

Yuletide Greetings

Peace. Joy. Goodwill. Good Fortune.

*May the season's best surround
you and flourish in your heart all year!*

Throughout the year, we strive to bring you the very best publications possible, and during this Christmas season, we express our thanks for your kind support and our hopes for a very special holiday, abundant in love and good cheer.

We hope you enjoy the letters to Santa included in this edition, made possible by the many businesses, organizations, churches, individuals and industries delivering you a Christmas Message during this blessed season.

Also inside are over fifty full color Christmas photos. If you want to see more photos just visit our web site at www.GasconadeCountyRepublican.com

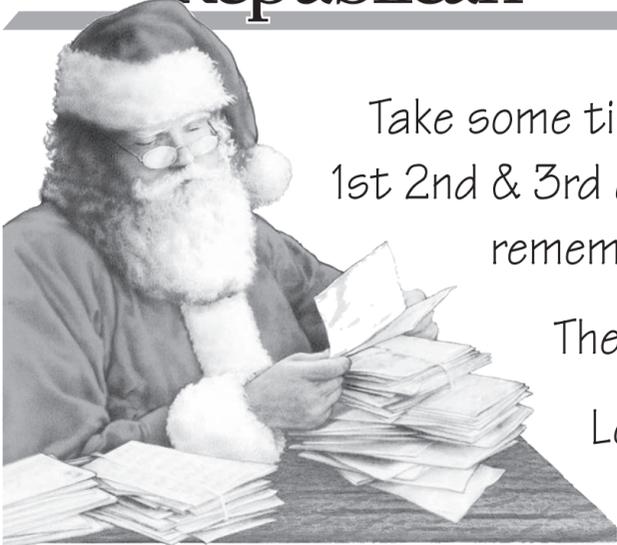
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Take some time to read the enclosed "Letters to Santa," from local 1st 2nd & 3rd graders. They will fill your heart with joy and laughter. But remember, they are just learning to spell.

They were typed exactly as they came to us.

Let the Christmas Greetings from area merchants remind us of the caring community in which we live.

Owensville Elementary First Grade

Beth White, Teacher

Dear Santa,

I hope Roodlof fels betr. I am going to fede him carits and letis for Christmas. I want remote US rmee, amuzon red ipod, and US rmee TV with youtube. I would like a ball nref gun. I will leve cookee for you.

Your friend, Dylan N

Dear Santa,

How do you mace toys? I want a NiNju trtle outfit. How are you? How is Mrs Clos? How is your day?

Your friend, Ellie M

Dear Santa,

I hope you bin good. How is rudof? I want a piano for Christmas and rell makeup and a rell dresup set. I have cookes and milk.

Your friend, Zoey C

Dear Santa,

I want a boxr set, I want a armly diy set, and a laptop.

Your friend, Eli B

Dear Santa,

How is RoodoF? I want a house, a notBook, and PaPrs. I want a TaBl.

Your friend, Collyn R

Dear Santa,

How is your ranbeer? I hope they are doing fine. I would like a Jojo Doll, and a makeup set, and a spongeBoB character.

Your friend, Addison S

Dear Santa,

How are you and your ranbeers dooing? I want a Play Stashn 4 for Christmas.

Your friend, Lillian S

Dear Santa,

How is roodoff? I hope he is redey. I wold like a book, a stufed anamil, and a calinder. Mery Christmas. I will leve some cokies and milk for you.

Your friend, Clara B

Der Santa,

I want a der a drbik a beB dur and Blis

Your friend, Tucker S

Dear Santa,

How is Rudof? I hope that he is good. I hope he is redey to fly. How is the rest? I hope they are redey to. Mery Christmas santa. We'll have cookies for you. I hope you like them.

Your friend, Tanner Mogensen

Dear Santa,

I want for Christmas is a Xbox, a ipod, and a laptop. I want a toy sniper, toy bu-zooka, and a toy bow. I want a toy crossbow, a canoe and a patball gun. I want a kitin!

Your friend, Carson F

Dear Santa,

On Christmas I want a makeup set. I want a kichn prinises. I want a Dog to.

Your friend, Scarlett W

Dear Santa,

On Christmas I want a cote and red shoes. I would leve milk and cookes on the tabl. Mare Christmas Santa.

Your friend, Dalton P

Dear Santa,

How is Mrs. Clous? Is Rudolph redey for Christmas? I allredy sent you my list. I hope you get it soon or did you allredy get it?

Your friend, Ellie S

Dear Santa,

I hope you have a miare Christmas. I hope you made me on the good list. If you did I am going to give you a tratr. I want a huvrboord and a forming set.

Your friend, Garrett B

Dear Santa,

I hop you will get me a cumpotve for Cresmas.

Your friend, Alizay H

**JOY HOPE HEALTH
PEACE GOOD FORTUNE
CONTENTMENT
HARMONY**

Here's hoping joy tops it all this holiday season! For all the joy you've given us this year, we are sincerely grateful, and look forward to seeing you again in 2011.

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*Silent Night
Holy Night*

As we celebrate this special season, we feel blessed to find ourselves surrounded by the gifts of friendship and goodwill from so many kind customers and neighbors here. Thank you for your trust and generous support.

We hope your holiday delivers an abundance of good fortune. May love, light and faith be your guides throughout this joyous season and into the New Year.

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Greetings!

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May your Christmas be merry, bright and magical in every way.

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Greetings of the Season

May you and yours experience the true nature and spirit of the holiday this Christmas. Many thanks to all our friends and customers.

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Attorney at Law

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Owensville Elementary First Grade

Jackie Johnston, Teacher

Dear Santa,
How are Your efs? I woudd like a jojo doll I woud like a lol doll.

**Your friend,
Lilly L**

Dear Santa,
How is your Elfs. I Could like a Drone and a Nerf. love Santa.

**Your friend,
Finn C**

Dear Santa,
How are you Doing? I HoP you are good santa can I have a ajojo doll and aajojo Phone and.

**Your friend,
Natalie B**

Dear Santa,
Dear Satu Hoow arn you boing How are The Elves? JoJo PRRL JoJo WocK ANd A JoJoJo M FoN ANd A woo JoJo dakpac.

Your friend, Madi T

Dear Santa,
haworryorr Dearyorryou cay toy cicmcs I wut a rel fon.

Your friend, Jaymie M

Dear Santa,
Will You Please Bring me a Piano and Pokemen and a nintnendo Switch and my own Kick ball.

**Your friend,
Hunter D**

Dear Santa,
Santa how bo you do I wont a reemot kintroll car. I want a drone for Christmas and a nerf gun for Christmas and I wonet a mshen gon for Christmas.

Your friend, Kastin W

Dear Santa,
I am soo itsidid For CRist-mis! Can I Ples have a RC Car and a iPad and a Phane and a new bike and some new shoes and a Pedal tractor.

**Your friend,
Blaine S**

Dear Santa,
How is Your Year going? Have you been busy? I good this Year Coud You Please bring me some RC monster truck and A Pool?

**Your friend,
Jonah G**

Letters to Santa

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Owensville Elementary First Grade

Kelly Smith, Teacher

Dear Santa,
for Chistmas I want a my little pony Cristl impier cast. Becas I do'nt have one. I will put it on a niye shelf so my dog will not get it. I will get my little pony's to play with it. I hope I get a my little pony Cristl imier castl.

**Love and from,
Hadlee K**

Dear Santa,
I what goart becaus dot have one. and dim im reg. and Santa you chose.

Bo B

Dear Santa,
I*B wNnt a Fon. I wNnt a Borbe. I wNnt a BorbeJreem-Hos. I wNnt a nowgrensis Bacqak. I wNnt a Bonbey cor. I wNnt a leToLL LNnchBox. I wNnt snM SNs gLasis. I wNnt a 2O 2i2 of a Borbeey. I wNnt a TaBLiet. I wNnt a cinqyooten.

Jana M

Dear Santa,
I want a my life doll and close to and iphone and a Boy my life doll please Thank you! oh and one more thang and it is a dog a rel wun please thanks so much.

Bella B

Dear Santa,
What i wut is a crr foot cus wif 4 cos ound ou mot.

Jasper

Dear Santa,
I wold like a BBGun. I wold like a BuBlGummshen. A Parashoot.

Elijah W

Dear Santa,
amlak grl aque sum tsoo sum kos mlok grl a mlak grl house

Leah H

Dear Santa,
I went a baby alive For crimis. I love baby so I love baby Alive. There osem There osem and Abreble. I went The Fare Wene There so Aabre I ant a newe gele nerFgepen and a new sepingbag and a ben bag

Maci A

Dear Santa,
I want a blue ntndo ds for Christmas I well down lode moreo games enthen I well play with my blue ntndo ds now it is Christmas morning I am going to open it up I want a tablit for Christmas a playstashen shark teeth and kristols.

Lucas S

Dear Santa,
It want obb not gun. The 2 ner gun cold the hine fire. The nerf gun cold the hell fire. A cowboys hat. 2 foc cowboy guns. IPHone7. A cinfigers. A Gint stuff oinmol Goirlla a sled.

Grayson L

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Blessings of the Season

We joyfully celebrate the birth of Christ. May peace and goodwill surround you during this season.

New Hope United Methodist Church

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Owensville Christian Church



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Christmas Eve Candlelight Service:

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Holiday Greetings

We're hoping your holiday season brings Peace and Joy and all good things!



2334 Highway ZZ Owensville, MO 65066

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Randy McKinney 573.426.6465

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May your heart and home be blessed with the true spirit of Jesus this special time of year.

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Wishing you all the wonders of the season



Christmas is a magical time of year for young and old alike. Take time to relax and enjoy the blessings of the season.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

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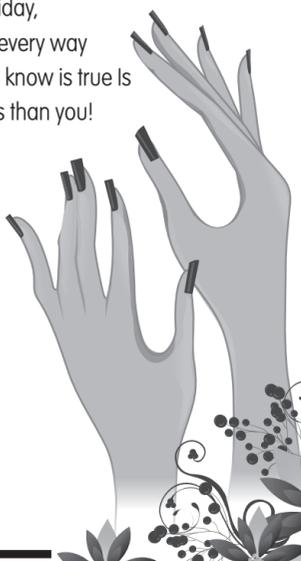
To Our Valued Clients At Christmas

We're hoping that your holiday, is as special as you are in every way. Because one thing that we know is true is that there are no nicer folks than you!

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from...

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Blessings of the Season



May your heart and home be filled with the gifts of love, joy and contentment as we celebrate the Miracle of Christmas.

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Christmas tunes

Owensville High School choirs and students from Owensville Elementary School performed together on Dec. 10 for a Winter Concert under the direction of Jean Baker who will retire at the end of the school year. Jordan Palmer's OHS concert band also performed during the Sunday afternoon event. OES fifth-graders performed Dec. 14 under Erin Sassmann's direction.



Wishes Warm and Bright

Hope your holiday glows with peace, love, beauty and happiness. It's been a delight serving you this year. We look forward to seeing you again in the New Year!

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With You In Mind at Christmastime

With our gratitude to you for your goodwill towards us this past year. Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

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Wishing You a Splendid Season

We'd like to wish all of our friends, neighbors, customers and associates a very merry Christmas and a happy New Year!

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Season's Greetings

SEATED (left to right): Brittany Coppedge - RN Director of Nursing and Crystal Ray - Administrator

BACK ROW (left to right): Debbie Lear - Housekeeping Supervisor, Katie Strothkamp - Admissions Coordinator, Tina Kramme - Social Service Director, Patty King - Activity Director, Craig Curtis - Maintenance Supervisor, Nathan Hendrickson - Dietary Manager, Debbie Shockley - Office Manager Sherry Ebker - Human Resource Director, Shannon Tayloe - Wellness Center Director, and Renee Terrill RN Terrace Director.
(not pictured Alexis Strothkamp Administrative Assistant)

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OWENSVILLE HIGH School choir members once again helped with boxing of food items for Operation Christmas. Senior Alexis Enke (top) loads a box with Eddy DeLong, **TEACHER JEAN BAKER** and Madison Czaplá fill a box.



OWENSVILLE MIDDLE School Student Council members organized a food drive which collected 4,472 items — an average of 9 items per person.



PHOTO BY DAVE MARNER

SCENIC REGIONAL Library's Cheryl Merritt hosted an ornament making activity Dec. 1 before the downtown community Christmas tree lighting program. Participating were (from left) Emily Naughton and her daughters, Paytin and Rylee (on right), Claire Feldmann, Mason Russell, Hattie Baumgartner, and Brooklyn and Erin Kramm.

Tremendous Thanks

With appreciation from our entire team, we wish you all a fun-filled and merry Christmas! Thanks so much for stopping in this year. We look forward to serving you again soon.



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Owensville Elementary First Grade

Stacie Newbanks, Teacher

Dear Santa,

Wats up? All your elves doing good? Is Mrs. Clause doing good? Well if they are doing good I hope you are too. I want to go on the polerxpres and I want a drone and forty bucks. thank you.

