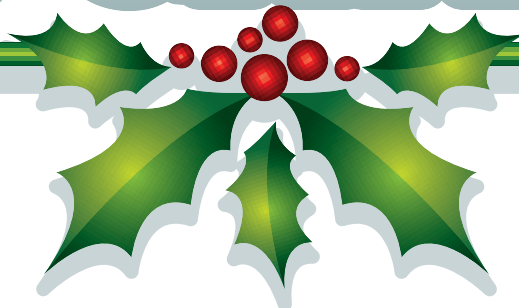


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### St. Vincent de Paul: Helping a community in need

By Mary Weber  
Staff Writer

“Charity is the cement which binds communities to God and persons to one another.”

~ St. Vincent de Paul

Charity and the mission of giving is alive and well in Alcona County this Christmas season due to the effort of many community organizations that come together each year to make sure residents have what they need to

celebrate the holidays.

There is one organization, however, that seems to do its very best, not only at Christmas but throughout the year and has done so for over a quarter of a century -- St. Vincent de Paul in Mikado.

Last week, nearly 200 boxes filled with food and just about as many bags filled with toys lined every pew of St. Raphael Catholic Church as 30 volunteer workers, many employees of St. Vincent de Paul donating their time, filled boxes and checked off names in preparation for their big day of giving.

Each Christmas season, boxes of food, new toys and more are given to families in need through St. Vincent de Paul. This year 192 families in Alcona County will receive a ham and an additional 70 to 80 pounds of food. Along with the food, each child in the household under the age of 18 will also receive a new toy, a new book and a new article of clothing.

According to St. Vincent de Paul co-managers Leo Marciniak and April Travis, their organization would never be able to do it all if it were not for other organizations and businesses joining in the cause.

They are thankful to organizations such as Toys for Tots, which provided the toys and businesses such as Kris Mart in Lincoln, and Meijer and Walmart of Alpena who gave immensely this year.

“The Salvation Army provided us with a mini-grant of \$400 to provide each family with a hygiene kit. Kris Mart donated 2,000 pounds of food, Walmart gave us some deep discounts and Meijer gave us \$3,000 in food and \$1,000 toward clothing.

“Even the Alcona Schools National Honor Society (NHS) helped by having a can drive and donated over 500 pounds of can goods. NHS students from Alcona and Oscoda schools also came and helped

to pack the boxes,” Travis said.

“Individual donors help a lot too. One local family provided all the bread and butter for all the boxes,” Marciniak said.

According to the co-managers, St. Vincent de Paul receives the families in need names through a variety of sources including the school, the Alcona Health Center, the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) and other organizations.

“Some just walk in and ask for assistance. We make sure we get the information we need such as the age of the children and sizes. Some of these families have four and five kids. All are in dire need,” Travis said.

In a small, rural community such as Alcona County where good-paying jobs are scarce and many seniors are living on tight, fixed incomes, it means a lot to have services like this year-round and St. Vincent doesn't forget them once the giving season is over.

Throughout the year St. Vincent de Paul runs a thrift store open to the public. The quality goods within the large store are donated and then re-sold at drastically reduced prices.

The income generated, along with community donations, provides the organization with two full-time and 10 part-time employees, pays to

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Naomi Hendrics (left) and Araceli Truman, kindergarten students in Ali Yokom's class, are happy to receive their stockings from Alcona Helping Hands. This local organization dedicated to helping Alcona Elementary students, provided every child in the school with holiday surprises again this year. In partnership with the group, White Pine Quilt Guild and some members of the Quirky Quilters of Oscoda, along with other craft savvy individuals, made or donated nearly 300 unique Christmas stockings. Alcona Helping Hands filled each stocking with handmade hats donated by the Lincoln Senior Center needlecrafters, Tootsie Rolls donated by the Knights of Columbus, candy sticks donated by Alcona County Review, an ornament craft, books to read and color in and many other items were donated by Harrisville Lady Lions and Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union, with additional support from local residents. In addition to the 292 students at the elementary school, the group handed out 33 gift-filled handmade hats to preschool children of the schools' Great Start Readiness Program and HeadStart. Photo by Mary Weber.







# Obituaries



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## Jared J. Sager

Jared J. Sager, 21, of Spruce, died on Wednesday, Dec. 18, 2019.

He was born May 11, 1998 to M. Jeffrey and Tina (Rasmussen) Sager in Alpena. He was a lifelong resident of Spruce.

He was a member of Spruce Lutheran Church. He was an avid outdoorsman who loved hunting and trapping. He also liked tanning hides and fishing.

He is survived by his parents, Jeff and Tina Sager; three sisters, Megan (Jerred) Hoppe, Karaline (Joshua) Durance, and Lily Sager; one brother, Kaleb (Alanie) Sager; two nieces, Aurora Sager and Adaline Sager; two nephews, Jason Hoppe and Beau Durance; his grandparents, Shirley Freese, Howard Sager and Betsy Norton; as well as numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his grandfathers, Gerald Rasmussen and Fred Freese; and his great-grandmother, Vi Rasmussen.

A memorial service will be announced at a later date. Cremation arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln.

## Lois I. Welch

Lois I. Welch, 93 of Fairview, formerly of Curran, died on Friday, December 20, 2019 at home.

She was born in Traverse City, Mich. on November 9, 1926 to Theodore and Ireta (Fletcher) Weidenhamer.

She was a nurse cadet trainee during World War II.



She married Daniel Welch on August 26, 1946 in Flint, Mich. The couple settled in Curran in 1946.

Mrs. Welch was an active member of the Curran Baptist Church. She volunteered as a Level 5 volunteer for Heartland Hospice of West Branch from 2006-2014. She was also a senior companion and volunteer at the Fairview Nursing Home. She also enjoyed helping her many neighbors.

Mrs. Welch is survived by three daughters, Eva (Cliff) Hatt of Williamston, Mich., Donna Wadsworth of Fowlerville, Mich. and Laura (Ray) Poellet of Curran; one son, Dan (Edie) Welch of Curran; four sisters, Maxine Fall of Cadillac, Mich., Doris Ackerman of Traverse City, Mich., Ruth Graf of Grawn, Mich., and Betty (Chuck) Jylha of Comstock Park, Mich.; two brothers, Dick (Gletta) Weidenhamer of Alanson, Mich. and Larry Weidenhamer of Vonore, Tenn.; 19 grandchildren; 55 great-grandchildren; and 19 great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Daniel; one son, David Welch; two sons-in-law, Dennis Eastman and Richard Wadsworth; one brother, Carlton Weidenhamer; an infant sister, Shirley; one sister, Doneva Johnson; and two brothers-in-law, Ken Fall, Bernard Ackerman and Richard Graf.

The funeral was held Monday, Dec. 23 at the Lashley Funeral Home, Mio. Paul Gardner officiated. Interment was in Curran Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to Heartland Hospice of West Branch, Mich. or to Camp Barakel.

## Cindy A. Fowler

Cindy Ann Fowler, 61, of Glennie died on Saturday, Dec. 14, 2019 at Ascension St. Joseph Hospital in Tawas City.

She was born October 5, 1958 in Bay City, Mich. to Larry Devere and Annabell (Lee) Middleton.

She married Roy J. Fowler on January 8, 1977 and together they raised four sons.

Mrs. Fowler worked for many years as an aide for adult foster care.

She enjoyed crocheting in earlier years and especially enjoyed playing bingo and traveling to casinos with her husband.

Mrs. Fowler is survived by her husband, Roy; four sons, Roy (Haley) Fowler, Brandon (Diana) Fowler, Taylor Fowler, and Devin Fowler; four grandchildren; one brother, Larry



Middleton; two sisters, Deborah Harmon and Tracy Middleton; and many nieces and nephews.

The funeral was held December 18 at Buresh Funeral Home, Hale. Dennis Lee officiated.

## Donald G. Harmon Jr.

Donald Grant Harmon Jr., 64, of Barton City, died on Sunday, Dec. 15, 2019 at home.

He was born December 20, 1954 to Donald G. and Alice I. (Swenson) Harmon Sr. in Tawas City. He graduated from Kettering High School in Waterford, Mich. in 1973.

He joined the U.S. Navy in 1976 where he was stationed on the USS Independence. He was honorably discharged in 1978.

After 30 years of employment with General Motors, Mr. Harmon retired to the Barton City area where he enjoyed hunting and fishing.

He also enjoyed playing horseshoes, euchre, and telling a story that made people laugh. He was a member of the Barton City Eagles Aerie No. 4141.

Mr. Harmon is survived by numerous cousins.



He was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers, Ross Dean and Ralph Elmer Harmon.

There will be a memorial service on Saturday, Jan. 4, 2020 at 1 p.m. at the Barton City VFW Hall.

Cremation arrangements were made through Gillies Funeral Home, Lincoln.

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**Letter to the Editor**

To the Editor,  
Over the years, many products have appeared that tout "natural health benefits" or being a "safe alternative to (name the drug of choice)." In many cases, these products turn out to be harmful, dangerous or even deadly.

I have noticed a resurgence recently of a product called Kratom. Kratom is a tropical tree. Its leaves contain compounds that have psychotropic (mind altering) effects.

Kratom can cause effects similar to both opioids and stimulants, depending on the amount taken. Kratom can cause sometimes dangerous

side effects, such as seizures, hallucinations, psychosis or even death, according to the National Institute on Drug Abuse.

Like other drugs with opioid-like effects, Kratom may cause dependence. Some users have self-reported becoming addicted.

Although Kratom is currently legal, this does not mean that it is safe or healthy. Cigarettes are legal too, but nobody would suggest that it is a good idea to smoke.

Please research any product before deciding to purchase or consume. Remember that sellers do not neces-

sarily care about your health or safety. They want to sell you a product. Money is the bottom line.

