

# Local Officials, County Workers Reveal Their Wishes For Christmas

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Santa's going to find himself busy this year in Warren County, but not only with passing out presents to children. This year, county officials have made known some of their wants for their departments.

**Charles Worth, County Manager**—Other than an extension on the 24-hour day, Worth wishes peace and goodwill to all county residents. But for his department, he would like to see the following things take place:

- the completion of the county's capital development projects (courthouse and medical facility), even though he realizes these may take a couple of years to complete. He would like to see this happen "without having to get additional funds from county coffers."

- county citizens to gain a better understanding of county government, including the fact that the county is not in control of its roads.

"Sometimes, things are beyond our control," Worth said of the state-owned roads. "We don't scrape the roads, the Department of Transportation does."

- new methods of curtailing the county drug problem.

- more interest from industries who would like to locate into the area.

"Hopefully 1990 will be an even better year for jobs," Worth said.

**Dolile Burwell, Register of Deeds**—Items on her wish list include a bigger office, and "space for Holly Williams to have her own copy machine."

But her main wishes are:

- to receive two more computer terminals and a printer so her office staff won't have to stop indexing to write receipts.

- to receive an additional copy machine.

- that persons who need information in the Register of Deeds office would be more considerate of the limited amount of space in the vault.

- that people would be more careful in handling the older map books.

**Richard E. Hunter, Jr., Clerk of Superior Court**—With the courthouse renovations in mind, Hunter said he hopes the county has enough



new home when the courthouse is renovated.

His big Christmas list items include:

- more public understanding of the various duties performed by his office personnel;

- more responsibility taken by absent parents in the support of their children.

He would like to see these support obligations received in a timely manner. "Please don't force (the clerk's office) to enforce these obligations," he said, noting that children are the only ones who are hurt by a parent's lack of responsibility.

**Cathy J. Wilson, Economic Development Director**—She would like to see more hours in a day, more days in a week and more money in the paycheck.

But her real Christmas wants include:

- that 1990 will be as good a year for economic development as 1989 was.

- an increase in the number of skilled job positions and higher paying jobs.

- more industry moving into the county.

**Robert Terry, Jr., Adult Probation and Parole Officer**—Other than the important items on his department's wish list, Terry hopes that people would remember that the Adult Probation and Parole office is located in the Gardner Building at 136 South Main Street. The new phone number is 257-1309.

money to do a good and complete job on the courthouse restoration. And, he also hopes the pigeons will find a

On the department's wish list is:

- more community involvement in the drug education programs within the county.

"A large percentage of the crimes we are seeing now are drug related," Terry said. "And the offenders are becoming much younger."

He believes community involvement to help stop drug use is one of the answers in fighting the problem. And he hopes for stronger interest within the school system about drug awareness programs.

- the implementation of a drug awareness program for parents to help them recognize and identify the symptoms of drug abuse.

- volunteers to work with the probation department to help in the rehabilitation of clients and to help redirect their deviant behavior.

"We want these volunteers to give just a small portion of their time," said Terry, who is the chairman of the Volunteer Committee for Warren and Franklin counties. Currently, the county has two volunteers.

**T. T. Clayton, Sr., chairman of the Warren County Planning Board**—looks forward to having ample space for meetings when the county's capital projects are completed.

Other items on his list are:

- the implementation of a uniform system for trash disposal.

"Trash and debris needs to be hidden from public view," Clayton said. He believes that taking the county's overflowing dumpsters and placing them in a fenced in area will make the county more attractive.

- volunteer effort to remove abandoned vehicles throughout the county.

- uniform and controlled development in Warren County.



GO ON YULETIDE TOUR—Vaughan Elementary School students in Laura Kearney and Lynn Lesak's rooms took their Christmas spirit on tour

Friday. Here they are shown during a performance at the Senior Citizens' Center in Warrenton. (Community Schools Photo by Mary Hunter)

## Contest Plans Are Outlined

The Town 'N Country Garden Club will again sponsor its annual Christmas Decorations Contest this year.

Prizes will be awarded for the best outside decorations and for the best inside decorations as seen from the outside.

The judging will be done on Thursday, Dec. 21 from 6-8 p.m. All participants are asked to have their lights on and decorations displayed at that time.



Christ, the Savior, is born

Glad tidings and heartfelt thanks to all our friends. May your holidays—and all days—be filled with His blessings.

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