

CHRISTMAS VANDALS GO BERSERK

Vandals destroyed everything from nativity scenes to secular Christmas displays, and they did so from coast to coast. The following places were hit by vandals at Christmastime in 2005:

Birmingham, AL; Homewood, AL; Montgomery, AL; Bella Vista, AR; Van Buren, AR; Eureka Springs, AR; Little Rock, AR; Covina, CA; Fremont, CA; Newport Beach, CA; Fresno, CA; Westlake Village, CA; Westminster, CO; Cape Coral, FL; St. Petersburg, FL; St. Lucie West, FL; Port Saint Lucie, FL; Delray Beach, FL; Longboat Key, FL; Galesburg, IL; Belleville, IL; West Frankfort, IL; Cohasset, MA; Brockton, MA; Quincy, MA; Londonderry, MA; Severn, MD; Glen Burnie, MD; Waltz, MI; Port Huron, MI; Blaine, MN; Marquis Point, MN; Hilton Head, NC; Wilmington, NC; Asbury Park, NJ; Branchville, NJ; Sayreville, NJ (police found 27 baby Jesus statues in the car of a suspected thief); Trenton, NJ; Old Bridge, NJ; Howell, NJ; Prospect Park, NJ; Hamilton, NJ; Holbrook, NY; Pearl River, NY; Troy, NY; Dayton, OH; Fremont, OH; Hamilton, OH; Cheviot, OH; Whitaker Park, OK; Medford, OR; Watsonstown, PA; New Kensington, PA; South Kingstown, RI; Houston, TX; Killeen, TX; Murfreesboro, TN; Draper, UT; Logan, UT; Fredricksburg, VA; Eatonville, WA; Seattle, WA; Madison, WI; Oak Hill, WV.

Some of this is the work of very sick people. In many cases, Christmas decorations in cemeteries have been vandalized, and headstones have been overturned. Orlando, FL was home to a bloody Rudolph the Red-Nose Reindeer hanging from a tree. A large blindfolded Santa was found hanging from a tree in Miami Beach, FL: in Boston, vandals decapitated Santa: Santa had his throat cut in Lincoln, NE: a dead Santa turned up in Oklahoma City, OK: and homeowners displayed a bloody Santa holding a severed head in New York City.