

Dennis & Connie Warden

Don & Jeannie Warden ~ Jacob & Jessica Warden
Dave Marner ~ Will Johnson ~ Roxie Murphy ~ Linda Trest
Ruth Jost ~ Tammy Curtis ~ Kari Schweer ~ Christine Yearwood
Norma Schulte ~ Kathleen Crawford ~ Sharon Brown
Rebecca Hernandez ~ Ken Stanley ~ Mary Lou Thomas



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

Kelly Smith, Teacher

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I need a noow Fan. I want a LOL DoLL with a Dress. anD a baskethoop. I want a car sat. I want a new Back Paclk. I have bin EooD. I want a noo DoLL houSe.

Love Blaizly B

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I need mommy to feel better. I really want a stuf anmol rambow uooncorn. be cus I Love my mom. I dzrv it be cus I am allwas good.

Love Ragen T

Dear Santa,

For cristmas I need clothes For my Barbbiee. I really want a hows haws For my mom and dad. Bkuz I hav Bin nice too PePole.

Adalynn O

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I wut a Hoverboard cus I nice. For chsistmas I wut a bike. For chsistmas I wut a soccer ball.

Love Bryson D

Der Santa,

INeed a stufanumol of vevuder. I really wunt a tomugache. Be cus I thank I wod wustlit to Irne to Be a mom. I need it Becus we are giving it ayay my BoolDog.

Kinley S

Dear Santa.

For christmas I need a new bike. I wunt a bassketball. Becus I have ben Good.

Love Atticus B

Dear Santa.

For Christmas I need a basketball Please Besause I have Been good this year. I want redfaA

luFu Ciris B

Dear Santa,

fou Chismas want a now bike becus I ben wercing hard on my math FcTs.

Love Teddy C

Tate D

Dear Santa,

I clend my roowm I Need a new bike hemet. I really want a Fitbit.

Dear Santa,

For christmas I want clothes please. I want to Git a soccer net. Please. I want a basket Ball and net. please

Love Cooper S

Dear Santa,

I want a pink skooter with Red flams and a Hug box fll of IEGOz I Need baskel ball Becus I bin good.

Love River T

I Need close and I waNt a Barhouse Barrclase aNd I need Shoge

Love Bridget F

Dear Santa,

For Christmcs I Need red shoes and I want my an tit

Laf Wyatt H

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I need dirt bike Gear. I really want Lego be Cus I My Legos Barke be I ben Good.

Kyle K

Dear Santa,

for Christmas I need a now helmet for riding my Bike for Christmas I want a Hoverboard.

Jamison P

Dear Santa,

I need a Trojr For my Troj s Set, I want a Legos Trojr For my Legos set. I want dirtbike.

Love Garrett R

Dear Santa,

For Ciristmas I want Bawboo and house belc cus I Love it! Lila R

Dear Santa.

Frs | Need clothes, Then | Need a brc. Las I want Barbie clthes.

Love Sofia V

Dear Santa.

For Christmas I want a bell. Love,

Evan M

More Letters

to Santa

Continued on Page 3A







Barbara Graham, **FNP** Family Nurse Practitioner



Closed Christmas Day

Closing New Year's Eve at 3:00PM

and Closed on New Year Day.

MSW, LCSW

(573) 437 - 4481

Board Certified

Family Practice

Vicky Gulley, D.O.

Licensed Clinical Social Worker

708 Hwy East 28, Owensville, MO 65066

Holiday Greetings make this season special.



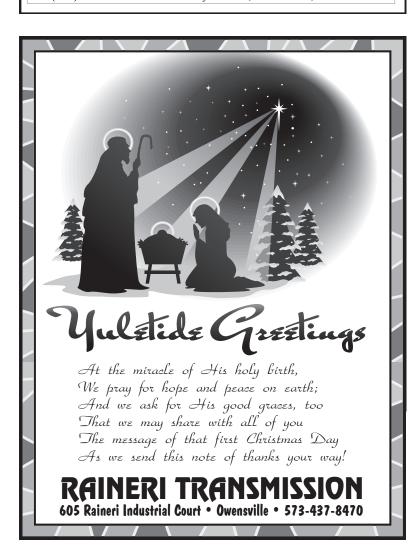
Wishing you a Christmas filled with all the things that

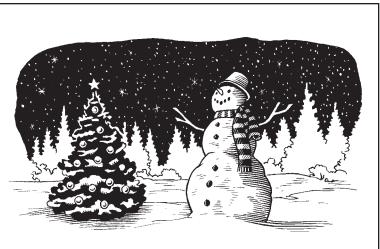
Merry Christmas & Happy New Year from

Buddy Schneider & Tharon Schneider

3168 PIEZUCH ROAD **OWENSVILLE**

Call: 573-437-2269 or 573-694-4835





At The Holiday Season

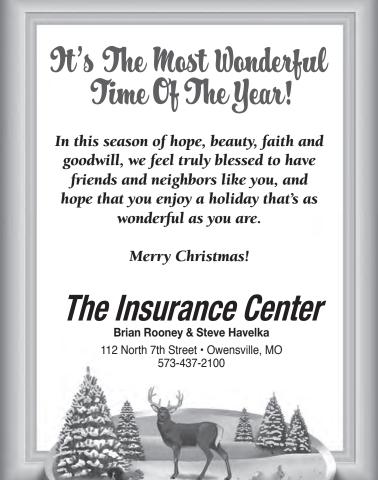
It may be cold outside, but our hearts are warmed as we recall the many kind people we've helped us this year. We're deeply grateful for your support and wish you all a very Merry Christmas.





- DEER PROCESSING

CALL 573-437-6154 OR 636-584-4494



Merry Christmas and a

and goodwill.

'tis the season..to give you our thanks!

We wish you all the best and look forward to

serving you again next year.

Sales and Service, LLC • 573-437-2999

106B S. L & D Drive • Owensville • centraltiresales@gmail.com

from Chuck, George and their families at...

bushel of thanks to all of you for your patronage



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.



573-437-4104 • Hwy. 28 West • Owensville

HARDWARE - LUMBER - TRUSSES & BUILDING MATERIALS

—Owensville Elementary First Grade -

Jackie Johnston, Teacher

Dear Santa,

I Hop you Haf a Maree Krismis I went a BB-Gun for Krismis and a x-box 1 anD a nerf-Guns

Loev Mason S

Dear Santa.

in I went a RCcar and a trampoline. tha

like

Brodey B

Dear Santa,

I wAnt A XBOX But I noT heAt I will Not get it I Am Not guNu Not get A XBOX I will NOt get it it is a XBOX

... cAn i hAv A XBOX Plets

luv Colt S

Dear Santa,

Hi Statu Can I have XBOX Playstation RCCar

From love Brock

Dear Santa,

I want a Kit ten 2 hamstrs PuPPy stuFFed animal christmas songs book Nerf Guns tablet computer Barbie's BBGun 30 GermX's. tell the elve's hi and reindeer hi.

Love Leah R

Dear Santa,

I Love you please can you git a Barbies an Germ an Toy computer an a tablet. you are ocum remer

Love Ariebella 1

Dear Santa,

I Luv you I wunt... a BBgun chismis is my fABnit Hovvbay!

Luve Ayden T

Dear Santa.

I Love you so much I want a stuffy and a puppy and kitten and a hamstur and Barbies and a taBlet.

Love Avalon

Dear Santa,

I rely wunt a nintendo switch. and a xbox one. and a fort night nrfgun. and a tablet.

Lachlan B

Dear Santa,

Hi Santa Can I. Have a Toy Modosikul. Pleae tul the elfvs tomak. It

love

Colten N

Dear Santa,

Iwant a nintenbo cammer an DA Lot hint nb Pokemen Games An DA Lot of Pokemon cARDS An DPokemon swer DAN sheild Dubel Pack extReme Power Doser Hugs Toy Gun Games An DController. Love Santa

From

Brycin W

–Owensville Elementary First Grade –

Beth White, Teacher

Dear Santa,

How is rodof doing? I hope you are doing so good. Thanks for those ordmints that I could pante on, Can I plese have a toy phone Santa, a pante set to plese, and a toy kichen plese Santa clous and I will give you cockies and milk to Santa.

Love Sophia B

Dear Santa,

How are the elves and the reindeer doing this year? I Do not like where the elve is at on December 3. I whold Love a Book, a four weelr, anD a play stason four. I have Ben veary gooD this year. By By Santa

Love Barrett K

Dear Santa,

I want a Puppy, a white sparckle boots, vans, a calendr, a Justice Bedroom set. Love

Addilyn M

Dear Santa,

I Hope the elfs are Doing Well Even Krishtin and tell Krishtine to get a reindeer and for my camra can you plese take A Picture of Ruldoph and all The reindeer?

Love Jolie V

Dear Santa,

How are the reindeer Doing? I wut slime for Christmas.

Love, Harper S

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I would like Cowboy boots, a cowboy soot, and a lasoe. I will leve carits for the reindeer and milk and cookese for you.

Love Matthew A

Dear Santa,

Hi Santa! How are you doing? Are the Elvs making toys? I will leve carits for the reindeer. Can I get a I Fon11?

Love, Parker A

Dear Santa,

What I want for christmas is a tablet. and twenty \$, a lunch box, a book that tells me facts, a xbox controllor, a laptop, and a pet turtle.

love Archer M

Dear Santa,

I Hope you are HaFen A gud time but I want A laPtop and contRoller, A really Fast romote control lamberginy.

Love Grayson K

Beth White Letters to Santa

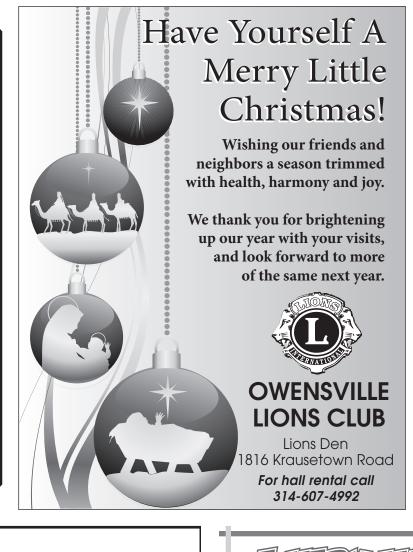
Continued on Page 6A



all the year through. With gratitude and warm wishes to each one of you.

Owensville Lodge #624. A.F. & A.M.

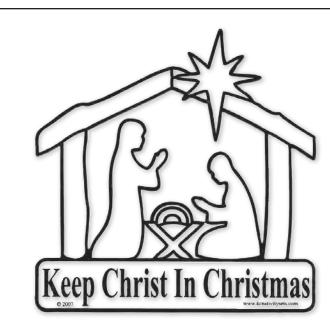
Owensville Lodge #624, A.F. & A.M. Hwy. 28 (Lincoln Ave.) & Walnut St., Owensville











The best presents are the ones that can't be wrapped.

The magic of Christmas doesn't come in a box.

It can't be bought, but it can be given:
Friendship, Understanding, Kindness, Love, Compassion



Knights of ColumbusOwensville Council #2547

Owensville Council #2547 Owensville, MO



It's Beginning To Look A Lot Like Christmas!

And we'd just like to say, hope your season is perfect In every way. May it open the door, For good tidings and cheer...

Opportunity's knocking

Merry Christmas to all And a joyous New Year.

Iafiabow

1004 INDUSTRIAL DRIVE OWENSVILLE, MO 65066





LOYAL ORDER OF THE MOOSE LODGE #878

WOMEN OF THE MOOSE CHAPTER #2176

The Family Fraternity



Music in the air at Christmas time

The Owensville High School Gym was the venue for the annual Winter Owensville Bands Concert. These three baritones (right) were decorated with lights for the High School Concert Band on Dec. 11. Leading off the concert was the 6th Grade Band (middle). They performed four short songs in the first performance for their parents and friends. Playing three songs for the crowd was the 7th and 8th Grade Band (bottom). Jordan Palmer is the director for all three bands.



















We sincerely appreciate your support, and we wish you and yours all the very best.

Merry Christmas to you!



Danica Landwehr, Co-Owner 314.575.2930 Angela Ray Broker/Manager 573.291.0437 Erica Smith 573.308.7636 • Martha Record 573.301.2702 Robin Jahnsen 573.690.8162

402 Hwy. 19 • Owensville, MO • **573.860.4343** hdrealestate.info@gmail.com • www.HDrealestateteam.com





PHOTO BY DAVE MARNER

Rosebud Legion Post hosts visit from Santa

Santa Claus greets Rosebud American Legion member Charles Wehmeyer at the Post No. 547 Christmas party on Dec. 13. Wehmeyer and his brothers will be closing their Wehmeyer Motors business on Dec. 20. Legion and Ladies Auxiliary members lead the group in a Christmas song sing-along to open the festivities. Santa visits with youngsters. Each received a bag of treats from Santa's helpers at the Legion Post.

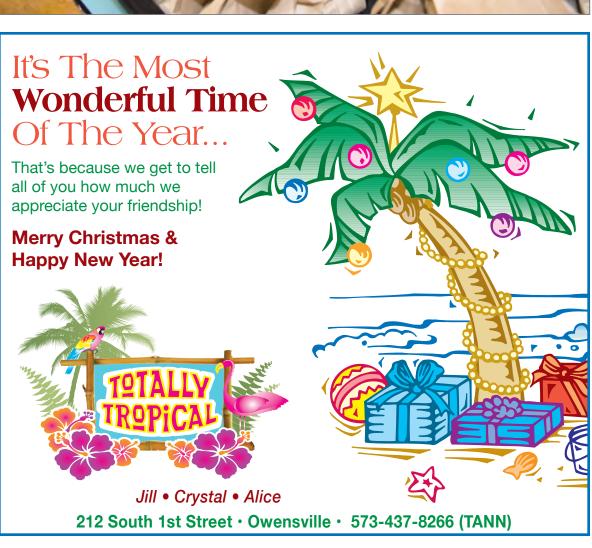






At the Holiday Season, out thoughts turn gratefully to those who have made our progress possible. It is in this spirit we say...Thank You and Best Wishes for the Holidays and Happy New Year!









Holiday Hours

January 1st | Closed



Pride in our past...Investing in your future. www.mariescountybank.com | Member FDIC

573-437-4444 | 804 W. Hwy 28 | Owensville, MO 65066

-Owensville Elementary First Grade -

Stephanie Sullentrup, Teacher

Dear Santa,

I Hope you dont fall a Sleep on your way to dropp off the Presents off tot he kids in missouri. I Hope you are having a good day evry day. if you can make theys toys I am happy if you cant its ok hoverboard and a sine that says my last name and Elsa hair!!

Love Ella H

Dear Santa,

I like your hat anD your costom I hoP I get przens this yer. I hoP you have A guD nit this Evenig. Santa I wunt A Big teddy bear A music Box monster truck That is it santa haw Are your Elves AnD ranDers Haw is roDof. Love Santa

Devyn S

Dear Santa,

I hope That I can. eite a NiNtendo Wich. cand for beine Nice. anD I Love you and Your Boost and. I hop That you anD Your elf.

Love Cody R

Dear Santa.

I wus hopen. I cud hav toys jewelry and a puppy robot. I hop you hav a Merry Christmas. Thank you for the elf. And I hav bin good. Merry Christmas.

love Allyson S

Dear Santa,

I Love Year Hat I Love year suit I Love year doots and I wat a earrings

Love

Callie Mae J

Dear Santa,

sanha and the elf have a happy christmas. can i heve jewelry? i heve been gooel

love Addison R

Dear Santa.

I hope you donte get cold. last year I like what you got me. This year I hope you give me a hoverboard and a skateboard and a nerf gun.

Love Garrett B

Dear Santa,

I Love You. I LOve Your Elves. and aa Pack uove earrings, and a mustnag, and a hoverbodrde and german snepherd. I am good ebvyday. I Love You. and I Love Your elves. You arn good. I hop you arn hethe.

Love Gia C

Dear Santa,

I hope you hav A good time At your worck shopp and hav a good time giving out present and get me a gor big truck transformer.

love Damian H

Dear Santa,

I hope that you have a wonderful christmas Santa and your elfs too. Thank you for a hover board and my falimy. and a srpries toys.

Love Kendra S

Dear Santa,

I hope you anD your reindeers anD you anD your elves are doing good i want barbie christmas clothes cool. I been good to your elfs. stuffed animal snowman.

Love

Reagan T

Dear Santa.

Can I plees have a set of ever color markers plees and some Legos plees. I hope you and the elves are doing well.

Love

Mason S

Dear Santa.

I hope you and the elves have a good Christmas. I would like a hoverboard and school supplies and a big stuffed annimal unicorn. I love you Dancer. Santa Clause hope you are doing well. I would like a stuffed annimal girl elf. I love your sleigh its cool Santa I love it!