**Your friend,
Cohen D**

Dear Santa,

HAW is RWoDoF an the utr RaDs? I Wit I CuD go to the NotPol. I Wil ley Wat A transet and a FoN. it is Col in the Not Pol?

**Your friend,
Kinley T**

Dear Santa,

How are you doing Santa? How are your elves and Roudolf? This Crismis I wutte A Cotin candedset and a Crismis kalindr and a clayset. Have a good rest uv your Day!

**Your friend,
Halle T**

Dear Santa,

How are the elves doing and the reindeer doing and Roudolf doing? I wish for a cotin candy maker and boots wallmart. I howp that your hand starts to feel good. I howp that your elves do not get hrt and your reindeer and Roudolf do not get hrt.

**Your friend,
Emilee H**

Dear Santa,

How is Rodof? Is Rodof good? Naw I want to tell you what I want. I want a 100 dolrs and two drons and sixs stuft anumls.

**Your friend,
Kodi S**

Dear Santa,

Have you seen Roudolf wif santa? I Really want maga is a KiTT A wif a DRez and sEt back for bike and fon and Lam Clock and Jow.

Your friend, Adriana Crowe

Dear Santa,

Br is it cld? I wont a Doc McStuf Toy Hospital checkup center.

Your friend, Grace G

Dear Santa,

Haw are you doweg at the North Pole? Well I thek maybe. You can bree me sum toys maybe. a calikowes set and baby pop the pig.

**Your friend,
Brook T**

Dear Santa,

How have you Ben? I WoNt a fon and a Box that Has Pris in the Box. I rely rely rely wot a kotobn kandy muchen.

**Your friend,
Brandon L**

Dear Santa,

How are you doing Santa. Can I Hav a drkbik and Can I Hav a kotnMShing? Can I Hav a Trapalen? Can I Hav a monkey? I love You Santa!

Your friend, Chase H

Dear Santa,

I love you santal And am I being good This yer? Ples ccan you git me a badre and a brootr and evrething I like? thank you!

**Your friend,
Ross J**

Dear Santa,

Would you like a toobrush becuz you et a lot of cookmez. can i havu a hoofowelr Plezu? And can i have a noo drbik plezu? An can i have a noo trapalen Plezu?

Your friend, Preston K

Dear Santa,

How are your elves Doween? Can I Pleees Hav a Jron and a Hunjrid Bukss andD sum clos for mi BaBee Bruthr Santa Pleees giT That.

**Your friend,
Jaxon L**

Dear Santa,

Hayold Sanick! Howhaf you been doing? Well I rilley wunt a maga and tramuleen and I really want WWE 2k15.

**Your friend,
Nolan Jost**

Dear Santa,

I love December beucus Christmas is in December. I really want a lol spris and a fon to call my grapall.

Your friend, Kensli P

Dear Santa,

How is Roodof santa? Brrrrr are you colold up in the NorthPole wis are elf? All I wat for Christmas is my too fut teeth.

**Your friend,
Brooklyn K**

Dear Santa,

How ory you downer? I wunt a Googlw horn und fon und chanset und a Lfu on the shFF und Luch Box und NuBrw Cort und RuBik.

**Your friend,
Silas D**

Dear Santa,

How hat you been doen? I hiipe Christmas is ste cumn. I really wagd A NerF gun and Legoz and nerF bleg.

**Your friend,
Ben S**

Dear Santa,

I thiink you are real. I can write on the Smart Board. Can you see it? I would like Minccraft TUT sand Christ- mas tree with lights to see in the dark I would like a toy ox tao. Thank you!

**Your friend,
Lucas P**

Letters to Santa

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Owensville Elementary First Grade

Jamie Epple, Teacher

Dear Santa,

Hoey Santa How are the reindeer der! what i want for cristmas is a Elsa castle. and some Aunta Kid and Elsa kid and some skas and a traple!

**Your friend,
Autumn R**

Dear Santa,

how is youR Reindeer? can I Please havm a fak puFey and a aftt for The puFey. An aftt foR me and clos for anEy A Trl calrn Boock and mrkir and cros.

Your friend, Lylan K

Dear Santa,

I Love you Santa. Santa how ar are your Rudolph? Santa can I Plase can I Have a Pegasis Toy Plase can I Have a a American Doll.

Your friend, Bria S

Dear Santa,

how are you? can I Please have a Mylife doll and a nobook and a cat and a beandag and a luch box T,V. You are the bes seanta ever. I Love you.

**Your friend,
EllieMae K**

Dear Santa,

WWE Game How is Rudolph doing?

**Your friend,
Randall B**

Dear Santa,

I want a Finger monkey and a machng and thank you situ and love

**Your friend,
Kylie B**

Dear Santa,

Haowis are or Riudlph wade U for Christmas can I please git computier.

Your friend, Emily T

Dear Santa,

how are your raindeer? I will get to K! Buddy and me are Good imaginax bbB biG set.

**Your friend,
Barrett (and Buddy) C**

Dear Santa,

Santa or you ride for Christmas? is ruDof ready for Christmas and all you uthe radior ridey for Christmas? Can I have a taBlit?

**Your friend,
Kynndall J**

Dear Santa,

can I Pleees hav a dron?

**Your friend,
Nate H**

Dear Santa,

are you happy thet its Christmas? Because i am! can i Please have a PuPPy?

Your friend, MaKynzi R

Dear Santa,

Haw are your rader? Haw are you Santa? Haw is Misis Clos? Can I Ples Hav A Rmocin trol cor A Grill wun. Wiln it is Christmas.

**Love,
Josey (and George) W**

Dear Santa,

hawe are you Santa? Please i have A FlipAZoo Beanbacg?

**Your friend,
Charlea B**

Dear Santa,

Hawr are you Santa? Kane i Pleas Have a Flip a Zoo bean- bag and a remote control car?

**Your friend,
Joel M**

Dear Santa,

are you woede for Christ- mas? I wut for Christmas is Please can I Have a PJ Max Play set.

**Your friend,
Braxton R**

Dear Santa,

Is Rudolph Ready for Christmas and The Rede for Rest of The Reindeer? How are The elfs To?

**Your friend,
Morgan S**

Dear Santa,

is Rudolph wee four Christ- mas? I wut A Pet sAc bA A LizARD.

**Your friend,
Rylee S**



At this season of His holy Birth,
We'd like to join you in prayer for
peace on earth;
And send a message of hope and
joy your way
For a deeply satisfying holiday!

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Merry Christmas!

But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord." (Luke 2:10-11)

May the good news of Christ's birth and his saving power fill your heart this Christmas. Wishing you God's peace and Joy though the coming year.

DRAKE-BEEMONT MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY
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Owensville Council #2547
Owensville, MO

Hope Your Holiday Is Merry in Every Way

At home, at work and at play, you're wished a happy holiday; Joy, laughter and goodwill too, from all of us to all of you!

Thank you for making each day unique with your visits, friends. We really appreciate each of you, and wish you all the best at this special time of year. Cheers!

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Owensville Elementary Second Grade

Robin Schaefferkoetter, Teacher

Dear Santa,

How are you doing. It's coll that you can give every child presents all around the world. I've allway's wonderd what you really wear red & white greasts white it's confusing. Thank you for the new addidas shoes and the crane toy. Thank you for the chromebook you gave Molly and I think it was a vacume you gave mom and dad. I hope mom and dad hide the chistmas pickle good. I hope it will be fund delivering toys this year. I hope I get a bugati veron lego set.

**Love,
Georgie**

Dear Santa,

How do you do how are all the elves? And the reindeer? For you gis for all the tos you got me and my littall broavr. Plus can I git me tad the spy woki tokes. You can see the toker and sum sike a lusy and sum mor klon plise.

**Love,
Brendyn M.**

Dear Santa,

How are you and Mrs. Claus doing? Are the reindeer training for Chistmas? Are the elves redy for Christmas? Are you redy for Christmas? Thak you for the bike last year and the cady. Thank you for driving presents to my home. My sister wants a ken doll and my brother want some toys and I want to ys. dot forget the children that dot have homes.

**Love,
Kristopher**

Dear Santa,

How are you and Mrs. Claus doing? Are the elves helping you make presents? Are the raindeer resting for thir trip? Thank you for the wubel buble ball you got me last year. Thank you for geting dad a tool set. Thank you for geting my mom some clows. Thank you for geting Braen his guitar and Grayson some hot wheels. Can you pleas reamember those that do not have a home and no water. Can I pleas have a baby that feels real. Can I pleas pleas have slime. Can I have a little trampoline. Can I pleas have slime.

**Love,
Kabren**

Dear Santa,

How are the elves. Are thay wrking of thoso trics for chris-miss eve. And I already hav my tree up. How are you and Mrs. Claus? Danke you for all the thanesgs that I got last yare. And I what a trampoline and paw patrol stuf.

**Love,
Kyleigh**

Dear Santa,

How is Rudolph doing. Is he doing good. Thank you for the trampoline last year. This year I would like some cool stuff and toys candy and lots and lots of money. LOL. Don't forget the poor people. P.S. I forgot to ask for candy and eletronics.

**Love,
Hunter**

Dear Santa,

How are you and Mrs. Claus. For Christmas I want a slapy hand. And a new phone also I want a lava lamp and a Xbox 360 with Xbox games with scar on it also I want a scalthn glowing pjs an costoam and a bat man set and bonte for get the kids with no home and I also want a nut cracker and a grath of totoe game and I want a tun of hodeys and a Five nites at fred's set for a holl room.

**Love,
Killian**

Dear Santa,

Merry Chirsmas. I want a santa costume and a santa hat and a game boy and a wii and a raindeer hat and a santa hat for my family.

**Love,
Garrett**

Dear Santa,

Wut are you duing I hope that hav a gut tim paing to presens and please. Gev the por wut thay ned. I wut a 50 dut bike a germam shepard pupy axdox I ago kot a iphon8 and fram semulatrlid and a kx65 dut bike please gev pepol fru dad dolpdrens.

**Love,
Charlie**

Dear Santa,

How are you doing and misis Claus doing are you feling wel thak your for the gtor last yer but this yer I wunt a bump truk.

**Love,
Jayden H.**

Dear Santa,

When is Chippy coming. Back my brother hates chippy a lot so don t give him any presens at all. Sannt I relly miss chippy a lot. So this is where we live. Bem chruch roud. The frist houses.

**Love,
JC**

Dear Santa,

How are you and Mrs. Claus doing? For Christmas i want a new trampo-line and all the naf plushies and i want a new computer.

**Love,
Ethan B.**

Dear Santa,

I forgotto tell you some other thigs that that my little sister she watns a toy baby and for me i want a telescope and 4 pet turtles and 1 hermit crab.

**Love,
Elijah**

Dear Santa,

I help your rein deer are doing tally good and i hope you are doing rally good and your are working rally hard for use. Thank you for getting me a lot of ftuff for Chismas last year and a chain saw cot hat caw bay boots bellte balck for chrimas can I? by have a good day.

**Love,
Caleb**

**More 2nd
Grade Letters**

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exceeding great joy
as together, we
celebrate the
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That we may share with all of you
The message of that first Christmas Day
As we send this note of thanks your way!*

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To Look A Lot
Like Christmas!*

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In every way.
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And a joyous New Year.

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Christmas concerts presented

Local churches presented Christmas programs this month including the singing Christmas tree at First Baptist Church (top) and a combined choral and handbell concert at St. Paul's United Church of Christ.

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Christmas crafts

Owensville High School FFA chapter members spent part of their afternoon Dec. 14 with residents of the Gasconade Manor rehabilitation unit making Christmas ornaments and decorations including door hangers. Tori Seibert (below, standing) and Charolotte Kopp visit with Maxine Schaefferkoetter after she completed a hanging ornament. Dustin Ross and Caden Moss (bottom, right) visit with Laverne Brandhorst as she completes a wreath. Blaine Reed finishes a mobile with Maxine Bossaller (bottom, far left).

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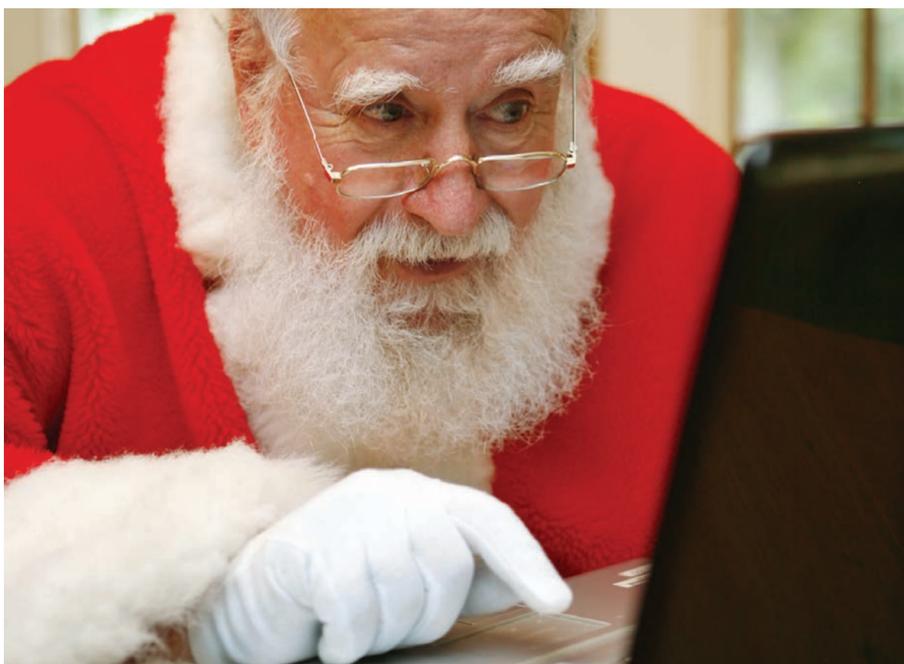
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FROM SANTA'S INBOX

LETTERS TO SANTA
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Elementary Schools

Owensville Elementary Second Grade Christie Cooper, Teacher

Dear Santa,

This year I want a hoverboard, LOL dolls, a real phone, monster high dolls, teacher stuff, a american girl doll. This year I need food, shoes, clothes, socks, money, burshes, Hawaii pinsuls, paper dolls.