We saw the same trend with bath salts and potpourri. Those products were legal once too -- until people started to die. Yet marketers continued to sell the products until forced to stop. Share this information with everyone you know. Let's get this product off the market before too many people are harmed.

Mike Maturen  
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**Calendar of Events**

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 26**  
Sunrise Community Food Pantry will be open from 1 to 3 p.m. at Hubbard Lake Bible Church, 13508 Hubbard Lake Road, Hubbard Lake. Clients are asked to come only one time per month and must be present to receive food. The pantry accepts clients regardless of county of residence. Identification is required. Bring a box or bag. For more information, call (989) 727-3606.

Community Walking Club for everyone will meet at 9 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

Enjoy a newly released DVD and theater-style popcorn at a family movie matinee at 2 p.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. For more information, call (989) 724-6796.

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 27**  
Storytime and craft for children at 10:30 a.m. at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 30**  
Ukulele jam sessions for all ages and levels at the Harrisville branch of the Alcona County Library, 312 West Main Street from 2 to 4 p.m. Call (989) 724-6796 for details.

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 2**  
TOPS MI 1502 Mikado will meet at St. Raphael Catholic Church, 2531 F-32. Weigh-in starts at 9:10 a.m. and the meeting begins at 9:30 a.m. All are welcome. First meet-

ing is free. Handicap accessible. Call (989) 736-8022, (989) 335-1107 or (989) 739-8600 for details.

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 3**  
Reformers Unanimous, a faith-based addictions recovery program, will meet from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Greenbush Community Baptist Church, 2430 South State Street. For more information, call Pastor Wayne Whitten at (989) 335-0172.

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 5**  
Sunrise Side Strummers ukulele jam session from 2 to 4 p.m. at Wiltse's Brew Pub, 5606 North F-41 in Oscoda. All levels of ukulele players are welcome. Family and friends are encouraged to come and sing along. There is a \$1 donation to defray costs. For more information, call Paula at (989) 724-5080.

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 7**  
Individuals whose lives are affected by depression or another mental health condition are welcome to attend Fresh Hope, a Christian-based support group for those with mental health challenges. Loved ones are also welcome. Meetings are from 1 to 2:30 p.m. at the Old Stone Church on the corner of Shaw and Poor Farm roads, Harrisville. For more information, contact Claire at (989) 724-6665.

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8**  
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less of county of residence. Identification is required. Bring a box or bag. For more information, call (989) 727-3606.

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 9**  
The Sunrise Ringers Bell Choir of Harrisville is seeking new members. Anyone who has wanted to ring handbells is encouraged to attend an organizational dinner meeting at 6:30 p.m. at Westminster Presbyterian in Harrisville. Attendees are asked to bring a potluck food item to share. Being able to read music is not a requirement. All bells and music are provided. For more information, contact Susan Haight at (248) 871-8710.

The Newcomers Lunch Group will meet at noon at the Big Boy Restaurant on Ripley Avenue in Alpena. Call Terry at (989) 340-0676 if planning to attend.

*(Editor's Note: Entries for Calendar are always welcome. The Deadline is Friday at noon. They will be published in chronological order as space allows. Entries should be turned in at least two weeks prior to the date of the event. Events sponsored by businesses or individuals to make a profit or governmental units for meeting notification are not eligible for this free public service. Sorry, bingo, garage sales, raffle ticket sales, or political campaigning information is not eligible.)*

**NOTICE**

The City of Harrisville is looking to fill three vacancies on the City Planning Commission. Two must be registered city residents and one may be a member from a neighboring township. The Zoning Board of Appeals has one full member vacancy and an Alternate position. Members must be city residents. The deadline for letters of interest or phone calls to the city is Friday, January 3, 2020 by noon. Please call the city office at 989-724-6666 or email the city at harrisville1905@hotmail.com.

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### Community Service Award

Marlene Green Rogers was given the Community Service Award from the River Aux Sables Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution for her volunteer services to Lost Lake Woods for organizing or chairing many sales and collections to improve her community and the surrounding county. The Community Service Award is given to an individual who exemplifies unpaid achievements in cultural, humanitarian, patriotic, historical, citizenship or environmental conservation endeavors.

In the last year Rogers organized and chaired a tent sale which netted \$6,000 for the community and served as chairman of the membership community in charge of community decorations. She has organized bottle and can collections netting over \$12,000, and other volunteer services to improve the Lost Lake Woods community, as well as to the surrounding county.

HAYNES TOWNSHIP  
NOTICE

Haynes Township January board meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 8, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

### Senior Menu

The following meals will be served during the week at 4 p.m. in Glennie at the United Methodist Church and at 4:30 p.m. at the Lincoln Senior Center. No reservations are required at the Lincoln Senior Center, however call (989) 736-8879 by 7 a.m. for meals served in Glennie. No membership is required. Suggested donation of \$3 per meal is welcome.

- Monday, Dec. 30—Baked chicken, baked potato, sour cream and chives, carrots, pears, bread and milk.
- Tuesday, Dec. 31 and Wednesday, Jan. 1—All centers closed.
- Thursday, Jan. 2—Tuna and noodles, broccoli, pineapple tidbits, two percent milk, and wheat bread.
- Friday, Jan. 3—Fish almandine, baked potato with sour cream and chives, green beans, applesauce, two percent milk, and wheat bread.  
*(Friday meals served in Lincoln only.)*

### Genealogy Classes

Huron Shores Genealogical Society will be facilitating “Genealogy 101 plus” genealogy classes for all levels starting Saturday, Jan. 4, 2020 from noon to 2 p.m. at the Iosco County Historical Museum, US-23, East Tawas. These classes will be held each Saturday in January. From beginner to advanced, sessions will be tailored to participants’ needs.

The first Saturday will be a meet and greet, determine where each attendee is in their research and what areas they would like covered, and some basic topics everyone need to know and remember. Bring questions, thoughts and ideas, participants may attend as many classes as they can. For more information, call Judy Sheldon at (989) 984-9305.

## Alcona Elementary principal receives achievement award

**By Mary Weber**  
*Staff Writer*

A local principal has received recognition of his school’s hard work, collaboration efforts and place-based education by his peers in northern Michigan.

Tim Lee, principal of Alcona Elementary School, was recognized as Principal of the Year by Region 13 of the Michigan Elementary and Middle School Principal Association (MEMSPA).

An award he was very surprised to win so early in his career as principal.

Lee explained that MEMSPA is a statewide association for elementary and middle school principals with 14 different regions throughout the state. Region 13 covers the tip of northern lower Michigan.

Each year it has an annual two-and-a-half day conference in December where speakers, such as other principals and leaders, gather to share what their schools and communities are accomplishing with education.

Lee said he spoke in a **Continued on page 7**



Tim Lee, Alcona Elementary principal, receives Principal of the Year award. *Courtesy photo.*

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# Lady Tigers win two road games

By Ben Murphy  
Sports Writer

The Alcona girls varsity basketball team's strong start to the season continued Thursday night, as it was able to pick up a 39-23 non-conference win at Grayling.

"We got off to a very slow start in the game, in fact Grayling scored the first four points in the first minute and then we were able to shut them down," said head coach Mark Feldhiser. "We played great defense all night and we were able to make enough adjustments on offense to get the win."

Alcona led 6-4 after a low-scoring opening quarter and led 16-12 at the half and 22-12 entering the fourth.

"This was a tough game,

and I am happy to get the win on the road," Feldhiser said. "We are proud of the way our kids hung in there and fought their way through this one. We also had some foul trouble to deal with. I think that this shows that we are able to adapt and win games in different ways."

The Lady Tigers were led by Megan Grove with 13 points. Anna Loyer netted 11 and Liz Henderson was good for 10.

On Tuesday, Dec. 17 the Lady Tigers earned a North Star League Big Dipper win at Whittemore-Prescott, 48-29.

The Lady Tigers led the entire way, 14-0 after the first quarter, 25-7 at the break and 38-21 entering the fourth.

"We got off to a great start and were able to get good minutes for everyone," Feldhiser said. "We had another good defensive effort."

Henderson led all scorers with 16 points and Grove netted 11.

Alcona (4-1 overall) returns to action on Tuesday, Jan. 7 when it plays at home with North Star League foe Mio.

"I am happy with where we are after five games; we have won four in row, three of which were on the road," Feldhiser said. "Record wise, we really couldn't expect much better. However, that doesn't mean we are satisfied; we know that we need to keep working hard and improving."

# Tigers defer to Bobcats; win over Cardinals

By Ben Murphy  
Sports Writer

The Alcona boys varsity basketball team played in a bit of unusual circumstances at John Glenn last Friday.

The Tigers and Bobcats met for a game that tipped off at 12:30 p.m., as a part of John Glenn's Breast Cancer Awareness event. The Tigers couldn't slow down the Bobcats however, as J-G claimed a 63-40 win in front of its entire student body.

Barbato hit another three, but the J-G lead swelled to 48-27 entering the fourth.

"We did a good job defensively other than having trouble stopping (their star player) from scoring, he had 29 points. We will look to learn from this and come ready to play when we see them on our home court."

Wrobel finished with 12 points. Dominic Howe netted 10. Barbato netted eight. D.J. Howe had five, Mason Clark

ger defense held the Cardinals to just two second quarter points, allowing them to pull ahead 35-13 at the half.

W-P connected on four threes in the third quarter, allowing it to pull within 43-31 entering the fourth.

In the final frame, Dominic Howe, Wrobel and Gavin Walker netted four points each as the Tigers finished off the win.

With 14 points apiece was Wrobel and D.J. Howe, Clark



Alcona's Dominic Howe defends a John Glenn player during Friday's afternoon road game. Photo by Ben Murphy.