Love

Ayla E

Dear Santa.

Santa please come to my house on Christmas. Santa please can I Here a drone. Santa please can l'Here a hoverboad. Santa please can I Here a drone. Santa please can I Here remote controlled car.

Carson P

Dear Santa,

I Love your elves and I would like a remote controlled car and little air bldan and a drone and Hove you and your elves Thank you

Love Rex W

Owensville Elementary First Grade

Beth White, Teacher (continued from page 3)

Dear Santa,

I would Like a 20 ich bike For christmas. How are the reindeer and Mrs Caus? I Love chiistmas.

Love William K

Dear Santa,

can I have 3 elvs? I wunt a mom elf, dad elf, and a Brother elF.

Love Kami R

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I wut a easel and a tablet. Have I ben good enough?

Love, Ella N

Dear Santa, Am I on the Notee List? I re-

aLLy wunt a scooter that trns into a bike.

Love Trevor G

Dear Santa,

I want a poir of mud boots, a army tank, and I have some cookes for you Santa and I have some carits.

Love Logan M

Dear Santa,

How are The reindeer doing anD The elvs DOing? I wut for christmas an AmericAn grl Dol j and earings, anD a fone.

Love Tynzlee T

Dear Santa,

Howare you dooing? I am going to leve cookes and milke for you. I hope you like them. I bin relle good. can you get a LOL doll, and a BrBey, and a game.

Katlunn G

Dear Santa,

Hope the

joy of the holiday

season

puts a

song

in your

heart!

I wnt legos.

Love,

Kayden B

Hallelujal 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 truly meaningful Christmas!

Owensville **Coin Shop**

GIFTS WITH LASTING STYLE!

207 W. Lincoln, Ave. Owensville, MO 65066 Bus: 573.437.7498





Heartfelt Wishes for a

Merry hristmas

We've loved every minute of serving you this year. Thanks for your kind support!





1st St. • Owensville, MO





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

4 Miles South of Owensville on Hwy. 19 • 573-437-4091





201 E. Peters Ave. • Owensville





Fa-La-La-La!

To all our friends both near and far, may harmony surround you wherever you are.

The holidays are happier with friends and customers like you, and we thank you for being such an important part of our year. Merry Christmas!



with offices in Linn & Brazito Find us on facebook

STYLISTS

CANDI DIETRICH

RACHEL STONE KIM CAHILL

BREANNA EILER

BRANDY MYERS KATHY LENAUER

OWNER: MAKAYLA ADAMS



業業

– Owensville Elementary Second Grade –

Ciara Rooney, Teacher

Dear Santa,

Hi it's Lilyana R from Owensville! I wish my mom and dad a very fun Christmas, and for homeless people to find a home. I want a LOL surprise Winter Disco Calet, Nintendo Swich, IPone 11, and a baby puppy. I need new socks. I hope you and Mrs. Claus are having a Merry Christmas. I will leave reindeer food for you and cookies and milk.

Your friend, Lilya R

Dear Santa,

I hope you have a good Chistmas! I hope that you and Mrs. Claus are doing well. I just want to tell you what I want under my tree this year. I would like a computer for Chirstmas. I wish for everyone a merry Chirstmas... to all the elves to.

Your friend, Ellie B

Dear Santa,

I hope you are doing well at the North Pole. Last year I put some reindeer food in the yard. I might do it this year to. I hope you bring alot of presennts this year. I need a shovel. I want a remote control car and I wish every body a Merry Christmas!

Your friend, Will

Dear Santa,

I have been wondering how my elf is doing. I am worried that Band Jingles won't come back! I hope you and Mr. claus are doing good. I want a rare Poke'mon and ah Ameican Doll bunk bed. I need underwear and gloves. I wish for everyone to have everything they need and to have a Merry Christmas!

Emmeline G

Dear Santa,

Merry Christmas SanTa! I set reindeer food out last year. I hope you find it this year. I need scuBa gear so this summer I can go swimming. I hope you have a good Christmas. I also want a LOL Hair goals and a house for them. I Love Christmas. Merry Christmas!

Your frind, Teagan H

Dear Santa,

Greetings from Dennis! Last year you ate the cookies didn't you? I was going to eat those! Haha I tricked you. This year I want internet, an ipad, tv, ps3, and games. I need pants, and long sleeve shirts. I wish for every body to Have a Home.

Your friend, Dennis H

Dear Santa,

Hi Santa! This is Trace L from Owensville. How is Rudolph? HOw cold is is in the North Pole? I wish my family a Merry Christmas. I really need some new socks and pajamas. I want a hot wheel track and a toy monster truck.

your friend, Trace L

Dear Santa,

Greetings! Merry Christmas Areyou o-k? I want a Hover-track that plays music and L-e-d lights on it. I would like clothes as well as a puppy and a bunch of Fortnite stuff. I want a little shelf for my phone and alarm clock. I want shaving cream and a bunch of Blue, Red, Pink, glue to make slime.

your friend, Sylys L

Dear Santa,

I hope you have a Merry Christmas. I will leave cookies, milk, and carrots for the reindeer. Can I please have a Barbie dream house and warm clothes? I wish lots of food and freedom for others.

Your friend, Aubrey M

Dear Santa,

I hope that you and Mrs. Claus are doing well. Here are some ideas for Christmas that I want. I want Pokemon and a new nerf gun and a new gun. I also want a hover board and a elf on the shelf and a ticket to go see a football game. Please? I hope that Im not asking to much. Also I might make some reindeer food for your reindeer.

Your friend,

Your trie

Dear Santa,

I wish for a Rubex cube, lego set, transformer, and a tshirt. Please include stuff my family needs and other family members also. I want everyone to have a wonderful, jolly Christmas. I know that it's about family and about love too. I want everyone to have a good time together and spend a good time with others.

Your friend, Brock R

Dear Santa,

What are your reindeer names? How aeindeer names? How are you? Are you doing good? I wot on all movies at out you are cool I won't you you are cool. Ill kelr einkel reindeers.

your friend, Connor T

Der Santa,

I wish my Dad's job gets better. I hoge Rudolph is not sick Santa. I want compass from 1918. I need a good friend. I want to go and see my mom. I wish to have a good time witk my Dad. I need a good Christmas.

your friend, Lukas W

Dear Santa,

Greetings from Drake! I hope the elves are good. Get the evil elves out to the south pole and send two good and silly elves a. Green one and a blue one. I want a Cool drum set the elves for Ansel and Hollis too. I need a sweat shirt that has a Pokemon on it. Have a Merry Christmas!!!

Your friend, Brahm W

Dear Santa,

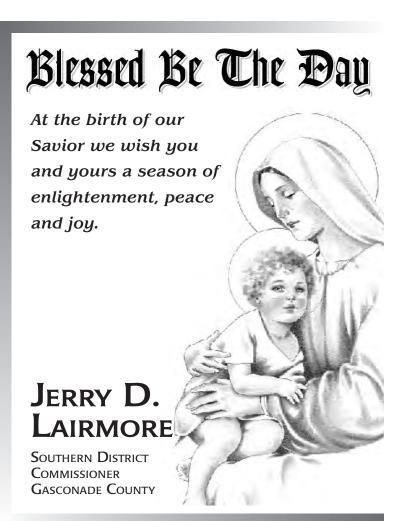
For Christmas I want some Pokemon cards. I need new socks and I wish for people to stay warm, cozy, and comfortable. Have a good merry Christmas this year.

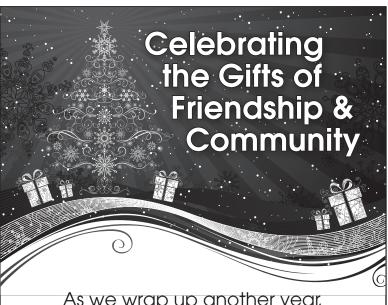
Your friend, Ryder H

More 2nd Grade Letters
Continued on Page 2B









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

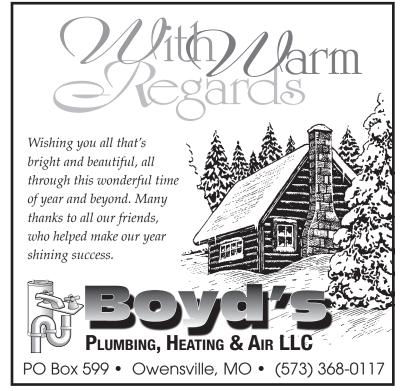
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

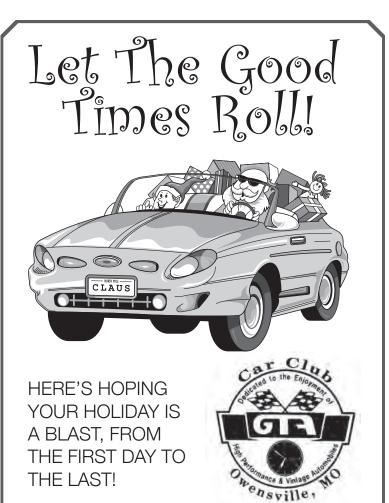
Jim Holland

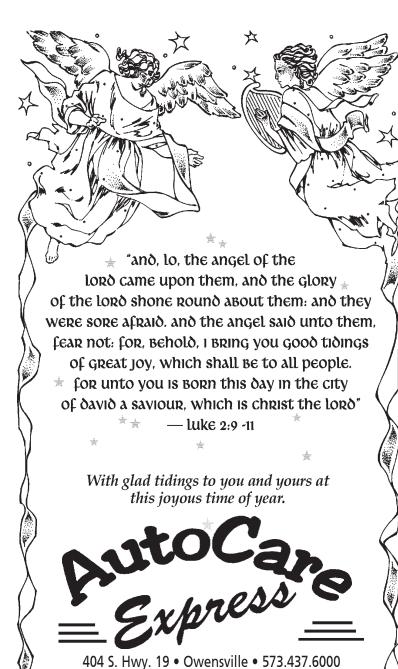
Gasconade County Northern District Commissioner

573-486-3508 holland-gasconadeco.comm@hotmail.com











Boxing day

Retired Owensville High School vocal music teacher and Operation Christmas volunteer Judy Schaeperkoetter enjoys a hearty laugh Dec. 11 after meeting current choirs director Philip Giacomelli during boxing day activities at the Helping Hands Outreach Center. Giacomelliand advisors from the OHS FFA chapter combined to bring 150 students throughout the day to box up food stocks.



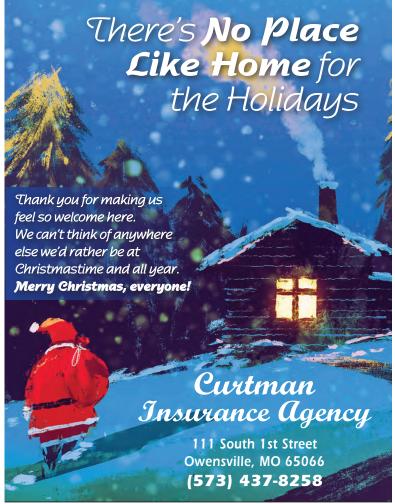


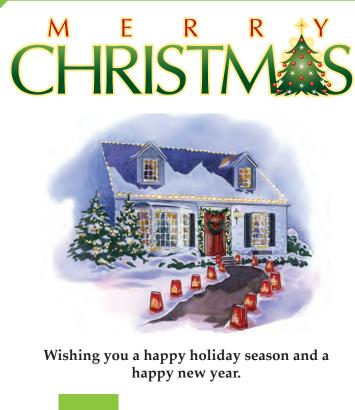
OPERATION CHRISTMAS 2019 provided food stocks for 150 families along with clothing and toy gifts for children in 62 families. OHS vocal music and FFA students volunteered to help with the boxing.





505 Henry Street • Owensville, MO 65066 • RABelloir@hotmail.com

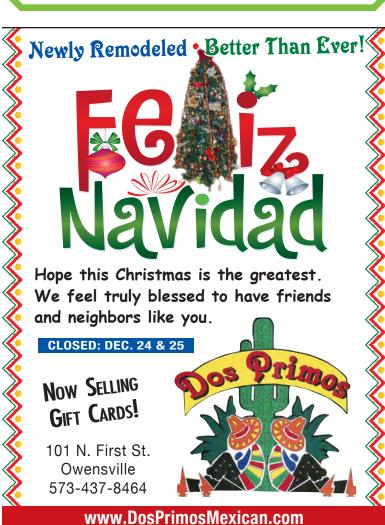






117 NORTH FIRST STREET OWENSVILLE • (573) 437-2800

H&R BLOCK









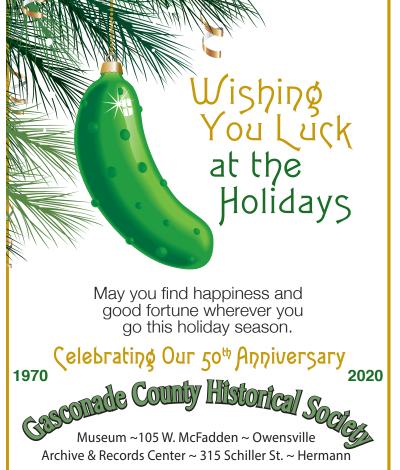
Christmas craft sale helps support OHS marching band

Blaine Reed, a senior band member from Owensville High School, promotes his wood-cut Christmas gifts during the Band Booster Club's craft show on Dec. 7. Kenneth Schmanke (far left) was doing a brisk trade with his wooden creations including pepper grinders. Bonnie and Kevin McFadden had a collection of painted rocks for sale. McFadden, who said he was responsible only for collecting them, reported strong sales. Hillary Winter, assistant band director, plays along on a selection of Christmas classics with some of her students. They were performing in the main hallway.



















FROM SANTA'S INBOX

LETTERS TO SANTA from GOOD GIRLS & BOYS at Owensville and Gerald Elementary Schools

Owensville Elementary Second Grade —

Sarah Gehlert, Teacher

Dear Santa,

Dar, Santa Claus how do you get all of those gift's to kid's so fast in one night with you're reindeer's and with you're sled in the night. And thank you for giving me a blonde haired Pony. And I really need a LoL doll set. And I really need my mom because I never got to see her.

you're favorite kid Gisele B

Dear Santa.

Dear Santa would you like milk, hot cocoa, or eggnog? Thank you for the purple pillow whith the white polkadots. Santa for Christmas can I please have a Windows 10 phone whith a kitty eating a pineapple for the phone case. Can I have a phone so I can call my mom and dad when they have to work late. Don't forget to fill my dogs stocking.

your friend, Kat B

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,
Dear Santa wold you like milk or hot cocoa? Thank you santa for a monster high dream house. Can I Please have a Phone whith a Pineappel Pink Phone Case and I need a amimal sloth for my mom not a real one Do not eat to much cookies.

Love your frienbs Kara D

Dear Santa,

Santa why do we have to leave cookie's out for you and how do you diliver presents in 8 hours is it because you have a terbo bost sleigh? thank you for a lava lamp last year. What would I like Santa to bring me this year is a new lava lamp becuse it brock last year I Need a night light Please and thank you. I hope Santa don't crash into a chimny.

Love, Brayden O

Dear Santa,

I hope you don't get in any accident on your way to all the happy kids for christmas I want airpods a iphone11, a camera, a laPtop, money, micerphone's, boad games, some cool cloth's, P.J., a skateboard, and a new bike. have a joly time handing out Present. Oh yah hay santa how do you get throw the chimney if they don't have one? And can the raindeer talk. Oh and why is red, green, and white the christmas color bye

your friend,

Dear Santa,

Rowan B

Can I have a Iphone 11 with a barble case on it please. I want a five foot Girffle and andy matsion flipbook kit and a night stand.

night star

Dear Santa,

I want 2,000 nerf gun and a electric scooter red and black and i want to go to the north poole and hover board go cart red and black. thank you for the nerf gun last year. I want a hov boad red and black, and a four wheeler and a dirt bike and a mini street bike. do not eat all of the cookies.

your favorite kid, Tucker C

Dear Santa,

Who is your favorite reindeer? Thank you for the hoverboard and black go cart. This year I would like a Nintendo switch and a pokemon game. I need a new watch to tell time in case my phone is dead. I wish you a safe th'a home. Do not eat all the eookies.

Mason H

Dear Santa,

Santa How are The Rain-Deers? Are They Rain Deers great Thank you for the LoL doll Last year I Need A real Phone so I can Take Pictures of miss-Gelhert and me. I want A red green and White Sweater because my sister got my sweater mudy and Drdey. Can you give me a So White I hope you don't get a tummy Ache from eating too many cookies.