From, Tristyn

Dear Santa,

This year I want a cot ton candy machine, and I want LOL dolls, and I want American girl doll with brown hair. This year I need mony, and a new cote. Hay Santa hows Ruddoph is he okay, Hay Santa hows missis Clouse.

From, Jillian

Dear Santa,

This year I want LOL dolls, a american girl doll, a toy dog, a hover board, a cotton candy machine. Santa I need shoes, food, water, money, socks, medicine, blakets, boots, clothes. Santa how is my elf Sunshine doing is she being nice? Will you bring me lots of toys? Will I get a picter with you?

From, Izybella F.

Dear Santa,

This year I want troll stuff, drone, holikotr with remote, toy bom with boks and lise klos food shos.

From, Mikey K.

Dear Santa,

This year I want paper doll, 5 LOL dolls, I pad, hoverboard, techer stuff, flip or zoo or colorful wheel. This year I need cute clothes, shoes, money, boots, food, sock. How is all the raindeer doing and is Mrs. Claus doing I hope you are doing fine because you have to pass presments.

From, Piper

Dear Santa,

This year I want a hoverboard, jet pack. This year I need 100 gold bars, football pads, dirt bike boots.

From, Khai K.

Dear Santa,

This year I want a new life doll with clows for it and shows for it, a LOL doll, a hover board, a real puppy dog, a pone, jojo stuf. This year I need clows and shows and soks. How is the rander doing this crimis? Hi.

From, Joey Y.

Dear Santa,

This year I what LOL dolls, puppy, real phones, hover board, teacher stuff, JoJo bows. This year I neen food, cute clothes, money, car. Is my elf being good? I hope your thankngsiveing was good. I love Christmas.

From, Shae

Dear Santa,

This year I want LOL dollrs, a maukin grie, dollrs, a monstr hi dollrs, a hadi slon makr and a papr dollrs a fone.

From, Sky

Owensville Elementary —
Second Grade Teacher
Christie Cooper

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DELORES GREEN checks out with her box of Christmas treats during the St. Peters United Church of Christ cookie sale on Dec. 9. Mike Balluff and Ron Vitoux staffed the check out table. Cookies were sold by the pound to benefit church activities. "It's pretty cool," said Judy Balluff. "Even people who aren't members baked for us."

Community fills boxes of all kinds with Christmas spirit

Area civic and fraternal groups have once again provided Christmas cheer and good will in the Owensville community.

From food and gift collections for Operation Christmas, which served 195 families, to warm coats donated by the Masons, Knights and LSC Communication. Organizations across the community filled boxes of all shapes and sizes with item designed to make Christmas a little brighter for their recipients.

Scouts built the boxes and collected food. School students decorated them. Volunteers packed them with food and wheeled them to their recipients. Merry Christmas.



OPERATION CHRISTMAS volunteer Larry Tayloe numbers boxes intended for food stocks on Dec. 4 as Tanner Brown moves stacks to ready them for filling. **LINDA AND LARRY GEISLER** (below) repair food donation boxes on Oct. 23 in preparation for the 2017 food collection campaign.



VFW POST 6133 Auxiliary members, along with their family and friends, filled 18 Priority Mail boxes (above) with Christmas cookies, snacks, and other gift items on Nov. 15 to send to military personnel stationed overseas in time for Christmas delivery. The recipients included local soldiers and a few members of their outfits who have been adopted by the local Post and Auxiliary. **OWENSVILLE MIDDLE** School Student Council members (left) loaded up about every box they could find Dec. 1 to fill a trailer with 4,472 food items the school collection for Operation Christmas.



AREA MASONS AND SHRINERS funded these 14 boxes of winter coats for area children with support from their state Masonic Home and the Owensville Walmart. Local Knights of Columbus members also donated coats. John Behrens, a Mason and Ozark Shrine Club member, and Ashley Kopp, the R-2 School District's family school liaison, pick up the coats from Walmart. R-2 staff distributed coats from both groups to students at all four schools.



Owensville Elementary Second Grade

Clara Rooney, Teacher

Dear Santa Claus,

I hope your reindeers are doing good. I hope Rudolph is doing good to be the way how is Mrs. Claus doing? How are you doing by the North Pole Maerry Christmas. For Christmas I want a hover board and a remote cntrl boat. I will leave cookies and milk for you. Oh also carrots for your reindeer. I hope everybody is safe and warm at the North Pole I hope. You like our Christmas tree and ples keep everybody warm. I hope you like me and my sisters christmas tree and mine too.

**Your Friend,
Tyler M.**

Dear Santa,

I hope you have a wonderful Christmas. Santa what degrees is it at the North Pole? I hope every body has a great Christmas. Does Rudolph actually lead the other reindeer? May I please have an ipod case? P.S. I'm leaving cookies and milk for you.

**Your Friend,
Kaydence G.**

Dear Santa,

Merry Christmas. How are your elves? I want a bike. How is Mrs. Claus doing? I want a kareake machine. I really need a robe. I need a good Christmas this year. How are your reindeer? I want a set of slime. I will leave cookies and milk for you. P.S. Can you let Mrs. Roony move in her new home.

**Your Friend,
Madalyn P.**

Dear Santa,

I have a few questions before I tell you what I tell you what I want for Christmas. Where do you live? Is Rudolph your favorite reindeer? How many elves do you work with? How many presents do you deliver at night? Would you please give me a phone, a Hatchinal, a few Five Nights of Freddie plushies and an elf off the shelf. I would also like the giantest kiss in the world.

**From,
bonny and Elliott**

Dear Santa,

Merry Christmas How is Mrs. Claus? How are you doing Santa? I would like a new bike. I would like a tablet. I would like a remote control car. then I also want and clothes. I hope people have a safe place. I will leave you some pepsi and choclate milk.

**Love,
Taylor S.**

Dear Santa,

Merry Christmas. I would like a lab dog, hover board, books and a remote control car. I need a coat. I hope others have a Merry Christmas.

**From,
Cambell S.**

Dear Santa,

Merry Christmas. For Christmas I want a nerf gun and a wrestling toy. How your rein dear doing?

**Your Friend,
Shane**

Dear Santa,

How is Rudolph doing? Tell him I said I love him. My grandma wants a cooking set. Maggie wants a Bone Binkey. Can you get my mom money? Can I have a Nintendo Swich and a JoJo My Lifiedoll? Can I stay up and wait for you? Can I have a fake car and a Xbox 100? I will give you food.

**From,
Oktober P.**

Dear Santa,

How is Rudolph? Are the elves good? I was thinking about some new boots and a Tabby kitten and fake nails. I also want Shopkins. How is the reindeer? The last thing... Merry Christmas. I hope you stay warm. P.S. I will leave cookies and milk.

**Your Friend,
Macie R.**

Dear Santa,

Merry Christmas. This year for Christmas I really want a drone with a camera and an Iphone 6 so I can watch where I am going. I need socks, and please make them Nike socks. I hope you have a Merry Christmas. Please help evreybody stay warm.

**Your Friend,
Brogan C.**

Dear Santa,

How are the reindeer doing and Mrs. Claus doing. I want a toys nave shie ship. I hope you have a Happy Holiday.

**Your Friend,
Hunter L.**

Dear Santa Claus,

I would like a toys train and a game called wiggle worm. I wish you a Merry Christmas and I need a pencils for my family. I will leave milk and cookies for you. P.S. I would like a poster to.

**Love,
Brennan**

Dear Santa,

Merry Christmas. So how are your elves doing? Your elf at my house is doing awesome. I really want a remote control boat, a bike and also how is Mrs. Claus doing?

**Your Friend,
Jax J.**

Dear Santa,

Merry Christmas. How is Rudolph the red nose reindeer? I would like to get the WWE 2 case 18 please. I could use aquaman shirt. I hope you have a great Christmas and get lots of cookies.

**Love,
Rayden B.**

Dear Santa,

How are your elves doing? I wuold like a phone and lego set. I hope every body has a Merry Christmas.

**Your Friend,
Bradley**

**Owensville
Elementary —
Second Grade
Teacher
Clara Rooney**

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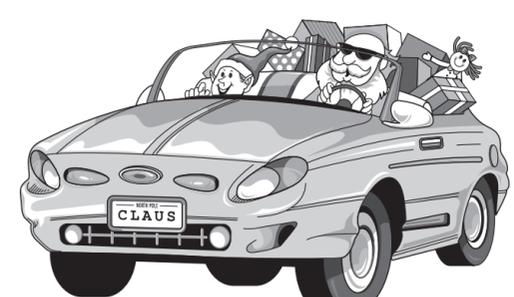
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**Owensville Elementary
Second Grade
Clara Rooney, Teacher**
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Dear Santa,
I would like an American Girl doll and a new bike. I hope everyone is really safe. I need some more close and how is Mrs. Claus doing? I hope you guys have a good Merry Christmas. P.S. I will give you milk and cookies.

**Love,
Kennedi**

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas. I want a Nintedo switch. I need new clothes. I hope that everybody has a good Christmas. I am doing to leave cookies for your and hot chocolate for you.

**Your Friend,
Dolten H.**

Dear Santa,
A wish you and Mis. Clos had a gapy Cherismas. I wihis 1,2 wish Barbie bote and 2 a hapy Cherismas. I need a lite for my closet. I wish to be with my family. A hapy Cherismas. P.S. I thank evreone has a Cherismas.

**Love,
Kaylie H.**

Dear Santa Claus,
I am thinking about other people this year. I hope they have a home to celebrate Christmas. Then I want a remote control helicopter with a camera on the bottom of it. And V.R. goggles. P.S. I might leave you a pepsi this year.

**Love,
Jonah M.**

Owensville Elementary Third Grade
Tracy Thomas, Teacher

Dear Santa,
Hi Santa, how are you doing? Is commet's nose still red? Well enough of that funny business. Now you might be wondering what I want for Christmas. Well, my first thing that I want is a fitbit I would love one because it would track my steps, how much sleep I get, it tells time, and tells the date. The second thing I want is Snap Circuits. I just love problem solving things. That leads to the third thing I want. It is Sudoku. Sudoku is almost my favorite game. It is a math game. (I am a nerd.) Well Santa I gave you three things to get me. Now here is a little something you need to do. I have chocolate chip cookies, a glass of milk, carrots and some sunglasses for Rudolph. Make sure comet doesn't eat any chocolate/candy. And don't stress. P.S. that means you, your elves and your reindeer.

**Sincerely,
Lainey M.**

Dear Santa,
I want a toy skid loader, I want a toy truck and trailers, I want a toy tractor, I want some legos, I want a toy semi truck, I want a remote control cop cars, I want a remote control tractors, I want a remote control boats, I want a remote control skid steer loaders, I want a remote control dump truck.

**Love,
Dillon S.**

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like a lava lamp, and a PS4 video game plus a new football. And a google playcard for a phone, plus a lamborghini and can the coler be gold please and can I have a drivers license too? Thank you have a good Christmas.

**Your Friend,
Evan B.**

Dear Santa,
This is what I want for Christmas. I want a hoverboard, American Girl clothes, slime, Reborn baby doll, Speak Out, Dork Dyrries number 4, iphone 4 case, ipad, and a fit bit. That is all I want for Christmas this year. Bye.

**Your Friend,
Joleen**

Dear Santa,
I would like a pair of alpine starboots please. Also a new white America flag helmet, FMF Ethika underwear.

**Love,
Brook H.**

Dear Santa,
Since I have been good, I have been asking for a camping tent, big teddy bear, pellet gun, boots from Orschelns and ethika underwear. The reason that I should get this stuff is because I have been giving money to the poor and to the sick and giving out Christmas cards that say Merry Christmas. Merry Christmas to you.

**Sincerely From Your Friend,
Cody**

Dear Santa,
I hope that you can get me a hover board, and a new bow. and I want a new kickball and bunches of slime and a dirt bike.

