

**EMORY CITY COUNCIL**  
2nd Tues., 7:00 p.m., Emory City Hall

**POINT CITY COUNCIL**  
2nd Tues., 6:45 p.m., Point City Hall

**RAINS COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT**  
3rd Thurs. of every month, Rains Tax Office at 12:00 p.m.

**RAINS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT**  
2nd & 4th Thurs., 10:00 a.m., Rains County Courthouse

**MARS HILL MASONIC LODGE**  
#1440 - 4th Thurs., 6:30 p.m., Lodge on Hwy. 69

**PIECEMAKERS QUILT GUILD OF RAINS COUNTY** - 3rd Mon., 7:00 p.m., AgriLife Extension and Conference Center

**POINT LADIES CIVIC CLUB** - 1st Thurs., 6:30 p.m., Point Community Center, 903-269-8446

**RAINS AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION**

2nd Sat. of each month 9:00 a.m.  
Emory Volunteer Fire Dept.

**RAINS GARDEN CLUB** -

1st Mon., 11:00 a.m., House of Prayer Family Life Center, 1382 FM 515, Email TheRainsGardenClub@gmail.com

**RAINS COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY** - 3rd Mon., 6:00 p.m., Jan., Mar., May, July, Sep., Nov., Emory City Hall.

**RAINS COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD** - 4th Mon., 5:30 p.m., Feb., Apr., June, Aug., Oct., Meadows Cultural Center, Rains County Public Library

**RAINS COUNTY GOOD SAMARITANS** - Food Pantry open 1:00-4:00 p.m. Mon. & Thurs.

**RAINS COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY** - 3rd Sat., 1:00 p.m., Meadows Cultural Center, Rains County Public Library

**RAINS COUNTY REPUBLICANS** - July 31 & Oct. 30, 6:30 p.m., Roma Restaurant, 2450 FM 47

**STITCH AND LEARN QUILTING CLUB** - Thurs., 9:00 a.m.-noon, 903-598-3021

Miracle Faith Baptist Church

**WOMEN'S SERVICE CLUB** -

2nd Mon., 6:00 p.m., Rose Community Center

**WOMEN IN NEED, INC.** -

A Battered Women's Shelter. Call 903-455-4612 or 903-454-HELP

## NEWS BRIEFS

### Good Sam Clothes/Thrift Shop Sales

The Rains County Good Samaritan Clothes Shop will be open Monday-Thursday in the building behind the public library on Hwy. 69 in Emory. Hours for Mon.-Wed. are 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., closed noon-1:00 p.m. Hours for Thursday are 8:00 a.m.-noon. Thrift sales will be open every Saturday in December from 8:00 a.m.-

noon. Funds go to buy food for the needy and to operate the center. Food distribution will be closed Dec. 25 and Jan. 1.

### American Legion Dinner

Rabb Brothers Memorial American Legion Post #156 will not have a dinner during the month of December. The next breakfast will be held on January 10.

### AI in personal finance: The promise and the limits

Imagine this: Your budgeting app flags unusual spending and suggests a transfer.

Later, a robo-advisor rebalances your portfolio. Welcome to the age of artificial intelligence - or AI - in personal finance.

AI tools can track spending, forecast bills and offer advice via text. They can monitor credit scores, suggest budget tweaks and even negotiate lower bills.

Meanwhile, robo-advisors

build and manage portfolios, and educational apps simplify complex financial concepts.

But AI has limits. It can't weigh emotional trade-offs like saving for college versus retiring early, and it can't help partners merge their financial visions.

That's where human advisors shine. They help you stay focused, balance priorities and offer support through life's changes.

As AI evolves, the key is treating it as a tool, not a guide.

The best approach? Use AI for insights and lean on human wisdom for guidance. Stay curious about what tech can do — and clear about your financial priorities, which only you can define.

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## POINT

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The mayor and remaining council members assured those in attendance that the city would continue normal operations. They said that the city office will continue to operate and that citizens' needs will be met.

A question was asked about the city secretary position. Thompson stated

that the position was vacant and that the position was an appointed position, and therefore would remain vacant until a quorum of council members fills the position.

Thompson said that the

earliest date for holding the special election would be early May, 2026.

## ESD

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Response time on life threatening emergencies in Emory was, on average, 7 minutes and 6 seconds, while the response time to calls in the county was 13 minutes and 10 seconds on average.

Of the 109 transported to a medical facility by EMS, 68 went to Sulphur Springs, 30 to Greenville, eight to Quitman and three to other hospitals or air transport.

The most common calls were for a sick person, falls, chest pains, motor vehicle accidents and breathing problems.

Emory VFD responded to 103 calls during the month of November. The department responded to 75 medical assists, nine fires, seven motor vehicle accidents, six

service calls, four good intent calls and two false alarm calls.

The Point VFD went on 22 medical assists calls, seven fires, three service calls, two motor vehicle accidents and two false alarm calls for a total of 36 requests for service.

In the month of November, the East Tawakoni VFD was dispatched on 22 calls including 11 medical assists, seven fires, two lift assists, a motor vehicle accident and a public assist.

The next regular meeting of the Rains County ESD Board is scheduled for Monday, January 19, at 6:30 p.m. at the Emory VFD Fire Station.

For more information, call 903-473-7231.

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## CITY GIRL

## Advent is still a season of joy.

By Linda Brendle

This is another rerun from December of 2015:

The third candle of the Advent Wreath is called the Candle of Joy. Much of the joy of the Christmas season is connected with children. There is nothing quite so joyful as the eyes of a child who has just caught a glimpse of the gifts under the tree on Christmas morning – nothing, that is, except the eyes of a parent or grandparent who is sharing Christmas with his or her child or grandchild for the first time. The joy of Christmas is multiplied many times when children come into the home.

Christian was a little over two months old when we took him to his first Christmas Eve service. He had no idea what was happening, but he was delighted with the twinkling lights and the flickering candles. He laughed and cooed when the choir began to sing, and his joy was contagious. A familiar experience seemed fresh and new when I looked at it through his eyes. Unfortunately, his father had to take him to the foyer where his enjoyment wouldn't disturb the other worshippers.

Three decades later, I experienced the joy of sharing a singing Christmas tree performance with my grandson. Mattias was only a few

weeks old, and he slept in my arms for the entire program. Although he wasn't awake, he responded nonetheless.

During the readings and dialogue, he became restless and whimpered in his sleep, but as soon as the music began again, he settled back into a peaceful and what I imagined was a joyful sleep.

Now Christian and his family live 1,500 miles away, and we don't have the joy of spending Christmas with them very often. Still, I share the excitement of friends who are preparing to spend the holiday with their grandchildren, and I share the joy of children at church as they learn the real reason for the joy of Christmas.

Wednesday night is caroling night at AWANA, the children's Bible study program we host at Believers' Baptist Church. One of the carols the children love best is "Joy to the World." I'm not sure they realize that the words of this song come from an announcement an angel made to a group of shepherds two thousand years ago. It was a message about a child who brought joy to us all.

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Ten years later, we no longer have AWANA at BBC – instead we have a similar program called Ignite. And since our old school bus that lost its "S" and "H" and became the "COOL" bus has gone the way of all vehicles that have outlived their usefulness, we no longer take our children caroling. However, they still learn songs and Bible verses in Sunday School and KIDZ Church. This past Sunday morning,

Linda Brendle writes a weekly column for Believers' Baptist Church. She is a published author and also writes about caregiving, faith, and family on her blog at <http://www.LifeAfterCaregiving.WordPress.com>. You can e-mail her at [LindaBrendle@yahoo.com](mailto:LindaBrendle@yahoo.com).

## SPOTLIGHT

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(ECIC) and a member of the Rains Education Foundation. The ECIC advises the Superintendent on educational goals and major instructional programs. Bangs says that the Rains Education Foundation raises funds and holds other events to help support teachers to keep their morale high. Some of the appreciated benefits that teachers can apply for with Foundation funds are classroom grants.

"I am amazed at the amount of money and sup-

port from the community and businesses for our Foundation bingo game every year," said Bangs.

