

# LETTERS TO SANTA

### THE CHILDREN OF NICHOLAS COUNTY PRESENT TO SANTA THEIR WISHES FOR A MERRY CHRISTMAS



**Dear Santa Claus,**  
My name is Kelsey Randolph and I am seven years old. For Christmas this year I would like a Barbie airplane to share with my sister, Larkyn, a magic set, an Amazing Alie doll, some computer software, and anything else you think I'd like. Don't forget all my cousins, grandparents, and all the other children in the world.  
I'll leave you some cake and egg-nog under the tree.

Ms. Judy something to her house. We'll leave you and Rudolph something to eat under the tree.

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Merry Christmas.



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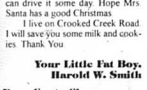
**Dear Santa,**  
We are writing this letter from Ms. Marsha Carr and Ms. Kathy Howard's classroom in the Nicholas County Head Start Pre-K Center. We have been very good this year. We have listened to the rules, been nice to our friends, and used our walking feet. All we ask for is a few things for Christmas.  
Britany would like some makeup, a baby car seat, a baby, new papers for school, a shirt, gown, and blue carpet.  
Katelyn would like some earrings, two blankets, a book bag, a doll, some makeup, a car seat and Barbie's Sleeping Beauty.  
Alicia would like some Nike's, a choo-choo train, a bear, a school bus, and some picture frames.  
Shelby would like a horse, cow, pig, a shirt, cowboy boots, a gown, a book bag, and a coat.  
Kandice would like some lip-stick, a rocking horse.  
Cody would like a choo-choo that he can fix, jump cars, a BIG Christmas tree, five school buses, and a John Deere tractor.  
Logan would like a fire truck that we can ride in and nothing else.  
Austin would like a truck, fire truck, guitar, a Bloom Boom Duck, a shirt, pig, horse and cow.  
BJ would like Jeep, and Duke Boys car.  
Alicia would like a baby doll and Barbie that has lipstick.  
Janelle would like a 4-wheeler. Brannan would like some hair bows, a Furby baby, a shopping baby, baby food, checkers, and a bicycle.  
Cesar would like a Scooby doo puppy.  
Haley would like a baby doll and Barbie doll, and a grocery store.  
Jacob would like a crisscross crash race truck.



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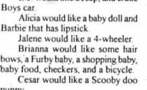
Our teachers have been good too, and remember our family and friends.

**Thank You,**  
Ms. Jones would like Peace on addition/subtraction flash cards, any of the Clifford books, any of the Franklin books, Pokemon toys and clothes and Toy Story 2 clothes.  
Ms. Jones would like for all her family and friends to be Happy and Healthy.

**Your Friends, Head Start**

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## Obituaries

**Elva Clarence Davis**  
Elva Clarence Davis, 81, of Catherine Street, widow of Margerie George Davis died on Wednesday, December 15, 1999 at Johnson-Mathers Nursing Home.  
She was born in Nicholas County to the late Clinton Davis and Frances Durbin Davis, and was a retired farmer.  
Survivors include two daughters, Judy Barlow and Betty Kay and Terry Carter; a brother, Osa Davis, Carlisle; sister, Rosa R. Fryman.  
Funeral services will be held on Friday, December 17, 1999 at 11:00 a.m. in the Nicholas County Hospital.  
He was a native of Nicholas County, son of Ealie and Nancy Fryman Fletcher, and was a farmer.  
Other survivors include three sons, James Lee Fletcher, Jr., Sharraburg; John Fletcher, Jeffersonville; and Christopher Fletcher, Georgetown; two daughters, Debra Jean Judd, Bedford and

## Carlisle Church collects pennies

It takes 84,480 pennies laid side by side to create a trail a mile long. First Baptist Church of Carlisle recently collected that number of pennies on behalf of Kentucky Baptist Homes for Children.  
The church participated in collecting the mile of Pennies as part of a special project to help KBHC provide care for children and youth who have been abused and neglected, and for families in crisis. The program is sponsored by the agency's Women's Advisory Board to involve young and old alike in reaching out to children in need.  
Women's Advisory Board President Dorothy Grace congratulated the congregation on the accomplishment.  
"Kentucky Baptist Homes for Children continues to grow and serve more and more children and families across our state," she said. "The kind of support demonstrated in these miles of pennies is needed now more than ever."  
KBHC President, Bill Smithwick also expressed appreciation. "A penny doesn't seem like much, but no gift is too small for God to use. Every cent brings encouragement and resources to Kentucky children, teenagers, and families in need."  
For information on starting your own mile of pennies project, call 1-800-456-1386.