**Love,
Leyton**

Greetings Santa Claus,
This is what I really really really want for Christmas: an electric ball for my dog Gabby, snow globe, I want my hover board fixed, drone, electric scooter, robot, rubix cube, slime lab, fish bowl beads, foam beads, and the movie "Wonder".

**Sincerely,
Reece**

Dear Santa,
This year for Christmas I want mechanical pencils, a spy kit, and size 10M clothes and one more thing a phone and a chrome book. Please and thank you.

**Sincerely,
Billielin C.**

Dear Saint Nick,
All I want from you is two things. I would like a slime kit and an art kit.

**Love Your Friend,
Ivy**

Dear Santa,
Thank you for bringing me a gift every year. This year for Christmas I want a toy skid steer with thread that move. So if you can please get me it, I would appreciate it very much.

**From,
Nicholas H.**

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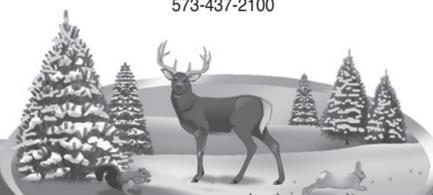
*It's The Most Wonderful
Time Of The Year!*

In this season of hope, beauty, faith and goodwill, we feel truly blessed to have friends and neighbors like you, and hope that you enjoy a holiday that's as wonderful as you are.

Merry Christmas!

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All signs point to a great year, and we have customers like you to thank for it! We greatly appreciate your support, and we look forward to your continued friendship.

We wish you and yours all the best this holiday!

Signs of All Kinds

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Owensville Elementary Third Grade

Donna Monier, Teacher

Dear Santa,

This is what I want for Christmas. I will like Lego city jungle sets, a Ewok stuffed animal, all the hard caverbooks of the Hatchet series and all the movies of the series as will. I will also like a bell for my bike and I will like a treehouse in my backyard and that is all that I want for Chistmas.

**Love,
Zachary**

Dear Santa,

I want a hoverboard for Christmas. I would also like a phone case, an X Box One, the Emoji movie, toys, a pair of earrings, a pair of hig heels, a puppy and a kitten.

**Love,
Nevaeh H.**

Dear Santa,

I want a Five nihgt's at Freddy 3 lego set, a kitty, and a Five nihgt't poster. I would also like a Five nihgt't at Freddy's to from mexico, a Jeffy pupet, and a Nintendo swich.

**Love,
Damon**

Dear Santa,

I want an emoji pillow and the movie and a croobow and cookie dough and a panda bear and a tablet with a keyboard and a Koala and a BossBaby the movie, guinea pig and a phone case, a Prodigy membership.

**Love,
Eastyn B.**

Dear Santa,

How are you. I will give you cookies and milk. I wish for slimes, hoverboard, convers, mule, candy, logan paul hoodie and a puppy. Am I on the naughty or nice list. Christmas is my favorite holiday.

**Love,
Lainey B.**

Dear Santa,

I hope I was good this year. This year I would like a brand new comforter for my bed. I also wanted a spy kit to play with. Some cute winter clothes to wear. Then leg warmer for my legs. A hatchmail because I've seen them at stores. What I want the most is a member ship on the game prodigy.

**Yours Truly,
Cece**

Dear Santa,

Have I been good this year I hope I have. If I have I wold like everybody to have a great Christmas please. And can I please have a puppy like chi-huahau and a kitten please. and I want everybody to have a Holly Jolly Christmas. and I hope your elves and all of your guys have a great time at the north pole and misiltoe my elf on the self. Thank you so much.

**Love,
Carly Jo C.**

Dear Santa,

I hope you are haveing a good day. I want a maverick shirt for Christmas. I also want a hoverbord and a Oedell jersey.

**From,
Chase**

Dear Santa,

How are the raindeer? I hope you have a holly jolly Christmas. I want a uincon thats REAL!!! and I want a bean bag, strechey crunchey white slime, hoverboard, cross bow. Merry Christmas.

**Love,
Carlee**

Dear Santa,

I want a train set, a Five nights at Freddy's 3 lego set, and powerful nerf guns. I'd like Emoji pillows, a Hatchimal, zombie toys, a puppet wrestling toys. I love you Santa.

**Love,
Payten**

Dear Santa,

Have I ben good this year. I want a membership an prodigy, emoji movies, a machine nerf gun, giny pig.

**Love,
Zayden**

Dear Santa,

Hi Santa are you and your elves doing ok. For Christmas I would liek a pair of earrings a pair of white hightop converse and a moverick hoodie or tshirt. I also want a prodigy membership. That is all. I hope that your & Mrs. Cluse have an awesome Christmas.

**Love,
Kerrigan**

Dear Santa,

I want a computer, dog and a spy kit for Christmas that is all I want for Christmas.

**Love,
Lillian L.**

Dear Santa,

To get the it Movie. And to get Membership on Prodigy and for the kids that don't have a family to get a really good preanst. And to get a Hoverboard. and to get a PS3 and a O'Dell. I And to know how the reindeer are doing.

**Love,
Wyatt**

Dear Santa,

Hi Santa How are your doing. I would like a slime kit. A laptop. And a hoverboard. A Hatchimal. And a puppy pug. And a new phone. And a m-arvrick hoddy. Hope you have a good Christmas.

**From,
Kimber**

Dear Santa,

Hi Santa how are you doing in the North Pole are you doing ok up there can I have a hathimal, spy glasses, gingerbread, a blanket, chocolate, cupcakes, and cakes.

**Love,
Savannah T.**

Dear Santa,

Please send me a nerf gun, dinosaur set, a dog, a moose, a crossbow, a gun and the Boss Baby movie.

**Love,
Matthew**



A Most Welcome Season

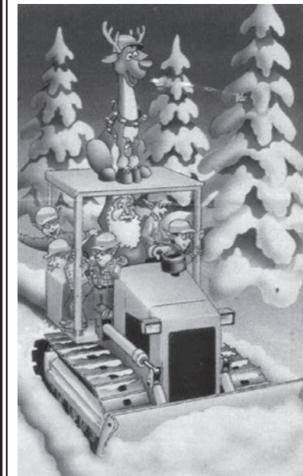


As we pause to wish you a Merry Christmas we're reminded of how lucky we are to have such good friends like you.

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Holiday Greetings



Wishing you a Christmas filled with all the things that make this season special.

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Blessed Be The Day

At the birth of our Savior we wish you and yours a season of enlightenment, peace and joy.



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SOUTHERN DISTRICT
COMMISSIONER
GASCONADE COUNTY

Celebrating the Gifts of Friendship & Community

As we wrap up another year, we think about how lucky we are to know good folks like you.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Jim Holland

Gasconade County Northern District Commissioner

573-486-3508

holland-gasconadeco.comm@hotmail.com

LET FAITH GUIDE YOU

May faith be your guide, and peace be your constant companion as together we celebrate the miracle of Christmas.



from
John and Lisa Kamler

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JOY!

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Doug Knehans - Agent
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Owensville, MO

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With Best Wishes At Christmas

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Christmas Is in the Air

Everywhere we go, it's beginning to look a lot like Christmas, and we can't think of a better place to celebrate than right here at home with all of you. Your friendship and goodwill mean so much to us, and we feel deeply blessed to be a part of this community. We wish all of you a merry, bright and blessed Christmas.

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Dear Santa,



Owensville Elementary Third Grade
Hope Nilges, Teacher

Dear Santa,
How are you and Mrs. Clause doing? I hope everyone at your workshop is doing well. This year I want all kids to have a great Christmas. I don't want a lot of presents. Here are a few things that I am asking for. An EOS lip balm, a Christmas dress, a big candy cane and some nutella to share with my little brother. P.S. Please pray for my best friend Julia.
Your Friend,
Tara

Dear Santa,
How is your year going? Is Mrs. Clau giving you trouble? Either way, thank you for not just the presents but for the memories that cam with them. Speaking of presents this year, I would like beat the bomb game. Thank you.
Love,
Greg A.

Dear Santa,
I want a phone case you can pick the rest I'm horrible at it.
Love,
Dylan

Dear Santa,
I want to ask you a few question 1. How is Rudolph? Is his nose still red? 2. How are your elves? Are they super busy on all those presents? (And tell them I said Hi) 3. This is my last question if you can answer... how many presents do you deliver? Now what I want, I really want slime and a galaxy note 3 phone case and thats all. Oh and stuff for my room.
Love,
Bailey

Dear Santa,
I wish you a Happy Christmas. I want a Ipod and money. How are you at the north pole? Have you been good at the north pole? Thank you for the presents. Is it cold at the north pole?
Love,
Miquel

Dear Santa,
I want a crane pulling a ship out of the water.
Love,
Devon

Dear Santa,
I love Christmas so much. I want a drone, a nerf gun, a new mp3 and can you give my cousin a Nintendo 3DS for her please because she barley any toys. And a dog for me.
Love,
Xander

Dear Santa,
Do you enjoy Christmas? How have you been this year? Well since I've been a good girl this year I what for xmas is slime stuff and more stuffed animals.
Love,
Jillian J.

Dear Santa,
I feel like Christmas is the best holiday in the world. I love the food, the presents, but most of all I love hanging out with my family. For Christmas I would like Harry Potter everything please. I have been very good all year long.
Love,
Makenzi

Dear Santa,
What kind of cookeis do you want? Does raindeer get presents? Can you pleas get me a new phone because mine broke? I Loooooove Christmas I wish you a happy new year
Love, Cam R.

Dear Santa,
I only want a fish I will feed it every other day and I will not let my cat eat him I hope I will tack good care
Amanda R

Dear Santa,
How is Mrs. Claus and your reindeer. How is the one and only Rudolph the red nosed reindeer? I always pot out reindeer food. Also thanks for the presents.
Love,
David L.

Dear Santa,
What kind of cookies do you want? I bet you want chocolate chip cookies. I want a huver board, football, pig, scooter.
Love,
George

More Owensville Letters to Santa
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Best Wishes for a Merry Christmas!
From Our Family to Yours



J. Butler & Sons Hauling, Inc.
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Our very best wishes for a merry and magical Christmas, and happiness that continues to grow all year long!

Happy Holidays!

Joy

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Bland & Belle Missouri

Come Let Us Adore Him

May you be greatly blessed by the true spirit of Christmas, and may His great gift illuminate your heart and bring you comfort and joy.

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Hope It's Sweet

The sweetest thing we know is having friends and neighbors like you!

We wish you a very merry Christmas filled with happy memories you'll savor all year!

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have yourself a merry little christmas!

To all of you who visited us this past year, go our very best wishes for lots of good cheer.

Thanks for your friendship and business...

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ALL THE BEST—

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Thanks!

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

From our Family to Yours!

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Winter concerts

Maries County R-2 held two winter concerts last Thursday. The high school choir (top), directed by Mrs. D.M. Brown held their concert at the small high school gym at 6:30 p.m. Band director M. J. Orf held a winter band concert at 7 p.m. at the Bland gymnasium. The concert included performances by the 6th grade band, the 7th and 8th grade band (above) and the high school band (above right).

PHOTOS BY DENNIS WARDEN



At This Special Time of Year

As we welcome in another holiday season, we are filled with gratitude for the wonderful people all around us. We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a healthy and happy New Year!

ROGER STOCKTON AUCTION SERVICE

573-646-3680

682 Hwy 28 W. Bland, MO 65014



PEACE + LOVE + JOY

May you enjoy all the blessings this wonderful time of year has to offer. Your generosity and support have meant so much to us.

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Merry Christmas



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OES students share their voices for Christmas celebrations

Members of the Owensville Elementary School Choir performed Dec. 10 with Owensville High School Choir members. On Dec. 15, kindergarten students from OES visited area businesses and the Owensville Senior Center for caroling in the downtown area.



Merry Christmas

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We're sporting our holiday cheer
To thank all of you who've stopped by here
For your goodwill and loyalty,
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Merry Christmas to the best sports we know - our customers!

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*Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace, good will
toward men — Luke 2:14*



With exceeding great joy, we wish you and your family all the blessings of this holy season.

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Sweet Tidings to You

Wishing you a Christmas made up of your favorite ingredients: good friends and family, joyful festivities, beloved traditions and all of the things that make you happiest! And when the season is done, may the memories you savor fill you with contentment all year long.



Folks like you are a treat, and we thank you for sweetening our year with your kindness. Merry Christmas to you and yours!

Where People Make the Difference



Christmas celebration in Rosebud

Santa made his annual trip to the red barn in Rosebud on Dec. 2. Jen Menz (above) hunts for her photo with her baby Ava and son Kylen. During Santa's stop visitors (top) were treated to wagon rides by Wine Country Wagon Rides out of Hermann. Santa had his hands full (top right) with Cody and Katie Rogers' twin girls Lainey and Paisley. After photos children received a bag of treats from Mrs. Claus (while they lasted). Two year-old Owen Ray (photo above right) smiles at Mrs. Claus while his older sister Ollie inspects her bag and their mother Angela watches.