Bangs is also an officer on the Rains County Angel Tree Board, and she and her family are members of the Point Church of Christ. She takes time to travel to New York City when possible. She said that her mom took her, as well as her two daughters and her aunt, to New York when her oldest daughter graduated from high school.

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## THIS WEEK IN TEXAS HISTORY

**"Gray Eagle" faced baseball ban**

by Bartee Haile

Judge Kenesaw Mountain Landis announced on Dec. 21, 1926 that Ty Cobb and Tris Speaker stood accused of betting on a fixed baseball game.

With the lifetime banishment of the "Black Sox" by the stern commissioner still fresh in their minds, fans wondered whether the Georgia Peach and the pride of Hubbard, Texas would ever play or manage again.

The shocking revelation shed light on the biggest mystery in sports. Following the 1926 season, Cobb and Speaker had resigned without a word of explanation as player-managers of the Detroit Tigers and Cleveland Indians.

The irony of the strange situation was that Speaker, in spite of his extraordinary talent, had always been overshadowed by the incomparable Cobb. It took a scandal to put the two stars on the same footing, a dubious distinction the Texan could have done without.

Born and raised at Hubbard south of Dallas, Tris Speaker was one of eight children. Overcoming the objections of his widowed mother, he enrolled at Polytechnic Institute, known today as Texas Wesleyan University. But baseball not books was his top priority, and in 1906 the 18 year old signed with Cleburne in the North Texas League.

A converted southpaw because of a boyhood injury to his right arm, Tris Speaker believed a fast ball was his ticket to the big leagues. Six disastrous mound appearances, capped by a 22-4 pounding, soon changed his mind. When the Cleburne club moved to Houston the next year, Speaker gladly gave up pitching for center field.

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# Sheriff's Report

The Rains County Sheriff's Office took the following reports of activity during the week of December 8-14:

## Arrests

12-10: Britny Delane Cleveland. Driving while intoxicated, \$7,500 bond.

12-12:

M i c k e y  
Dean Gray.  
Possession of  
a controlled  
substance  
PG 1/1-B  
greater than  
or equal to 1  
gr. less than  
4 gr., no  
bond listed.

12-12: Jerry Wallace Jackson. Traffic offense Class C, \$100 bond.

## Calls

12-8: FM 515 Extra patrol; FM 47 Extra patrol; N FM 2946 Extra patrol; CR 3232 Extra patrol; CR 1275 Public service; Littlefield Dr. Welfare concern; Planters St. Funeral escort; S Texas St. Public service; CR 1495 Controlled burn; PR 7423 Medical assist - EMS transporting; E Lennon Dr. Medical assist; Sheriff's Office (SO) lobby Investigation; Hwy. 69W Business alarm; CR 3317 Problems with a juvenile; CR 4510 Damaged property; FM 275 Reckless driving; CR 1402 Disturbance; CR 1140 Medical assist - EMS transporting; SO lobby Meet complainant; CR 3030 Child custody; CR 1140 Disorderly conduct.

12-9: E Lennon Dr. Business alarm; Brazil Bay Public assist; S Hwy. 69 Extra patrol; W Lennon Dr. Extra patrol; FM 515 Extra patrol; E Lennon Dr. Extra patrol; CR 4510 Extra patrol; Quitman St. Extra patrol; W Tawakoni Dr. Extra patrol; E

Quitman St. Business alarm; CR 4525 Medical assist - EMS transporting; FM 275 Accident; Wood St. Harassment; US Hwy. 69 Suspicious activity; Hwy. 276 Abandoned vehicle; FM 2737 Vehicle in roadway; CR 1532 Theft; Honey-suckle Ln. Accident; W Hwy. 69 Problems with a juvenile; E Lennon Dr. Meet complainant; Hwy. 276 Abandoned vehicle; CR 1495 Medical assist - EMS transporting; S Hwy. 19 Medical assist; Skyline Dr. Criminal trespass; E Lennon Dr. Theft; Doris Briggs Pkwy. Theft; CR 4250 Animal at large; Laresa St. Suspicious person; Hwy. 276 Animal welfare concern; FM 47 Medical assist - EMS transporting; CR 1140 Disorderly conduct; Puckett Pass Assault; CR 1470 Disturbance; CR 1490 Medical assist; Skyline Dr. Medical assist - EMS transporting; CR 2110 Trespassing.

12-10: Hwy. 19S Agency assist; W Lennon Dr. Extra patrol; FM 515 Extra patrol; Hwy. 69S Extra patrol; N FM 2946 Extra patrol; Quitman St. Extra patrol; CR 4510 Extra patrol; E Lennon Dr. Extra patrol; W Tawakoni Dr. Extra patrol; N Locust St. Public assist; CR 1402 Welfare concern; Oaks Crossing Gas leak; CR 1640 Disturbance; Hwy. 19S Residence alarm; SO call Harassment; CR 2130 Medical assist - EMS transporting; FM 47 Livestock on roadway; FM 2081 Welfare concern; SO lobby Meet complainant; N 1st Suspicious person; W Hwy. 69 Welfare concern; N First St. Criminal trespass; N Sheila Ln. Agency assist; Hwy. 69 Suspicious person; Industrial Blvd. Suspicious vehicle; S First St. Suspicious person;

CR 2370 Suspicious person; FM 47 Livestock on roadway - unable to locate; Ave C Controlled burn; CR 3360 Suspicious vehicle; FM 515 Livestock on roadway; Hwy. 69 Accident; Hwy. 19N Medical assist - EMS transporting; Hwy. 276 Accident; PR 5501 Public service; Hwy. 276 Brush fire - fire extinguished; FM 515 Accident; FM 513 Suspicious activity - unable to locate.

12-11: Hwy. 19S Suspicious person; CR 1535 Harassment; FM 515 Reckless driving - unable to locate; Hwy. 276 Abandoned vehicle; Hwy. 69W Investigation; FM 47 Livestock on roadway; Hwy. 19S Debris in roadway - made secure; SO lobby Meet complainant; CR 3250 Paper service; Ave. B Livestock on roadway - unable to locate; W Lennon Dr. Investigation; 4th St. Welfare concern; FM 2795 Livestock on roadway - made secure; FM 515 Suspicious person unable to locate; CR 3410 Paper service; FM 779S Brush fire - fire extinguished; CR 1610 Medical assist - EMS transporting; CR 2430 Brush fire; S Texas St. Welfare concern; CR 1535 Harassment; CR 1402 Public service; W Lennon Dr. Civil matter; W Lennon Dr. Reckless driving - unable to locate; SO lobby Meet complainant; CR 3335 Medical assist - EMS transporting; CR 3317 Problems with a juvenile; E Lennon Dr. Suspicious vehicle.

12-12: N FM 2946 Extra patrol; FM 513 Agency assist - fire extinguished; Romine Rd. Suspicious activity; CR 4325 Medical assist; Skyline Dr. Burglary; Geronimo Ln. Agency assist; S First St. City ordinance violation; Hwy. 276 Abandoned vehicle; CR 3330 Public service; FM 515

Public service; Lennon Dr. Disturbance; W Lennon Dr. Civil matter; Skyline Dr. Meet complainant; CR 1412 Abandoned vehicle; CR 3325 Criminal trespass; CR 3150 Medical assist - EMS transporting; FM 515 Business alarm; W North St. Warrant service; Oak Leaf Trail Meet complainant; 2nd St. Meet complainant; W North St. Meet complainant; N Planters St. Business alarm; CR 2180 Warrant service; Wood St. Warrant service; Hwy. 19N Domestic disturbance; Hwy. 19 Reckless driving; CR 3410 Abandoned vehicle; Hwy. 69 Accident; CR 3030 Medical assist - EMS transporting; Hwy. 275 Animal at large; E Lennon Dr. Business alarm; CR 3411 Medical assist - EMS transporting.