KATHY JOHNSON/THE CARLISLE MERCURY

**A SONG OF CELEBRATION...** The Carlisle Community Cantata Choir, under the direction of Tom Metcalfe performed many historical favorites which included "Star Spangled Banner", "My Old Kentucky Home", and "O Come All Ye Faithful". The service definitely touched the hearts of those present.

## Web Watch

(NAPS)—Information about computer viruses and how to test hardware and analyze software for Year-2000 compliance is available by visiting mcafee.com at http://www.mcafee.com.



I would like to thank my sponsors for this 1999 racing season at Fleming County Raceway.  
**DE JAY AUTO PARTS, STANLEY FREDERICK, MY DAD, RICKY MCFARLAND, CLARENCE WORKMAN, LLOYD DUNCAN and MY CHILDREN, COLTON & AUSTIN.**  
Thanks to all, Brian Thornburg  
10th Place Points For Super Bomber

## Did You Know?

(NAPS)—Don't let your millennium turn your year 2000 compliance into a Y2K crisis this holiday season. Once savings leave a financial institution they also stop earning interest and lose deposit insurance protection, says the financial experts at America's Community Bankers (ACB).

## SALTWELL NEWS

The Saltwell Methodist Church youth held their annual Christmas program on Sunday evening. A large group enjoyed the program. Gifts were exchanged and refreshments served. All had a wonderful time.  
Mr. and Mrs. David Earlywine of Millersburg entertained the Methodist women at their home with a lovely supper. Gifts were exchanged and special selections read. All enjoyed the evening.  
Mrs. Jeff Mattox enjoyed the Nicholas County band concert held at the high school on Sunday afternoon. Amanda Mattox was a participant in the 8th grade band, playing her flute.  
Mrs. Ada Snapp and daughter Bonnie visited with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hollar on Tuesday.



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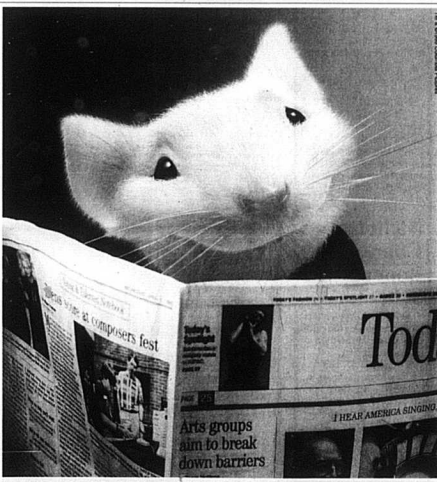
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## Mathers continued from Front

others to become Teachers of the Year. Ministers, Business owners and even Federal employees at the Pentagon.  
Phillip Lowe, of California who was unable to make it to the ceremony sent his praise as a former Mathers Child. I am proud to have had the chance to become what I am today because of Dr. Mathers. I graduated from Hazel Creek Academy with honors and is the proud father of two and the grandfather of three. I am a minister who is happy to see his family all living the Christian life.  
Ms. Lester wrote the following memorial to Dr. Mathers:  
At this time we think of great people - John The Baptist, who took no praise or credit. He said, "one who is more powerful than I is coming after me. He gave our Heavenly Father all the glory."  
In our time came Dr. Mathers. He helped Nicholas County children with needs so they could receive proper education. We have come to honor Dr. Mathers - he wanted no praise or credit. This honoring of a state marker is long past due.  
Other people who wanted no praise or credit came along. Mrs. Ruth Hollar has worked many long hours to see the marker come to pass. Ms. Joan Conley has done many a hours of research to obtain the information needed to send to the state for approval of the marker.  
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