Love Dorothea R

Dear Santa,

How many a pols do you want me to leve? Wow I rilee like the gift you gave me. I Need a now par of gluvs Bekoos I don't want my hands to got cold. I want Pokemon cads for crisms.

Love Dason M

Dear Santa,

Santa is my house fore from the northpol? Santa thax for my farm set from last yer. Santa can I Plese have a laptop because my sister wont let me play on hers. Santa have a good trip urouod the world. thank you for give in me this teacher.

Your favorite, Lane M

Dear Santa,

How are the raindeer? Thank You Santa for the watch last year. Santa can I have a IPhon 11 Pro becos I'v ben a good boy. And I rilly need a pokat Knife so I can cut off deershead. Mack sure kids dont get in you'r slay.

Your faverite,

Dear Santa.

Bo N

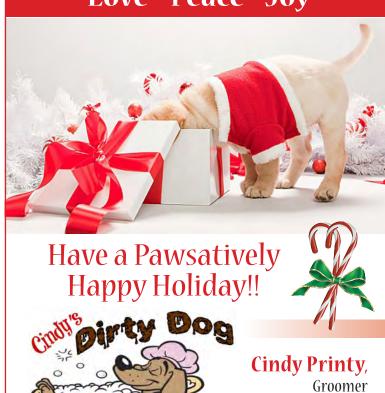
How is rudolph going? Thank for the beeudufall dall. I need a cage for my cat! And a lol dol Bawns haws. And a lol dall haws! I Liv mowens Vill By Sol's Haws. Brthday Kiera

> 3536 Kuhne Road 573-437-4168

www.crmc.org

Kiera M

Wishing you the gifts of Love ~ Peace ~ Joy



573-259-9302 406 N. First Street · Owensville, MO

PHYSICIANS

An Affiliate of Health Care

OWENSVILLE

Better. Every day.



MOVING FORWARD WITH SMART ENERGY TO STRENGTHEN RELIABILITY

Our customers' energy needs are changing, and through a Smart Energy Plan, we're advancing thousands of projects in more than 500 communities across the state.

Learn more at AmerenMissouri.com/plan



ENERGY AT WORK



Dear Santa,

Owensville Elementary Second Grade

Aimee Grannemann, Teacher

Dear Santa,

How many elfes do you have? Thank you for my presents! How many cookie do you eat? I think I've been good this year. For Christmas I need jegging light blue and dark blue. I would also like black boots like fury and past my ankols. I would also like the American girl school set. I think Logan and Layne need a chrombook for there homework. I will also like a new lpad and a Iphone 8. I would also like a new Iphone11 for my mom and dad. I would also like a Barbie camper and pjs. You don't haveed to give me all that. It does not matter.

Sincerely, Allison E

Dear Santa,

What is your favorite part of Christmas? My favorite part is that it is Jesus's birthday. May I have a smartphone with a pink case? May I have a robot maid that is water proof? May I have 4 tickets to Disney World for my mom, my dad, my brother, and me? For a snack I am going to leave sugar cookies that my mom, my brother, ad I made. We are also going to milk for you and carrots for the reindeer.

Sincerely, Lily M

Dear St. Nick.

I Loved the hampster! It is sooo cute just he bites me and keeps me up. You are soooo cool that you went to a hotel in FLorida when we were going to Disney World! You did not even wake one person up!!! Do you have any children? If posibl for Christmas I want a mibro robot, a Lego Harry Potter train, a Lego Harry Potter aitig match, some of the Monopolies, a apple watch, a spider man head phones, Luwiges mahchin, and a hover bored. I will Leve you a Gluten Free cookie and some milk. Bye see you next Chirstmas.

Your friend, Josiah G

Dear Santa,

Ho do you go around the worb so Fast I would like a hight light for my room. If you could bring me some Lego sets and newest present I want is my family. Merry Christmas Santa!!

your friend Chevy S

Dear Santa Claus,

How many elves do you have? would like a Nintendo Swich. going to leve you cookies and mik and carrots for the reindeer.

you're friend, Braxton J

Dear Santa,

Did you eat my banana that I led out for you or did you give it to the reindeer? How many elves do you have? I've bin trying to be good. I wood like a gitor with a strap, a soccer gol with a strap, and comfe pants, baskitball shoes and soks, and chaptr Books. I am going to leave a banana out for you.

Yours truly, Jayde W

Dear Santa,

I want a baby Plese. How menu do you have? 100? How meny Rudolphs do you have? I love Christmas Eve because I love got a of Presents. I want a PupplY Plese. I love cooke and milk. I want a Apple watck. I wan't a hamster. I will love cooks and milk.

your friend, Quinn K

Dear Santa Claus,

How do you git all over the world? What are your reindeer names? If posibl I will want a Mongoose with flames and a jackit with flames to. I also want a red bone. If you don't no what it is a tipe of dog!

your friend, Ricky R

Dear Santa,

Do you have a lot of wrck? Do you have a lot of elfs? I think I wunt a Hoverboard that drivs in the grass. I want a puppy with a bo tie and a phone.

your friend, Emma J

Dear St. Nick,

How mene elves do you have? This is going to be the best Christmas. I have been good I want a LoL and a pet mouse. Can you give my mom a massage? Thank you!

your friend, Emmaline D

Dear Santa Claus,

Do you like chocolit chip coockes? Could I have 10 dinasors, Some smors, 50 candes, 5 moos tracks? I'm going to give you a pepermint stick. I'm trying to be good.

Yours truly,

Konnen L

Santa,

I want a tran. and a rel chikin.

Yours truly, Hayden D

Owensville Elementary Second Grade -

Jaysie Walters, Teacher

Dear Santa.

I want A blAck cAt for XMAS! A FNAF1 LAGOMAIN Stace. I wANt by own ChromeBook. Little BoNNie

Love Marcus K

Dear Santa,

I want a presit with a pupy. I need a slears I wunt a lol and a skwoozhudl. And How do you make randarz fly. Thankyou for prezins. I wunt a red noz rander love paislee my friend. do you make muztoks if you do tell me can I hyave your elv orcl you or no. code you make kylie nise to me a my zistr. make me a Elv.

Love Zoie B

Dear Santa,

I want a Transrormer dinobot you want cookis? I need a new watch thank you Santa

your friend Vincent P

Dear Santa.

I want u bucks for fortnite. I need new shoes. I want a Xbox one S. I need more pants.

your favorite kind Malachi W

Dear Santa,

I would like a hamster, and a real reindeer like Rudolph. And I need some more shoes and clothes. And a germen sheperd stuffed animal. And I also need a new bed set. And a lot of colorina stuff.

Love, Paislee B

Dear Santa,

Hi Santa! This year I want lot's of American girl doll stuff. And when I meen lot's I meen lot's. And please let my family get along. Thank you.

Love, Jorja J

Dear Santa,

I want same dart's and same Nerf blaster. I want my mom to have peace and quiet.

Love

Liam K

Dear Santa,

I want tablit I wanant a hmpster. I want fishes and I want lol bablayds more gams. a crom book and a exbox concheler.

from, Seth M

Dear Santa.

I have a question how cold is it in the North Pole? and I woud like you to bring me swet pants and a saft shrt and tall bots. And you soud have Rudolph up frunt but make sure you have your glassis on

Love,

Nora C

Dear Santa.

Iwanta dog a TV and a Pocinita Traple and a rodcod. I ned a famle how love me. A new vito game. and Do you make mistakes.

love, Eli D

Dear Santa,

Santa please give me all the beyblade gt beys and the rise beys. I need a new room. stay warm Santa

love your friend Davey N

Dear Santa,

How heavy are yuo? Thank yuo santa for the rccar last year. I want a iPad and headfons.

from Sylas B

Dear Santa,

I know I havent been the best kid this year but hears what I want a beyblade burst rise bey and I need grandpa Patrich to come back alive. and Tell Blitz that he's the best elf ever and tell me where you found the elfs

P.S. and take a selfey on my tablet

Carter L





the precious gift of our holy Saviour. For the gift of your

loyal and generous support, we offer our sincere thanks.



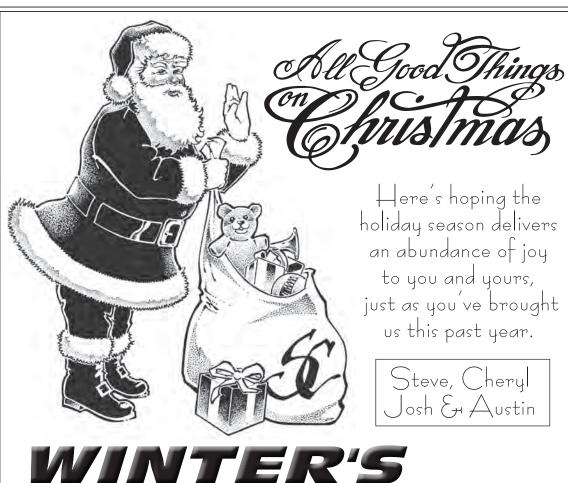
RELAX. IT'S RHEEM.®

PLUMBING, HEATING AND AIR CONDITIONING

High Efficiency Gas Furnaces • Electric, Heat Pumps & Geothermal Heat Pumps







FROM FLOORING TO FURNITURE WE MAKE YOUR HOUSE A HOME

120 N. First Street • Owensville • 573-437-2126

Home Furnishings



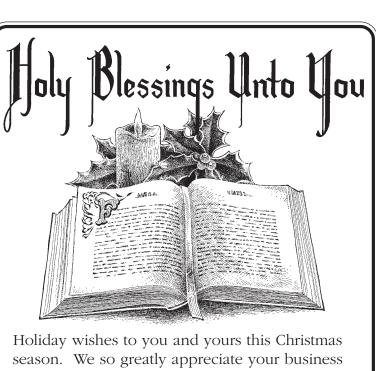


Light parade

Area bicycling enthusiasts ride their decorated two-wheelers in the Downtown Owensville Parade of Lights festivities held Dec. 6. Owensville's volunteer firemen hosted a snowflake drop with special prizes at the conclusion of the evening. Emma LeStarge and Brayden Reed were winners of the ride to school in a fire truck for picking up the grand-prize snowflakes.

PHOTOS BY DAVE MARNER





and friendship. Many thanks.

CLINT & JOYCE JOSE

Lane Building Products

Hwy. 28 West, Owensville, MO (573) 437-4147









As another Christmas comes in for a landing, we'd like to send our best wishes for a happy holiday your way. Wherever you spend the holiday, we hope it's merry, bright and filled with adventure!



"WHERE PEOPLE MAKE THE DIFFERENCE!" Ask for Andy, Debbie, or Kathy 910 W. 14th St., Suite 240 • Washington, Mo.

636-239-3040 • 1-800-474-4545 • www.time-to-travel.com

Blessings Season



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

We really treasure the gift of your friendship for the last 105 years!

1910-2015

Gottenstroeter Funeral Homes

Owensville and Gerald 573-437-2155 573-764-3300

Owensville Elementary Second Grade

Kayla Lowder, Teacher



Dear Santa,

How are you dowing. I need swet limad and strawberes too. I want a tramPlen and gasrs too. Thank you for the cars.

Your friend Brock

Dear Santa,

How do you Go to All the hoses in one nite? I need Cloths and Shoes. I want a drone with a Camra on it. Thankyou for the drone last year.

From Daulton L

Dear Santa,

Haw or you and Miss clos? I need food we do not hav much. I wont som mor platow borbees. Plees and thank you. Thank you for all the stof you got me all of the yeers I hav bin alive.

Love Kendra M

Dear Santa.

How are you felling? I need to help my mom. I want a Phone this year. Thankyou for the nerf bo last year.

From Cord T

Cora 1

Dear Santa,How are you doing this year? Ineed clothes. I want a nintendo switch please. Thankyou for the

bike last year.

Sincerely, Adyn B

Dear Santa,

HOw are you? I really need clothes and shoes. and I really, really, want a Junieb Jones book and a braclet maker and a coton candy maker and a neclace maker and winter gloves, hat, and scarf. Thank you for the winter coat last year

Sincerely, Madilynn M

Dear Santa,

wy dose my girl elf not have her mermade tail? I need some snacks for the bus and the morning. I want a sticky lag o thang. And the new janga and yedy spicety and the last thang I want is sofie dosie merch. Thank you for my lol. I am going to call you on chramis.

Love, Sophia T

Dear Santa,

HOw are you? I Need log Slev Pans. I want Luige's Mansone and a dogman stuff animul and a telscop. Thank you for All of that.

From, Max

Dear Santa,

How may toy do you make in a day? I rea hepa hepa new shoes hipling. I reallywld Guitar. Thank you oh mery chrsthas

Your friend, Alexander P

Dear Santa,

Thank you for the xbox HOw are you and Mrs. Clause? I need presents for my family please becues they Neverget preseNts and I want a Phone and I reall want the PokemoN cards.

Bentley K



Owensville Elementary Third Grade ——

Danielle O'Dell, Teacher

Dear Santa,

Hi. How are you doing Santa? I am lerning helping verds. This year I want. Pockmon cards, a dirt bike, legos, a remote control car, and a remote control lizzerd please Santa.

Your exited kid, Dylan S

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? I am doing great. I hope you are having a great day. For Christmas I want a Macbook, GoPro, IPhone Promax, an Apple watch, I Pad Pro, 350 boost shoes, Rolex watch, Airpods, an a new bike. That is all I want for Christmas. I hope you have a great day.

Your Friend, Dalton P

Dear Santa,

I was good this year. I would like a blinger, a lucky forchen, a Happy Hiungry baby alive, a fit bit, an American Girl doll hoorse set, and a Barbie.

Your Friend, Maci A

Dear Santa,

I have been really good this year. I would like a hamster, Apple watch and some clothes. See you in a couple weeks.

Your Friend,

Isabella B Dear Santa,

Iwas good this year. Iwould like a camrea, Harry Potter painting, stuffed animals and an Amerian Girl doll.

Your Friend, Molly E

Dear Santa,

Hi. How are you doing? I have been good. I know I have had kind of a rough year. I want some expensive stuff, but you do not have to get all of it. Here is my Christmas list. I really want a bow case for the bow you got me last year. I want a Xbox I with soccer games. I really want an AR15, and a soccer goal. I have got good grades this year. See you in 20 days.

Your Friend, Garrett B

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? I would like a trampoline, a puppy a barn, some clothes, a pool table, a skee ballgame, an alarm lock and some toys. See you in 16 days.

Your Friend, Tucker C

Dear Santa,

I have been good this year. I would like an American Girl doll campset. Can I also have a smart watch, new high heel boots, and a new dress to match the high heel boots.

Your Friend, Josey W

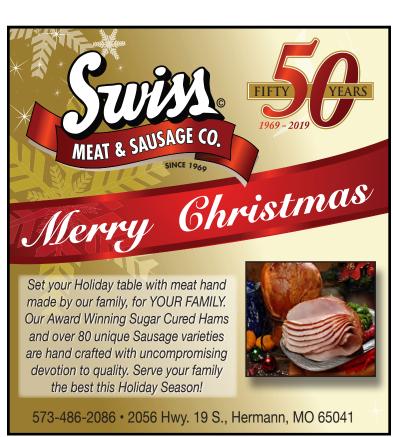
Dear Santa,

I have got good grades this year. I want a zipline, a puppy, shoes, clothes and toys.

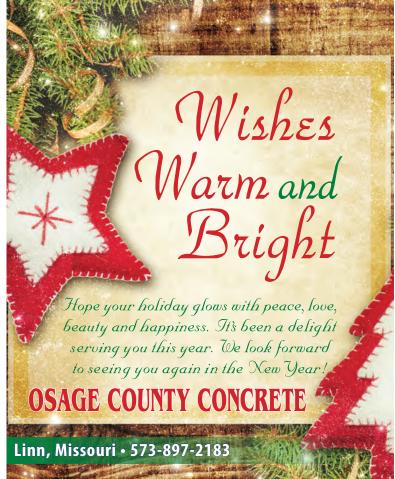
Your Friend, Chase H

Third Grade Teacher Danielle O'Dell Letters

Continued on Page 6B









Coffee ~ Cupcakes ~ Candies ~ Breakfast ~ Lunch Specials

101 West Lincoln **573-437-2888**

MON-FRI DRIVE-UP 6:00AM-4:00PM MON-FRI (INSIDE) 7:00AM-3:00PM SATURDAY 7:00AM-1:00PM CLOSED SUNDAYS



Hwy. 28 East
Owensville, Missouri
573-437-4156
Open 24 Hours A Day

Owensville Elementary Third Grade

Danielle O'Dell, Teacher (continued from page 5B)

Dear Santa,

How are you? I'm good. May I please have a Poly Pocket, 22 aun, My Life Doll, Guinea pig and the best for my family. I love Christmas.