12-13: E Lennon Dr. Business alarm; FM 515 Extra patrol; CR 3350 Suspicious vehicle; S Hwy. 69 Extra patrol; E Lennon Dr. Extra patrol; Quitman St. Extra patrol; W Tawakoni Dr. Extra patrol; W Lennon Dr. Extra patrol; Hwy. 275 Debris in roadway; Hwy. 276 Assist motorist; CR 1495 Controlled burn; FM 2737 Livestock on roadway - made secure; PR 7370 Harassment; E Hwy. 69 Medical assist; Puckett Pass Medical assist; W Hwy. 69 Warrant service; PR 7702 Medical assist; FM 275 Reckless driving; CR 3317 Public service; FM 47 Vehicle in roadway; FM 514 Livestock

on roadway - made secure; Skyline Dr. Criminal trespass warning; Meadowview Ln. Medical assist; CR 1315 Animal welfare concern; E Hwy. 69 Livestock on roadway; FM 515 Reckless driving; FM 513 Trespassing - unable to locate.

12-14: Hwy. 69 Animal welfare concern; FM 513 Trespassing; CR 1320 Medical assist; S Hwy. 69 Extra patrol; FM 515 Extra patrol; E Lennon Dr. Extra patrol; W Tawakoni Dr. Extra patrol; Quitman Extra patrol; W Lennon Dr. Extra patrol; W North St. Meet complainant; CR 4330 Fire alarm; E Lennon Dr. Criminal trespass; E Lennon Dr. Public service; CR 1402 Domestic disturbance; E Hwy. 69 Livestock on roadway; CR 1250 Public service; E Lennon Dr. Public service; FM 275 Reckless driving; SO lobby Meet complainant; CR 4261 Aggressive animal; Hwy. 69W Problems with a juvenile; N Texas St. Extra patrol.

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## Believer's Baptist Church

By Linda Brendle

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

John 1:1

This week's service began with special Christmas music. Duffey Henderson and Tiny Jones sang "O Holy Night," and the children sang "Who Would Have Dreamed." The Youth Worship Team, consisting of Whitney Haygood, Zeb Lotzgessell, and Micah Haygood, sang "O Come all Ye Faithful," and Duffey Henderson sang "The First Noel" accompanied by Cole Middleton on sax and Linda Brendle on keyboard.

Pastor Rolen's Advent sermon from the Gospel of John was titled "Word of the

Father, Now in Flesh Appearing." Familiarity with Christmas can result in a loss of appreciation for it, so what we understand about God the Son is vital. Let's marvel again at the reality of the baby in the manger.

January Schedule:

- Regular Wednesday Night Schedule, including Adult Bible Study, resumes January 7
- The Church Praying – January 11
- Bible-n-Biscuits resumes January 13
- Student Ministry Winter Retreat – January 17-19
- Members' Meeting – January 25
- Wednesday Morning Women's Bible Study resumes January 28.

## Emory Methodist Church

By Mary White

For unto us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders, and he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

Isaiah 9:6

Last Sunday was the third Sunday of Advent and Rev. David Banks continued his series "God keeps His Word: The presence of Peace" with scripture text taken from Isaiah. The story never becomes old, just imagine that light touching your life. Imagine the light bringing light into this very dark world that we live in. The light brings

us PEACE.

The Methodist Women's Christmas party was a great success as we had a fun-filled evening with food and fellowship. Games were played and, of course, Bingo is always the most popular.

We will have our Christmas Eve Service on Wednesday, December 24, at 6:00 p.m. and everyone is welcome.

Birthday wishes go to J. C. White, Rev. Banks and Jessica Calhoun.

Pray for Victor Slatter, the Deek Family, and Scarlet Vance.

Have a wonderful peace filled week and be kind.

## Birth of Jesus Foretold

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. And the virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, "Greetings, O favored one, the Lord is with you!" But she was greatly troubled at the saying, and tried to discern what sort of greeting this might be. And the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. And the Lord God will give to him the throne of his father David, and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end."

Luke 1:26-33

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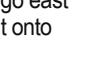
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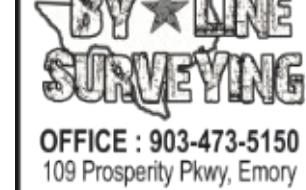
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### TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



#### NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION AND INTENT TO OBTAIN WATER QUALITY PERMIT RENEWAL

PERMIT NO. WQ0011428001

**APPLICATION.** City of East Tawakoni, 288 Briggs Boulevard, East Tawakoni, Texas 75472, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) to renew Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (TPDES) Permit No. WQ0011428001 (EPA I.D. No. TX0101303) to authorize the discharge of treated wastewater at a volume not to exceed a daily average flow of 130,000 gallons per day. The domestic wastewater treatment facility is located approximately 1.0 mile east of the intersection of Farm-to-Market Road 513 and State Highway 276, in Rains County, Texas 75472. The discharge route is from the plant site directly to Lake Tawakoni. TCEQ received this application on November 10, 2025. The permit application will be available for viewing and copying at East Tawakoni City Hall, 288 Briggs Boulevard, East Tawakoni, in Rains County, Texas prior to the date this notice is published in the newspaper. The application and associated notices are available electronically at the following webpage: <https://www.tceq.texas.gov/permitting/wastewater/pending-permits/tpdes-applications>. This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and not part of the application or notice. For the exact location, refer to the application. <https://gisweb.tceq.texas.gov/LocationMapper/?marker=-95.946666,32.903055&level=18>

**ADDITIONAL NOTICE.** TCEQ's Executive Director has determined the application is administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the application. After technical review of the application is complete, the Executive Director may prepare a draft permit and will issue a preliminary decision on the application. **Notice of the Application and Preliminary Decision will be published and mailed to those who are on the county-wide mailing list and to those who are on the mailing list for this application. That notice will contain the deadline for submitting public comments.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT / PUBLIC MEETING.** You may submit public comments or request a public meeting on this application. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or to ask questions about the application. TCEQ will hold a public meeting if the Executive Director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

**OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING.** After the deadline for submitting public comments, the Executive Director will consider all timely comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. Unless the application is directly referred for a contested case hearing, the response to comments, and the Executive Director's decision on the application, will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments and to those persons who are on the mailing list for this application. If comments are received, the mailing will also provide instructions for requesting reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision and for requesting a contested case hearing. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in state district court.

**TO REQUEST A CONTESTED CASE HEARING, YOU MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN YOUR REQUEST:** your name, address, phone number; applicant's name and proposed permit number; the location and distance of your property/activities relative to the proposed facility; a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the facility in a way not common to the general public; a list of all disputed issues of fact that you submit during the comment period and, the statement "[I/we] request a contested case hearing." If the request for contested case hearing is filed on behalf of a group or association, the request must designate the group's representative for receiving future correspondence; identify by name and physical address an individual member of the group who would be adversely affected by the proposed facility or activity; provide the information discussed above regarding the affected member's location and distance from the facility or activity; explain how and why the member would be affected; and explain how the interests the group seeks to protect are relevant to the group's purpose.

Following the close of all applicable comment and request periods, the Executive Director will forward the application and any requests for reconsideration or for a contested case hearing to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

The Commission may only grant a request for a contested case hearing on issues the requestor submitted in their timely comments that were not subsequently withdrawn. If a hearing is granted, the subject of a hearing will be limited to disputed issues of fact or mixed questions of fact and law relating to relevant and material water quality concerns submitted during the comment period.

TCEQ may act on an application to renew a permit for discharge of wastewater without providing an opportunity for a contested case hearing if certain criteria are met

**MAILING LIST.** If you submit public comments, a request for a contested case hearing or a reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision, you will be added to the mailing list for this specific application to receive future public notices mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk. In addition, you may request to be placed on: (1) the permanent mailing list for a specific applicant name and permit number; and/or (2) the mailing list for a specific county. If you wish to be placed on the permanent and/or the county mailing list, clearly specify which list(s) and send your request to TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

**INFORMATION AVAILABLE ONLINE.** For details about the status of the application, visit the Commissioners' Integrated Database at [www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/cid](http://www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/cid). Search the database using the permit number for this application, which is provided at the top of this notice.

**AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION.** All public comments and requests must be submitted either electronically at <https://www.tceq.texas.gov/epic/eComment/>, or in writing to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. Please be aware that any contact information you provide, including your name, phone number, email address and physical address will become part of the agency's public record. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the TCEQ Public Education Program, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040 or visit their website at [www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/pep](http://www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/pep). Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040.

Further information may also be obtained from City of East Tawakoni at the address stated above or by calling Mr. Harold Chandler, Mayor, at 903-447-2444.

Issuance Date: December 9, 2025

# Sports

## RAINS LADY CAT & WILDCAT BASKETBALL

### Ladies win district opener, Wildcats look to end streak



Leader photo by CHUCK FITTS

Lady Cat Kamara Ragsdale (14) puts up the long jumper in Talkington Gym this season.

By CHUCK FITTS

Rains County Leader staff

The Rains Lady Cats opened District 12-3A with victory, while the Rains Wildcats search for a way out of slump.

The Wildcats competed at a weekend tournament in Era and lost all three games.

On Thursday, December 11, the varsity boys fell to the Boyd Yellowjackets, 69-43. They suffered a 54-31 loss to the Callisburg Wildcats on day two.

The Wildcats wrapped up the tournament on Saturday, December 13, with a 77-35 loss to the Red River Rattlers.

The Lady Cats wrapped up non-district play in Quitman by beating the Lady Bulldogs, 48-32.

On Tuesday, December 16, the high school basketball teams were on the road with the girls in Paris and the boys in Edgewood.

The Lady Cats opened district play with a 64-22 victory over the Chisum

Lady Mustangs.

In Edgewood, the boys suffered a loss to the Bulldogs, 68-36.

The Rains Lady Cats are 1-0 in District 12-3A and 16-2 for the season, while the Rains Wildcats slide to 5-4.

The Lady Cats will host the Lone Oak Lady Buffaloes in District 12-3A play on Friday, December 19.

Following the girls game, the Wildcats will take on the Wolfe City Wolves in a non-district game.

LUKE CLAYTON

### Comical occurrences in the outdoors

As an outdoors writer for the past forty years and a lifelong outdoors person, I have more than my share of downright comical things

that occurred while spending time hunting, fishing and kicking around the outdoors. I'm betting if you have spent much time on the water or in the field, you too could fill a small book expounding upon your experiences. Looking back, sometimes WAY back, here are a few of mishaps that have occurred that come to mind.

Many years ago I was invited by to hunt desert mule deer on Clayton William's West Pyle Ranch out in the Trans Pecos region of Texas. I asked Paul Henderson, the wildlife manager on the ranch, if I could bring my muzzleloader. I could tell he was a bit hesitant but agreed-providing I could prove how well it shot at the range before the hunt.

West Texas cowboys served as guides on the West Pyle and they were all intrigued with my "old west" looking TC SCOUT 50 caliber. They were also impressed at the groups the rifle was shooting at 100 yards.

Just before it was time to go hunting, I was circled by six or so of the guides, all intent upon learning how to load and cap the muzzleloader. The wind was blowing a gale and I made the mistake of looking away from the task of pouring powder into the rifle's bore for an instance. A few hours later, I was putting the sneak on a tremendous 10 pointer that was with a herd of 12 or so does; the rut was

going strong. Walt was watching me with binoculars as I stalked from rock to rock.

When about 100 yards from the buck, I eased behind a big rock, scooted the Scout over the top of the rock, cocked the hammer and settled the sights on the buck's shoulder. BANG! I (and Walt, through binoculars) watched the big 350 grain conical bullet kick up dust way short of the buck. I realized I had just fired a very light powder charge (remember the wind was blowing hard when I loaded and I made the mistake of looking away from the task at hand).

I slumped behind the rock, reloaded as quickly as my shaking hands could work, placed the #11 primer on the nipple eased back over the rock and to my amazement, the buck had only moved about 20 yards; he was still within range. With a full charge of 90 grains of Pyrodex pushing it, the big conical bullet found its mark and I had my buck on the ground. Back at the truck Walt said something like, "You don't reckon the wind blew the powder away before you could get it down the bore, do you?"

I replied, "I reckon it did!"

Way before I became a veteran outdoors writer, I was a fisherman; a fisherman that owned some of the most "clunkiest" old boats and motors one could imagine. Back in the early eighties, I remember buying an old Lone Star Commander 14 foot V nose aluminum boat that had seen years and years of use and abuse before I became its proud owner. I had an 18 HP Evinrude mounted on the boat's transom, vintage 1958.

The old motor ran pretty well, most of the time but I simply could not get the boat's battered hull to stop leaking. I dabbed everything from roofing tar to glue on the rivets and just when I thought I had the leaks stopped, a new one, or several would pop up! A good friend, the late Loren Flynn who was my bass tournament partner, presented me with two empty coffee cans, a one pound can and a two pound can.

It's important to note that Loren owned a state-of-the-art (of the day) bass boat with all the bells and whistles available at the time. He enjoyed kidding me about the "Sea Dog."

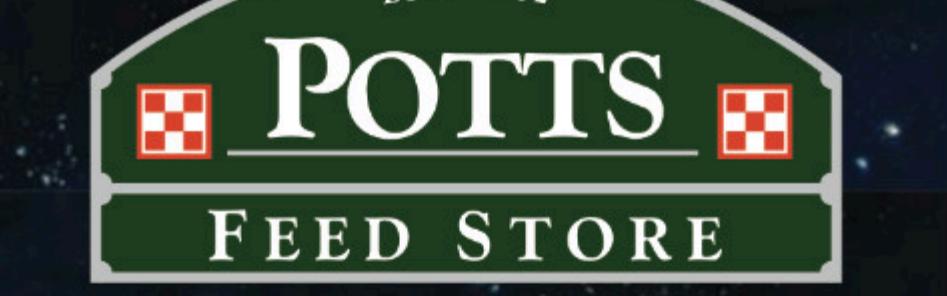
"Here you go, Luke," Loren chided me. "I want you to keep these in the 'Sea Dog.' The small one is your 12 volt bilge pump, the larger will serve duty your 24 volt. Use the smaller can for days when the boat is only leaking slightly. When things get really bad, go for the 24 volts!"

We had many laughs over Loren's bilge pumps through the years!

Contact outdoors writer Luke Clayton through his website [www.catfishradio.org](http://www.catfishradio.org). Catch Luke's weekly podcast "Catfish Radio with Luke Clayton and Friends" just about everywhere podcasts are found.

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# Merry Christmas

## LETTERS TO SANTA

Rains Elementary Pre-K	I want a dinosaur. Lucas B.	Ever E. hunting bow.	Dear Santa. I want a Mermaid horse with curly hair. Riley C.	Dear Santa. I want a microphone. Torvie R.
Bridges	Dear Santa, I want a mermaid doll. Luna P.	Dear Santa, May I please have a train. Jackelyn S.	Dear Santa, May I please have a robot dinosaur. Rylan D.	Dear Santa, I want a school bus. Garland D.
Dear Santa, I want an owl toy. Aislynn G.	Dear Santa, I want a Gabby doll house. Melany P.	Dear Santa, May I please have a skateboard. Jeremy C.	Dear Santa, May I please have a baby doll. Sarah F.	Lynn Dear Santa, A spider man toy. Alex T.
Dear Santa, I want a barbie. April R.	Dear Santa, I want baby doll, baby bottle, baby wipes, and diapers. Axl C.	Dear Santa, May I please have a dark vador toy. Kamden W.	Dear Santa, May I please have a robot unicorn. Scarlett A.	Dear Santa, I want a teddy and bracelets. Allyson C.
Dear Santa, I want a big Bluey house. Tinlee W.	Dear Santa, I want a remote control car. Everly Mc.	Dear Santa, May I please have a unicorn. Koralea L.	Dear Santa, May I please have a toy dog. Kenzley O.	Dear Santa, I want a happy napper. Kane R.
Dear Santa, I want a barbie. Gianna S.	Clark Dear Santa, May I please have a toy dog. Bentley J.	Dear Santa, May I please have a barbie. Leah V.	Glover Dear Santa, I want a new bike. A'Lisa K.	Dear Santa, I want a baby. Kooper K.
Dear Santa, I want a race track. Jep M.	Dear Santa, May I please have a doll. Julian G.	Dear Santa, May I please have a power ranger toy. Camilla F.	Dear Santa, I want Transformers. Deacon L.	Dear Santa, I want a gun. Korbyn D.
Dear Santa, I want a toy school bus. Leela P.	Dear Santa, May I please have a baby doll. Emilia C.	Dear Santa, May I please have a squishmallow. Novaleigh S.	Dear Santa, I want a unicorn toy. Evalynn B.	Dear Santa, I want a happy napper. Piper M.
Dear Santa, I want a barbie. Landrey B.	Dear Santa, May I please have a baby doll. Leela P.	Dear Santa, May I please have a spider man toy. Parker J.	Dear Santa, I want a wrench, silver car, and \$5. Giovanni M.	Dear Santa, I want a gold Lamborghini. Sebastian C.
Dear Santa, I want a unicorn toy. Leela P.	Dear Santa, May I please have a baby doll. Leela P.	Dear Santa, May I please have a	Dear Santa, I want a Barbie. Heidi B.	Dear Santa, I want a bike. Titus E.