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St. Gerald Catholic Mission Church
Merry Christmas

Catholics: Welcome Home for Christmas

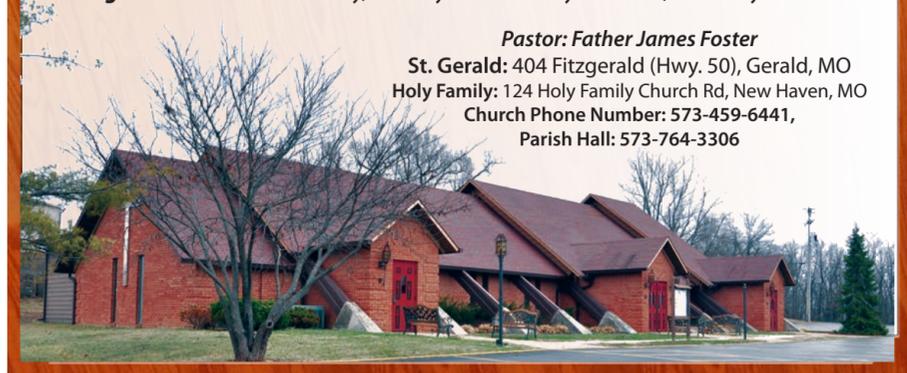
Christmas Mass: Christmas Eve 5:00 PM; Christmas Day 8:00 a.m.

You are invited to join us every week throughout the year

Reg. Mass Schedule: Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday: 8:00 AM, Saturday: 5:00 PM

Pastor: Father James Foster

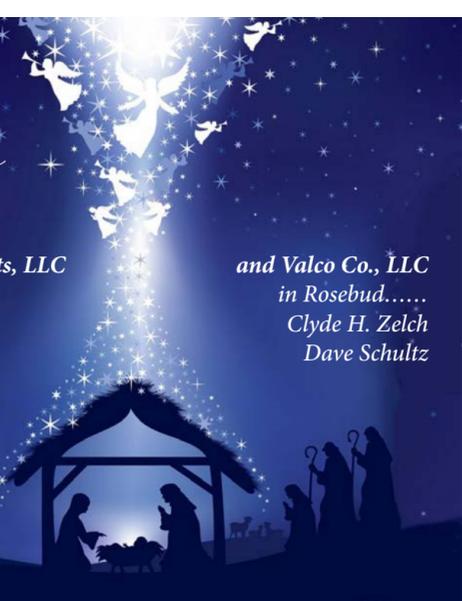
St. Gerald: 404 Fitzgerald (Hwy. 50), Gerald, MO
Holy Family: 124 Holy Family Church Rd, New Haven, MO
Church Phone Number: 573-459-6441,
Parish Hall: 573-764-3306



*Merry Christmas To All
May the Lord bless you with
peace, joy, health & happiness
in the New Year!*

Happy Holidays from Tomcat Consultants, LLC
in Rosebud.....
Clyde H. Zelch
Tina Keeney
Morgan Zelch
J.W. Zelch
Luke Zelch
Caleb Zelch

and Valco Co., LLC
in Rosebud.....
Clyde H. Zelch
Dave Schultz



**CELEBRATING THE
MIRACLE OF HIS BIRTH**

As we celebrate the Miracle that took place in a simple manger so many Christmases ago, we are filled with a sense of peace, joy, contentment and love that we want to share with all of our good friends and neighbors here in the community.

We wish you and your family all the blessings this holy season holds. Thank you for your kindness, friendship and support. Merry Christmas!

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Make it a "toyful" Christmas by putting New Holland toys, models and play sets under your tree. Find all their favorites in our store. It's where Santa shops for true blue gift ideas. Stop in today.

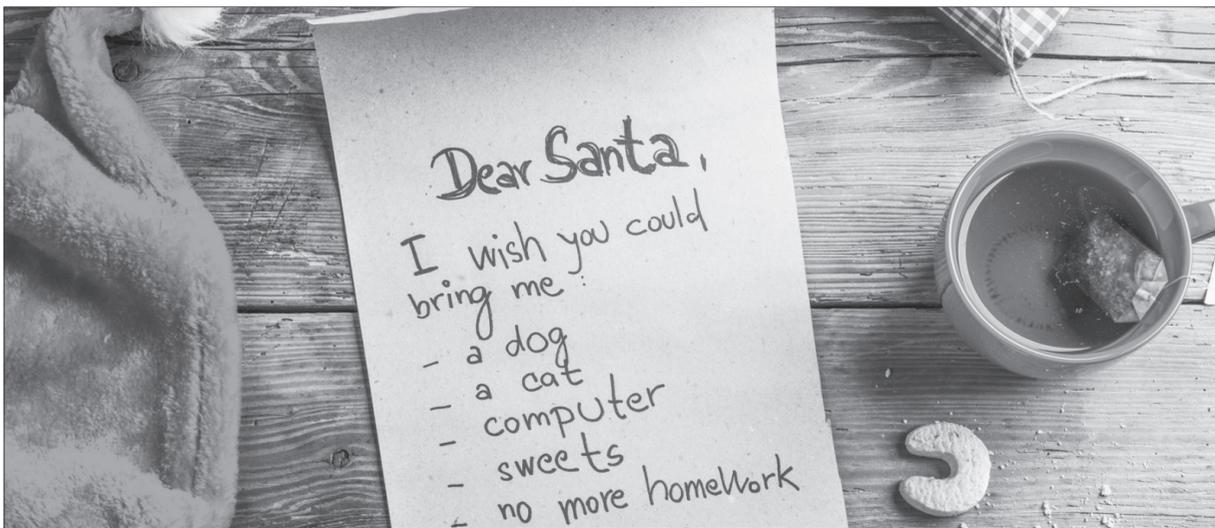


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Dear Santa,
I wish you could bring me:
- a dog
- a cat
- computer
- sweets
- no more homework

Take some time to read the enclosed "Letters to Santa," from local 1st, 2nd & 3rd graders. They will fill your heart with joy and laughter.

But remember, they are just learning to spell. They were typed exactly as they came to us.

Gerald Elementary First Grade
Laura Link, Teacher

Dear Santa,
I wot like an aelshrick gitare and a Pet Dog and a tabLit and a Fon How are your rade dowing?

Love,
Braxton P

Dear Santa,
I have sum cookiys for you and I got sum caris for yor Rain Dear I want a bubL ball.

Love,
Matthew T

DeAr Santu,
how do the eIFs Fli? I Wot A how to hrF gon Ples.

Love,
Blaine D

Dear Santa,
haw Was your Samrare? and I got Choktit Cookeys for you to and I want for Chiemis I wnt a Play Cichihine.

Love,
Melanie G

Dear Santa,
I wood like a shoogr glidder and a kittin and a puppy and I wnt all av tham in a cage ples and how are you boing?

Love,
Abby D

Dear Santa,
I wut tosy the tosy are NrF-gus and remotkchrolcor and a pupey and I Hav mek and coces Buit I will not tel you wut kin of coces and I wut a Hachimole.

Love,
Peyton P

Dear Santa,
are elf on the shelf has been Playin hide in sick we have been god and for christmas i wat a nuntcracr.

Love, Caleb L

Der SÉtu,
I WuN U A XBox AN viteyn gams AN lomune AN Umee SPI tru, AN OLAK ChricGtor AN tA cAt I hAF coces For yo.

Love,
Owen B

Dear Santa,
How Are the raenDeer Doin? and I am vary good? I wute a game namd hedbas!

Love,
Rylan P

Dear Santa,
What are your reindeer Doin I wan a balby cat.

Love,
Emily D

Daer Santy,
My Buthr and sisstry and I hav Ben good. Wot is your rad-deys Name? My Name is Rylee. I wot a Ballo, Misde My MoM wots a wig. Molly loves you.

Love,
Rylee K

Dear Santa,
How Are your raniDire I whant a JoJo Siwa Bow a rowbot cat An A hachimhl.

LoVe,
Makinzie V

Dear Santa,
I hav bin rile good today and I wut the lago Jokrman.

Love,
Levi S

Dear Santa,
har are you Doen har are your rander and I want pek pate and I want nagleses and I want a toey ulf.

Love,
Adalynn W

Merry Christmas

From our family to yours...all the best this holiday season.

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Happy Holidays

May the spirit of Christmas reside in your heart wherever you spend the holiday season.

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At The Holiday Season

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More Letters to Santa

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BEST HOLIDAY WISHES

MAY YOUR HOLIDAYS GLOW!

HERE'S HOPING YOU HAVE THE WARMEST OF HOLIDAYS. THANK YOU FOR WARMING OUR HEARTS WITH YOUR LOYAL SUPPORT.

Merry Christmas from everyone at

HAASE HOME SUPPLY

331 S. Hwy. H
Gerald, Missouri
764-2313

with appreciation at the Holiday Season

May the spirit of the season fill your heart and your home, and may you and your family enjoy the warmth of an old-fashioned Christmas.

We appreciate your being such good neighbors all year long, and we look forward to continue serving you and our communities.

The Gerald-Rosebud Volunteer Fire Protection District

WISHES WARM & BRIGHT

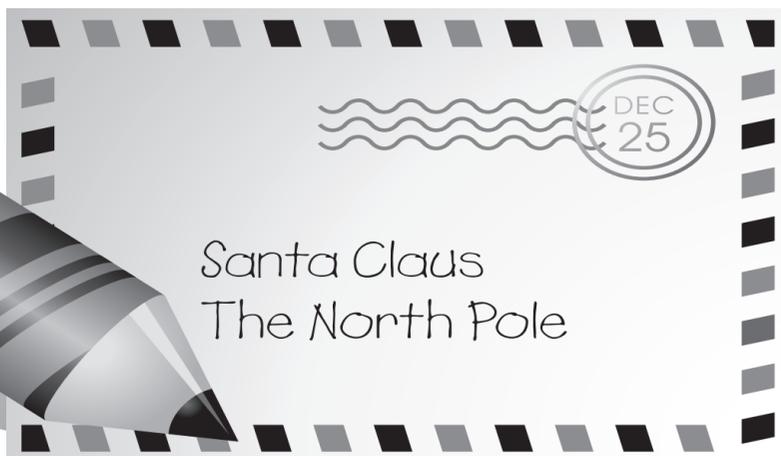
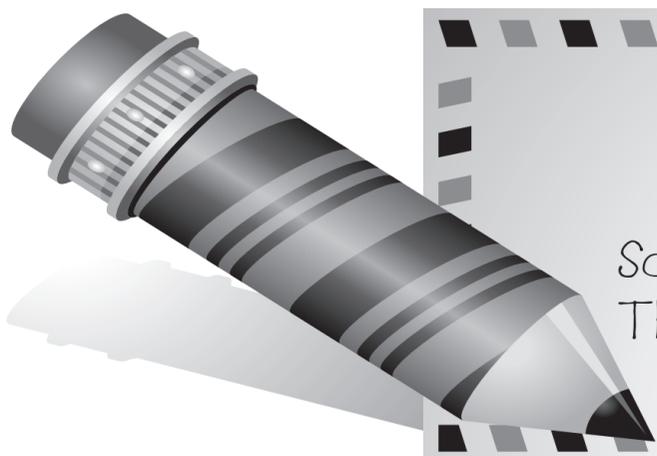
We're aglow with good cheer this holiday season

And your kind friendship is the reason

So we're not just stringing you along when we say,

Our gratitude and best wishes are on the way!

Woody Bogler Trucking Co.
Gerald, MO • 573-764-3700



Gerald Elementary First Grade
Jenise Stockton, Teacher

Dear Santa,
I want tretBox WPtetrete
In It COSTAS And MASVP
PAtoDoe tAs.

Sincerely,
Ivory E

Dear Santa,
i want Sints Stuf that is
all Thank you

Love,
Skyla P

Dear Santa,
Il want ayokeshe enu plees.
Yes or no? Plees sin kan i hau
a thos popus plees and youu
spin it then it pop up popus we
hyouu Moov the handll

Sincerely,
Makala T

Dear Santa,
Wha I want for Craishmias
is a Canchre Gitor And Culd I
have a baGe of ChoClit Koyns
And Uthr toys a Bow NURF
GUN.

Love,
Landon W

Dear Santa,
Wut I wut far cesmis is a ket
the American grl Dol and a big
barbe hed that you prt makup
and you do its har a burbe car
nuw makup a burbe van thank
you Santa far w yor Love.

Sincerely,
Jordan D

Dear Santa,
I Love Love You. Santa I
wont a Sla for Christmas they
you. Santa I wont a of uzr for
Christmas. I wont a Shpins.
I will see you At Christmas. I
Love Love Love You Sonta.

Love,
Kyler B

Dear Santa,
I love crimis becuz I git to be
with my famole and I git toys.
A boch of toys. I wont a new
x-box game and a new moove
and a back-ball and a curiren
set and a cputr and a fon with
some green on it.

Love,
Mason T

Dear Santa,
I whut a Hevrz and a makath-
rn and SuM Premon kos and a
plugr and a prne and a Jagin
and Can I Hav sum Books aad
can I wut suM Musik Jagin and
can I Hav suM playeing aW and
Can I Hav sum noW toys.