Your Friend, Grace G

Dear Santa.

How are you Santa? I hope you are doing. My name is Blaine I have ben good this year. I want a few things for Christmas. I want a bowling ball, bowling shoes, bowling bag, a new bike, nerf bullets, and a new air soft snipper riffel.

Your Friend, Blaine D

Dear Santa,

What's going on? Christmas is only in 16 days. Since it's so soon, I'll tell you what I want. first off, I want my rabbit, Bunz to have a new home. Second, I want 2 kittens, cats are less work than rabbits, so it wouldn't be pointless. The last thing I want is a 3 1/2 foot pterodactyl.

Thank you, Makynzi R

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? I would like for Christmas a phone, huverbod, let it cip, bike, race cars, nerfblaster, bb gun and a target for a bow.

Your Friend, Matthew C

Dear Santa,

I am having a good year. I am on my 7's in multiplaction. I would like for my PaPa to feel better and my more to do good things. I also want a big ball, Life doll, LOL doll, and an American Girl doll.

> Your Favorite, Lilly L

Dear Santa,

I have been a good girl. I would like some dolls, a baby Alive, some new clothes, and some new shoes. I like to read, so I would like some books and notebooks. I also want some new paint and some markers.

Your Friend, Cienna C

Dear Santa,

Hove Christmas, do you? Hove when we eat biscits and gravy for Christmas. What I would like for Christmas this year is some Barbie cloths, slime, horse set, and legos. I also want my family to all be there. If some of the things don't come, it is ok. I love Christmas.

Your Friend, Brooke T

More Owensville Letters to Santa Continued on Page 2D

Best Wishes for a Merry Christmas! From Our Family to Yours

J. Butler & Sons Hauling, Inc. Joey and Carol Butler Hwy. 28 West | Belle, MO | 573-859-6265

Owensville Elementary Third Grade

Christa Savior, Teacher

Dear Santa,

Is there any new baby reindeer? Like every year my Chistmas wish is to have the best Christmas. I'm sorry that my dog Jack ate your Christmas cookies and you didn't have to give him dog treats. Can I have a new Chromebook charger because mine is broken. Can my dog Jack have some tennis balls and a squeeky toy that is strong so he can't break them because he likes to chew everything in sight. For example Wednesday night the 4th, he tore up my mom's package of hair care stuff and she got really mad at him.

The One and Onley, Hadlee K.

Dear Santa,

I really like lishaning for you on the roof. How do you get in my house? I would like to thank you for the John Deere 9570 RX last year.

Your Big Wisher, Blaine S.

Dear Santa,

How are you and roudolloh? Can Mandy have the iphone eleven with three camrus on it. Please get mich coal and please get my brother for mine sim 17, 18, 19. I would like farm sim 2620 and human full flat and a mak computer with pc monter. I also hope every one has a Merry Christmas.

Thank you, Connor

Dear Santa,

Hi Santa. How are your raindeer and elves? How is the North Pole? is it good? Can I have a tablet. Can I have two legos sets. For my tablet, can I have a case with a minecraft design. Also can I have a hansolo stuffed animal. If you have room I would like Dary of a Wimpy Kid book, a minecraft table and chair set and a pair of head phones.

Your Best Kid, Kayden M

Dear Santa,

Please give me a Nintendo Switeh. Also please give me a minecraft game for the switch. I love Christmas. Did you know I am in choir and I'm 9 years old? What movie had your real sleigh in it? Thank you for reading my letter.

Love, Chris

Dear Santa,

How are you and the elves? I have a questione, who gave you a license to drive a sleigh. Can you take me for a ride in your sleighe? I would like a hover board, shoes, a dress, high heels, and a dog. Thank you.

Love the Best Kid, Emily

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? Can I please have an Ifone with a red fox. and hover board for Christmas. I would alco liek a chrone book. Please bring some clothes form Millee my baby sister.

Sinerely, Rylee S

Dear Santa,

How are you and the reindeer doing? For Christmas I would like a desk lamp, and an art set. I would also wish for my brother to get whatever he wants for Christmas this year. I hope everyone has a Merry Christmas.

Sincerely, Clara

Dear Santa Claus,

How are you and your wife? Oh! I caint forget about your reindeer! They are so, cute. Maiy I please have a boxy girll, magic and baby lef that I can toch and wun't stas with me.

Thank you, Kylie B

More Owensville Letters to Santa Continued on Page 2D



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. BILL KRAUSE

FOUNDATIONS

Bland, Mo. -- 646-3684, 646-3578



Goodwill Towards Men -And Many Thanks To You!

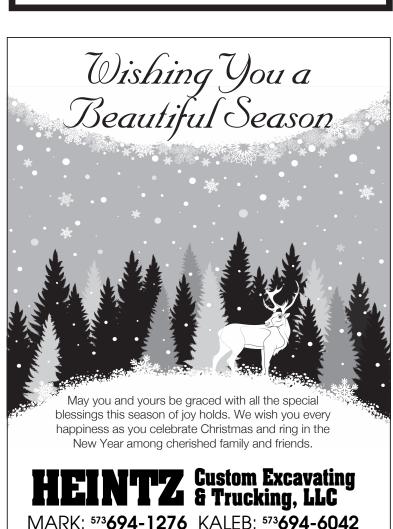
For all you do to make us feel welcome here we are deeply grateful, and wish all of you a truly unforgettable holiday season

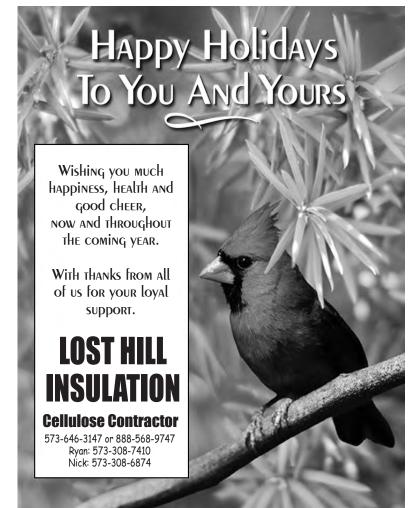
DRY FORK STEEL & SUPPLY, LLC

Phone: 573-417-0511 info@dryforksteel.com www.DryForkSteel.com 1360 Hwy. CC, Bland, MO















Carols at Manor

Belle 2nd grade students made their annual trip to Owensville on Dec. 6 to sing Christmas Carols for the residents in both the Gasconade Manor Nursing Home and Gasconade Terrace Assisted Living Center. George Bentlage (left) gave one student a big hug after he was presented a Christmas card from this 2nd grader. Naomi Limberg (bottom left) also received a Christmas

PHOTOS BY DENNIS WARDEN







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.

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL

MACE **SUPERMARKETS**

Highway 28 • Belle, MO 573-859-3362

200 N. Franklin Street • Cuba, MO 573-885-6223



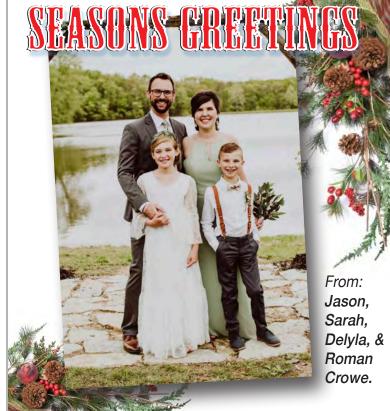














Jason R Crowe, AAMS® Financial Advisor

202 S First Street Owensville, MO 65066 573-437-3489



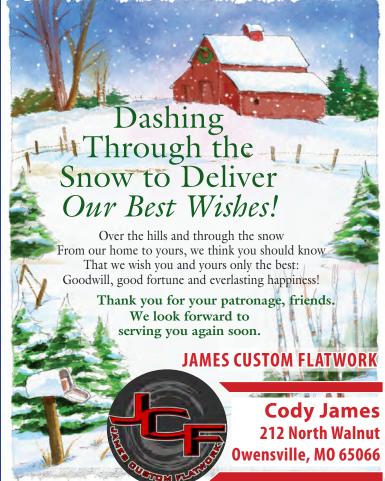


PHOTOS BY DENNIS WARDEN

Scouts collect the groceries

Troop 22 Boy Scouts and Pack 22 Cub Scouts collected food stocks in November during their Scouting for Food campaign. Scouts and adult leaders delivered their collection of items to the new Helping Hands Outreach Center of Gasconade County on Nov. 23. They gathered for a group photograph in front of the remodeled facility.









merry Christmas and a happy New Year!

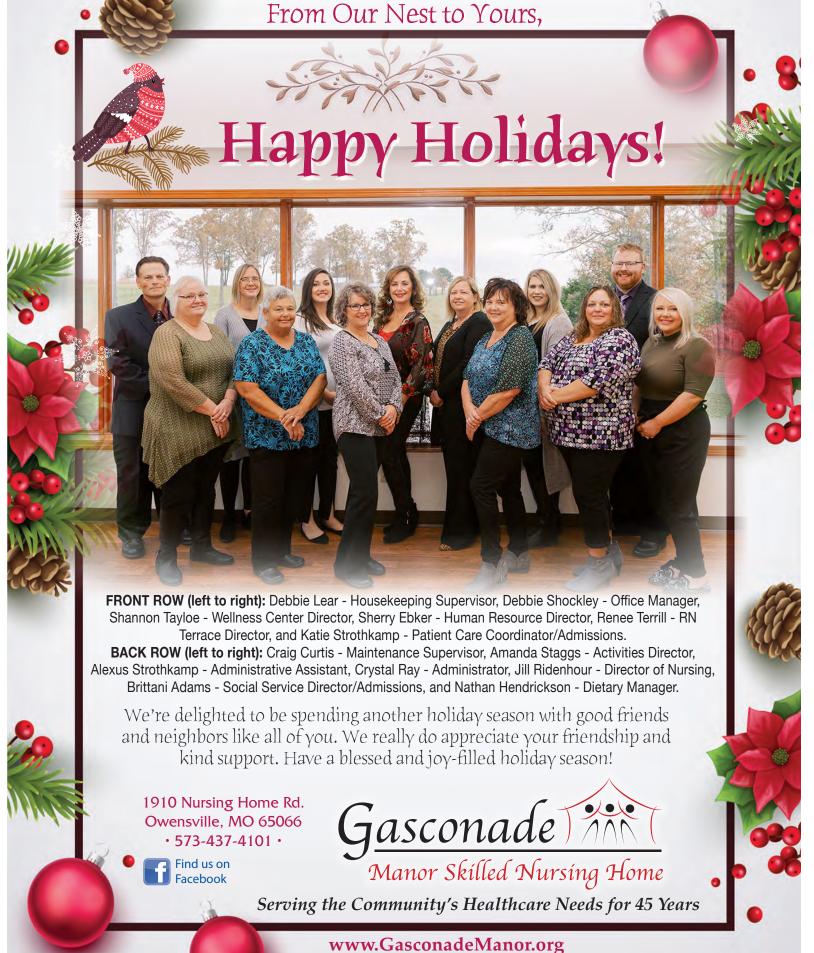


BANKING on your future

Member FDIC

Owensville, MO • 120 S. First St., Gerald, MO • 340 S. Main St.,

(573) 437-4121 (573) 764-3324











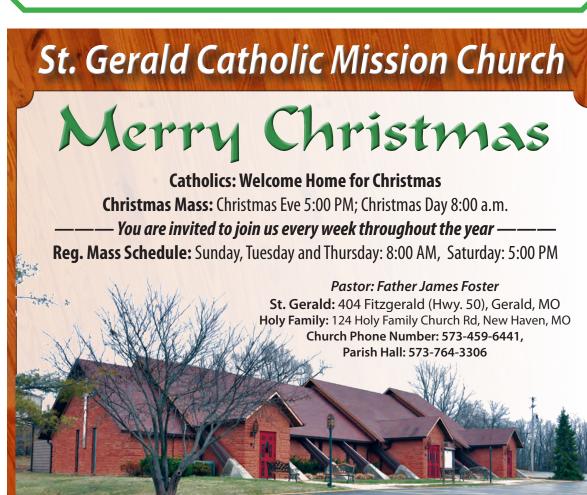
Santa at the Red Barn in Rosebud

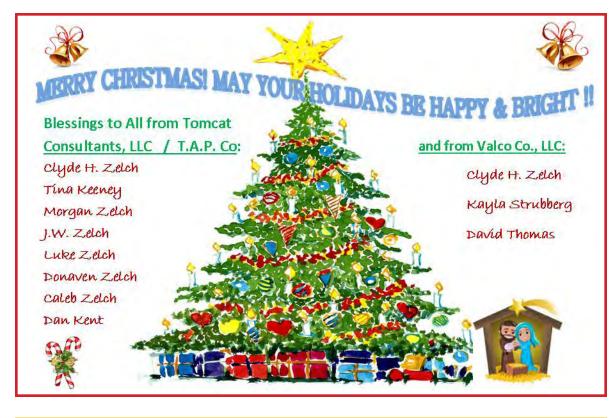
Santa and Mrs. Claus arrived at the Red Barn in Rosebud on Dec. 7 by horse and wagon (above). Each of the 185 children received a bag of goodies from Mrs. Claus after getting their phototaken on the Jolly Old Elf's lap. Gena Lebish (left) accepts the bag for her son Brett. Before Santa arrived many children (lower left) took the time to right a letter to Santa, some with a little help from an adult. Three month old Jase Leight (above left) sits on Santa's lap for the first time. He is the son of JJ and Leah Leicht.

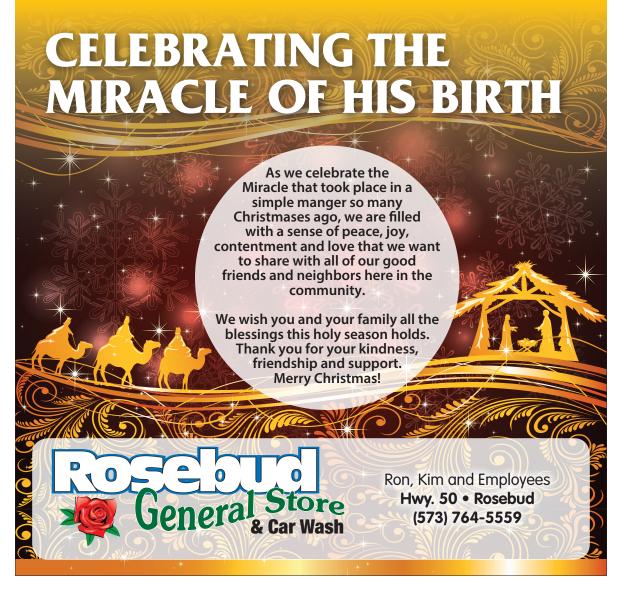
PHOTOS BY DENNIS WARDEN













www.GasconadeCountyRepublican.com WEDNESDAY, DEC. 18, 2019 ■ PAGE 2C

Letters to Santa from Gerald Elementary Students



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

Jenise Stockton, Teacher

Dear Santa,

Wat I wat Foa crismis Is a gabeL PaLitn that Thae is e alrtac is calrs and a LOL dol and a Noo bacpac and a smol vares Mol pape and a LitL Kat and Sam Slam a and a tavn SwiFt sedea and a hoog Latnpas

Sincerely, Lillian F

Dear Santa,

Hi Santa, how have You Bin? Santa caN I have two paNTBall gun. I wd VRY one four Mi DaD.

Sincerely, Kingsley L

Dear Santa,

I wa LOL b cus it is Fun I LOVELOLILOVEmunsomun fun I LOVE LOL I LOVE mun I LOVE MUN SO SO MUH FUn

Sincerely, Reyna N

Dear Santa,

How are you today santa how are your raindeer today you are the best santa you are so magic | | wish | wus you I love you I want ata5 and a xbox 360 how are M's claus is she good is she sick if she is sick I'll come over.

Sincerely, Christian W

Dear Santa,

hawisyorraders goweninen i like yor raders i Love crismus be coz my famle is wif me and my tehr and my clasmat i wunt a LOL dolls

Sincerely, Astraea A

Dear Santa,

For crissmiss I wunt a temomgootheon and a pink to and a LOL drem Hase to with all oF spriseie to and all the LOL's to and a vande to askoodre to and a thaing tha dus my haie to and blaingr to and Piekatuoo rodot tage to and a tud of lagl to Bade drem Hose to and chddl sand

Sincerely, Swoosie S

Dear Santa,

I hop you are doen well can you eitd a tablit crad for me or a hot wels set or a xbox or a play stash 4 or a marey crismis.