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Dear Santa, Balloons and video games.	Jameson M.	Dear Santa, I want a play station 5.	Lawson B	Dear Santa, I want a skateboard.	Jameson F	Dear Santa, I want an Iron Hulk action figure.	Alejandra M	Dear Santa, I would like a scooter and a set of walkie talkies.	Stoney S	
Dear Santa, Paw Patrol house and Paw Patrol actors.	Jasper J.	Dear Santa, I want a play station 5.	Liam B	Dear Santa, I want a jumping cat.	Linleigh H	Dear Santa, I want a tree house.	Nolan P	Dear Santa, Orby gun and Orby scope.	River R	
Dear Santa, A makeup set, two backpacks, and a blanket.	Kaisley P.	Dear Santa, I want a four wheeler.	Weston B	Dear Santa, I want a Lego robot.	Colt H	Dear Santa, I want fuzzy costume with a fuzzy hat.	Riley P	Dear Santa, I would like Elsa things.	Trigg B	
Dear Santa, A red car.	Kei'Landan A.	Dear Santa, I want a LOL doll house.	Laci C	Dear Santa, I want a stuffy.	Lexie J	Dear Santa, I want a trampoline.	Kaitlynn L	Dear Santa, I would like kids makeup.	McAllister	
Dear Santa, I want a duck boat to hunt ducks and sit down in the floor, and I want trucks and trailers and tractors and boats, and a fishing thing (a net to catch fish).	Leon H.	Dear Santa, I want some bubbles.	Carter C	Dear Santa, I want a babydoll.	Everly P	Dear Santa, I want a fish.	Kelly R	Dear Santa, I want a cute stuffy.	Terra S	
Dear Santa, I want a Barbie house.	Rose K.	Dear Santa, I want a water gun.	Ana D	Dear Santa, I want a tablet.	Khaiza P	Dear Santa, I want a labubu.	Mateo S	Dear Santa, I want a robot.	Liam B	
Dear Santa, A stuffy toy, a princess doll, and a pink ball.	Laikyn K	Dear Santa, I want two new Sonic games.	Maxwell P	Dear Santa, I want an Iron Hulk action figure.	A'Marii S	Dear Santa, I want a pet shark.	Kayden W	Dear Santa, I want a Barbie with a house and a car.	Olive B	
Dear Santa, Bubbles and an elf.	Sarah M.	Dear Santa, I want a Golf cart.	Ryder K	Dear Santa, I want go carts and magnets.	Holden R	Dear Santa, I want barbie food for my barbie dolls.	Madison W	Dear Santa, I want a pair of skates.	Carleigh F	
Za'Kadeen M.	Burns	Dear Santa, I want hot wheels (baby cars).	Lucas M	Dear Santa, I want a new game for my Switch.	Ryker R	Dear Santa, I would like a metal detector.	Caleb B	Dear Santa, I want a transformer.	Krovin G	
Dear Santa, I want a glow in the dark monster truck.	Axon C.	Dear Santa, I want a skate board.	Isabella M	Dear Santa, I want a Cinderella doll.	Willow S	Dear Santa, I would like a snow sled and a flower swing.	Violet C	Dear Santa, I want a big doll.	Peyton G	
Dear Santa, I want Duplos.	Gabriel K.	Dear Santa, I want star wars legos.	William S	Dear Santa, I want a Barbie Dreamhouse.	Emma S	Dear Santa, I would like a Barbie house and a Coco Melon baby.	Lylah C	Dear Santa, I want a new Pete the Cat book.	Brooklynn G	
Dear Santa, I want a light up toy.	Jossiah L.	Dear Santa, I want some dolls with a dream house.	Jessie S	Dear Santa, I want a monster truck.	Axel T	Dear Santa, I would like toys.	Sterling E	Dear Santa, I want a whoopie cushion.	Elliot J	
Dear Santa, I want baby dolls.	Ellie E.	Dear Santa, I want some make up.	Lainey W	Dear Santa, I want a new water bottle.	Kysen B	Dear Santa, I would like a racecar track.	Caleb G	Dear Santa, I want a dog and an iphone.	Sophia J	
Dear Santa, I want stick fidgets.	Michael H.	Dear Santa, I want a slime maker.	Logan W	Dear Santa, I want a christmas tree.	Jose C	Dear Santa, I would like a robot with a remote.	Jensen H	Dear Santa, I want makeup.	Blakely M	
Kindergarten	Brown	Clifton	Dear Santa, I want a new Barbie house.	Carter C	Dear Santa, I want an icecream machine.	Eli F	Dear Santa, I would like a tree house.	Rylee L	Dear Santa, I want a bunch of stuff. I have a Santa list. One thing is a new bike.	Montana P
Dear Santa, I want a teddy bear.	Aysel A	Dear Santa, I want Army men.	Luke D	Dear Santa, I want a labubu.	Karter H	Dear Santa, I would like Hot Wheels.	Owen M	Dear Santa, I want a WWE Wrestler, the Undertaker and a toy farm set.	Casen S	
Dear Santa, I want a doll house.	Saray A	Dear Santa, I want a headband.	Hailey D	Dear Santa, I want a swimming pool.	Jordon J	Dear Santa, I would like a big gorilla.	Walker M	Dear Santa, I am asking for a skateboard and a green toy helicopter.	Braxton S	
Dear Santa, I want a skate board.	Adalynn A	Dear Santa,		Dear Santa, I want a roblox gift card.	Evan L	Dear Santa, I would like a Gabbie house.	Charley P	Dear Santa, I want a toy motorcycle that I can drive.	Nash W	
Dear Santa,				Dear Santa, I want a labubu.				Dear Santa, I want a pink camera.	Chandler W	