"Considering we were down three players and playing in a foreign gym, we played pretty well," said head coach Ryan Bilbey. "John Glenn hit 14 threes, so hats off to them. It was a very fun environment and was a good cause. We appreciated the opportunity to go down and play during their fund-raiser game in front of the entire school."

The Tigers kept things close for awhile, as they trailed just 14-11 after the first quarter, thanks to six early points by Aidan Wrobel and a three by Robbie Barbato.

The Bobcats, who hit four threes in the opening quarter, hit four more in the second as they pulled away to lead 35-18 at the half.

Wrobel hit four more points in the third quarter and

scored three and Nick Rasmussen netted two.

On Monday, Jan. 16 the Tigers picked up a North Star League Big Dipper win at home against Whittemore-Prescott, 59-45.

"We played pretty well in the first half and had a nice lead at halftime," Bilbey said. "We did not play very well in the third quarter, but was able to get everybody in the game and secure the victory. (W-P's) Dana Thorson is a great player and he made contested shots all night. Mason Clark and Rasmussen did a nice job defensively and I was happy to see D.J. Howe play as well as he did."

Alcona took a 15-11 lead after the first quarter, thanks to five points each in the frame by Wrobel and Clark. The Ti-

contributed nine points, Rasmussen tallied seven, Dominic Howe and Walker each hit for six points and Barbato had three points.

Alcona (2-2 overall) hosts John Glenn on Friday, Jan. 3 at heads to Mio on Monday, Jan. 6.

### Super Crossword

#### Answers

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# SENIOR LIFESTYLES

## IRS introduces a tax form created for older taxpayers

Dear Savvy Senior,  
A couple months back I read that the IRS will be offering a new senior-friendly tax form this tax season that will be easier to use. What can you tell me about this?  
Paper Filer

Dear Paper,  
It's true. The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) has created a new federal income-tax form specifically designed for senior taxpayers, age 65 and older, that should make filing a little easier this year, particularly those who don't file electronically. Here's what you should know.

### Form 1040-SR

Created by the 2018 Bipartisan Budget Act, the new two-page simplified federal income tax form is called the 1040-SR. Similar in style to the old 1040-EZ form that the IRS discontinued last year, the new 1040-SR has larger print and better color contrast that makes it easier to read.

In addition, it also includes a chart to help older taxpayers calculate their standard deduction, which may help ensure that fewer seniors neglect to take the additional standard deduction that they are entitled to. For 2019, the additional deduction for those 65 or older or the blind is \$1,300.

The 1040-SR form also has specific lines for retirement income streams such as Social Security benefits, IRA distributions, pensions and annuities, along with earned income from work wages and tips. And, it allows a child tax credit for seniors who are still taking care of a dependent child or grandchild.

You can also report capital gains and losses, as well as interest and dividends on this new form. Any of the tax schedules available to those using the standard form 1040 may also be used with the 1040-SR.

You should also know that the 1040-SR doesn't put a limit on interest, dividends,

or capital gains, nor does it cap overall income like the old 1040-EZ form did. But, if you have to itemize because of state and local taxes or charitable giving, then you will not be able to use the new Form 1040-SR.

### Paper Filing Advantage

Seniors who use tax-preparation software to file their taxes will be able to generate a 1040-SR, but the new form will provide the most significant benefit to taxpayers who still fill out and file their returns on paper.

Last year, about 88 percent of the 153 million individual federal tax returns filed to the IRS were filed electronically. About five percent were prepared using tax software, then printed out and mailed to the agency, while about seven percent were prepared on paper.

To use the new 1040-SR tax form for the 2019 filing year, taxpayers, including both spouses if filing jointly, must be at least age 65 before



Savvy Senior

January 1, 2020. You also don't have to be retired to use the form – older workers can use it too. But early retirees (younger than 65) cannot use 1040-SR.

To see the 2019 draft version of the new 1040-SR form, go to [IRS.gov/pub/irs-dft/f1040s-dft.pdf](https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-dft/f1040s-dft.pdf).

### Tax Preparation Help

If you need help filing your tax returns this year, consider contacting the Tax Counseling for the Elderly (or TCE) program. Sponsored by the IRS, TEC provides free tax preparation and counseling to middle and low-income

taxpayers, age 60 and older. Call (800) 906-9887 or visit [IRS.treasury.gov/freetaxprep](https://www.irs.gov/freetaxprep) to locate a service near you.

Also check with AARP, a participant in the TCE program that provides free tax preparation at more than 4,800 sites nationwide. To locate an AARP Tax-Aide site call (888) 227-7669 or visit [AARP.org/findtaxhelp](https://www.aarp.org/findtaxhelp). You don't have to be an AARP member to use this service.

(Send your senior questions to: Savvy Senior, P.O. Box 5443, Norman, Okla. 73070, or visit [SavvySenior.org](https://www.savvysenior.org).)

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## Award

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break-out session during the conference on what Alcona Elementary School is doing that sets it apart from other schools, it's community collaboration, place-based education and the challenges it faces being a small rural school in a large county.

"I spoke about the collaboration the school has with the health center, the credit union, the county library and organizations such as Inspiration Alcona and Alcona Helping Hands. How we provide a lot of support for kids.

"We do a lot here. I don't know if it is necessarily unusual or different (from other schools), but we try hard not to let barriers prevent us from doing what is best for the kids," Lee said.

According to Lee, funding from the state rises and falls continuously and the school looks at different ways to provide resources even if the funding is not there.

He said community collaboration is a little different realm for education, and typically, schools don't always take advantage of the community and the local resources it has.

He has spoken to other school principals in the association about Alcona Community Schools' place-based education. The FFA and sugar shack, school community and butterfly garden, the acquisition of the new 40 acres of property, its trails and possible orchards they may grow on it.

"We appreciate the area we are in and the natural resources we have. Taking the classroom outside is different. A lot of schools don't have that opportunity and resources. Those experiences are going to be extremely meaningful for kids. It's good for students to go outside and get a little dirty through hands-on education," Lee said.

He explained how geographically the school is challenged because it is so spread out which presents issues for students and parents and how the school tries to think about what is best to support families with activities and events happening at the school.

Lee said he was humbled by the award and recognized it was given not for his efforts alone. "I appreciate it, but this wasn't just me doing this work. There are a lot of innovative people here. The hard work and dedication from everyone make the difference. It's a team effort."

## American Life in Poetry

By Ted Kooser

U.S. Poet Laureate, 2004-2006

Ezra Pound commanded America's poets to "Make it new." And here's a good example. Has there ever been another poem written, and written beautifully, about children playing among laundry drying on a line? Thomas Reiter, who lives in New Jersey, is a poet whose work I've followed for many years.

### Pinned in Place

A bed sheet hung out to dry  
became a screen for shadow animals.  
But of all laundry days in the neighborhood  
the windy ones were best,  
the clothespins like little men riding  
lines that tried to buck them off.  
One at a time we ran down the aisles  
between snapping sheets  
that wanted to put us in our place.

Timing them, you faked and cut  
like famous halfbacks. But if a sheet  
tagged you it put you down, pinned  
by the whiteness floating  
against a sky washed by the bluing  
our mothers added to the wash water.

Could anyone make it through those days  
untouched? You waited for  
your chance, then jumped up and finished  
the course, rising if you fell again.  
Later, let the sky darken suddenly  
and we'd be sent out to empty the lines.  
All up and down the block, kids  
running with bed sheets in their arms,  
running like firemen rescuing children.  
All night those sheets lay draped  
over furniture, as though we were leaving  
and would not return for a long time.

(American Life in Poetry is made possible by The Poetry Foundation ([www.poetryfoundation.org](http://www.poetryfoundation.org)), publisher of Poetry magazine. It is also supported by the Department of English at the University of Nebraska, Lincoln, Neb. Unsolicited manuscripts are not accepted.)

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# Buggy Rides

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## Floyd Yuill killed in action in France December 9

**December 28, 1944** ~ A telegram was received here Friday, December 22, from the War Department stating that Floyd Yuill of Haynes Township had been killed in action in France, December 9.

Floyd was the husband of Leona Slater Yuill and the son of Mungo P. Yuill of Haynes Township. He entered the army March 23, 1944.

Floyd Yuill was born in Haynes Township, April 14, 1915 and had spent his boyhood days with his parents on their farm. Later years he had been employed in Flint, until his induction into the armed service. He was united in marriage to Miss Leona M. Slater of Hawes Township in 1938.

He is survived by his widow and little daughter, Rose Ann, age 4; his father, M. P. Yuill and one brother Howard at home. His mother passed away a few years ago.

The deepest sympathy of their many friends is extended to the bereaved family.

The following letter from Floyd was received by his father last week:

**December 6, 1944.**

Hello Pa and Howard:

I just wrote Leona a letter. I thought I'd write you one also. I just got paid today and made out a money order of thirty dollars to send to her. When I was in the states I made out an order for them to take out fifteen dollars from my pay each month and send home. I wonder if she is getting those checks.

I'm writing this from candle light. It's an old candle sitting on an empty sea ration can which sits on an old table in this old house. There's a fellow sitting across from me writing to his folks and another with needle and thread sewing. I'm in good health but have lost a lot of weight. I weigh about one-sixty. My watch quit running. A pin jewel came out of the balance wheel. I miss it. It was an excellent time keeper. A jeweler told me it had railroad works.

I'm awful lonesome for home. I miss Leona and Rose Ann and all of you. I can still see you watching me leave as you stood on the depot platform. There were tears in my eyes as I looked out that Pullman window. I truly, truly believe it was the saddest day of my life - my wife, my little daughter, my father, my brother those the closest to me, I had to leave on that sad day, but I hope and pray that not far off, I'll see you all there again, waiting, only I'll be getting off the train instead of pulling out and I'll have a military discharge in my hand. I'd sure be happy.