Sincerely, Chase H

Dear Santa,

I love the brac it that you mad for me a that you for the clas I love the toys that you mad me

Sincerely, Adeola A

Dear Santa,

This is suthen I wu For CRismes ADS A DriDoow swich A Bas Boll hoow R You DooWen Satue

Sincerely, Hunter B

Dear Santa.

Wut Did you eus bfor radere I wuz wutine Plas-VSZoBeSe Batifer Navr vilu ow hiv the wa u evr bude Luvs You.

Sincerely, Ashton D

Dear Santa,

I wunt a grone fo crismus Sincerely, Wyatt T

Dear Santa,

I hoa u hAv A goW Dan i Wot nt Bid AO ntw 2da toVw

Sincerely, Faith H

Dear Santa,

I whent a bow pleas. I wood love it. I hav bin good. I whent a xbox 1. and ata5.

Sincerely, Bryson G

Dear Santa,

I want a Grinch doll. I have been very good this year. Santa sing Baby Shark. Shake ya booty!

Isabella S





Merry Christmas



With thanks at Christmas, to all the folks who have passed by

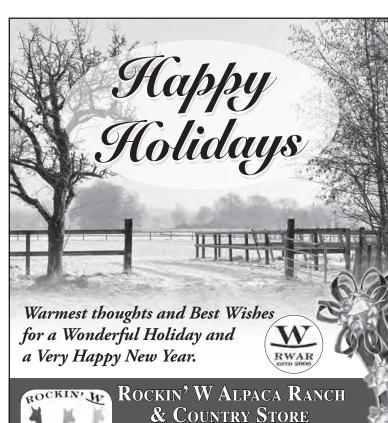
this way. We thank you for your valued business and wish you all the merriest Christmas season ever!

CERTIFIED REPAIR LLC



AUTOMOTIVE REPAIRS STEVE KAMPER ASE CERTIFIED

15 West 5th St. • Gerald. MO • 573-764-5880





http://www.rwalpaca.com

Retail Store featuring American Made Alpaca products!

2177 Hwy. ZZ • Owensville

or Barb Cell 573-521-7889

Ranch 573-437-RWAR (7927)

An angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name of Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins." Matthew: 1:20-21

Joseph, on his own, couldn't imagine how God could be present in so difficult and potentially embarrassing of a situation as Mary's pregnancy. So, God had to help him. God spoke to Joseph—through an angel—in a dream. God brought faith into Joseph's inquiring mind. In ways deeper and more magnificent than the mind can imagine, God changed Joseph, and Joseph became a channel of God's grace in the world. Joseph discovered that he must believe in a new way if he wanted the God in him, the God in Mary, the God that was to be born into the world—to survive. Joseph's dream did not give him scientific facts or detailed instructions—the specific how, what, where and why of Mary's pregnancy. Instead, Joseph's dream gave him inspiration.

In this season of Advent, when we prepare our hearts to celebrate Jesus' coming into the world, what is God trying to say to you in the undiscovered parts of who you are? How is God asking you to give more life into the world? Will you allow God to be born in you so that you can reflect his love to others?

The story of the angels and the shepherds, the star and the wise men, the peasant mother and the believing father, this wonderful old story about a baby God finding a home in our world and in our hearts is mysterious, but it's true. Christmas is about incarnation. Christmas is God's reality of becoming flesh. Christmas is God's invitation to each and every one of us to experience in our inner most selves the coming together of the human and the divine, to sense the possibilities of our own living, and to sense the possibilities of the world's healing. Christmas is our opportunity to believe that beneath the predictable patterns of practical living, there is the reality of God's grace and God's love—a reality that can make all things new.

What keeps the hope of Christmas alive in a world notorious for dashing all hopes is the possibility that the Christ Child may be born again in us, in our needing, and in our longing for him. My friends, my prayer for you this holy season is that you would keep hope alive and allow the Christ Child to be born again in you.

And may you have a Blessed Christmas! God's Blessings,





Gerald Elementary First Grade

Nicole Jenkins, Teacher

Dear Santa,

I want a xBox. I neD PAPr to rit on. I want A kuMpotR. I want a Basket for mR PeNsL. thak you

Sincerely, McKennie 1

Dear Santa,

har r yr render go enn Santu I wunt pre2ins Santa

Sincerely, Christian B

Dear Santa,

hon Are You Dueg can I haAv Bmx Bik. Sincerely, Parker H

Dear Santa,

Can I Ples hav a motochi cAr Sincerely, Aj G

Dear Santa,

I wut a if ouasip and a shre. Tat Have wite on it. I wut to see you Sata How are your reDDc I was sriing to co wiboo you wr Happy CHrismes. Ho Ho Ho

Sincerely,

Dorothy A

Dear Santa,

Can i PleS hav a loo LoLs Ples can i Ples hav sum toos Ples can i Ples hav sum Frrx Ples and theat is it.

Sincerely, Julia B

Dear Santa.

I want a BMX Bike. I want a XBox. I want A P2u and A drit Bike and A Toy Truck | Love you

Sincerely, Trevor R

Dear Santa,

how are ur raindeer doing good? Well how are you doing. i want a recortor for cristmas.

Sincerely, Luke S

Dear Santa,

Sincerely,

Louise P

Dear Santa,

Can I pese have a roemockintrool car that goes on waeter or a robotics thing thank you!

Sincerely, Jakob M

Dear Santa,

Heo was the efs are Dowen can you git mey a Hubord and a chrirs for my Hubord and How Has The raders are dowen I Love you

Sincerely, Katharine C

Dear Santa,

How are you How are your ELFs How are your RanDenre I want a HuvrBoD. anb you can get me enethane.

Sincerely, Gemma H

Dear Santa,

I wut a xBox I all so wat suPen for Willow. Sincerely, Bryce C

Dear Santa,

I wot a brbe. I wot a brbe. br bkr I wot haoo are the elfo I wut a witchhat Peez. a brbe. aikr. i wot a brbe. i etar w i uloa tehoninabrs.

Sincerely,

Klarissa L

Dear Santa.

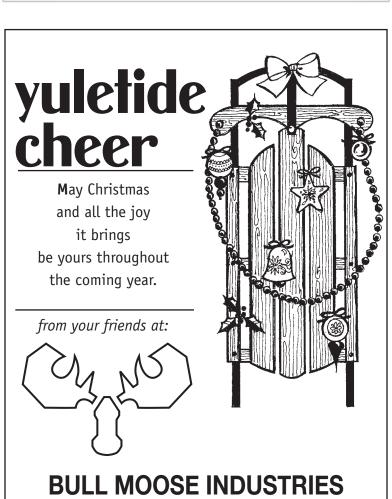
can I pLees hav stuf for mY cLas espesLee Bryce and Parker and Kason.

Sincerely,

Willow M

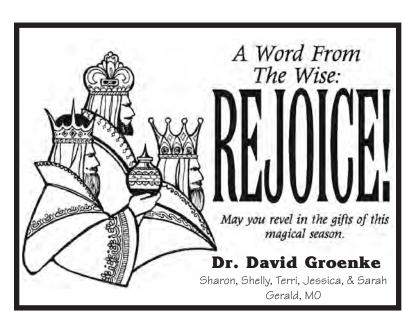






Gerald, MO









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.

at the Holiday Season

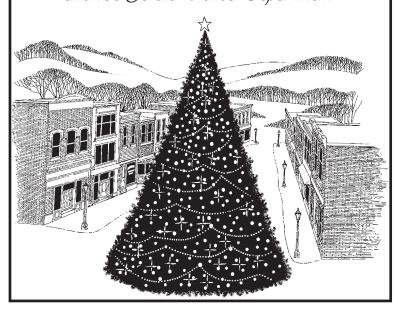
We appreciate your being such good neighbors all year long, and we look forward to continue serving you and our communities.

> The Gerald-Rosebud **Fire Protection District**



We're extending our very best wishes to you and yours for a holiday filled with good friends and cheer. We're proud to be a part of this fine community and are grateful for the opportunity to serve you.

> Merry Christmas! The City of Gerald and Employees and the Gerald Police Department







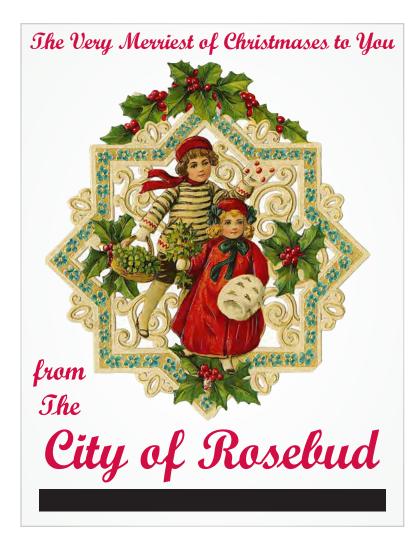


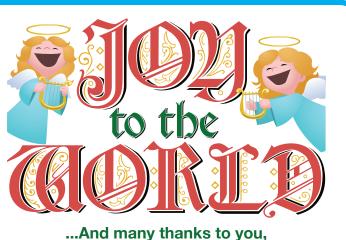




Bundled up for Gerald parade of lights

Are resident bundled up on Dec. 7 for the seventh annual parade of lights in Gerald. Gerald elementary students (left) sang Christmas carols on a lighted float. Santa and Mrs. Claus (upper left) were at the beginning of the parade on Old Whitey a 1941 Chevrolet fire truck. Children were awarded with candy (top) from many of the floats.





our neighbors and friends, for bringing us so much joy this past year!

May you enjoy all the best this special time of year has to offer ~ **you deserve it!**



1 E. Hwy. 50 • Union • (636) 583-2223 620 Hwy. 50 West • Union • (866) 383-6561 www.emissourian.com/countyseat





north, south, east and west,
we're sending our neighbors all of our best!
With wishes so warm and merry and bright,
we hope your holiday is a sheer delight!

Gerald Home Center LLC

Everything in Building Materials

388 W. SPRINGFIELD GERALD, MO • 573.764.5000



A String Of Glad Tidings at the Holiday Season

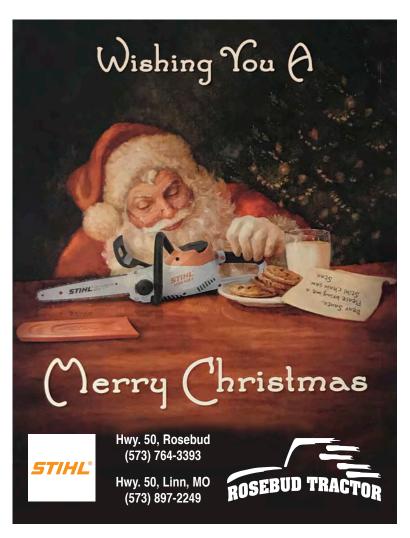
Thank you for lighting up our year with your visits.

THE LIGHT BULB EXPRESS

2482 Hwy. 50 • Rosebud, MO 63091

573-764-3600 or 314-604-2094















A Rosebud Christmas

Santa and Mrs. Claus visited central Rosebud on Dec. 7 where they were greeted with children and adults alike. Caitlin Roth (top photo right) snaps a photo of her baby Clancy Roth with Father Christmas as her older daughter Nora looks on. The event also included a petting zoo, to the delight of children of all ages. These five youngsters (photo lower right) decided the best way to pet the



decided the best way to pet the rabbits was to sit in the pen with them. Christina Rademacher (above) introduces her daughter Viola Mae and Fred Brinker to a calf. Three wise children (above left) pose for a photo in front of the nativity set on display.

PHOTOS BY DENNIS WARDEN



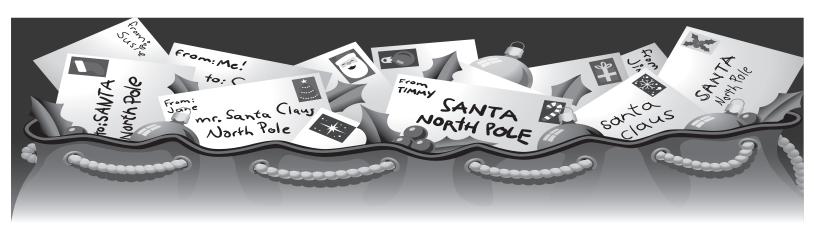


May this Christmas bring you the best of everything!



Thanks to all of our fine friends and their families for making this year so very enjoyable. We owe our success to your loyal support.





Gerald Elementary First Grade

Lauri Link, Teacher

Dear Santa,

Satrkos, I want a toy bic. I want a toy trek. I want my vare on lesh. wif a but in she cam bac to me ples. I want a der bacit. SatrKos, I ben good sut im I ben bad sut. I want a der bet. Wm or thai. I want der hut in big for hut in.

Sincerely, Stockton S

Dear Santa,

The elfs are doen great how's the ranedeoni I want Pokemon plushes sloth as big as me, Kooeatroo paatoy, pet genee pig, BB8 toy and PluhsY, XBox, and nentendo Swetch.

Brayden K

Dear Santa,

Haw or yuo I wut a orrseecor SnoneecL and monee so much so we can git intrnet and a mega nrfgon wit a snipr rifL

Merry Chrisstmas Brandon A

Dear Santa.

Hew is missis Clos goelg I wunt a havrdord and sum slim and Elisa and oh9 clos and dag clos and a BayBy dall and a Big Boy dall and the Bigist presiht in the wrld

Love, Kaylee G

Dear Santa,

I hop you hav a gooD crismis I hop I git a sTuffeD animaL and I hop I git a BLanket

Love. Laina R

Dear Santa,

I Like your soot I wut Sum Booy LOL's

Love Audrey L

Dear Santa,

Haw are you doweg I wunt a LOL for crismis. I wunt a fegleg for crismis.

Love

Madison F

Dear Santa,

I hop you have a Grat Day I wunt a Cron book and LoLs and Choks and a nootooee

Love Lillyana

Dear Santa, Wut I wut for cismis I wut a Fangrling fof cismis. Haw era you doen.

Lexy K

Dear Santa,

I am so so Happe for all of the Christmas pres. thac you Santa. How is roodaf doing

Love, Vivian B

Dear Santa,

Wihe is ElFe cuming I Dont wunt hem to get hrte! cAn you Tel ElFe to hide someware safe IF he Dos go BFor you Tel hem Take Bandads

Reagan B

Dear Santa,

Hape Cremes I wont a FarweLr and a rifoL i LeFt yor cocees and malk

Easton G

Dear Santa.

I wal To haV a Tasrtac AND a PiN AND a croMBac AND a NrFgsNiPr AND a BeBegN

Love, Gabe M

Dear Santa,

for crismis I wnte a gam carse of the X dox E 060 and tri Yor best to do this for me <3 Santa

13

Jaxon B

Dear Santa,

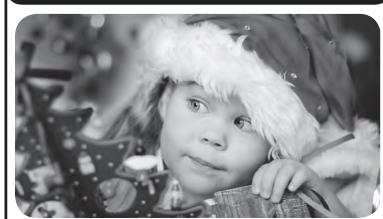
Haw is roof the red los redrd. I wutid a sPiDER man. I wut id a box uv Scodey. I wutid a Max Toy. I wutid a MosicL Toy. I wutid a Mows Toy I wutid a Catis Toy. Crist for roof the red los radeder.

Love,

Isabella M



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!

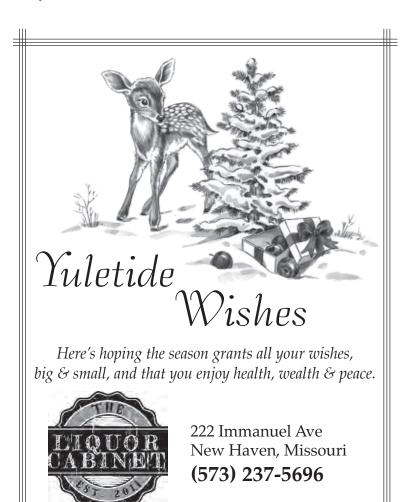
DRAKE-BEEMONT MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY

♂ GRINNELL

Rejoice!