Love,
Savanna G

Dear Santa,
I wut a little Hachbl and a
big Hachbl and I wut a Little
liuv Pet that is a chic and I
wut a little Liuv Pet that is a
PuPe and I wut a book that is
Kodmachek Pupe.

Love,
Peyton H

Dear Santa,
I wut a pupe and is a tos
and I Love my Famle becus
Tax Do you Love your Femle I
Do and your Tme Best be us
you Gust or and you Gifattes.
You do Tme Best and Erre wen
is Blevin You!!!

Love, Aubriana W

Dear Santa,
Welcome to ouR CoNcHRy.
i want a pLAY Mlebell ghost
BustERe seT. and A LeGo CoP
CiTy newyork city cuss I wAnt
PeResiNs.

Sincerely, Jordan B

Dear Santa,
I want a grn rmot kntrl cro
bo kas hvr bord, gnn rmot.

Sincerely,
Lucas K

Dear Santa,
I wul AvRe haLo giYs and I
want thim To Be Lgog giys to.
I am down gnd in skdal scl. I
am LRnen insd scl.

Love, Zaylen K

Dear Santa,
Wat I waNt for cricis mis Am-
araciN dall grls pets and art
set AmaraciN grl dall techr-
sNowwGlob. - I waNt sam
Books of FaNcy NaNcy MaGoo
MaGoo a Noow Bakpak.

Love,
Braille C

GREETINGS OF THE SEASON

*A Word From
The Wise:*
REJOICE!
*May you revel in the gifts of this
magical season.*
Dr. David Groenke
Sharon, Shelly, Terri, Jessica, & Sarah
Gerald, MO

Greetings at Christmas

With best wishes to you and yours this holiday season.

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GES winter concert entertains

Students from kindergarten, second and fourth grade performed on Dec. 7 dressed in pajamas for the annual winter concert. The theme for this year's concert was "A Polar Express." Darby McCallister (photo below) steps up the mic for her solo.

PHOTOS BY LINDA TREST



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OAA brings Christmas to Louie

The Owensville Arts Council presented a two act play "Christmas Comes To Detroit Louie" on Friday and Saturday. The play was set in a hospital waiting room on Christmas Eve. Julianna Bayless (left) played a blind girl who kneels for a Christmas prayer asking help for everyone's troubles. Included in her request is that Christmas comes to Detroit Louie, played by Ken Ellis (background). Also in the cast of characters is (top photo from left) Linda Eubanks, Ginger Helmig, Lee Wehmeyer as the Doctor, Justine Eubanks, Randy Hudson and Ryann Bethune. After the prayer two angels, (top right) played by Terry Flanagan and Nichole Hubbard, have to choose which one of the requests to grant. Letha Ellis (photo above) plays a third angel visible to the cast. She gives Detroit Louie more encouragement after he has found Christmas. More photos from the play can be seen at www.GasconadeCountyRepublican.com.

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Nicole Jenkins, Teacher

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Wate Are you Doing? CAN you BRiNe me A CAR for me AND milla to rAse ecUTHER? I Hope I wiN the RAse AND I Hope that Milla WiNs the RAse But I AM SoRY that I sMAck Milla iN the fAse Ples forgiVe Me.

Love, Lillan K

Dear Santa,
I wus GAnD I LiFe can I Plez anD I hav a Christmas tree I Want a neclis Plez can I hav a gitr AnD I Want tras can Pant anD a Pant brush I hav a blue fidget sPnne I wavt toha vatox stuf animul.

Love, Mackenzie T

Dear Santa,
I Will Like a sewing mashen and a drt bike and a havr bord and a baby sitr and a besxt house and a new house and a tickit to got to hwiYe and a car to ses my Bruthr.

Love, Anieya B

Dear Santa,
How is mrs. ClauS? Can you bring me a fon ad som hed-fonS. how are the reindeer?

Love, Zayne T

Dear Santa,
I Am Gyer LoD SAnTACIAs Do you HAV A sleig? I Wut A elf AND A beAr. I WuNt A Rudof. HAW is RudOIF?

Love, Aubrey K

Dear Santa,
can you Git Me a Relle Pony for crisMis and I aM6 YroLD. Can you git me a toy SLay and OLoF RanDer? HoW is MRS CLoS Anb you Santa?

Love, Novalie S

Dear Santa,
HoW ARE the elvs? I Wunt A BablAdset Nexo Nite PoWeR shield and All the Dino chARgeRs in the WeoLD.

Love, Rylan B

Dear Santa,
can you give me a fan and a mom hors and a Pone and a sieigh and a reindeer and a bune and a house.

Love, Persephanie H

Dear Santa,
I WuNt a JuRasik PRk set. Hou ls mlsls CLoS DoInG? Houw ls RoodoF? Houw ls The eLvs? I am sevIN yueRs oLD.

Love, Liam T

Dear Santa,
How are you Ding? I want fidget spinners and Pokemon cars and a IFon7 and a xbox 1 and a boll and a trvck and a TeDe Ber.

Love, Jaxson D

Dear Santa,
Santa would you please bring me a Elsa toy car and a santa hansum dalle and I Liv in JaWoD and I am six. I Love Santa.

Love, Izarra S

Dear Santa,
Do your eLFs make the Flypn ranbow Dosh Do your eLFs Love to make toys? dus rodoof stil giyd the sLay DiD you liyk the braones wunto rowdoof toy.

Love, Kayden S

Dear Santa,
I am 6. IwuNt a fAk kity AND A pAk of PokemoN cARDs. AND A BIK Wis ChRAN wels AND A cit AND A teDe BAR AND A tABLit.

Love, Levi C

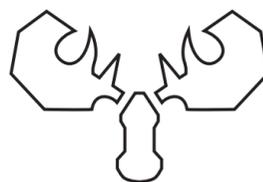
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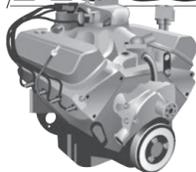
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God could have come to earth in any form, but he chose to touch us in this very special way. He took on the form of a newborn, just like you and I. His entry into this world could have been a secret, but an angel told Mary, Joseph had a dream, a host of angels sang out praise to the shepherds, and a great star was a sign to the magi.

And you and I have heard the testimony of those who have repeated it to us. The fact that the story won't go away is a tribute to God's desire to abide and reside in our hearts. And from that dwelling place, he seeks to transform us and shape our lives so that we see signs of Christ in one another. Merry Christmas!

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Yuletide Wishes

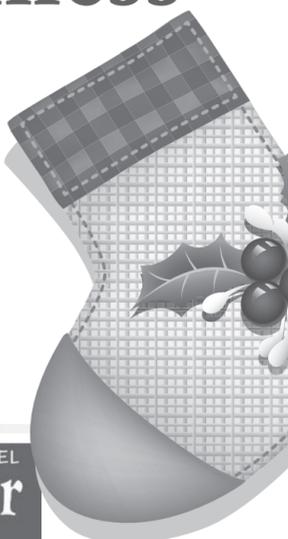
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Megan Young, Teacher

Dear Santa,
a cencyan is awesome but not as you. Plesye don't give me dalls or brbe dalls. Plesye can you give me Tackeswetr Bo-inaraow mocinchroll so sucenx Num Nums Shockings Skabod Skodr a BaBy PuPPy Fights Bed Logos man closte Bike cup ooenay's mochrchuckpea noow ghen nomis stufe nu boll bene baby daggball. I love you Santa Claus.

**I Love,
Jazmyn L**

Dear Santa,
How mine cookes Did you eat ovr the yer smell you later can I have a nuthr Dag ples.

**Love,
Jim P**

Dear Santa,
A ice cream is alsome but not as sweet as you. How is the Elfs doing? Are you ready for Christmas? My favrite part is when I see the prazinbs some time there's behind the caoch it is fun when we look for them and for Christmas I want a Elf on the Self.

**Cach you later!!!
Payton E**

Dear Santa,
Haw Are You? THANK YOU For All your Good's we All Love You so much! May I PLeAses HAVE A rumote controLe rdd2 A rumote cuntroLe cAR 100,000000,000

**Love,
Weston B**

Dear Santa,
Marey christmas. I Knoew christmas is not aBawt presents. it is aBawt giving and jesisis BrthDay whut I wood like fore christmas is a miney sowing mshing Thank you.

**Chaw,
Delyla C**

Dear Santa,
Holly is Jolly but not as Jolly as you. How are you doing at the north Pole? How are the Raindeer & the elves doing? I want clothes & lego friends.

Love, Holly A

Dear Santa,
My name is CIARA what is Rudolh doing I what a elf oN the shelve good bye. I Love you.

Clara D

Dear Santa,
I wat a cam and moshchr take thank you.

**Love,
Cole D**

Dear Santa,
A elfe is Awesome but not as sweet as you. How are you doing? Are you ready for Christmas? Marry Christmas good bye. Santa Claus.

**Love,
Lucy G**

Dear Santa,
Santa cm to or hase fur Christmas. want Play a kop-gga? I want breng hot wheels and cande sour patches. Fanc you!

**Your friend,
Adden L**

Dear Santa,
Cady Cans are sweet but not as sweet as you I have ben wodring wen is your BirthDay I went a iPhone 7+

**thak you,
Brinley S**

Dear Santa,
A dog is aweom but not as awesom as you! How are you? My tree is up. Can I have a x box and new buterfly wings? are you clad?

Love, Kassity T

Gerald Elementary Second Grade

Dawn Rice, Teacher

Dear Santa,
I hope you get Mrs. Rice and miss Lowder a Prasilt and me I want to get a Phone and a X box 360 on crismis and I want to have a Hotwheels to and I want to get last thang a Bran new Bike.

Wyatt B

Dear Santa,
This year I will like to have a real bunny and a xbox 1 with minecraft on it. The thing that I want is a stuff bunny that's medum and my two frunt teeth and I realy realy want the book Wish that's a chapter book.

**Your friend,
Payton S**

Dear Santa,
how is rootoff? Can You Give me an elf on a shelf Pleas? Becus I rily Do Whut;s Your favrit Cookey

**Love,
Kennedy W**

Dear Santa,
Ples Dun Put Me On the note list. I want a twin Hancaml and a touw cat thik you my frarit Randeer is Rodfoo the red nos rinde go

**Love,
Lilly R**

Dear Santa,
I wat intindo swich I wat a P&3 and Sam ageeh.

Sam W

Dear Santa,
I would like a mustting kids grive. Fantastiy gymnastiy. Hi Santa Want is your farte cookes plues, sin her.

Karley L

Dear Santa,
Will yet me a xbox and a remito oujol pusascahn.

Earnie H

Dear Santa,
For Christmas is... a Pillow emogi's, and a sleep emoji toy, What kind of cookies do you like? and can I have a Elf at the shelf

Love, Madalynn D

Dear Santa,
I want a skatBord so Bad to Do stuNs and to Go down to Mattug's a lot and play with it to.

From, Kayden K

Dear Santa,
I want to fix the nentido swich so I can play my game and shapuch peple and Get Maio oddishy

Brooke M

Dear Santa,
Can I have a Nintindo Switch or a dog. You are my favrite. have a jolly night. I love cristmas.

**From,
Coltan B**

Dear Santa,
this yeru I want Shopkins. and Glow in the Dark num unms. and mak up and a Wope Kose.

**Love,
Eva S**

Dear Santa,
I want emoji's and a ha-chubol's and a new lpod and and gliter lpod case and a pockit-socket are you geting Miss. Close anetang.

**By,
Abbey Q**

Dear Santa,
this year i want a stuff anml of crsr d i aso want you to ceom dan to chimne i aso wnt Santa stuff anmi

Love, Carter J

We Wish You A Merry Christmas

'Tis the season for us to say,
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Jamie Isom photographs Brennan Nelson, 7, of Owensville, and his cousins from Vienna, Addison, 5, and Aubree Campbell, who turns two on Dec. 23, during their visit Dec. 2 to the 25th annual Dutchmen Band Booster's craft show at Owensville High School. Gasconade County Fair Queen Tessa Eldringhoff was among Santa's helpers during the downtown Owensville community Christmas tree lighting ceremony on Dec. 2. Also assisting Santa were Sheriff's Sgt. Scott Eiler (far left) and Little Mr. Gasconade County 2017 Brahm Winter (on right). Little Miss Gasconade County Brooklynn Kramme was also helping but is not pictured. LSC Communications donated 200 gift bags for the event. Owensville Christian Church (top, right) staged a puppet show and live nativity scene during the event.



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Santa's special visitors; special pancakes served up by Masons

Masonic Lodge No. 624 A.F. & A.M. in Owensville donated \$600 to the Helping Hands Outreach Center of Gasconade County from proceeds of their Dec. 2 Breakfast with Santa. The donation will help support Operation Christmas. Rodney Jones added a special touch with faces and Santa hats for children's pancakes. Santa had some special visitors including Dorothy Burrows, 93 (top), and Ragan and Cord Tucker (left). The youngsters were visiting Santa with their grandmother, Laura Hinson, who claims to have known Santa her entire life.