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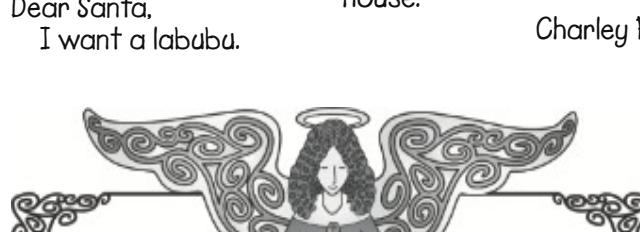
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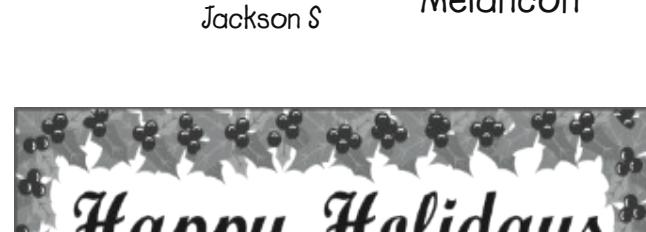
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Dear Santa, I want a Nintendo switch 2 and a Hot Wheels Obstacle course. Nikko B	Dear Santa, I want a barbie house and makeup. Aurora A.	Dear Santa, I want Stars Wars number blocks. Hayden Y.	Dear Santa, 3D dinosauar eggs. Layne G.	Dear Santa, Bike that you put gas in. Kase D.	Matias C.
Dear Santa, I want a PS5, a trampoline, a scooter, and a toy roller coaster. Oliver C	Dear Santa, I want a spinasauers mask and a spinasauers toy. Charley C.	Dear Santa, outside play house. Heather F.	Dear Santa, Baby doll. Kalisi H.	Dear Santa, Sparkley Mermaid with a wand. Olivia T.	Myles Y.
Dear Santa, I want a Spiderman Costume, water gun, and Walkie Talkie. Samuel G	Dear Santa, I want a nerf gun. Dakota W.	Dear Santa, Elf on the Shelf. Jeremie L.	Dear Santa, Baby doll. Jenna K.	Dear Santa, Hat Make. Pearsyn P.	Rabb
Dear Santa, I really want a Nintendo, a phone, and a computer. Jackson J	Dear Santa, I want a nerf gun. Ivory K.	Dear Santa, Drone with an airplane. Joaquin D.	Dear Santa, Legos. Mateo R-C.	Dear Santa, stuffed wolf. Selah H.	Dear Santa, Mini Brands: tiny items. Brenda P.
Dear Santa, I want a baby doll, a painting kit, and Polly Pocket. Hazel M	Dear Santa, I want a nerf gun and a lot of chocolate. Jesus C.	Dear Santa, Hoverboard. Lakelyn D.	Dear Santa, Science experiment kit. Christopher S.	Dear Santa, Groots Mansion. Slade S.	Dear Santa, Motor Bike, Iphone 14. Cason P.
Dear Santa, I want make-up, shark, and a Barbie. Anahi M	Dear Santa, I want marbles and books. Juan C.	Dear Santa, remote control car. Mason Mc.	Dear Santa, Slime Kit. Magnolia W.	Dear Santa, Barbie House. Anastasia B.	Dear Santa, Shine Sonic. Cylus O.
Dear Santa, I want toy Trains. Dimitri M	Dear Santa, I want books. Nevaeh J.	Dear Santa, gabby dollhouse. Reva G.	Dear Santa, Games. Woodrow W.	Dear Santa, Dirt Bike. Beau G.	Dear Santa, moving puppy. Eleanor W.
Dear Santa, I want a you dinosaur and plushie deer family. Nolan M	Dear Santa, I want Minecraft stuff. Noah H.	Dear Santa, a big remote control monster truck. Rhett C.	Dear Santa, Scooter. Alesandro G.	Dear Santa, Stem Building Blocks. Cohen P.	Dear Santa, Calendar, Mathwork books, reading books and skincare items. Brynnli M.
Dear Santa, I want a Minecraft Lunch box, new water bottle, and Minecraft Legos. Colt N	Dear Santa, I want Minecraft stuff. Nolan H.	Dear Santa, Makeup. Rylie H.	Dear Santa, A purple bike with training wheels. Amethyst F.	Dear Santa, Dirt Bike. Anthony M.	Dear Santa, remote control car. Freddy N.
Dear Santa, I want a lunch box, a trampoline, and a make- up Set. Lillian N	Dear Santa, I want puzzles (state/ world map/planets). Reese S.	Dear Santa, Baby Sonic. Sawyer C.	Dear Santa, Robucks. Zane C.	Dear Santa, Dirt Bike. Christian F.	Dear Santa, Basketball hoop. George B.
Dear Santa, I want make-up, a trampoline, and a scooter. Milah O	Dear Santa, I want mini brands. Paisley H.	Dear Santa, Dinosaurs. Wesson J.	Dear Santa, electric scooter. Cohen C.	Dear Santa, Legos. Cohen C.	Dear Santa, Motorbike. Jeremiah D.
Dear Santa, I want a dragon egg, a timer, and blocks. Haven O	Dear Santa, I want a remote control monster truck. Raymond B.	Dear Santa, ps5. Taydem B.	Dear Santa, red baby elf. Dacey D.	Dear Santa, Cat. Dace D.	Dear Santa, Spiderman web shooter. Doyal C.
Dear Santa, I want a big trampoline, a scooter, and a bracelet. Scarlett R	Dear Santa, I want bayblades and a carry case. Reese S.	Dear Santa, Toy Rocket. Josie B.	Dear Santa, bracelet maker. Dakota C.	Dear Santa, Power rangers. Jax M.	Dear Santa, The deer from 99 knights in the forrest. Waylon F.
Dear Santa, I want blocks, a four wheeler, and magnet Tiles. Maddox S	Dear Santa, I want mini brands and roller blades. Summerlyn H.	Dear Santa, Skateboard. Rayleian C.	Dear Santa, Crazy cart shuffle by razor. Lorenzo D.	Dear Santa, PS5 Games. Darby D.	Dear Santa, Soccerball. Jax M.
First Grade Beck	Dear Santa, I want dolls. Remington M.	Dear Santa, Toy Tower. Parker C.	Dear Santa, Soccer Ball. Ethan K.	Dear Santa, Horse. Faith Q.	Dear Santa, Apples with pen. Zuriyah P.
Dear Santa, I want a gumball machine. Emma S.	Dear Santa, I want nerf gun. Easton T.	Dear Santa, Watch. Lorenzo D.	Dear Santa, Bracelet Maker. Gio C-M.	Dear Santa, Cat. Huntlee M.	Jensen S.
	Dear Santa, I want a gumball machine. Emma S.	Dear Santa, Rock Tumbler. Carter C.	Dear Santa, Toy Truck. Jaxson D.	Dear Santa, Dirt Bike. Lettie L.	
		Dear Santa, Rc Car. Aynzlee W.	Dear Santa, Toy Truck. Lorenzo D.	Dear Santa, Scooter. Layla G.	Mason M.
		Dear Santa, Shoes. Carter C.	Dear Santa, Fairy toy. Easton T.	Dear Santa, Rocket Launcher 200ft. (the one Henry has). Layla G.	
		Dear Santa, nerf gun. First Grade	Dear Santa, Fairy toy. Easton T.		
		Dear Santa, gumball machine. Beck	Dear Santa, Scooter. Huntlee M.		
		Dear Santa, Dear Santa, I want a stuffed animal. Emma S.	Dear Santa, Rocket Launcher 200ft. (the one Henry has). Layla G.		