As we celebrate the birth of our Savior, we are filled with gratitude

Local Agent: Debbie Raaf (573) 764-2548 261 Hwy. 50, Rosebud, MO 63091 (573) 764-4625

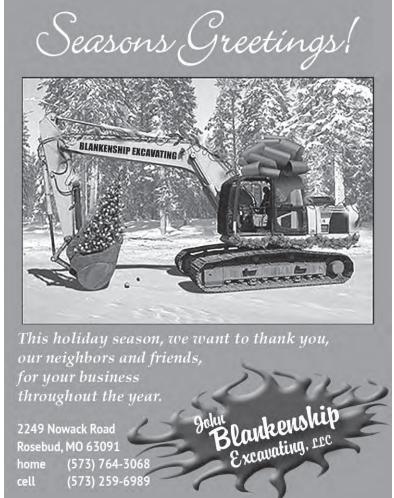
















204 Hwy. 50 | Rosebud, MO | 573 764-4000

Gerald Elementary Second Grade –

Kristyna Higgins, Teacher

Dear Santa,

I want closes shoes, blankets for the nursing home and a dirt bike for my friend landon I gest I want two things my family and a hoverboard. And bailey lol dolls I want Olivia her dog to be heal with out sergerys

Love, Ariana T

Dear Santa,

I would like a huvbord the Sine color Pink and a Xdox 1s and a PS4 and a iPhone11 and a Lambrgene and a musa car the color red wite and blue and a Bgode the color Blak. Merry Christmas

Love, CJ P

Dier Sacto,

\$260: Lactop: HvrBoit A honmotr Arienao

Love, Landon K

Dear Santa.

I would like I oorore for the nursing Home For myself I would like a hover doorde Phone a lamborgini and a musce car. Also all of the paiy Stations

Love Kaidyn L

Kaydence P,

Did you get my letter? If you did't here is my list. I would like a pair of sParkly blak high heels. for Mis Keepp can you give her breen boots. I thik mis Higgins would like a blue's shirt. merry christmas!

Love Landon K

Dear Santa.

How are you I'm good But Aliya wants a xbox4. I want a notebook, a phone, 19 LOL Doll suprise pleaes. Thank you!

Love Lydia B

Dear Santa,

I want to give my mom and dad and brother and sister my toys and gifts I really want my mom to have fun Santa Please ask ask god Love Dalton. And thank you and merry Xmas

Dalton D

Dear Santa,

Can my elf come December first next year. Please get my brother more trian's. And I want my brother to be nice. I would like a talbit.

Love, Peyton R

Dear Santa,

How are you and Mrs. Claus and the reindeer? I want a Laptop and titanic model and a original Shark Puppet. For Cassuis a hover bord and fahaf mini figuer and a super goo blazeagoh. thark you 8 and merry Chistmas.

Love Isaac D

Dear Santa,

I want books for Christmas And legos and Xbox 360 games to. And a cardnouls lego set. And a big titanic fact book. And a pokemon book. And to be good until next christmas.

Love Logan H

Dear Santa,

I want blinger Go Glam Tamagechie princess sient case, play phone, come ater, and a new dog.

Love Bailey R

Dear Stanta,

I want a suPer goo blazegon and mini fhaf figers and a nufup bond and my Frend Isaac wants a ticken eck motel Love:

Iwant... Makeup and a tadlit

or phfon and a toy big unucorn.

And a ice crme maker. thank

Cassius C

Dear Santa,

you Santa

Bear Santa,

Can I Please get a Phone ane a Ps4 anaa computer l like minecraft ning and mario And leao dinosaurs for chritmas

Love Blake W

Dear Santa,

I want you to get ARie She wants a hoverboaRd and BlanKit and clothes and shoes and I want to get Aliya Somethang I want You to get her an Play Stashen 4.

Olivia L

Dear Santa,

I would like a Pair of earrings I would like some clothes. I would like some treats for my new dog. and some craft stof. Merry chrismas.

Madisyn S

Der Santa Clous,

Can you bring Bailey a's dog Back please with cookies on top and a kaRit on top for the ReindeeR Bailey a's is my BFF can you bRing Mya PS4 anb a DimeND.

Can you plese buy a fort-

night minigun nerf gun and vr

and a game jod similater and

a 48 inch tv Roku tv. and a kity

Love Aliya R

Dear Santa,

Gerald Elementary Second Grade

Dawn Rice, Teacher

dery santa,

this is Charley I wunt a littl cinu for cresmis. I wunt my mom to fel betr son. I wunt a uelf for Kresmis a cinn for cresmis I wile too kar uf it Ples Ples??? I Love you XOXOXOXO Love you

Charley T

Dear Santa,

I have been super good this year and I would like a hoverbard or a rocket twist and a alexa or a ps4 whith fortnite me and my friend Roman want a drone Please

your pal, Colten D

Dere Sante,

May I have a toy chruk and a plastashun 4 and monstr jams til titins.

Hunter G

Der Santa,

how aer you bowing well for crismis I wunt a ilexu and Robbie can you get him an Xdox because he has ben reele good this yeer and Colten reele wants a cupee you tr for crismis

Your frand Roman C

Dear Santa,

I rely want a huvrbiord for crissmas and a gimn astix fex ud orbe and kittin and a alexa and a pupy ann a ring.

Alivia V

Dear: Santa,

What I want for Chrismas is a parit, iphone, a new puppy, Lps, new clohs, Art slplise, alexu, cat, ip hone cas,

charcher, hooluhoop. Love, Summer E

Love, Mallory S Samuel E



Wishing you peace and joy wherever you go this Christmas. Thank you for visiting us this year! Serving the Entire Area Since 1968

Complete Water Services

Hwy. 28 • Owensville, MO 65013 • 573-859-6107

"Thanks be unto God for his Unspeakable gift" (2 Corinthians 9:15) Merry Christmas from... WARREN CHIROPRACTIC Dr. Ken Warren 1212 Hwy. 28 • Owensville • 573-301-4379

More Gerald Letters

to Santa

Continued on Page 4D

Let The Spirit MOOve You!

As we put yet another year out to pasture, we'd like to wish all of you a very joyous and satisfying holiday season. Having great friends like you has been udderly fantastic for us. Thanks!





Tom, Martha, & Ben Blatchford Makers Of Farmstead Artisan Cheese Hosts of the Brinkman Farmstead B&B

CoolCowCheese.com ~ 1613 Tschappler Rd., Owensville, MO 65066

Greetings!

It's our pleasure to say, "Happy Holidays!"



Tonda Lawson

(636) 584-4494

Country Catering

(573) 437-2585 3676 Hwy. EE Owensville, MO



We're making a list of all the people we want to thank and your name is on it! We hope you get everything you've wished for this Christmas, and we thank you for being so good to us this year.

ENKE CONCRETE **CONTRACTOR**

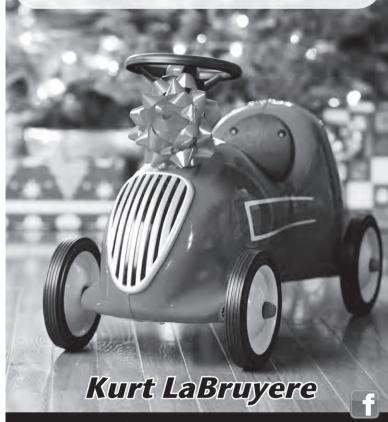
Roger Enke Concrete Contractor Phone (573) 437-6657 OWENSVILLE, MO





Merry Christmas

Glad tidings to all our friends, both near & far. Many thanks and well wishes from our family to your family!



614 Market Street · Hermann, MO 65041 573-486-3113 • www.HermannFord.com J WILL DO REALLY GREAT





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

Local Agent: Annette Pfeiffer (573) 437-3942 261 Hwy. 50, Rosebud, MO 63091 (573) 764-4625



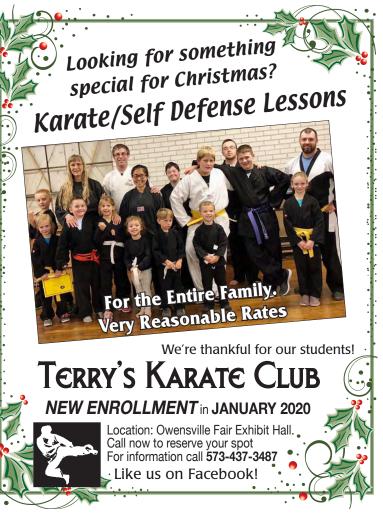


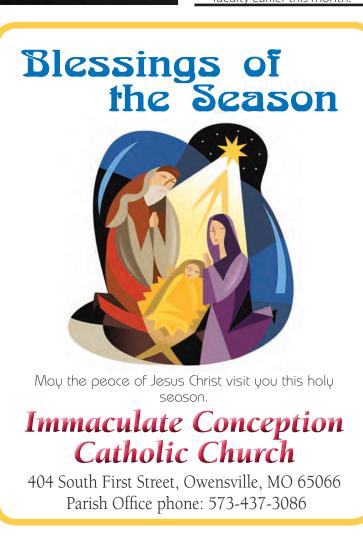
WATCH YOUR STEP

All filled up

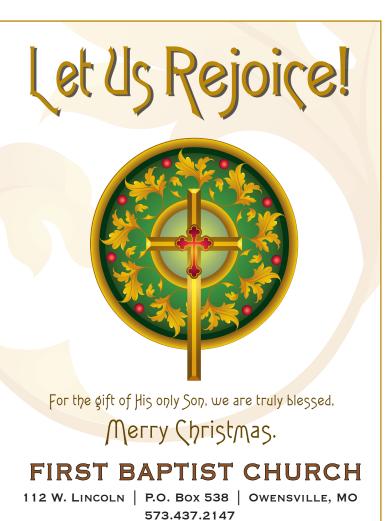
Owensville Elementary School students met their challenge of filling up a school bus with food stocks to support Operation Christmas 2019 and the Helping Hands Outreach Center of Gasconade County. Food delivered to the school (top) was boxed up and hauled out to the bus by students and faculty earlier this month.

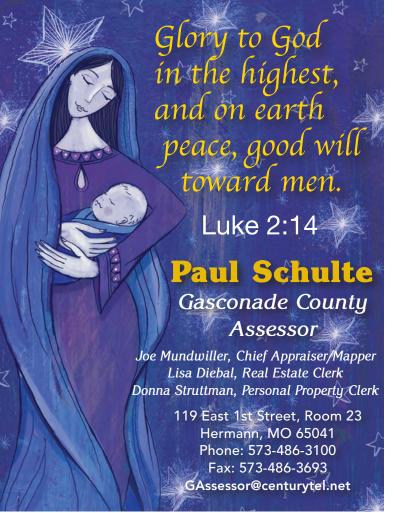


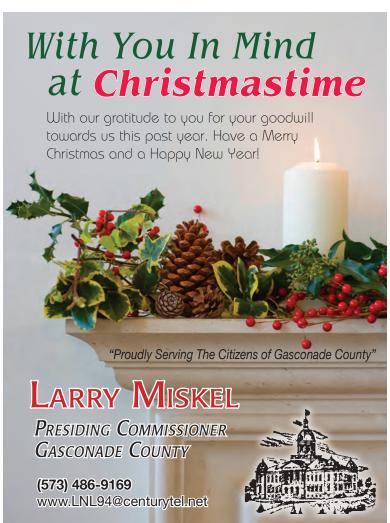














VFW continues Christmas gift tradition

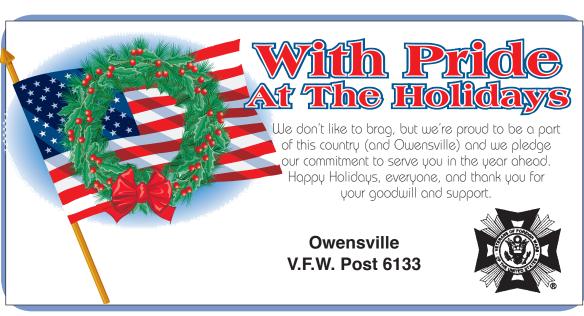
The color guard for Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 6133 in Owensville held a patriotic opening flag ceremony for their Christmas party held in early December. The post's leadership also continued a long-standing tradition of awarding envelopes containing cash gifts to children and grandchildren of their members.













Tom, Bev, and Karen ~ Ph. **573-437-4291**

Securities offered through LPL Financial, Member FINRA/SIPC

◆ Federal Health

Insurance





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 -

Tracy Thomas, Teacher

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? How are the reindeer. I've tryed to be good. Here's what I want. 1. Hover board 2. phone 3. Clothes 4. grahic novel hardcover 5. sunglasses gold, black 6. 30\$ 7. blume doll 8. candy 9. a cute kitty tiny back pack 10. drone 11. VR headset with the hands 12. Over ear headphones with a uwu face on it 13. hydro flask 14. art supplies 15. nerf gun 16. watermelaon

Sincerely, Hope M

Dear Santa,

When is our elf coming to my house? Is Mrs. Claus feeling alright? For Christmas I would like 1 am igudna. 2. toy cars. 3. loo nerf bullet. 4. Mega Grave Digger. 5. Mini dirt bike. 6. Fitbit. 7. Nerftarget. 8. All of the Dogman books. 9. 25 MPH RC truck. The rest 10. the wish bone movie. 11. roket league on xBox 1. 12. 22 paks of Pokemon cards. 13. Hover board. 14. batteries for my toys. 15. Machine nerf gun and rifels nerf gun.

Your Friend, Gabe M

Dear Santa,

Santa how are you doing? What I want for Christmas I want a blue computer and a new Apple phone and a big water boot that can go on water and it is remote control water boat and a drone with a GoPro and what in all these presits are the blue computer. I

really want it.

From, Brandon L

Dear Santa,

How are you and your reindeer? I don't want much this year. But what I really want is for my sister to come visit me. Because she lives in Tennesee and I miss her so much, a new phonecase, a new bike, a foar wheeler, and a new tablet and iPad charger.

Love, Everly S

Dear Santa,

I hope I have been good this year. I hope you are doing good up there at the North Pole and Mrs. Claus and the elves. Here are the things I want for Chritmas: a Hover board pink or teal you pick what is best. some other things are a gallon of glear glue, fake snow powder, shaving cream for my slime, and a glitter bizzard speaker. Now you have a holly jolly Christmas.

P.S. Christmas is my favorite holiday. and I hope Rudolph and the other reindeer are doing good to.

Love, Emilee

Dear Santa,

Ihopeyour elves are doing good and you are. Tell wink the elf and I thank I have been good. Here is what I want for Christmas is....a computer and a 550\$ doller roblox gift cards, and a 525 doller Roblox gift cards and net gear, \$camera and a mouse pad, and a mase and a drone, head phones, last 6 more js studio and that is all.

Love, Silas D

Dear Santa,

I want no more than a IPhone and by the way how are the reindeer? Especially Rudolph. Please tell Alenia thank you forgetting me off the naughty list so many tiems and tell her I love her. And that I wish her a merry Christmas.

Love, Zoe H

Dear Santa,

I hope your doing good? Here is my list. I want Xbox live. I would also want GTA5 for my Xbon one. and I also want a drone. And I want a hoverbord. I also want a new dirt bike and that all I want.

Your Friend, Nolan J

Dear Santa,

I hope your have a Holly Jolly Christmas this year. I will leave milk and cookies for you and carrots for the reindeer this year. I have been really good at school and at home. This is what I want for Christmas this year. Unicorn head phones, velvet schrunchies, saucer chair light pink, modaling clay pink yellow and white, cotton candy sqiushey, pink hover board, striped t-shirt pink and white. I hope that you deliver all the presents to the children.

Love, Molly M

Dear Santa,

I have been good this year. Can I have a offland hover boards and nerf gun and a electric scooter.

Love, Jasper

Dear Santa,

I have been really good this year. I'm really hopeing for the tuin sister hope and faith on phone case, machine pjemus for me and my doll, a slim cit, an now tindow swich, an art cit, on pet rabbit and I want you to have an good Christmas.

Love, Madi T

Dear Santa,

I have been really good this year. Have the reindeer been good for you this year? Can I please have a pet hamster, hamster foods, hamster cage, a mini lambo with a remote, also a nitentdo swich controller, a tool kit, a building kit, a toy Indominus Rex.

Your Class Clown, Grayson

Dear Santa,

How are you? I'm still wting for my mansion, big bed & can I please have a room for Bear, Lady and Oakley because they need to have room to play. Can you please make them stop fighting & can I have a roller skating ring at my mansion? Can I have a library in my house so then I can read alot and then can you surprise mom & dad with a big bath & a big closet for them and then in my mansion can I have a math themed room and a musician room & so them me & my family can have fun.

P.S. I would like a hover board & a art room & a made would be nice to. Have a Holly Jolly Christmas.

Sincerely, Kensli P

nolicay cheer



All around town, north, south, east and west, we're sending our neighbors all of our best! With wishes so warm and merry and bright, we hope your holiday is a sheer delight!

305 West Walker Street
Freeburg, Mo.
573-744-5204
www.beckermillwork.com

All of your building needs

70 YEARS







Owensville Elementary Third Grade -

Gwen LeRoy, Teacher



Dear Santa,

How are you and Mrs. Claus doing? How are the elves doing? I hope you and Mrs. Claus are doing good. This year for Christmas I just what one thing this year I what a computer the kind I what is a labtop for Christmas and that is all I what from you this year because I know you are busy this year because more and more kids come every year. I what one more thing Mr. Sketch maker. What do the elves eat. I mit give them something to eat.