Your son, Floyd

## News of men and women in service

**December 28, 1944** ~ Pvt. Bruce Ferguson from Camp Maxey, Texas, spent Christmas with his family and parents. Bruce had to return Christmas night.

S-1-C William Gillard of New Haven, Conn., is visiting home folks in Lincoln.

Stanley Sterling A.S. of Alma is visiting home folks.

John A. Gilpin, 1831 NE Thompson Street, Portland, Oregon has been promoted to Captain at Selman Field, Monroe, La., where he is an assistant squadron navigator. For service in the North African theatre with the Twelfth AAF B-25 group, he was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross, the Air Medal and the Purple Heart, for wounds received while on a supporting mis-

sion. His brother William is now in the Philippines after several weeks in New Guinea.

Oliver E. Smith, husband of Mrs. Anna Tibor Smith of Hamtramck, Mich, is located in New Guinea.

Wm. Johnson A.S. of Oxford, Ohio was home for the Christmas weekend.

Theodore Dehnke A.S. of Pasedena, California writes home folks that he had a telephone call from Miss Ada Spencer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Spencer, who is in Beverly Hills, Calif. Miss Spencer noted in a recent issue of the Review where Theodore was located and contacted him by phone.

Wm. Rifenbark is on furlough and visiting his parents at Barton City.

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An Eighth Air Force Fighter Station, England — 2nd. Lt. Glenn A. Rushman, son of Mrs. Melvina C. Ginder of Harrisville, Michigan, has been decorated with the Air Medal for "meritorious achievement while on sustained combat operations." The citation accompanying the award further states, "The courage, coolness and skill displayed by Lt. Rushman upon these occasions reflect great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States." Mrs. Elna N. Rushman, the lieutenant's wife, lives at 2150 Third St., Bay City, Mich.

Lt. Rushman flies the P51 Mustang "Pinky" in the high-scoring 352nd Fighter Group, which has destroyed more than 550 enemy aircraft, both in the air and on the ground. On a recent bomber escort mission to Merseburg, Germany, the 352nd Fighter shot down 38 German planes, a new record for a single fighter group in the Eighth Air Force. Eighth Air Force fighter groups destroyed a grand total of 130 in the air that day, another new record.

## Wallace Barber accidentally wounded hunting Monday

**December 28, 1944** ~ Wallace Barber, 54, of Hawes Township was rushed to Alpena General Hospital Monday evening, suffering from wounds received, apparently from hunting. He was shot above the hip.

Sheriff Adair and Alpena State Police are investigating the shooting as no information could be secured from the victim at the time he was admitted to the hospital, as to just how the accident happened. His condition is not serious.

## Russell Rouse, Greenbush, reported slightly wounded

**December 28, 1944** ~ A telegram received last week at Greenbush, for Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rouse, stated that their son Russell had been slightly wounded in action.

Mr. and Mrs. Rouse moved to Lansing about two weeks ago for the winter months. The word was relayed to them.

### CryptoQuip answer

When the rookie joined the chickens' baseball team, its name was added to the rooster roster.

## Hubert Ferguson dies from wounds received Nov. 26

**December 28, 1944** ~ Harrisville residents were saddened late Thursday afternoon of last week when it was learned that a message from the War Department had been received by Mrs. Hubert Ferguson informing her of the death of her husband in France. A previous message received December stated that he had been seriously wounded on November 26 and

was confined to a hospital somewhere in France. The wire received Thursday bore the news of his death on December 3, seven days after receiving serious wounds in battle. He was with the Seventh Army.

Hubert was inducted into the army on January 3, 1944. His death is me first fatality for city of Harrisville in World War II.

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<b>Harrisville Climatological Observations for 2019</b>						
<b>Weekly Report</b>						
<u>Date</u>	<u>Temperature (F°)</u>		<u>Water Content</u>	<u>Miles Per Hour</u>		<u>Dominant Direction</u>
	<u>High</u>	<u>Low</u>		<u>Av. Wind Speed</u>	<u>High Speed</u>	
December 15	29	16	0.00	2.4	19	W
December 16	30	16	0.00	1.4	15	W
December 17	29	21	0.05	2.0	16	WNW
December 18	21	4	0.00	3.3	22	N
December 19	23	4	0.00	3.6	21	SSW
December 20	31	17	0.00	10.1	31	N
December 21	42	25	0.00	6.4	24	SSW
<b>Precipitation Summary (Inches)</b>						
2019-2020 Season						
	<u>Water Content</u>	<u>Snow Fall</u>	<u>Normal Water Content</u>			
Weekly Total	0.05	0.7	0.42			
December to Date	1.30	7.0	1.26			
Year/Season to Date	22.90	21.4	27.83			

Climatological Observations taken by Stanley L. Darmofal at the Harrisville National Weather Service Coop Station located 1.8 miles NNE of Harrisville Post Office. Observations for each day are from midnight through 11:59 p.m. T=Trace (less than 0.005" Water Content.)



# Trivia Test

By Fifi Rodriguez

1. **GOVERNMENT:** When was the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency founded?
2. **GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** What gift arrives on the 10th day in the song "The Twelve Days of Christmas"?
3. **MOVIES:** What was the name of Shirley MacLaine's character in "Terms of Endearment"?
4. **PERSONALITIES:** At which sport did Babe Didrikson Zaharias excel in the 1940s?
5. **ANIMAL KINGDOM:** How do baleen whales eat?
6. **FAMOUS QUOTATIONS:** Which early American statesman once said, "A good conscience is a continual Christmas"?
7. **MUSIC:** Which singer was nicknamed "The Material Girl" in the 1980s?
8. **BIBLE:** What was Moses' wife's name?
9. **INVENTIONS:** Who is credited with discovering X-rays?
10. **MEDICAL:** What does the Ishihara test gauge?

**Answers:** 1. 1947; 2. Ten Lords-a-Leaping; 3. Aurora Greenway; 4. Golf; 5. Filtration; 6. Benjamin Franklin; 7. Madonna; 8. Zipporah; 9. Wilhelm Rontgen; 10. Color blindness (c) 2019 King Features Synd., Inc.

## Super Crossword

MIX OF FISH

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| <p><b>ACROSS</b></p> <p>1 Creole cooking pod</p> <p>5 Early Andeans</p> <p>10 Concert stage items</p> <p>14 Disgrace</p> <p>19 Cover thickly</p> <p>20 Declines</p> <p>21 Wrongful act, legally</p> <p>22 Of the ear</p> <p>23 Grabs hold of a fish?</p> <p>25 Give a fish medication?</p> <p>27 Choose (to)</p> <p>28 Baseball stat</p> <p>29 Like spoiled cooking oil</p> <p>30 Clamor</p> <p>31 Fish smeared with black gunk?</p> <p>34 Cheeky</p> <p>37 Have bills</p> <p>38 Mineo of "Giant"</p> <p>39 Suffix for an enzyme</p> <p>40 Not as cruel</p> <p>41 Turn liquid</p> <p>44 Old horse</p> <p>47 Fish drifting about aimlessly?</p> <p>50 Actor Stiller</p> <p>51 Baseball stat</p> <p>53 Hoppo quaff</p> | <p>54 Wash. bigwig</p> <p>55 Fish covered with more grit?</p> <p>59 Modifies</p> <p>64 Conceal</p> <p>65 Fake ID</p> <p>66 1,051, in old Rome</p> <p>68 Larch, e.g.</p> <p>69 Makes a fish more softhearted?</p> <p>74 Score — with (impress)</p> <p>75 It's south of Can.</p> <p>76 Eye parts with irises</p> <p>77 Splits</p> <p>78 Triplets of adjacent nucleotides</p> <p>80 Cures a fish by salting and drying?</p> <p>85 Western treaty inits.</p> <p>87 Hide — hair</p> <p>88 Actress Davis of "The Matrix Reloaded"</p> <p>89 Ending for Bronx</p> <p>90 Fish that's a sainted guardian?</p> | <p>96 O'er there</p> <p>97 For fear that</p> <p>98 Runner Bolt</p> <p>99 "Botch- —" (Rosemary Clooney hit)</p> <p>100 It precedes Sept.</p> <p>102 Barely obtain, with "out"</p> <p>104 Gratify, as a base instinct</p> <p>106 Accept a Facebook request from a fish?</p> <p>112 Boat in Genesis</p> <p>113 Twilled fabrics</p> <p>115 Old's opposite, in German</p> <p>116 Yellow tropical fruit</p> <p>117 Teach a fish privately?</p> <p>120 Catches a fish in a net?</p> <p>122 Flee to get hitched</p> <p>123 Lance cpl.'s org.</p> <p>124 Free-for-all</p> <p>125 Fair shelter</p> <p>126 Philly's train system</p> <p>127 Light meal</p> <p>128 French river to the Rhone</p> | <p>129 Singer Anita or Aubrey</p> <p><b>DOWN</b></p> <p>1 Eightsome</p> <p>2 Aussie critter</p> <p>3 Leaf-gathering tool user</p> <p>4 Had to admit an error</p> <p>5 Theoretical things</p> <p>6 Unclothed</p> <p>7 Bow of "It"</p> <p>8 Holy tables</p> <p>9 Atlanta-to-Miami dir.</p> <p>10 Perfumery oil</p> <p>11 Bards' A.M.</p> <p>12 On-the-nose</p> <p>13 Furniture finishers</p> <p>14 Went unused</p> <p>15 Palette part</p> <p>16 Erté's style</p> <p>17 Seafarer</p> <p>18 Hyundai compact</p> <p>24 Crock-Pot meal</p> <p>26 Grid stats</p> <p>29 Puts more ammo in</p> <p>32 AI — (pasta preference)</p> <p>33 Seafarer</p> <p>35 Long side up</p> <p>36 Max. or min.</p> <p>39 "I'll second that"</p> | <p>41 Samantha Bee's station</p> <p>42 Expulsion</p> <p>43 Earthworm, e.g.</p> <p>45 2009 "Star Trek" director J.J.</p> <p>46 Seepage of methane, e.g.</p> <p>48 Heavyweight great</p> <p>49 Put on TV again</p> <p>51 Suffers</p> <p>52 Dog part</p> <p>56 "I'll second that"</p> <p>57 Informer</p> <p>58 Envoy's building</p> <p>60 Just clear of the bottom, as an anchor</p> <p>61 Boarding school student, informally</p> <p>62 Some china ensembles</p> <p>63 Divinity sch.</p> <p>67 Not as much</p> <p>69 Bud</p> <p>70 Actress Sarandon</p> <p>71 Rd.'s cousin</p> <p>72 No more than</p> <p>73 Cheese type</p> <p>76 Hubbubs</p> <p>79 Not a soul</p> | <p>81 As to</p> <p>82 Old man</p> <p>83 Baseball Hall of Famer</p> <p>84 On Soc. Sec., often</p> <p>86 Operated on smaller than a national level</p> <p>90 Transforms, as larvae</p> <p>91 In general</p> <p>92 Sleeveless casual shirt</p> <p>93 Free (of)</p> <p>94 Lovingly, in music</p> <p>95 Rapa —</p> <p>97 Ushered in</p> <p>101 Music styles</p> <p>103 53-Across containers</p> <p>105 Q-U queue</p> <p>106 Sell for</p> <p>107 Writer Zora — Hurston</p> <p>108 Super- —</p> <p>109 Got along</p> <p>110 A Trump ex</p> <p>111 Spruced up</p> <p>114 They support teeth roots</p> <p>118 Choose (to)</p> <p>119 Stephen of "Utopia"</p> <p>120 Texter's "Didn't need to hear that!"</p> <p>121 Notice</p> |
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# Moments In Time