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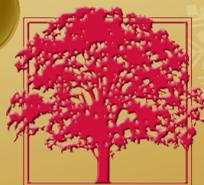
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Merry Christmas

May peace be your constant companion and may faith be your guide during this special time of year. For your friendship and goodwill we feel truly blessed, and we look forward to seeing you again in the year ahead.



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STRAIGHT FROM SANTA'S MAILBAG

In the spirit of the season, we're pleased to share these heartwarming letters from Santa's youngest fans.

Owensville Elementary Third Grade
Christa Lawton, Teacher

Dear Santa,

How is everything going at the North Pole? I hope you like the cookies I got you. I hope I get a RC car. The other thing I want is a youtuber blaket. I hope there is a lot of presents when I wake up. I know I will get good presents. Have a great Christmas Santa.

**Your Friend,
Bryson B.**

Dear Santa,

I hope you have a Merry Christmas. Thank you for the Xbox 360 last year. You always bring me good presents. Could you please bring me a phone or tablet. Thank you very much.

Love, Brenner T.

Dear Santa,

How are things at the North Pole? Are the reindeer doing ok? This has been a great year so far. I would greatly appreciate if you could give my brother some coal, because he has been mean. Can you get me a tablet, a phone, a walmart gift card for my grandma's tablet and a pet reindeer for my elf berry. Thank you for my presents last year.

Sincerely, Clarice

Dear Santa,

How are you and miss claus. I liked my presents last year but this year I want and ipadm flufex rug, and a new baby goat. my sisters wants a chromebook and stuf like that. My fameley awes has a get together we won't do smoehting diffrent each year so can you help me thank of some ides. Hope you have a good Christmas.

**Love,
Hannah K.**

Drear Santa,

How are things going at the North Pole? How is Miss Claus feeling? And how many kids do you haveto give toys? How old are the elves? All I want for Christmas is all of the Percy Jackson Books because I have seen 2 of the movies or should I say... PLEASE!

**Love,
Trinity**

Dear Santa,

How are you and the reindeer? Hey what kind of cookies would you like and how is Mrs. Claus? Thank you for the presents I got last year. This is what I want for Christmas this year, a sled, a desk and a teachers chair, a snowcone maker, and a new iphone case. I think my dad would like a new chainsaw. Thanks agian. P.S. my mom would like some new makeup.

**Love,
Rylee D.**

Dear Santa,

How are things at the north pole going. Our elf on the shelf has been amazing. My Christmas list a Xdox 360, a go cart, a fierfiter suit, a cop suit, and every game for the Xdox 3.

**Your amazing friend,
Gauge**

Dear Santa,

How is it going in the North Pole? I hope you are haveing a good year. Thank you for the presents last year. I will ask for 3 things. I would like to have a sled, a stuffed animal shapped like a puppy, and a book about a dog and cat. One more thing how are the reindeer doing? Thank you.

Love, Izabella B.

Dear Santa,

how are things at the North Pole? How are the reindeer? Well I loved my presidents last year. This year I want a Ipad, Jojo Siwabows, and a slime kit. My brother really wants a gift card to dicks and money. and mysister really wants a new phone and a gift card to the mall. Well how are the elvcs? Well I am good. See you this Christmas.

**Thank You,
Jenna**

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? Thank you for the presents last year. How are the deer doing? I would like a 22 and an airplane that is remote control. P.S. I would like some legos too and some clothes.

**Your Good Kid,
Brodren K.**

**OES Third Grade
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Owensville Elementary Third Grade
Christa Lawton, Teacher — continued from page 2D

Dear Santa,

I would like to have Xbox Live, a controller, a stuffed Iron Golem and a warfare and a xbox 360 for drake rouge two battel front. 2 headphones for my xbox. And story mode season two. or my mom a cooking book and some cars for Christmas. And some legos for Christmas. Some of the same shoes for Christmas. Ans some Christmas movies for Christmas. or the crafting dead Callduty. Merry Christmas.

Love,
Cooper S.

Dear Santa,

How are things going? Do you want cookies this year? I hope things are going well. I would like if you would get me a teacher chair. Also a cursive sheet and 2 math books with the answers. I would like a clock too. Thank you for the presents last year.

Love, Audi

Dear Santa,

How are things at the North Pole with Mrs. Clause and the Elves? Thank you so much for all the gifts that you gave me Santa. I would love to have a model house, a new Leap Pad, a tool set, some fake spiders for Halloween and a stuffed whale to put on my bed. I hope my family and friends have a wonderful Christmas. See you soon Santa.

Your Friend,
Hunter S.

Dear Santa,

How are things at the North Pole? I hope you and the family are doing well. Are the elves almost ready for Christmas? Are your reindeer ready to fly in the sky? Thank you for the presents last year. I would like a toy Ryan Dungey, toy dirt bike, a electric scooter, and a hover board.

Love Your Friend,
Colton E.

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Claus,

How are the reindeer doing? I hope you guys are having a bunch of fun. I would greatly appreciate these couple of things. Troll figures and a cup for pencils and pens with a kids size teacher chair and a kid desk with a file, play computer, notepads, and a lanyard that teachers wear with a whistle. Thank you for your time.

Your Dearest Friend,
Cheyenne M.

Dear Santa,

Are the elves making toys? I hope you can get them delivered because I would like to get Forza Horizon 2, GTA5, a new bike, and Xbox one X. Can you please get me that? My mom is awesome. It would be great if she could get a desk top computer. Thank you and have a Merry Christmas.

Your Good Boy,
Gabe D.

Dear Santa,

How are the reindeer doing? I hope I have been good this year. For Christmas I would like a P54 with Call of Duty WWII and a nerf gun. Finally I want a true hero troop transport truck. Thanks for the gifts last year.

Love,
Drake D.



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Dear Santa,
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With love,
Violet L.

Dear Santa,
Do you get presents santayes or no pik 1. Thank you for getng us presunst. haW bo your randbes fly. haW bo your ranbes pol your slay. Do you no are us. haW bo you go boW n the chimne. Wish you a Merry Christmaas have i ben nic or Bady
With love,
Pierce S

Dear Santa,
I have been good and bad. I Love you you are always so nice. I beleve in you others may not I do I see you at school every year anyway I would like a coalmaker sew'n style machine tangles some slime and putty the rest is your pick its the thought that counts bye
With love,
Jillian P

Dear Santa,
a grum set. a mega Neath gun a beebie gun a fowne a gutare a pupy 2000000000 Hotweels cars an truck a rc bot a rc tanck
With love,
Cullen G

Dear Santa,
I like candy canes They are Dilishis. you sood Throy some Santa and I osow like toot terols i Just Love Them and I wood osol wunt some clay and some sloime. I wood love if you give me ola of The stof I ast for ples and thak you.
With love,
Haley B

Dear Santa,
a BaByaliVe. Art SuPLise a Bag OfCandey and a Bag of gom Balls a elf on the self a Bag of orBez a figet SPiner a iPad OBeez SPo a for wer Hed Set a Phone a huver Bord a Sqisheeye
With love,
Peyton S

Dear Santa,
I wunt a 54 inch tv and what elks I ask for this yeer on My home list I have a lot of good grades this yeer but i is a lot of ya and it is slowe to do ya.
With love,
Mason M

Dear Santa,
I have ben good I want it to christmas. it lest it's rit arond the corner. I can wate that loqe. I want a new tablet. I have my christmas tree up all redy. I forgot to tell you I want a netendo wich.
With love,
Lex B

Dear Santa,
can I Hav a Now Pokemon aDap-coweXBox and P-coweXBox and fjtspnrgogiN and specrfisnr an I wet amecrzrdxl an I wetr amecaov
With love,
Bryce N

Dear Santa,
I hop your reinbeer are rede of cristmas bad if you get me my peRein to me a lot of money for cristnas and i wunt a lot of clos for cristnas and want a iRon for cristnas and a lot I Love you.
With love,
Emilyn R

Dear Santa,
I have been good all year. how is your reindeer. I hope good or you couldit fly your sleigh. I hope you are good. I wut a coloring set and amawuckn girl doll. for christmas.
With love,
Riley G

Dear Santa,
toy tunc and moves and cars and miN car GyltoBBit move213. sata can my bad Have a Now car. Jeis HaPPY Broay.
With love,
Alex V

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Dear Santa,

I want hot wheels, syper ulti-mate gagy. I want two power wheels. I would like the bomerang one. I want a transforming bat mobil.

Sincerely, Wyatt

Dear Santa,

I want call of duty wwii and I want nerf gun and I want lego classic and I want bingo I want pre\$change o and I want escapte the mad mummy and I wan uno and I want monopoly junior and I want up words those are game.

Sincerely, Jacob

Dear Santa,

May I have xbox gams, spy iron, a xbox controler, figet \$pinner, my owe pep gune. I want to no how the raindeer are down. I was good becuse I helped kids that were sade.

Sincerely Your Friend, Liam

Dear Santa,

I would liek to know how much money you spend on buying toys and coal for all the ungratful kids in this misarable world. Your probably dropped a lot of money buying stuff all these years. All I want to say is for all these years you have brought us all joy and toys and jolly times every single time you visit the wonderful world around you and the north pole.

Sincerely, Shaun

Dear Santa,

How are the reindeer doing? Can you please get me a mx lite doll van? Please get me a real kitten. How is Mrs. Claus doing? May I have some more barbie dolls? May I have some more stuffed animals?

Love, Ariel

Dear Santa,

I have a few quistions and I have a few want's. Santa is it true that you have to have us believe in you so you can fly the slay? Or is the slay not true? Santa are the raindeer good because I rely want you to fly oll over and delivering them to kids. And dose rudoff have a shiny nose? And have to guide your slay? And now here is my want's Santa my mom's belly and may U have a bouny chair and can I have LOT OF SILLY STRING. Love the girl who is on the top of the nice list.

Sincerely, Myla

Dear Santa,

This year I was really good. And I missed Rudoff is he being good? This year I have soft choalte chip cookies and milk that's your favorite. Santa may I have JoJo bous & Jordans. Please and thank you. I'll make sure I do extra chores and take my dogs out more. And shh my mom wants more makeup and I want Justice clothes, more rings, nails, poils, makeup, scunse, figy putty, cool stuff form claires, I got more but that's okay see you next year.

Sincerely, J'Miaha

Dear Santa,

I wonder how you and the raindeer are going. I've been really good this year. I kind of did good on keeping my temper. My dad's birthday is soon. Here are two thing I would like, 2 Destiny figures/for dad's birthday and 1 for me and camra film for when part of my family goes to Branson for after Chistmas.

Sincerely, Kaya

Dear Santa,

How are you doing. I love Mrs. Clusis cupcakes and how is Mrs. Clus doing. May I have a rc car plesa. May i have a remot control helicoptr plesa. and a ipoh e plesa and a coccr ball plesa and a drte gun plesa and sum close plesa and a pie face show down plesa.

Sincerely, Austin

Dear Santa,

how are you doing? I got angel. She is so funny. She was siting on a deer. I love her so much. Haw are the eter elfs doing making toys for Chrismas. May I plays have a hover bord and a 4 wubl bubl ball? Haw is MRs. Clas doing and rdolf. I sool him in the sky last year. But I am much biger now I wish you a Merye Christmas and a happy new year.

Love, Jayci

Dear Santa,

Thank you for going around and giving all of these kids presents you have gave me presents and I hope you do this year to and can I say thank you for giving me presents and all of the other kids, I resen I should get a present is I am working on being a better person and working on my manners. I want a jolly set because I like julry and can I say how is your deer doing and misses Clous and you. And thank you.

Sincerely, Cameron

Dear Santa,

May I please have these things for Christmas a RC drifter, a RC off roader, a RC Lamborghini, a heater for my room, a fan for my room, a RC tank, a RC jet. Ey the way how are you and the reindeer doing is Mrs. Claus ok?

Love, Xavier

Dear Santa,

I have a Christmas list here it is a gas powered moter bike, baseball set, foot ball, a 3DS, sun and moon, nerf guns, belzts for the nerf gun, b.b gun, bb's with the b.b gun. How are you doing? I cant wate intel Christmas can you? How are the raindeer doing?

Sincerely, Jacob

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? I'm doing pretty good today. Today's the best day ever. MERRY CHRISTMAS this year. Happy Winter holiday. Ok. Let's get started with the item I want. Can you get a fidget spinner that tells time on the caps.

Sincerely, Carson

Dear Santa,

May I have for Christmas a new minecraft (Xbox 360 Editon), a notebook, a big teddy bear, a tablet, a white t-shirt (size 10-12 in ladies or small in womens.), a clipboard and pencil, a pencil sharpener. How are the reindeer doing? How is Mrs. Claus doing? Stay slam Merry Christmas. P.S. How are teh elves doing?

With Much Love, Arianna

Dear Santa,

I am good this year how are your raindeer I gave tun food rember I meet your rember so I still thanking how you travile in 24 hours do you have rortits boosters or have slea power also I will now make my list may i have a lego roller coster, eldchrick scooter, a nurf gun, and a marble trake with 5 marbles inside a box with back yard coster so trake you if I get mos of it hope the back yard coster comes if does not come it is okay biy Santa. Ho Ho Ho

Sincerely, Ty

Dear Santa,

Hi how are the elf doing. For clismist I wont a nrif gun, toy cars, a toy santa and any thies gefs would be grit.