Your very good friend, Tanner M

Dear Santa,

How are you? How are the reindeer doing? How many do you have again? Can you tell Blitzen I said hi? May I have a huverbord for Christmas this year? Can you please get my brother Liam Fhor? l love him so much and I know he want Fhor for Christmas. I would also like a baby rabbit that's white. And a new blue bike. And if you get me a rabbit I would like a cage for it to. And Merry Christmas!

Love, Brooklynn K

Dear Santa,

How are you and Mrs. Claus doing? Hope your not busy. What do you want for Christmas I want 6 or more things. 1. A kid smart watch. 2. A hover bord. 3. A little sharpener. 4. A American Girl doll. 5. My family to be happy. 6. My friends to be happy. 7. For my class to be happy. O and Merry Christmas thank you.

Love, Jana M

Dear Santa,

How are you doing Santa? I hope you are well. May I please have a L.O.L surprise glitter globe, L.O.L surprise sparkle series, L.O.L scooter, and a barbie scoccer player please and thank you. Have a good day! Can I please have some more junie b jores books the holl set please, Itattys Doga book please, L.O.L supprise boys, thank you Merry Christmas. I hope kids get what they want. 2 more thing is a OMG doll is a L.O.L big sister please and thank you.

Sincerely, Charlea B

Dear Santa,

How are you and Mrs. Claus doing? This year for Chrismas may I have cruchy slime. And a hover bord and a kittin that is alive. I know I have 2 I need 1 more please. And a fack raindeer that is a robot and it is the size of me and I am 4 feet and 10 inches. And I have room for this stuff so do not worry. Merry Christmas.

Love, Bria E

Dear Santa,

How are your and rudolph and the rest doing? Was Buddy good me last month because hes behind the TV. That just reminded me that could you please get a xbox that takes discs. This year l want to tell you Buddy had been good this week and I wants a forever bone so she quits bitting me. I'd also like a the Jumanji game and toys. I hope you and Buddy have fun on Christmas day.

P.S. Could you please get me a drone?

Love, Barrett C

Dear Santa,

Are you having a good day? Are the elves being good? I hope they are. I only want a few things. Please could my family be happy and healthy. Please could I have a PS4, 2 controllers, elf on the shelf, some PS4 games, place to set up a PS4, some stuff for my family.

P.S. don't forget about Christmas. Good bye. Brayden, Devyn, Jayden, my moms, my dads my family.

From your friend, Jaxon L

Dear Santa,

how is mis's claus Doing. Be carful going down The chimine and haw are The elve's doing? I wont for Christmas is a Play STashnin 4, and I wont for Christmas is Bill gold Burg from WWE and Andra The ginit and in The Toy ille and can i have for Christmas is gold Burg and gold dust from WWE and I won't for christmas is sTar dus from WWE what Do you wonTT for chrisTmas? I'll give you cookes and I'll leave sume carroTs for The raneDeer and wach The raneDeer Becouses The wolf's will eaT Them. Whate do's do's miss's clase wunt for chrismTie and waT do's The wanT for chrisTme waT are The elv's doening and waT do's The oTher gar dean's wanT for christmTas? Wat are The elv's is on PelPle's shalfs how is The gardean's can I have a 2K15 Game? Bring miss mcGee someThing nice and Bring miss munsinger some Thing nice To. from Thomas C Mary ChrisTmas.

Thomas C

Dear Santa Claus,

How are you doing? How are the elves? How are you? This year for Christmas May I please have a rabbit? And a scooter and a intendo swich? And baby stuff? What are you doing on Christmas berak like with Mrs. Claus? I would like more owl diaries books. And I would like to have lol dolls. How do the elves make the present? Thankyou Santa Claus. I hope you have a Merry Christmas.

Audry H

Dear Santa Claus,

How are you and Mrs. Clause? I am doing great. I'm happy that Angel cakes is back. This year I'm wanting a hover board and some soft and crunchy slime that is not jiggly. May I also have beautiful boots and high heal's please. May be your or Jack frost can make it snow through winter.

another elf to next year?

Your good girl, Addison S

Everyone

Welcome!

Owensville Christian Church

Thank you and have a Merry

P.S. May be you could send

Dear Santa,

How is everone doing how was your Thanksgiving? Can I pleas have a nerf miny gun, batery powered miny bike, a nerf sniperrifel, an lego army set. I hope you don't get borwd. Cowboy boots, farming Sim 19, fort night action figues, phone, fortnight bazuchq.

P.S. I will leve cookies, milk an carrots out for you and the reindeer. Oh the fortnight action figures that come with guns got it.

Your believer, Morgan S

Dear Santa,

Howareyou doing Santa? This Christmas I would like a remote control red and blue monster truck and a tap wach and boots and you can give mmy grama a big real rocking chair and my grampa a new radio and my dad a new radio my moma a new real big rocking chair and my ant a new real big rocking chair and my ants brother a new radio.

Your Lovely friend, Carmen R

Dear Mr. Claus,

It's me Nate I hope you and Ms Claus have a good Christmas this year same for the elves. Anyway how many elves do you have? I bet 10,000. Also can you please have family time and for my family to heal.

Your friend, Nate

Dear Santa Claus,

How are you and Mrs. Claus doing? I hope you are well. May I have a hover board that is pink, and a new apple tablet this is also pink, and roller skats that are that is also pink a new paint set? Oh and how are the reindeer? May I have a BFF necklesses and a ring and a braselets and a desk and a piano teacher her name is Heather?

Love, Meredith R

Dear Santa,

How is it in the North Pole? I'm guessing it is probaly busy? This year I just want electronick's no toys all I want is a hover board, nintendo switch, apple watch, air pods, and a really really nice ipad.

P.S. Red had been a really good elf he's my favorite.

The world's most best kid, Finnan C

Christmas Sunday

Times (Dec. 23rd)

8:30_{AM} and 10:00AM

Christmas Eve

Candlelight

Service:

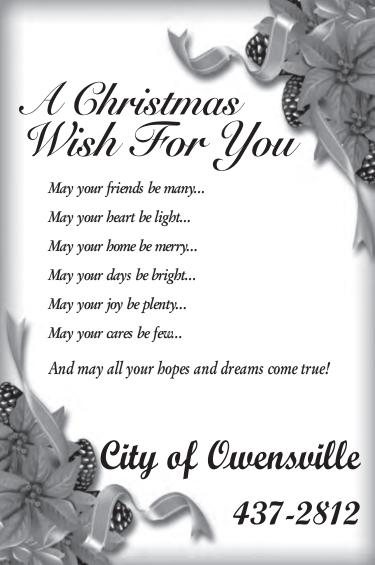
6:00PM-7:00PM

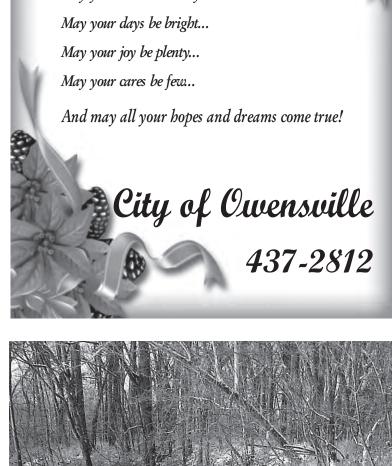
573-437-2163





Owensville Bucks Make Great Gifts! Available at Legends Bank.







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

Michael R. Mundwiller

and Charlotte R. Burgess **Attorneys at Law** 526 E WASHINGTON AVE. | OWENSVILLE, Mo. 65066 | 573-437-2828

116 EAST FOURTH STREET | HERMANN, Mo. 65041 | 573-486-2925

Blessings of the Season

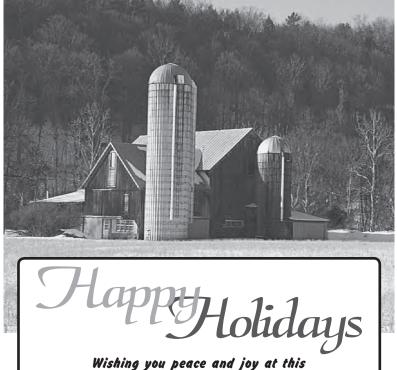
We joyfully celebrate the birth of Christ. May peace and goodwill surround you during this season.

New Hope United Methodist Church 1 mile West of

Woollam United Methodist Church

1451 Highway Y Owensville, 573-437-2896









620 E. Lincoln • Owensville (behind Legends Bank)

Wishing You An Old-Fashioned Christmas

Owensville Elementary Third Grade

Brooklyn Stoll, Teacher



Dear Santa,

How are you this Christmas. I have been good this season I think I deserve. Scrunchie, and tie dye shirts, and justice supplies. Have a good christmas santa.

Your Friend, Natalie B

Dear Santa,

How are you! I hope you had a good vacation this summer. Oh, would you like sugar cookies or gingerbread cookies? Santa I have a new elf named Bill. He doesn't like to move out of one room and he plays on my Xbox without asking. You need to straighen him up. Could I please have a holiday barbie 2019 and a camera? Oh, may I also have some ripped jeans please and thank you. I hope you like all the cookes I make you.

P.S. This is not Eleanor Roosevelt

Kind Regards, Eleanor S

Dear Santa,

I hope you are having a good day. Are you and the elves busy? How are you and your reindeer doing? My family and I have been very good and I want to ask you if....I can tell you what I want for Christmas? Can I have the 2016 barbie doll please? Thank you.

P.S. can I have a Vera Bradley neck lanyard? Please???

Your Good Girl, Kinley H

Dear Santa,

How are you doing in the North Pole? I got a question for what do your reindeer eat? I also wanted to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want lot's of paint and a esile to put the paper on. And my sister Ellah wants a barbie doll. I hope you have a great christas.

Yours truly, Halle T

Dear Santa,

How are you this year, I'm sure you have been very busy this year how are your elfs to I bet their helping too, so this is want for Christmas I want Amaricane girl doll and some choths and my last thing I want for christmas is an elfon the shelfbook.

Your Friend, Lucy J

Dear Santa.

How are you? I'm sure that you've been very busy getting ready for Christmas. I hope you and your elves are doing well. I am writing to you to tell you what I want for Christmas. The first thing I want for Christmas is a go kart. The second thing I want is a dirt bike. The third thing I want is a four wheeler. Last but not least a Hot Wheels track. Although I want all these things you only need to bring me one.

Love, Preston

Dear Santa,

I hope that you had a good break before...CHRISTMAS.Plus I hope you been checkin It twise so what I want for christmas is a digital camera and a lot of other things OK.

Love, Kinley T

Dear Santa,

How are you doing this year? I am sure you are busy with all the kids' presents around the world. How are Mrs. Claus, the reindeer and the elves? I am writing this letter to you forwhat I want for Christmas. I want a Nintendo Switch, a Playstation 4, and a remote control car. I hope you have a happy holiday. Merry Christmas. Have a happy new year. Can I please have a hoverboard. Please be nice to Rudolph.

Yours Truly, Kastin W

Dear Santa,

How are you? I'm sure you are VERY busy. I hope you are doing well I have been wanting to tell you I have been good so I think I should get a BREYER want the new horse wich is Black and the holday horse too. I hope you do good.

Your Fried, Leah H

Dear St. Nick,

Howya been doin? Busy? Thought so. First I feel extraordinary. Second, I have a few questions before I hop right into what I want for Christmas. What should we leave out for the reindeer? Should we give them carrots, candy-canes, or lettuce, or what? Also what kind of cookies should we leave out? So, back to presents, Iwantthe knack's Idon't have. (knack 1,3,4, and 5) I would also like valve oil for my trumpet. Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Yours Sincerely, Cohen D

Dear Santa,

How is every thang going? You are teh best planer! My I please have a Scruff-A-Love, Metallic wolf from Breyer and a Gost wolf ranch? That is all I want. I hope you have great year!!! I wish all of you a Merry Christmas.

Love, Kodi S

Dear Santa,

How are you and your ELVES? Oh and how are the reindeer? I think I have been good this year, so I was going to ask you can I PLEASE have a hoverboard for CHRISTMAS? I hope you have a HAPPY NEW YEAR

P.S. Can I PLEASE have a horse?

Your Friend, Lylah K

Dear Santa Claus,

How is Mrs. Claus and the elves and the raindeer? I have been pretty good so I am writing this letter because I want to tell you what I wish for. So I want is a bubbling lava lamp, Hot wheel tack thats all thank you so much. Have a happy New Year!!! P.S. just get me that lava lamp!!!

I bet you are busy this year. All I want for Christmas this year is to have a good Christmas with family and friends. I hope you have a good Christmas Santa.

Carson F

elves doing well i hope you are. I am and riteing this because I want for Christmas can I please have a hoverboard and I hope you have a wonderful holiday.

How are you, are yor reindeer good? I have been really good this year please. I think I deserve and electric chainsaw, key board, mx vs atv all out video game. I hope you

P.S. I wont a camru and a

Your Friend,

Continued on Page 5D

Braxtyn R

Dear Santa,

How are you doing this year?

Your Friend,

Dear Santa,

Hi are you and the reindeer and

Sensorly, Logan

Dear Santa,

have a wonderful holiday.

litswechs.

Ross

Letters to Santa



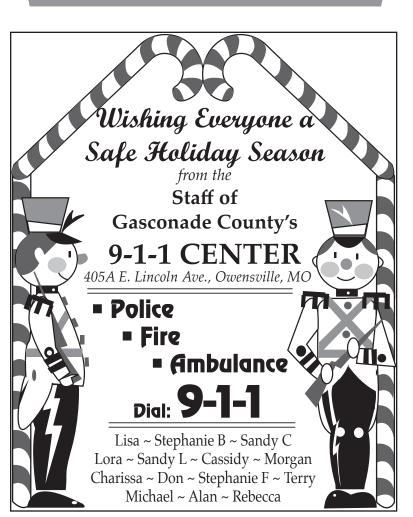
Family Owned and Operated

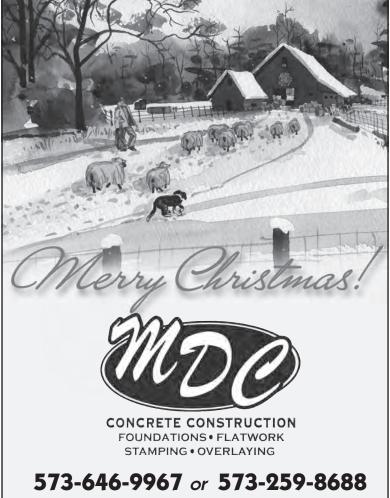
Adams Real Estate 107 W. Lincoln • Owensville 573-437-4108



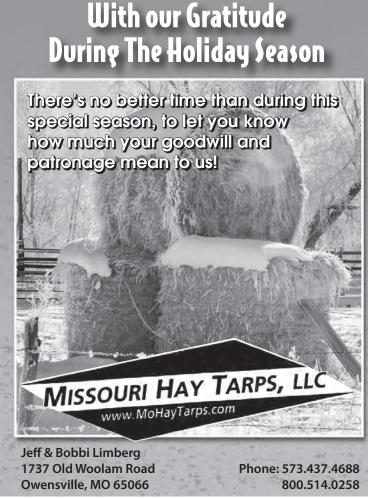
www.adams-real-estate.com

John Adams ~ Broker **Andy Adams** ~ Sales Associate Makayla Adams ~ Sales Associate















Have Yourself

a Merry Little

Christmas _

Your friendship means the world to us. Thanks.

a Thread

—And help yourself to our

gratitude and best wishes!



Gerald Elementary Third Grade

Dione Kandlbinder, Teacher

Dear Santa.

Santa, I want a lphone eleven but my DaD and mom said no. You are my last hope Please Santa. Oh Santa and How is Mrs. Claus doing? And How are the raindeer? My farvrite raindeer is rudeoff, do not tell ter raindeers I said that ok. Santa I think I sould get a IPhone11 because I have ben good lately I think. So I no my mom and dad don't but I do Santa Please Santa Please. I relly want it santa. If you don't get me it I want A pet My dad said I can get A Pet we have stuff for a cage and I have a swing for it. oh and can I get a lot of candy in my stocking and toys init my stocking to Please santa. I Love you and marry chistmas to you santa. I love you verry verry verr much. I hape you have A good Merry Christmas and Joy to you

Love, Kyler B

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? Can I have some earrings please. Can I have a Pentonix CD and Country CD's. What I really really want is Dog Man books. I was also wanting to ask how your reindeer are doing?

your favorit 3rd grader, Peyton H

Dear Santa,

I have been good this year. So I've been woundering How are you? also some-things I've done that are good are... doing chores, cleanining My room, helping My Mom, and takeing care of my pets. Somethings I would Like are... Hoverboard, nintendo Switch Light whith games, I pod, pop sock it, Ipod case, slime kit, Backpack key chains, Inside bunny cage, new Backpact Coogs, XBox whith games, Some easy chapter books. and that is it I hope you have fun dilivering presents

Your favorite elf Makinzie V

Dear Santa,

I want a Fort Night Pistle and a trashcan and a St. Loues Bluse shirt and book bag and a iPhone11.