By The History Channel

- On Jan. 8, 1835, President Andrew Jackson achieves his goal of entirely paying off the United States' national debt. It was the only time in U.S. history that the national debt stood at zero, and it precipitated one of the worst financial crises in American history, the Panic of 1837.
  - On Jan. 9, 1861, a Union merchant ship is fired upon as it tries to deliver supplies to Fort Sumter in Charleston Harbor, South Carolina, in the first exchange of shots between North and South. The shots were fired by gunner George E. Haynsworth, a cadet at The Citadel in Charleston.
  - On Jan. 7, 1927, the Harlem Globetrotters basketball team travels west from Chicago to play their first game, in Hinckley, Illinois. Coach Abe Saperstein decided to promote his new team's racial makeup by naming them after Harlem, the famous black neighborhood of New York City.
  - On Jan. 12, 1932, Ophelia Wyatt Caraway of Arkansas becomes the first woman elected to the U.S. Senate. Caraway had been appointed earlier to fill the vacancy left by her late husband, Thaddeus Horatio Caraway.
  - On Jan. 11, 1949, on Connecticut Avenue in Washington, D.C., the cornerstone is laid at the first mosque of note in the United States. The Islamic Center was complete with a 160-foot minaret from which prayers were to be announced.
  - On Jan. 6, 1975, "Wheel of Fortune," the longest-running syndicated game show in American television, premieres on NBC. In over 7,000 episodes, show hostess Vanna White has never worn the same gown twice.
  - On Jan. 10, 2008, Tata Motors in India debuts the Nano, billing it as the world's cheapest car. The bubble-shaped mini-vehicle had a base price of \$2,000. It had a body made of plastic and sheet metal -- and one windshield wiper.
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## Strange But True

By Samantha Weaver

- It was 17th-century English philosopher Thomas Hobbes who made the following sage observation: "Curiosity is the lust of the mind."
- At Christmastime in Greece, people traditionally give small gifts to orphanages and hospitals rather than to each other.
- A traditional Russian Christmas celebration would include spreading hay on a home's floors and tables and clucking loudly. Evidently, this was thought to encourage horse feed to grow and chickens to lay eggs in the coming year.
- The antlers of a bull moose can spread up to 6 feet across -- and they accomplish this astonishing growth in only four months.
- The battle between keepers of livestock and the biting flies that pester their herds is as old as the pastoral life. In recent times, pesticides have been applied with some success, but the expense -- and especially the toxicity -- worry many people. Japanese researchers have recently discovered a simple and inexpensive way to mitigate this concern: Paint zebra stripes on the cows. After several days of observing a control group of black cattle and a test group of the same breed of cattle painted with white stripes, they found that less than half as many biting flies landed on the striped cattle.
- The first postage stamp commemorating Christmas was issued in Austria in 1937.
- We can thank beloved 19th-century English novelist Charles Dickens for the colorful phrase "eat my hat."
- Wildlife documentarians have captured footage of elephant mothers spanking their calves; sometimes she uses her trunk, and sometimes she goes so far as to pull up a shrub and use it as a switch.

Thought for the Day: "I stopped believing in Santa Claus when I was 6. Mother took me to see him in a department store and he asked for my autograph." -- Shirley Temple  
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## CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: I equals T

TKYC IKY NXXGDY HXDCYR IKY

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CEAY TEU ERRYR IX IKY NXXUIYN

NXUIYN.

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### HARRISVILLE TOWNSHIP MINUTES

The Harrisville Township monthly board meeting was held November 12 at 7 p.m. at the township hall. The full board and two guests opened the meeting with the "Pledge of Allegiance." From the floor: Alcona County Sheriff Scott Stephenson gave a thorough report of his department and discussed taking over the law enforcement inspections. Healy/Johnston: To turn over the duties of law enforcement inspections for Harrisville Township to the sheriff's department starting December 1, 2019. Roll call: five ayes, zero nays. Motion carried. Commissioner Johnston updated the county happenings. Other departments gave their reports. Harvey/Healy: Approve clerk's October 8 minutes. Motion carried. Treasurer's report given and reconciled with the clerk's office. Jamieson/Healy: To support Fire Chief Klukowski's request for bunker outfits for members of the department, up to \$40,000. The cost to be taken out of the city/township fire fund. Roll call: five ayes, zero nays. Motion carried. Healy/Johnston: To waive the fee for the use of the hall for the fire department's Christmas party. Motion carried. Johnston/Harvey: To accept and sign from the county the contract and fees services rendered for the processing of the township property taxes, January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020. Motion carried. Jamieson/Healy: Pay the bills. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:29 p.m. Roger D. Jamieson Township Clerk

### LEGAL NOTICE

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 County of Alcona  
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 Decedent's Estate  
**File No. 19-6037 DE**  
 Estate of Ava Boyd, deceased  
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# Helping Continued from page 1

maintain the building and pays dues to the St. Vincent de Paul national organization which helps disaster relief efforts across the globe.

Slightly used goods accepted at St. Vincent de Paul can be clothing, household goods, crafts, toys, furniture, working appliances and more. Marciniak explained they take almost anything with just a few exceptions, no old-style televisions, no entertainment centers and no printers and computers.

Travis explained no one wants the heavy boat-anchor televisions or entertainment centers anymore since flat-screen TVs hit the market and most printers and com-

puters are long outdated before they come into the store.

Items can be dropped off at the store in Mikado between 10 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday. They will also pick-up larger items such as furniture and working appliances; typically, make two runs per week to pick up the larger items. The pickup should be enough to fill the truck to make it worthwhile and they will take smaller items with the larger ones as long as the smaller items are boxed.

When Marciniak or Travis hear of a family in need of furniture, they will go out to the home to do a small inspection to see what other

items the family could use. "Quite often a parent will call asking for a bed for their children, when we get to the home, we find out the parents have no bed either or they do not have a kitchen table and chairs or a sofa. We make sure they get what they need free of charge," Marciniak said.

Travis said if anyone comes into the store in dire need of a coat, shoes or whatever, they will do their best to make sure they have whatever is necessary free of charge.

In addition, St. Vincent de Paul provides an emergency food pantry which aids people in need of food and emergency services to those need-

ing financial assistance for heat and electricity shutoffs. "They must go through DHHS first for the financial (utility) assistance. We pretty much help whenever we can," Marciniak said.

Travis relayed a story about a parent who called and needed gas money to drive to Ann Arbor, Mich. where their ill child had been airlifted. "We were able to supply him with a gas card," Travis said.

Although the organization typically only helps with families living in Alcona County, on occasion a referral from another organization will come in to help a family outside the county line with furniture or other needs.

"It doesn't happen often, but sometimes that organization just doesn't have what that family needs, so they call us. If we have it, we make sure they get it. Most everything we get in donations goes to help residents of Alcona County," Travis said.

St. Vincent de Paul is located at the northeast corner of F-30 and F-41 in Mikado. Store hours are from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through

Saturday. Monetary donations can be made payable to St. Vincent de Paul, 2227 F-41, Mikado, Mich., 48745. For more information call (989) 736-6271.



Utilizing every pew in St. Raphael Catholic Church, volunteers of St. Vincent de Paul help to fill 192 boxes with nearly 80 pounds of food each and many bags of new toys, clothing and books for Alcona County families in need this Christmas. (From left) Chuck and Karen Schisler, Jeff Klassa, Aaron Good, April Travis, Leo Marciniak and Sharon Gajewski. Photo by Mary Weber.

top ten

**World's Biggest CHOCOLATE EATERS\***

1. Switzerland
2. Germany
3. Ireland
4. United Kingdom
5. Norway
6. Sweden
7. Australia
8. Netherlands
9. United States
10. France

\*per capita consumption Source: Statista

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### NOTICE

The Curtis Township Planning Commission will be holding the first quarterly meeting on January 14, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. at the township offices, including in this meeting will be a "Public Hearing" on a proposed noise ordinance.