Eden A.	Sheppard B	Dear Santa, I would like a PS5 and football gloves.	Judd P	Dear Santa, I would like to have a lego set.	Jasmine V	I would really appreciate hamster ball, a cart, and a dog.	Noralee J
Dear Santa, I want a doll and a new bike.	Dear Santa, I would love a ps5.	Mason C	Dear Santa, I would like a BRAT doll named Chloe and a trampoline.	Hadley S	Dear Santa, I would like to have a makeup set.	Kadence W	Dear Santa, I would really appreciate an Ender dragon Lego set.
Addison A.	Dear Santa, I want a puppy.	Kamila G	Dear Santa, I would like an ATV and a diesel truck.	Xavier S	Dear Santa, I would like to have Dragon Ball Z action figures.	Dakota Y	Reece W
Dear Santa, Merry Christmas Santa, Please leave me a DJ furby. How is Miss Clause.	Dear Santa, I want a iphone.	Lexa G	Dear Santa, I would like a RC car and a Nintendo Switch 2 please.	Zachariah S	Dear Santa, I would really appreciate a new pair of Nikes.	Oleksandr B	Robinson
Piper C.	Dear Santa, I would love pink slime.	Alisson G	Dear Santa, I would like a robot shark and a drone.	Lincoln W	Dear Santa, I would really appreciate a new watch with games, and a new toy for my birds.	Arya C	Dear Santa, I want the Nintendo Switch 2.
Dear Santa, I want some LOL dolls and a pillow.	Dear Santa, I would like a doll house.	Easton H	Dear Santa, I would like a robot shark and a drone.	Parker Y	Dear Santa, I would really appreciate a RC plane and a PS5.	Tex C	Axel A.
Eleanor C.	Dear Santa, I want an xbox.	Ryleigh K	Dear Santa, I would like baby Jesus stuffed animal and a balance beam.	Douglas D	Dear Santa, I would really appreciate a goat.	Rae-Leigh G	Dear Santa, I want a scooter.
Kase D.	Dear Santa, I want weights, a guitar, LED lights and an electric nerf gun. Thank you.	Isabella M	Dear Santa, I would like a nineto and a tree house.	Elijah A	Dear Santa, I would really appreciate a new Chevrolet car for my dad, a new scooter and a new bike, a PS5, and an Xbox.	Hartlee B.	Hartlee B.
Dear Santa, I would like you to bring me a football board game, a new football, football house shoes and I definetly need a new basketball goal.	Dear Santa, I want a camera.	Corbin N	Dear Santa, I would like a robot shark and a drone.	Lincoln W	Dear Santa, I would really appreciate a new watch with games, and a new toy for my birds.	Belinda C.	Dear Santa, I want a new bike.
Henry H.	Dear Santa, I would like.	Henry N	Dear Santa, I would like a nineto and a tree house.	Parker Y	Dear Santa, I would really appreciate a RC plane and a PS5.	Emiliano P.	Kylie B.
Dear Santa, I want a barbie doll house and a new barbie.	Dear Santa, I would love a stuffed toy.	Adalynn R	Dear Santa, I would like a pink slime.	Scarlett S	Dear Santa, I would like to have a lego set.	Rodney 'RJ' F.	Dear Santa, I want a new bike.
Lydia I.	Dear Santa, I really want a barbie and a baby doll.	Scarlett S	Dear Santa, I want four wheeler.	Micah S	Dear Santa, I would like to have more barbie dolls.	Jovanny S	Dear Santa, I would really like Legos.
Teagan J.	Dear Santa, I would like.	Landyn L.	Dear Santa, I want an elf.	Colt S	Dear Santa, I would like to have a gas powered dirt bike.	Samuel S	Dear Santa, I would really like a keyboard.
Dear Santa, I want a computer and a new controller and that's it.	Dear Santa, I want four wheeler.	Micah S	Dear Santa, I would like to have a Battle Ship.	Roman F	Dear Santa, I would like to have a Battle Ship.	Hudson H.	Dear Santa, I would really like a rubberband bracelet kit.
Landyn L.	Dear Santa, I want an elf.	Bennett W	Dear Santa, I would like to have a Battle Ship.	Axton G	Dear Santa, I would like to have a Battle Ship.	Kaden V.	Kenzie R.
Dear Santa, I want a Christmas book and a squishy.	Dear Santa, I would like a Barbie Dream House and more Barbies.	Avary C	Dear Santa, I would like to have a pretend makeup set.	Charlie H	Dear Santa, I would like to have a Battle Ship.	Lydia Z.	Dear Santa, I would really like Legos.
Aitana L.	Dear Santa, I would like a PS5 and a new basketball hoop.	Colt S	Dear Santa, I would like to have a Battle Ship.	Roman F	Dear Santa, I would like to have a Battle Ship.	Samuel S	Dear Santa, I would really like a keyboard.
Blaire L.	Dear Santa, I would like a desk and mini verse please.	Presley C	Dear Santa, I would like to have a remote control robot with batteries.	Bryan K	Dear Santa, I would like to have a Battle Ship.	Hudson H.	Dear Santa, I would really like a keyboard.
Dear Santa, I want a basketball and a basketball goal.	Dear Santa, I would like a dinosaur and some candy.	Adley G	Dear Santa, I would like to have a Battle Ship.	Wesley M	Dear Santa, I would like to have a Battle Ship.	Kaden V.	Dear Santa, I would really like a keyboard.
Abraham M.	Dear Santa, I would like a PS5 and a new basketball hoop.	Teegan C	Dear Santa, I would like to have a Battle Ship.	Wesley M	Dear Santa, I would like to have a Battle Ship.	Lydia Z.	Dear Santa, I would really like a keyboard.
Dear Santa, Please bring me some track shoes size 12, a nerf gun, a football and a banjo.	Dear Santa, I would like a desk and mini verse please.	Presley C	Dear Santa, I would like to have a Battle Ship.	Wesley M	Dear Santa, I would like to have a Battle Ship.	Samuel S	Dear Santa, I would really like a keyboard.
Everly M.	Dear Santa, I would like a new bike please.	Presley C	Dear Santa, I would like to have a Battle Ship.	Wesley M	Dear Santa, I would like to have a Battle Ship.	Hudson H.	Dear Santa, I would really like a keyboard.
Dear Santa, I want a new bike please.	Dear Santa, I would like a dinosaur and some candy.	Adley G	Dear Santa, I would like to have a Battle Ship.	Wesley M	Dear Santa, I would like to have a Battle Ship.	Kaden V.	Dear Santa, I would really like a keyboard.
Estefania M.	Dear Santa, I would like a new bike please.	Adley G	Dear Santa, I would like to have a Battle Ship.	Wesley M	Dear Santa, I would like to have a Battle Ship.	Lydia Z.	Dear Santa, I would really like a keyboard.
Dear Santa, I want some books and a baby.	Dear Santa, I would like a Bitzee pet and a robo dog.	Bradi G	Dear Santa, I would like to have a Battle Ship.	Wesley M	Dear Santa, I would like to have a Battle Ship.	Samuel S	Dear Santa, I would really like a keyboard.
Avery R.	Dear Santa, I would like a PS5 and a new basketball hoop.	Bradi G	Dear Santa, I would like to have a Battle Ship.	Wesley M	Dear Santa, I would like to have a Battle Ship.	Hudson H.	Dear Santa, I would really like a keyboard.
Dear Santa, I want a nitendo switch, bath bombs and a bicycle.	Dear Santa, I would like Super Mario Smash Brothers and Big Hero 6.	Angel M	Dear Santa, I would like to have a Battle Ship.	Wesley M	Dear Santa, I would like to have a Battle Ship.	Kaden V.	Dear Santa, I would really like a keyboard.
Gunner T.	Dear Santa, I would like a phone and a PS5.	Angel M	Dear Santa, I would like to have a Battle Ship.	Wesley M	Dear Santa, I would like to have a Battle Ship.	Lydia Z.	Dear Santa, I would really like a keyboard.
Dear Santa, I want some army men action figures and army jeeps.	Dear Santa, I would like a phone and a PS5.	River M	Dear Santa, I would like to have a Battle Ship.	Wesley M	Dear Santa, I would like to have a Battle Ship.	Samuel S	Dear Santa, I would really like a keyboard.
Miles T.	Dear Santa, I would like a phone and a PS5.	River M	Dear Santa, I would like to have a Battle Ship.	Wesley M	Dear Santa, I would like to have a Battle Ship.	Hudson H.	Dear Santa, I would really like a keyboard.
<b>Second Grade</b>	<b>Crawford</b>		Dear Santa, I would like to have a Battle Ship.	Wesley M	Dear Santa, I would like to have a Battle Ship.	Kaden V.	Dear Santa, I would really like a keyboard.
Dear Santa, I want a drone.	Dear Santa, I would like a nerf gun and a RC car.	Dean M	Dear Santa, I would like to have a Battle Ship.	Wesley M	Dear Santa, I would like to have a Battle Ship.	Lydia Z.	Dear Santa, I would really like a keyboard.
John A.	Dear Santa, I would like an axolotl.	Axle M	Dear Santa, I would like to have a Battle Ship.	Wesley M	Dear Santa, I would like to have a Battle Ship.	Samuel S	Dear Santa, I would really like a keyboard.
Josie B.	Dear Santa, I would like a game called college 26.	Mason M	Dear Santa, I would like to have a Battle Ship.	Wesley M	Dear Santa, I would like to have a Battle Ship.	Hudson H.	Dear Santa, I would really like a keyboard.
Dear Santa, I would like a game called college 26.	Dear Santa, I would like a VR and my brother back home.	Mason M	Dear Santa, I would like to have a Battle Ship.	Wesley M	Dear Santa, I would like to have a Battle Ship.	Kaden V.	Dear Santa, I would really like a keyboard.