Love, Landon B

Dear Santa.

a RC car and RC Truck from a speical stoe. I want a mini nerf gun. can you get my dad a new cell phone? Can you make Cameron's x-box work again? Can you give my mom a letter that says "I Love you from Eddie"? Thank you for all the gifts.

Love. Eddie G

Dear Santa,

I have been very good this year. This year I am wanting a Sixence box, a small hachamal, a little makeup set and a safe. I also want to know iF im on the nice list or notic list? I also was wondering how you and the raindeer are doing? Also I relly want to be a graet year because things a roght this year. So I hope you have a great year.

Love, Jordan D

Dear Santa,

I have been really good this year so I hope that I get what I want here are some things that I want. I want a mini claw mushen and a lot of other stuff like air pods and a iPod. So how are you and Mrs. Claws doing. And All of the raindeer and all the elfs doing. So I really really hope I get what I want

Love, Rylan P

Dear Santa,

Do you thack that we shod name are elf Max or not plece rite back to me and are elf but will the givte be in a bag this time plece not last time orle got a art sate it's a litole brokne but I mean plece but jist place rite back.

Love <3, Aubrey K

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa, I want a nref gun. Dear Santa, I wont a Phon.

Love.

Lucas K

Dear Santa,

I'm trying to be nice but my sister Arie is being mean to me. I'm trying to tell her to stop and the elf is stuck because Mom pushed the elf. Down

deeper he might go back to you.

Sincerely Matthew T

Dear Santa,

How are the raindeer and you? How is Mrs. Claws? I wolied relly like a pet for Christmas. Mabe a bull dog or a bexer just nothing to big or a lizard like a camillian. I wolid like a huge pogo stick from vati9.com and mabe some bey blades and some pokemon to and mabe some more stuf that you colid srprise me with.

You friend, Rylan B

Letters to Santa Continued on Page 6D

• 573-205-9341

107 N. 1st Street

Owensville MO



Call 573-437-8181 *Hang'n by*

May your holiday deliver everything you've been wishing for this year. We know we couldn't have passed the time with better customers than you. Thanks!



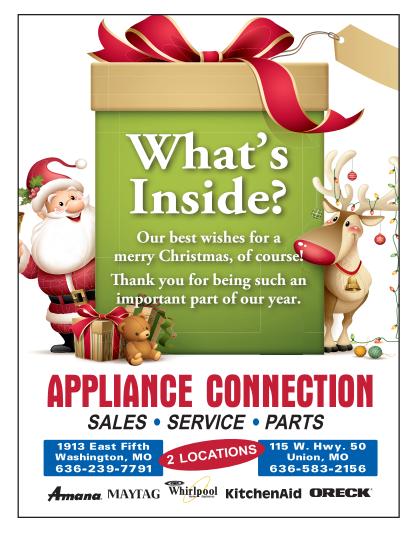


Hwy. 100 East of Southpoint Road, Washington, MO











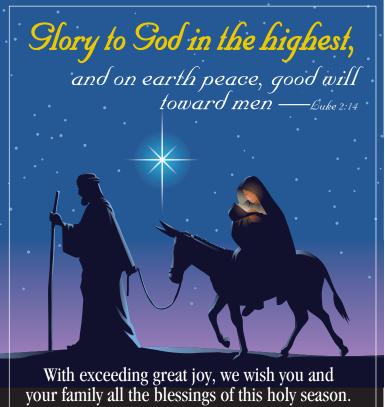


we are filled with gratitude for the wonderful people all around us. We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a healthy and happy New Year!

ROGER STOCKTON AUCTION SERVICE

573-646-3680

682 Hwy 28 W. Bland, MO 65014



33449 Hwy. 28 • Belle, MO 65013 Evening: (573) 859-3798 Day: 573-864-2759

業業

Gerald Elementary Third Grade —

Ashley Powell, Teacher

Dear Santa,

How are you and Mrs. Claus and the elves? How are the reindeer to? I love all of the reindeer and Stephanie and you Santa, and Mrs. Claus. Probaley Avery my mom or Caidence are going to make cookies and milk. Is it going good in the northpole? Can I please have some squishy's and slime and clay, and some crafty stuff. And I want to tell you what Stephanie did. She read the Christmas story to Jesus the little baby statue thing. And drank coffee. And even hanged from the lights. She hid to. I liked finding her to. We got candy canes to. I got to hug her. She did who ever finds me first gets to hug me. I won, we got candy canes to. It was fun. I hope you have a good time in the north pole.

Love Melanie G

Dear Santa,

I already wrote you a letter but you know. It does not hurt to write a nother. But besides that how are you? And tell you eleves good job because I love my presents every year. And tell Rudolph he will shine bright on Christmas night. I hope I'm on you good list. And if I am, may I say some stuff I would like. Like maybe a morebord or hoverbord. And last but not least every thing to be ok. Nothing more to ask. Oh wait I for got, tell Mrs. Claus I said keep cooking.

Sincerely Taylor L

Dear Santa,

give my mom a #1 mom magnit and a #1 mom Pin and make up. I want Lego Indiana Jones the game.

From, Levi

Dear Santa,

How are you? I want insterments. How are the reindeer? I want uncorns and hourses. How is Ms. Claus? I want toy girl elves. How are the elves? I want Dogman books exept for Dogman unLeashed. How is it going up there? you all are the best. I want one of the things that Ms. Powell has that stuff comes out of it, and can I have the stuff to it. What do you like for Christmas? What kinds of cookies do you like? Christmas is all about being with each other.

p.s. Merry Christmas to all of you guys when it is christmas.

Savanna G

Dear Santa,

How are the elves? How are you? for Christmas I whant a hampster, dog man books, big nate books, bean bag chair, stools for my room, cute little Lamp, miniature fan, sequence for crafts and crafts tuBs for arts and crafts, PoP socket for my phone, head Phones, scronshys, dog earings, and a water bottle. Thank you Santa!

Love, Skyla P

Dear Santa,

Hey is it all right if you give me your phone number? The cookies are going to be goyey buter and choklut chip cookies and I want a pink huverbord and I want it to glow. And I have an elf but it snuk in to mom's room. I don't know how. And if you don't now Ealishgh he's mu cusen and he wants Skwidwerd kiyres and Dezmyn wants chips. The kind he wants is dretoes and I want a trampling and a mini one for kylea and I want 100 Dolrs and a new carpet.

Love, Anieya B

Dear Santa,

How are the reindeer? How is Mrs. Claus? How are you? I've been good. I want a new paint set. Can you fill my stocking with LOL dolls? I would like OMG dolls! I have you on my train decoration outside. I would like a new wagon, so my sister and I can pull each other around. I have cookies and milk for you.

Your favorite kid, Emily D

Dear Santa,

How you Doing my man? You reaDy for Christmas and my yummy cookies and a galloon of milk and 20 carrots for your reindeer for Christmas? I want ro Blox and a hover Board and the color teal for my hover BoarD. Please and that's all I've got to say.

Your Best KiD, Caleb L

Dear Santa,

I want a fourweeler and xbox and Patrik Mohoms Jursy and make him never retier. When I play foot ball I want to be a running back and a dirt bike and 100,000 dollars! and PS4 and a Dog named BoBy and the twins to have a sleep over and Preston place hoodie and a Unspeakable hoodie.

Your favorite kid, Braxton P

Dear Santa,

I Love you so much. How are you? We Like You. We Love You Santa. And elves are the best. I am the best kid. I Love you Mrs. Claus. You are the best, because you love Santa. Love you both and ruddph. I Love you and I like you all. I Love you Santa.

From, Mackenzie T

Dear Santa,

I want a RC car from a specialty store. I would also like big Nerf guns. can you give my mom pots, bowl, and cups? can you get Joe some climbing gear? can you get my sisters new cell phones? Please be safe

Love, Dalton L

Dear Santa,

Is RudolPh real? Are the reindeer heathy? Can I have good presents? Can I have cookies? Are you in Disguise? I've been good. can I have a real recorder? I know Dasher, Dancer, Prancer, Vixen, Doner, Cupid, Comet, Blitsih.

The Best kid, Abby D

Dear Santa,

Give me good present pLease, and I'm kind of hungry so give me gold fish please.

Love, Jaxon D

Dear Santa.

How are you and Mrs. Claus? How are your reindeer? How are your elves? And will we get our elves this year? I want WWE 2K19 and WWE 2K2O and a Pachrikmuhoms jersey number 15. And a dirtbike and a hundred doller gift card for xbox1 and an iPhone11 Pro for Christmas.

Love, Peyton P

Dear Santa,

Can you Please get me a xbox for Christmas? How are you doing? HOw are your elves doing? I hope you can get me an elf. How are the reindeer doing? Santa can you Please fill my stocking with goodie.

Your favorite kid, Adalynn W

Dear Santa,

Howare you Doing? Howis Mrs. Claus? I Have cookies and milk. I whunt Batman toys.

Love, Zayne T



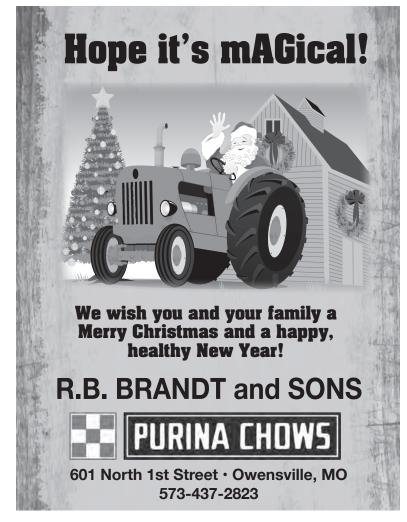


COUNTY

TREASURER



Mike Feagan





Behold
His Glory

Rejoice!

May you be filled with the true spirit of Christmas—its peace, its joy, its love—and may the significance of that first holy Christmas be ever present in your heart.

We're sincerely grateful for your loyal patronage.

Dud's Tire Shop

112 East Lincoln • Owensville, MO 573-437-3305









—— Gerald Elementary Third Grade -

Katie Schaning, Teacher

Dear Santa,

I had Been Realy good this year. I'm PreAty sure all of other kids have Been too. And I have got good grades this year. and some kid's Are Turning In too Bullyes Beacause of their parents and I hope you have a merry christmas. and all I want for X-mas is my Parent's Back together.

Sincerly Kayden S

Dear Santa,

I want a tuxedox, two more Dogs, chapter Books, and Blonde hair dye.

Your pal, Mason

Dear Santa,

I want a white cow girl hat and some skinny geans and a seat that opens and shuts and then I want my mom, DaD, grace, Paige, neveaeh, Kenzie, Charley, gramals, ants, oncolls, for a Dener.

Love Makala T

Dear Santa.

How are you at the north pole? I hope your doing good. What I want for Cristmas is a mini nerf gun, and two big nerf snipers, a microphone, a video

> Sincerly, Landon W

Dear Santa,

I want a huverBord. New taBlet. Phoune. 100 LOL Doll's. Golden Retriever PuP. a Lot of toys. Biger House. frozen 2 movie and Doll House. ice cream maDe By mrs. Clues. a Lot of candey. JoJo Siwa Bow's. mini Juan the one that you Buy at walmart

Sinserly, Dianna C

Dear Santa,

I want for Christmas is... hatchanimals and poopies and a hoverbord, if you can graet those wishes that would be great and Santa if you can give me my Grandma and Grandpa and Aunt Angel and my dog Max, that would be great, because they past away. P.s Merry Christmas

Sincerly - Izarra S

Dear Sata,

I belive in you. I relly want the Anna and Elsa dolls. and the Gliter glob seres of L.OL.S. a hover bord. a iphone 11.

Aubriana W Dear Santa,

I would like a trampoline, apple watch, bands for the apple watch, and diary of a wimpy kid books.

Layna M

Dear Santa,

I want airpods for Christmas. I also want a ps4 for Christmas. Lastly, I want a gaming computer.

Sincerely, Jaxton W

Dear Santa.

I Love my family, freinds and expecaly god and Jeasas. Ive been good all year. What is your favirote color? Mine is teal and Purpple. What is your favirote animal? im gessing raindeer. Mine is all the animals in the world. PS. I wonly want my family to be happy and nice

Love, Brailie C

Dear Santa Clause.

Hi Santa I'v Been Good and How are you? I'm Going to ask some questions How do you Go to evry House in one night? I geussit's Just magic l'm wondering How much Presents can you mack in a year? now I'm going to say what I want for Chrismas I

want a phone Lots of snow and a car for Kids but a camper and dogman books and magictrixie Bootles and an ation Figure and a camra and a paint stuFF and craFFts and I want a my Lil doll and a sewing machien and chains For my Backpack and a toy Fairis weail and the Frozen II movie and dolles of Frozen II and I want sienc Suplies please get me that stuff I'v alwas wanted this stuFF so please get me some of this stuFF Santa please do it iF you do I'll alwas blivend you util I'm 50, so Please Have a nice year XOXO.

Novalie S



WARM WISHES TO YOU AND YOURS

From our family to yours, we wish you a safe and happy holiday season.



Theresa Ditto, Agent 109 S 1st St Owensville, MO 65066 Bus: (573) 437-3726 Access Anytime: 1-800-MYAMFAM (800-692-6326)



American Family Mutual Insurance Company, S.I. & its Operating Companies, American Family Insurance Company, 6000 American Parkway, Madison, WI 53783 008897 – Rev. 1/19 ©2016 – 11415719

f





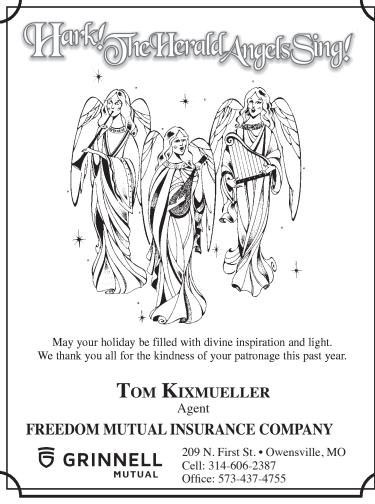
CHRISTMAS...

May Your Field Of Dreams Be Ever Green...

> To all our cherished friends, a very merry Christmas!

BLAND, MO • 573-437-3751 OR 437-2507

Dedicated to the Livestock Industry Since 1906





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

New Salem Baptist Church

Pastor: JOHN (JACK) KURRELMEYER

Services: Sunday Worship...10:30AM Bible Study...9:30AM 3217 Piezuch Road • Owensville, MO • **573-437-5455**



GROSS

AUCTION

Gross Auction

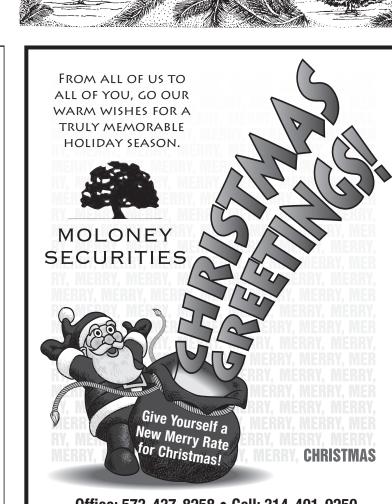
Owensville, Missouri 573/437-3631

• 573/437-6165



www.TheHarvestMarketBoutique.com





Office: 573-437-8258 • Cell: 314-401-9250 111 S. First Street • Owensville, MO 65066 Member SIPC, FINRA Registered Broker









Singing for area senior citizens

Owensville High School vocal music students under the direction of Philip Giacomelli performed a number of Christmas songs for those attending the Dec. 12 lunch served at the Owensville Senior Center. Giacomelli's students also had time to visit with area senior citizens after their performance. OHS choir members also performed that day for residents of local nursing homes. Local school students were expected to be in classes through Dec. 19 this week but a winter storm has threatened that schedule. Classes were called off for Monday by Sunday $evening \, and \, additional \, snowfall \,$ throughout the day Monday into Tuesday could prompt an early start to the Christmas break for the Gasconade County R-2 School District's 1,800 students. Classes were also called off Monday in the R-1 district in

PHOTOS BY DAVE MARNER

May Your Days Be Merry and Bright!