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Christmas is a time of rejoicing, counting blessings and family gatherings. It is also the most favorite time of the year for children. In this issue, we have given the children of this community a chance to be heard. Alcona Elementary students wrote to Santa asking for their Christmas dreams and wishes. They even added a few extra greetings and comments. We've left the letters as they were written to be true to the writers. We hope they will delight and entertain you. Most of all, we hope it will lift the spirits of those young at heart.

*Merry Christmas!*

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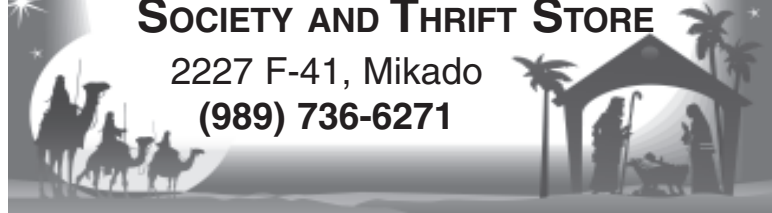
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*"And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger; for there was no room at the inn."  
Luke 2:7*

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Dear Santa,  
For Christmas, I want a princess house with barbies and cars, I want a computer just like Sierra's, and my own car. My brother wants Spiderman cars and Batman, and I want lots of reindeer, a puppy, ballerina clothes, and a hippopotamus.  
Sincerely, Emilee Beam

Dear Santa,  
I would like a dirt bike for Christmas and a little toy boat that can float in water, remote control rc car that can drive up the walls and ground, bug stuff, and a sled, a bike, a little plant, also a table too, pencil boxes, a lego table with lego pieces on it that stick to the table, and a laptop and another tablet, tissues, pet rattlesnake, and a bunny for my sister, coffee cups for my mom, also a kid motorcycle, spitball gun, kid soup, reclining chair for kids, snowmobile that can hold two people and kid size, candy, toy crossbow for kids, number chart with candy, cool cat, nintendo switch, two shovels, and a playground, fly swatter, a bunny that can talk and rap, guitar. Thank you for giving the presents.  
Sincerely, Brayden Binkley

Dear Santa,  
I want some hot wheels, one cat, clothes, video games, legos. I would like a playground at my house, book box, new carpet, new car, new microwave and Lots of popcorn. Dear Rudolph, safe travels driving Santa around the world. I would like if you brought my brother some dinosaur books,  
Happy Holidays, Jack Borke

Dear Santa,  
This year I want a toy robot, some strawberry ice cream, a snowman toy with a spring for treats, a soft and comfy blanket, a Flash superhero, Play-Doh, a Lego box with people, any kind of games, different colored blocks, some new shirts, carrots for Santa's deer, candy, a Barbie doll for my baby sister, different colored markers. For my baby sister, ABC letters, new boots, an Elsa palace, an Ariel toy, and a Elsa shirt. Some chocolate heart-shaped candy for my mom and chocolate that looks like fire for my dad. I also want to thank you for my presents Santa.  
Your friend, Jayzon Dameworth

Dear Santa,  
For christmas I really want poopsie surprise unicorn. I also want LOL surprise little sister's, a pink water squirt gun, a jet scooter that turns into a bike, mermaid ariel barbie, plastic kitchen set with all the food and everything, plastic flower that you can put all the stuff that a real flower has on it. I want a frozen castle with all the main characters, a frozen two book. I want my own plastic phone that talks to you, the map from Dora Explorer, my own styling hat from barbie, I would also want a plastic doll with three puppies that go to the bathroom on a little newspaper. My really wants more jewelry and a necklace with golden doggies. My dad really likes new shoes so could you get him a new pair of hunting boots with a deer on them. But I want my own golden kittie pet shop. My big sister Carmen really likes music so I was wondering if Santa could bring her a music box that sings Rapunzel. My brother Gavin wants new shoes so if you could bring him a pair Santa I would love it. My little sister Mariah would love some poopsies surprise slushes. But she really wants are two hatchimals one for Mariah and one for Kennedy. Also Santa does Rudolph have a girlfriend?  
sincerely, Kennedy Dellar

Dear Santa,  
A robot, meltdown game, scientist set, marbles, lego boat. Batman car, fake tractor, my own laptop, big monster truck, Batman book, socks, masckety game, spitball gun, brand new shirt that glows in the dark. I hope you have a great day with your elves Merry Christmas Santa. I really like your shiny nose and I hope you have a lot of magic, Merry Christmas Rudolph. I hope you have a great day Santa, Merry Christmas Mrs. Claus. I really want to wrap presents with you Merry Christmas elves. My mom wants new shirts, my baby brother wants brand new crayons and a new monster shirt and it open up by its mouth.  
Safe travels, Elliot Dewar

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I want a suitcase with lots of toys in it. A sled with reindeer that can fly all over. I want for Christmas one toy that is an Elsa one from Disney's Frozen 2. Santa, I love the reindeer.  
Love, Brooklynn Griffin

Dear Santa,  
I want a Nintendo Switch, a Lego worlds, and a toy saw. I want to help my dad with shoveling the driveway and to help shovel the ramp. I want to go hunting with my dad. I want to get my dad a gun for Christmas. Could you bring my brother a Fortnite character too. Also can you bring Rudy my dog a squeaky toy. How is the North Pole and who is your favorite elf?  
Love, Ethan Healy

Dear Santa,  
I want a unicorn with a star and a pink carriage, a doctor's vehicle that has music and toys. I love you because you also get the best gifts for me. Can you tell

Rudolph that he is the best flier in Santa's workshop for me? Can you also tell Rudolph that he is my favorite reindeer because he has the best nose? Can you also tell the elves that they build the best toys in the workshop? Can you get my grandma a new Michigan shirt with the football players on it? She watches them every night. Can you get my babysitter Frank new socks. He's always tearing them up with his big feet! Can you get my dog Sadie a new bowls? One for water and one for food. Can you get my dog Sadie a new toy bone? Can it be a rubber bone? Sadie tears her toys up a lot. Thank you for always getting me toys! I like that you bring me toys every Christmas.

Love, Naomi K. Hendricks

Dear Santa,  
My name is Rhys O'Connor I would like a car and a toy kitchen. I want to get material to cook for my mom and dad. Also I would like toy food and a haircut set. And a toy table so I can play kitchen on it and a drawing set so that I can draw. And some new books to read and some glue. And a Minecraft sword and one arrow. And a car mat for me. And for my sister get some LOL doll. And for my mom and dad some drinks. And for my dad, I want to get him a new computer. And for my mom, I want to get her a new stuffed animal. Santa I would like for you to have a good Christmas. And be safe when you are coming to my house. And say hi to Snowflake when she comes back.  
Merry Christmas, Rhys O'Connor

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like some new shirts. I would love to get some stuffed animals and dolls. I'd also like to receive a new sweater. I would like for you to give me a new pair of boots. Also, I would like to get some slime. I would like some squishies. Also, I would like a new pair of pants. I have one sister, but I don't know what she wants for Christmas. Please get Bubba, Daemon, Ramsey and Gaea some new toys.  
Your Friend, Addison Peterson

Dear Santa,  
Merry Christmas! I just want 100 RC cars, as well as 100 batteries for the RC cars. I would also like a Nintendo Switch. Also, I like your reindeer. And that I super duper





love Christmas! I think that the elves are the best toy makers. How do you have time to make all those toys? You have to go so fast to make all those toys for the kids, even for me!

From, Syrus Rauhauser

Dear Santa,

The things I want for Christmas are Nerf gun, remote control car, monster truck, remote control boat, soccer ball, basketball, football, and an Xbox 1x. Santa can you tell the reindeer that I love them. Santa are you my friend?

From your friend, Blake Somers

Dear Santa,

I want a remote controlled grave digger monster truck with big tires, rainbow rc boat and I want to take it on the Cedar Lake, Nerf gun, Xbox 1. The last thing I want is a Camaro remote controlled car. Santa can you ask the reindeer (Rudolf) what is the whistle that you get called to from Santa.

From your friend, Bayden Stevens

P.s. Santa are you my friend?

Dear Santa,

Im Levi and I would like a toy jet pack with straps, and a Minecraft sword, and a Minecraft bow with yellow arrows with a holder for the arrows, and a Minecraft axe with a shield that is strong enough to hold a bed. I need plastic Lamborghini to drive and to make my brother jealous. I would like a pidgeon and eevee costume. I would like a rattlesnake tail. I think my brother would like a big Lego Star Wars build because he likes Star Wars and legos. Also, I think my mom would like makeup and fake nails and rainbow nail polish. My dad would like nuts and bolts. Merry Christmas Santa!

Your friend, Levi Storey

Dear Santa,

May name Xavier, and what I want for Christmas is a fishing pole with fishies and a stuffed animal, sbono, a new Xbox1 remote controller, a phone, some more blocks, a new blanket, and anew pillow, computer, a new table, a new shelf, gypsy danger costume, a toy rockom, dinosaurs. Merry Christmas Santa and have a good holiday and I want to watch the new Lion King movie and I want a big stuffed animal and a giant squid. What I want to say to the reindeer is I want you to have a great Christmas time.

Love, Xavier Syzmanski

Hi Santa,

My name is Araceli Joe Truman, I want for Christmas a Barbie make up set, a drone (Pink), a treasure chest with real money inside, Elsa 2 set with all the Frozen characters, my own writing stuff with all the materials, a glitter set, and an easy cooking set. I wish I could meet everyone in the whole wide world, My last thing is could I go back to California and ride your sleigh?