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I have been naughty. These are the things I am wishing for: Toys, baby doll, and Dinosaur. I will set out cookies and milk for you on Christmas eve.

Makynli

Dear Santa,

My name is Audrey. I am 2 years old. This year I have been nice. These are the things I am wishing for: Barbies, and toys. I will set out cookies and milk for you on Christmas eve.

Audrey

Dear Santa,

My name is Ollie. I am 2 years old. This year I have been nice. These are the things I am wishing for: toys. I will set out cookies and milk for you on Christmas eve.

Ollie

Dear Santa,

My name is Crue. I am 3 years old. This year I have been nice. These are the things I am wishing for: toys. I will set out cookies and milk for you on Christmas eve.

Crue

Dear Santa,

My name is Kyros. I am 2 years old. This year I have been nice. These are the things I am wishing for: trucks, animals, and LEGOs. I will set out cookies and milk for you on Christmas eve.

Kyros

Dear Santa,

My name is Sunny. I am 2 years old. This year I have been nice. These are the things I am wishing for: dolls, little animals, and coloring books. I will set out cookies and milk for you on Christmas eve.

Sunny

Dear Santa,

My name is Sabrina. I am 2 years old. This year I have been nice. These are the things I am wishing for: coloring books, dolls, and books. I will set out cookies and milk for you on Christmas eve.

Sabrina

Dear Santa,

My name is Lynex. I am 3 years old. This year I have been nice. These are the things I am wishing for: playdough, little animals, LEGOs. I will set out cookies and milk for you on Christmas eve.

Lynex

Dear Santa,

My name is Annie. I am 3 years old. This year I have been nice. These are the things I am wishing for: camera. I will set out cookies and milk for you on Christmas eve.

Annie

Dear Santa,

My name is Hilton. I am 2 years old. This year I have been nice. These are the things I am wishing for: trucks, animals, and LEGOs. I will set out cookies and milk for you on Christmas eve.

Hilton

Dear Santa,

My name is Veronica. I am 2 years old. This year I have been nice. These are the things I am wishing for: dolls, LEGOs, and coloring books. I will set out cookies and milk for you on Christmas eve.

Veronica

Dear Santa,

My name is Mac. I am 3 years old. This year I have been nice. These are the things I am wishing for: LEGOs, trucks, and animals. I will set out cookies and milk

for you on Christmas eve.

PK3

Dear Santa,

My name is Itzel. I am 3 years old. This year I have been naughty. These are the things I am wishing for: little backpack, Stitch water bottle, Hello Kitty toy. I will set out cookies and milk for you on Christmas eve.

Itzel

Dear Santa,

My name is Collyns. I am 3 years old. This year I have been nice. These are the things I am wishing for: Purple phone with a unicorn, airplane, and cup. I will set out cookies and milk for you on Christmas eve.

Collyns

Dear Santa,

My name is Viviana. I am 3 years old. This year I have been nice. These are the things I am wishing for: dinosaur, toy ice cream, and diamonds. I will set out cookies and milk for you on Christmas eve.

Viviana

Dear Santa,

My name is Jessie. I am 8 years old. This year I have been nice. These are the things I am wishing for: toys, toy kitchen, and flowers. I will set out cookies and milk for you on Christmas eve.

Jessie

Dear Santa,

My name is Lucas. I am 3 years old. This year I have been nice. These are the things I am wishing for: Ninja Turtles, Abominable Snowman, and Rudolph. I will set out cookies and milk for you on Christmas eve.

Lucas

Dear Santa,

My name is Ryder. I am 3 years old. This year I have been nice. These are the things I am wishing for: racing car, Spiderman toy, and blue car. I will set out cookies and milk for you on Christmas eve.

Ryder

Dear Santa,

My name is Journee. I am 4 years old. This year I have been nice. These are the things I am wishing for: dolls, dinosaur for Bubba, and Slime. I will set out cookies and milk for you on Christmas eve.

Journee

Dear Santa,

My name is Keilani. I am 2 years old. This year I have been nice. These are the things I am wishing for: Bluey toy, K-pop toys, and make-up. I will set out cookies and

milk for you on Christmas eve.

Keilani

Dear Santa,

My name is Kylen. I am 3 years old. This year I have been nice. These are the things I am wishing for: T-Rex, blocks, and food for my kitchen. I will set out cookies and milk for you on Christmas eve.

Kyler

Dear Santa,

My name is Addie. I am 3 years old. This year I have been nice. These are the things I am wishing for: Princess, Play Dough, and Christmas tree. I will set out cookies and milk for you on Christmas eve.

Addie

Dear Santa,

My name is Nolan. I am 3 years old. This year I have been nice. These are the things I am wishing for: tractor, mower, and Red Tractor. I will set out cookies and milk for you on Christmas eve.

Nolan

Dear Santa,

My name is Creek. I am 3 years old. This year I have been nice. These are the things I am wishing for: Play Dough, paint, and Monster Truck. I will set out cookies and milk for you on Christmas eve.

Creek

Dear Santa,

My name is Jaxson. I am 3 years old. This year I have been nice. These are the things I am wishing for: Play Dough, book, boat. I will set out cookies and milk for you on Christmas eve.

Jaxson

Dear Santa,

My name is Kooper. I am 3 years old. This year I have been nice. These are the things I am wishing for: dinosaurs, Monster Trucks, and Big Monster Truck. I will set out cookies and milk for you on Christmas eve.

Kooper

PK4

Dear Santa,

My name is Clara. I am 4 years old. This year I have been nice. These are the things I am wishing for: a Barbie Dream House, a unicorn, a Barbie. I will set out cookies and milk for you on Christmas eve.

Clara

Dear Santa,

My name is Ava. I am 4 years old. This year I have been nice. These are the things I am wishing for: Barbies, a rainbow light outside, and art supplies. I will set out cookies and milk for you on Christmas eve.

Ava

Dear Santa,

My name is Paisley. I am 4 years old. This year I have been nice. These are the things I am wishing for: a unicorn, a new cup, and a baby doll. I will set out cookies and milk for you on Christmas eve.

Paisley

Dear Santa,

My name is Jade. I am 4 years old. This year I have been nice. These are the things I am wishing for: a baby doll, a skateboard, a firetruck, and a robot. I will set out cookies and milk for you on Christmas eve.

Jade

Dear Santa,

My name is Everleigh. I am 4 years old. This year I have been nice. These are the things I am wishing for: a Gabby Doll House, Barbies and Barbie house, and a cute puppy. I will set out cookies and milk for you on Christmas eve.

Everleigh

Dear Santa,

My name is Everleigh. I am 4 years old. This year I have been nice. These are the things I am wishing for: a Gabby Doll House, Barbies and Barbie house, and a cute puppy. I will set out cookies and milk for you on Christmas eve.

Everleigh

Letters Mailed to Santa

Dear Santa,

My name is Montana. I am 5 years old. I have been nice. For Christmas this year, I would like: new stuff animal, new LOL toy, new bike, dinosaur toys, new make-up, new sand, new LEGOs.

P.S. I will leave out milk and cookies!

Merry Christmas!

Montana

Dear Santa,

I have been very good this year, when I have felt like it. For Christmas this year I would like lots of kitties, puppies, Christmas tree cakes and a cow. I will be sure to leave out some cookies and milk for you.

Merry Christmas,

Lynnli Deaver

3 years old

Flint's Christmas List

1. Chilatizarus, 2. Megalosaurus, 3. certusdurus, 4. hipsolafaton, 5. Gallimimus, 6. Sinocertops, 7. ranglhowonasaurus, 8. afrovenator, 9. gorgosaurus, 10. lophosstrapheus, 11. nothosaurus, 12. austoraptor, 13. moros intrepidus, 14. LEGO gumball machine, 15. Mario Maker game, 16. Mutaton, 17. Paleopines game, 18. Dinosaur George membership/T-Rex.

Flint Holman

Age 8

Dear Santa,

All I want for Christmas is for my family have a happy Christmas, for the people that are less fortunate than I am to get what they want and need, and for my Poppy's cancer to go away.

Thank you!

Amelie Adolph

10 years old

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