Sincerely, Jude

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Dear Santa,



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Dear Santa,

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Sincerely,
Aiden D.

Dear Santa,

How are your rander? Is Blitsen ok? And I want 14 fish for Christmas oh and 2 dogs and 1 cat.

Senserly Your Friend,
Cael W.

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? I hope you are just fine. I was just wondering if you give your elives some games, break time, if you don't have any. By the way how is Mrs. Claus? I hope she is doing just fine.

Your believer just in case,
Kien B.

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? I'm doing wonderful. What I want for Christmas is a hover board, helercopter, and a bell from your sleigh, and an elf on the shelf. We hope you have a wonderful Christmas so ho, ho, ho, and ho.

Love your BFF,
Chantz K.

Dear Santa,

How is it going Santa? All I want for Christmas is a dirt bike. Please. How are the reindeer doing?

Sincerely,
Derek J.

Dear Santa,

Hope you had a good break and how is Rudolph and the other reindeer? I want for Cristmas is a neon street rollar and pinki pops and guess what I love you so much.

Sincerely,
Sydney S.

Dear Santa,

How was your brake? How is Rudolph doing, does his nose still shine? I would like legos and a laptop for Christmas. How is Mrs. Claus? I hope your reindeer are healthy. P.S. Christmas is my favorite holiday.

Sincerely,
Madison S.

Dear Santa,

My elf Stephanie and the tooth fairy was bad girls last week. They T.P.ed my tree, ate my snacks and made a mess with the candy dots. And they wrote on my fish tank. My other elf Ellie felt bad from taking our bows so she had made head band ears and when I woke up she gave all three of us 3 bags of pop rock candy. How are you and Mrs. Claus doing at the North Pole? What is all the reindeer's names? How bright is Rudolph's nose? Is the elves working really hard? I know Stephanie and Ellie are! Please tell me how much cookies you eat every year. I would be pleased if you bring me almost every single minecraft lego set. Have a merry merry Christmas.

Sincerely,
Avery G.

Dear Santa,

I want a computer. How is Rudolph doing? How are you doing Santa? And I want Pokemon. I hope you give me lottery tickets and I want magic cards.

Sincerely,
Koen B.

Dear Santa,

How is Rudolph doing? Just to let you know you are a wonderful person, but how did you get so big?

Sinslerley,
Elliott C.

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? Are you redy for Christmas? And how are your reindeer? And I want a huver board and a phone. And how is Mrs. Clows? What kind of cookies do you like? And I want orbez.

Sincerly,
Lillian S.

Dear Santa,

There's lots of things I want to ask you. so my first question is, is Rudolph real or a mith? My second question is about is Christmas magic real? My third and finall question is what does mises Claus do to help? And what I want for Christmas is a niteno swich. And rew wants one too. Kayla wants an xbox (but don't listen to her) N. swich is cheeper. Hope you do good on presents this year and a successful job.

Sincerely,
Ethan B.

Dear Santa,

How is Rudolph's nose doing, is it still glowing? Are the other rainedeer still bullying him? Can I ppleeaaassee have a dirt bike and some starwars stuff. And a cot?

Sincerly,
Hunter M.

Dear Santa,

Hello Santa, For Christmas I want an iphone 7 please. How are the reindeer at the north pole? Can I please have a lock for my door too please? I'm gonna stay up all night on Christmas Eve so I can see you eat cookies and milk.

Sincerly,
Jacob W.

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I would like a Xbox 15 so I don't want much for Christmas. How's Mrs. Claus doing? How's the elves doing? How's the reindeer? How's the toys coming along?

Sincerly,
Eli H.

Dear Santa,

Thank u for prsents. Ples get me a bobot extreme. Thank u.

From,
Kane L.

Dear Santa,

Merry Christmas! How is Rudolph doing? I hope he is doing good. I hope you like your cookies on Christmas. For Christmas I want an lpad & a phone & a play house. Just to let you know you are wonderful, and so is Mrs. Claus. I want to know how is the elves doing? I hope they are doing reilly good. I hope I get to meet you some day. That is my wish for Christmas & I want a sled, scarf, boots, castle & that is all I want for Christmas. I hope I get it. I hope the reindeer are doing good & I hope you are doing good & Mrs. Claus is too. Merry Christmas.

Sincerly,
Hannah S.

Dear Santa,

Jingle and Jolly are doing good this year, they're our elves. I want a machine nerf gun with a stand, two blasters and it's white, it's at Walmart. Elaina my sister, she wants a mini refrigerator too. I also want money, soda and candy.

Sincerly,
Maddix L.

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Gerald Elementary Third Grade

Katie Schaning, Teacher

Dear Santa,
I want a xbox 1 and pokit raser. And a remote control monster truck and a remote control boat. This is all I want. Merry Christmas, Santa and Mrs. Claus.
Sincerely,
Leland

Dear Santa,
I want a scate bord, I want a globe, I want freddy lagos, I want a freddy plushy, I want mincraft lagos.
Sincerely,
Corbin

Dear Santa,
I have a elf on the shelf ask her if I have ben good this year. While your here I want XBox 1 games, pobosti, dirt bike, goggles, helmet, enspickal me 3 movie.
Love, Brady

Dear Santa,
I want a laptop the one that has games on it and a bike so I can ride on todles and I want it to be green and a foot ball beacus my brother always take them.
Love,
Brody

Dear Santa,
Can I have a Iphone hover bord, elf on the shelff, new dog NOT stoped, candy lot's, new cat, sunglasseses pink, figet spener, figet cube.
Love,
Jade

Dear Santa,
I need a laptop no quasdes asked. I need need need candy and thx's. I what a baby pig I love them they are cute.
Love, Payton

Dear Santa,
For Crhistmas I want 2 things for Crhistmas I want a hover board and the thing I want is a xbox one with hack dogs with xbox live.
Sincerely,
Kylen

Dear Santa,
I want a kids drit biek and magtastics thay are magnits. I alsoow want a nentendow swich and and xbox ownx and gtx 5 for the ebox ownx.
Sincerely,
Kameron

Dear Santa,
I would love to have a gocart, a new bike, more controllers and a xbox 360.
Sincerely,
Braden

Dear Santa,
May I please have... A JoJo siwa my life doll, hover bord, amy life doll bed, and a lot of my life doll cloths.
Love,
Natalie

Dear Santa,
I want cande. I wunt cookes. Newbick, new munewell 10 dollers.
Sincerely,
Brendon

Dear Santa,
I want GTA 5 xbox 360 far cry 4 xbox 360 black ops 3 xbox 360 snap circuits.
Sincerely,
Tucker

Letters to Santa
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Miller House Pub & Cafe and Staff
would like to thank our customers and friends for their generous support of our Christmas Tree gift campaign to help local families and bring a smile to each of their faces.
Merry Christmas ~
and God Bless!

Merry Christmas and a bushel of thanks to all of you for your patronage and goodwill.
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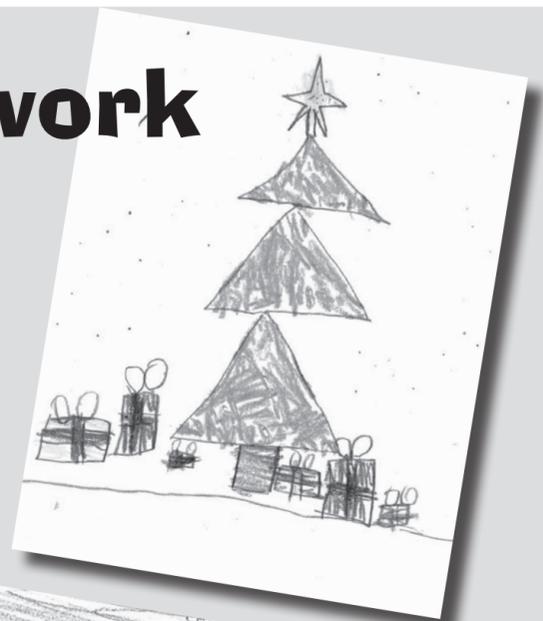


OES Second Grade Artwork

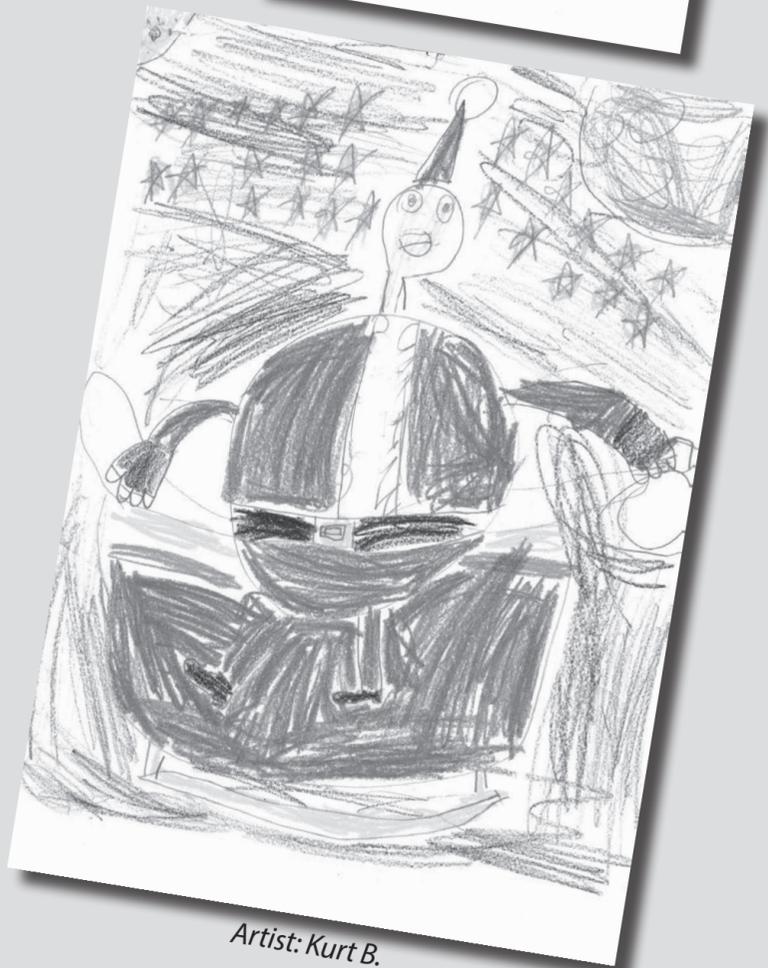
Students from Aimee Grannemann's second grade class submitted artwork with their letter's to Santa. Here are three.



Artist: Piper K.



Artist: Brentley L.



Artist: Kurt B.



Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year
At this time, our thoughts turn gratefully to those who have made our progress possible. It is in this spirit we say... "Thank You!"

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Counting and sorting for Operation Christmas

Volunteers for the 2017 Operation Christmas campaign sorted food and gift items Dec. 4 in preparation for the boxing and wrapping day on Dec. 13. Tanner Brown (above, on left) and Veronica Aytes were among the young people helping with sorting and counting tasks. Several local bank employees were among those wrapping gifts. Cathy Scego (top right, on left) and Hannah McKinney share a laugh as they wrap gifts at New Hope United Methodist Church.

With Pride At The Holidays

We don't like to brag, but we're proud to be a part of this country (and Owensville) and we pledge our commitment to serve you in the year ahead. Happy Holidays, everyone, and thank you for your goodwill and support.

Owensville
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Merry Christmas

"For unto you is born this day in the city of David, a Savior which is Christ the Lord." Luke 2:11

With warm wishes to you and your loved ones at this holy season.

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Downtown Santa

Tinley Sanders, a kindergarten student in Owensville (top), named the giant stuffed bear she won at the community Christmas tree lighting event "Cupcake." Santa makes his way through the crowd (left) after arriving on a wagon. Emma Hansen, Spring Bluff (above, left) and Jenna Breedlove, Gerald, make ornaments at Artworks on Main. OHS musicians (below, from left) Hannah Baughman, Alexis Snodgrass, Tara Schnelting, Kyra Binkhoelter, and Noel Baker played during the event.



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Thinking Of You At The Holidays

Seated from left to right : Norine Garcia, Tammy Schnelting, Mary Baker, Gladys Koepke, Alice Garrison, Ester Pfeiffer, and Geraldine Graham.

Standing left to right: Fritz Berger, Ken Limberg, Rachael Green, Renee Terril, RN/Director, Ruth Mealer, Sadie Kohrmann, and Dorothy Fisher.

Residents not pictured: Linda Watson, Arnold Bossaller, Dale Secrist, Mildred Schmidt, Catherine Heidbrink, Doris Schneider, Charles and Mary Feagan.

Staff not pictured: Kristen Echols, Donna Ruth, Lois Tichacek, Jeannie Sheppard, Beki Willis, Amber Stockton, Holly Dolan, Kim Eberlin.

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