Love, Araceli Truman

Dear Santa,

My name is Isaiah and

what I want for Christmas is Santa and a phone, Fortnite, a sled, a Pokemon stuffed man, fishing pole, xbox 1, hooks, toy car, toy robot, toy dirt bike remote control one, 4 wheeler.

Your Friend, Isaiah Warren-Skeans

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I would like a toy unicorn. I would also like more new socks. I really want a new teddy bear and a water bottle. I'd like a lot of new shirts. I would love a new dog for Christmas. I would like a new pair of boots with Elsa and Anna on them. I would like to get a rainbow dash squishy. Also, I would like an Ella doll. I would like a new rainbow coat for Christmas. That's all I would like for Christmas.

Your Friend, Aria Webb

**Miss Ashford's Class**

Dear Santa,

I want a big old heart teddy bear, the one with the heart in the middle. A baby dog with the scooper and chocolate and I want to get my sister a teddy bear elephant and a robot horse. I also want a new phone and big old gushy donut and I want nail polish. I want my parents to get me some girl Legos and all kinds of Barbies. I want a big old stuff frog for my big brother. For my daddy, I want him to get new clothes and form my mom, I want her to get a new red dress with red heels. For my aunt, I want her to get new socks. I want my dog to get a Christmas biscuit. I want a big santa costume. Santa, how do you feed your reindeer and how do you go around town without getting hurt?

From, Savayah Cox

Dear Santa,

I love you Santa! For Christmas I would like an X-Box, with a X-Box controller, a tractor farming game. Thank you for giving me presents every year. For a christmas dessert could you bring me a vanilla cake? I also want a football please. Can you bring me a chew toy for my dogs please? Can you bring a ball with a bell in it for my cat too please? I would love if you would bring a real dirt bike too. And a real snow plow so I can make hills to sled down. I will make sure to leave out strawberry and vanilla and chocolate cookies for when you come to my house. Also, can you get my parents a new fridge? How do you go so fast with reindeer pulling your sleigh? Can I also have a new bow staff and a guinea pig?

Love, Tyler Cripps

Dear Santa,

I want a doll, and a toy reindeer, Santa's House, a toy North Pole. I'm going to give Santa three cookies and big glass of milk. I wish that I could see the reindeer fly Santa's sleigh. I wish I could ride in Santa's sleigh. the elves do a good job making the toys. How do the reindeer fly? I want a Santa doll. I'm going to make chocolate chip cookies for Santa. I already made some cookies with my dad. I want candy canes in my stocking. I love candy canes! And a bunch of candy. I want stuffed animals, a kitty, and a dog. And a real kitty but no fur because my dad is allergic to fur. I want a hamster too. Santa, you do a nice job of dropping the presents down the chimney and giving all the kids presents. And I want a new nail polish and it's going to be pink and rainbow for Christmas.

From, Lily Harper

Dear Santa,

My name is Tayler and I want a cookie set for Christmas and my mom wants a new blue coffee cup and maybe my dad might want a hat I think my sister would like a pizza set she likes pizza and my puppy likes dog treat too wants food for the reindeer.

From, Tayler Howay

Dear Santa,

What I want for Christmas is Pokemon cards and catnip for my cat and a cat light. And I want tractor toys and nunchucks and I want an xbox-one-plus and with the xbox, I want Minecraft. And I want a water bottle for my mom and I want a computer set with a surround sound and I want an iphone and a football.

Your friend, Colton Kimball

Dear Santa,

I would like a Vampirina Dollhouse, Bloom Pop Dolls, a Ken doll, Frozen dolls, some medium blocks, some books to learn how to read, puzzles. I think my mom would like some board games so she can play with me. I also think Jeff would like some more video games for the TV. Some cat toys for midnight.

From, Savannah LeClair

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For Christmas, I would like a Buzz Lightyear set. I would really really want a kitchen set that has a door that you can open and a cashier set, that I can play fake food with. And then Alexa, because it is really cool, it can sing songs and play videos. A new fluffy blanket with stars on them. I would like a Ben-Ten set. A Paw Patrol set with all characters and it twists and cool stuff like that. My mom or dad would like a diamond or money. My dog would like a really Big Big doggy bone. My brother Parker would probably like an Alexa. I would like to have an Xbox box. My dad would like tools and new plow truck. Oh, Santa I hope you know that my favorite reindeer is Rudolph the red-nosed reindeer is my favorite. Oh, and I would like a Pokemon battle.

From, Creed Leeseberg

Dear Santa,

I have been a good girl this year, I would like these presents: stuffed animal unicorn, stuffed animal puppy, Barbies, Barbie Dream House, Legos, Barbie Dream Camper, skateboard, an X-Box, stuffed animal kitty, new shoes, remote control dog, fingerling, fish, puppy. I think my family wants money, necklaces, tools, monster trucks. What does the reindeers eat? How do you get every house in one night?

From, Kailyn Mahalak

Dear Santa,

Why do your elves have to move every place? How do the reindeer fly? What is the North Pole like? If we can get anything for our family, I want Santa to bring Meow Meow cat food so she can eat more, I think you'll know what kind she likes. I think my sister Rainey would like a science kit that she discovers rocks with geology kits. I want a white cat cause my cat Meow Meow never sleeps with me she goes with Rainey. Me and my sister both like the geology kits so I want one too. I want Santa to get me some legos because we don't have any. I want to give my mom a book cause she barely has any that she likes. I would get my dad a new phone. I would get my sister a little toy monkey because she really likes monkeys. I wanna get my grandpa new hunting stuff cause he needs new ones. I want to get my grandma Sherri a cat. I want Santa to get hose things for them. I already made a wish list and asked for a nerf gun to defend myself from Braylin and now I think he needs one too.

From, Willow Miller

Dear Santa,

I want a PS4 with monster truck games, and a T.V. with movies, and a red tablet. Also some dinosaur books. I really want a christmas sweater, like the one that says "HoHo" and monster trucks, and a chevy truck. I want a doggie bone for puppy Max and Raven, and chew toy. I really want a reindeer and some candy canes. And for my mom, boots, gloves and hats. My dad Kevin a black tablet. HoHo! I love you Santa. How does your sled work? and I wanna turn into magic.

Love, Jordan Mousseau

Dear Santa,

I want a Spongebob house, Spongebob action figure, Squidward, Krusty Krab, Mr. Krabs, Patrick, Squidward's house, big T.V. I also want my dog to get a dog bone and some yarn for my kitty. I want you to get my mom a new coat with fur on it, and a snow-blower for my dad.

From, Gavin Neggie

Dear Santa,

I want a laptop for Christmas. My mom and dad I think want another car. My brother I think he wants a laptop too. And I'm pretty sure my sister wants a laptop too. And that's it. Oh, and my other brother, I'm pretty sure he wants a phone. And that's it.

From, Gabe Ridgeway

Dear Santa,

I want a Beyblade and a new skateboard. Snacks, lots of chocolate cookies! I also want Color Match and a toy gorilla. More paper for coloring, some more cars, and monster trucks. It would be cool if I got a flute too. My brother Ervin likes monster trucks and toy trucks too, so he would probably like those as well. My dad Kevin would want a race car. My pet would like a bone. Also, I want to say thanks and that's it!

From, Daemon Rifembark

Dear Santa,

Thanos glove, Xbox-One, a new Adidas backpack, a new pair of shoes, an iPad with a stand, a Thanos suite and a mask and more socks and a new lunch box. A light-up scooter, new shirts, and pants.

From

Mason Rivette-French

Dear Santa,

My name is Jayson and I would like some toy cars. Like monster trucks, buses, ambulances, batman and spiderman cars. I would need like a new semi bike. Some action figures would be nice too. Since I like cooking, I would like a pizza toy. I would like you to get a big big present box of racetrack to my dad and for my sister a teeny tiny box of racecars. Could you give my nanny a big box of cars and give my papa a big big box of construction paper and scissors?

Sincerely, Jayson Smith

Dear Santa,

I would like a Ben-Ten watch, toy cars, RC car, X-Box games, Lego City games, Lego Star wars, Lego movies, new bike, new bow and arrow toy. Also I would like a 2 Hydroflasks, new shoes, also I would like new cleats, skis, and a new real car. Also could you give my mom some books and fake finger nails? Also could my dad get some new knives? Rubber bones for my dogs. And my chickens would like some new bird feed, also can my cat have rubber mice that move around. And could i have a big bag of smarties? Also Santa, after Christmas what do you do for the rest of the year?

From, Rhett Spigelmyre

Dear Santa,

A skateboard, a battery for dad, new car my family, and

Benny and Charlie. For my mama to have new slippers, and I want a new coat for Santa, for the reindeer to have gas and for the North Pole. I want to have lots of decorations. A chew toy for my doggie and for Ryan to have another game because I know he likes games. For sissy I want a new Santa hat, for my cousin to have new boots.

From, Rhys Spigelmyre

Dear Santa,

I want a skateboard and a pink helmet and a pink skateboard with hearts all over it. And a stuffed animal dog with every animal kind. And a bunny house with all kinds of animals with a Hatchimal that is as tall as a 4 year old that copies you with surprises. And that is in a big cage and a Barbie dream cake, blue playdoh, and white playdoh, and pink playdoh, and red playdoh, and green, and purple, and orange, and brown, and yellow. And a dog bone for my dog. And a doggy ball, And all the types of Polly Pockets. And a coloring book, and art one that has smelly markers. And stuffed animals for my parents. And a mouse for my kitty. How do your reindeer help you fly? And I want a surprise for my dad and medicine because he is sick so he can feel better. And some food, a whole bag of tattoos. And a slime kit that has a lot of slime. And a castle that as big so I can fit in it, like a tent castle. And a baby puppy with black spots...a real baby puppy, girl. And an Ariel playdoh set with a lot of playdoh colors. And a computer with games. and a baby that eats fake food with a spoon and has clothes.

Love, Paisley Kay Wells

**Mrs. Haneckow's Class**

Dear Santa,

I like your reindeer. I want a new bullseye toy. I am 5 year old.

Courtney Belanger

Dear Santa,

I love you! Can I please have a tablet? I want a candy cane.

Love, Hudson Boyd

Dear Santa,

I've been good this year. Please bring me a toy boat and a phone, a toy truck, a toy car-truck, and a couple of dot to dots.

Love, Gauge Geddert

Dear Santa,

I am 5. For Christmas I want stuffed animals like Five Nights at Freddy's. My name is Mason.

Love, Mason Goldberg





Dear Santa,  
My name is Andrew. I am 5. I want a car carrier and a tablet and a cookie maker. Warm church clothes for winter, slime, Superman set, and a Batman set and a Spiderman set and Paw Patrol.

Love, Andrew Griggs

Dear Santa,  
I want an airplane. I want a dinosaur, and a car please.

Love, Michael Hogan

Dear Santa,  
I want a phone and a car.

Love, Kyle Kehring

Dear Santa,  
I want a robot, a puppet, trucks, a ring, and a bracelet. I like Santa!

Love, Zachary Kimball  
Please bring Cody and Landon robots. And I want a Nerf gun.

Dear Santa,  
I love you and can't wait for Christmas. Can you please bring me Kid Knex safari mates, legos Classic Creative Fun.

Love, Kimmy LaBeau

Dear Santa,  
I am 5. I would like a cat and an xbox.

Love, Lucia LaLonde-Kuerth

Dear Santa,  
My name is Alexy. I'm 5 years old. I like to have fun. I like you very much. Please can I have a hatchimal egg and what I want for Christmas is flying reindeer. And another thing that I want for Christmas is to have a new coloring book. And what kind of coloring book is a horse coloring book. And I want a real horse and stuffed animal horse. I also want a big new toy truck. And a stuffed tiger toy. I also want ornaments for the Christmas tree. And I want for Christmas is a new book to read. Pixie is a good elf. So is boogie who is a good elf dog for her. And some more stuff to paint my nails. I'm being good this year Santa. I just wanted to tell you that you are very nice to me. See you soon Santa. And I love you Santa. I like you very much. Love you!!

Love, Alexy Lynn Leprich

Dear Santa,  
I would like my own house, an iPhone 6, lots of craft stuff and a toy santa. Santa, you can pick whatever you'd like to get me though. Hope you're well.

Love you, Reece Medore

Dear Santa,  
I've ben good. Please bring me toys this year.

Love, Connor O'Dell

Dear Santa,  
I am excited for Christmas. I would like a robot, Imaginext Jurassic World Dinosaur Set, a baseball hat, Melissa and Doug Horse Stable Play Set. I love you Santa.

Love, Kayden Peake

Dear Santa,  
I want a basketball. I want an Elsa castle. I want two boxes of slime and maybe a basketball hoop.

Love, Abigail Reames

Dear Santa,  
How are your reindeer and elves doing? Do you miss Elfie when he is at my house? I would like you put some presents at my grandma and grandpa's house and my house. Could you please bring me an Xbox and I know how to play video games. Another present i want is battle bots. My cat Tiger has been getting in our Christmas tree! I you come in and my tree is knocked down just leave the presents on the ground. Please Bring tiger a big big shine new big cheese house for him to climb on. And then i'd like a new cat for Christmas, like Tiger. I want to have two cats. Please i will be good. I want everybody in the world to get presents. I will also ask for a Garfield toy for my new cat. Bye Santa!

Thank you, Declan Scott

Dear Santa,  
I would have an Xbox for Christmas. And I would please have a Hulk action figure and Spiderman puncher.

Love, Bentley Thomson

Dear Santa,  
I want a present and please can I have one?

Love, Eli Wilburn

Dear Santa,  
Santa, I brought you a gift. Can I please have a cat, a fan, and a tiny unicorn? I like Slime.

Love, Emma Wilson

**First Grade  
Mrs. Schemanski-  
Dean's Class**

Dear Santa,  
Why do reindeer fly? I think they fly so that Santa can fly to different houses. I would say that I have been pretty good, so I think I would deserve presents this year. This year I want a Tablet, I would want the tablet because it's fun to play on. I would like to put horse games on it and put a horse background on it. I want my tablet to be golden. Another thing I would like this year is a LOL doll. I want this because they are fun to play with, they have curly hair, and they have boy dolls. I would want them to come with a lot of accessories. I would like to ask if you could give my family a new vacuum, I would want to get them a new one because ours doesn't work. I love Christmas and I hope you have a good year!

love, Lilly Schmidt

Dear Santa,  
How's your reindeer? Ive been good. I really want a princess carriage power wheels for christmas this year. I really wanna practice driving with it till i get older to drive the real thing! And i have gymnastics outfit you got me last year, but i didnt

get the gloves and i really want the gloves to with it! Also my cat, Wonder Woman doesnt have a bed and she really needs one. Can my get get a back massager? She really needs one. And my dad want a red rc car.

Sincerely, Jaclyn Warner

Dear Santa,  
How do you manage to get around the world so quickly? I think he uses a portal to go chimney to chimney. I think I've been a good boy and I've cleaned the toy room a lot at home. If it's not much I would love to have a Minecraft lego set, I heard they're super fun to play with and include a bunch of different characters. I plan to build the biggest and most awesome treehouse ever. Another thing that would be awesome is the new 360 gun, it's a new nerf gun that is so pretty. Another thing I would like is an unbreakable phone. In other words, an Apple iPhone. I can use it for my games and even text my mom. If the phone was red that would make it so much better. Don't forget about my cookies I leave out for you!

Your favorite, Myles Zielinski

Dear Santa,  
How in the world do you find all those elves?! I'm sure that you make them in a candy factory! I think I've been good this year and deserve all the presents! A big Nerf Gun would be amazing, and I could play with it all the time when I'm home. The best colors are blue and green, and with this gun, I could shoot my big brother whenever I can. One more thing that would be the best thing ever would be is an extra pistol nerf gun that goes with my big one. The colors red and Blue sound good for that, if i get that then I think Ill make chocolate milk. Don't worry I'll leave my specialty Chocolate milk for you to have.

Your favorite,  
Brayden Dellar



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Dear Santa, my name is Nickali.

So are the reindeer nice in the north pole, I always heard they were nice. I have been really good this year, I haven't been bad all year long. I am nice to everyone because it's good to be nice to people. I want a remote-controlled car because I never had one before, and it would be nice if I could have my first one from you Santa. I want to drive the car all over, it would be so much fun to drive it wherever I want. I want a HUGE monster truck, it has to be the biggest monster truck EVER. It will be all red with my name on the side of the truck. I could drive over all the cars blocking the roads and I could drive it up all the hills and take it wherever I want too. I really would want my parents to have a Thomas the train toy, it would just be amazing if they could have it too to play with. Thank you so much, Santa for taking my letter. It would be so amazing if I could get these presents from you Santa. I will be good all year long so I can have Christmas next year.

Love, Nickali Brewer

Dear santa,

Is the north pole good? I think that it's fun with the elves. I've been good this year! This year I want a husky dog, because my other dog ran away on me, with take care of dog books, a nintendo switch, so I can play video games and a new big tablet, and new xbox games, and a new Nerf gun, and a laser Nerf gun. Fortnite xbox game. Cool tank set, and GX pokemon cards legendary and the big ones, all the cool Pokemon books, new watch. I want a robot dog, and my own computer, and a soft pillow soft blankets. New pair of boots, so I can go bear hunting. I want a new picture frame, want to put the picture of my baseball game, thomas set, my own heater, new cup, and a note that says santa. I want a dragon ninja suit for halloween, rainbow bandaids, and anew iPad that's blue. I want to play video games. I want a new truck for my grandpa, and new suburban for my grandma. Thank you for the stuff I wanted.

From, Derin Smith

Dear Santa,

how is your wife? I think he will say that she is doing good. I have been good this year. This year for christmas can I get a squishy. A squishy is a It comes in all different shapes and sizes and you squeeze it when your stressed. I want glow and the dark slime. I want anew tablet I want it big

like a ipad. I want shopkins, little miny squish things that have faces on them and they are shaped like food. I want all kinds of candy except suckers for my mom and for all her pain to go away. I don't want to be short anymore. I want a barbie camper thats pink it has a pool on it. I want a diary that i speak into for the password and it opens. I want a light that I can turn on and off with my ipad. I want my own computer I want it to yellow. I want it to be a apple computer. I want a new bike that is pink that has a bell on it. I will make lots cookies for you.

Love you, Annberlyn Kloc

Dear santa,

how is it at the north pole? I'm doing ok, but it's pretty cold out here. I've been pretty good this year. This year i have a lot of things i would like for chirstmas. The first thing I want is a very big teddy bear. The reason I want a teddy bear is i already have 9 of them and i really want 10. Another thing i would like is kinetic sand, i like cunedick sand becus when you pull on it and squish it together it connects. I would also love to get a nintendo switch, i had one at one time but I had a water fight and broke it so i would really like a new one. And lastly i would like \$10, the resin i want \$10 is i would like to buy some decorations so i can help santa find me better next year. be careful this year Santa, have a merry christmas and i hope you stay warm

Love: Saige Bottarini

Dear Santa,

Can I please have a computer and a laptop this christmas? I have been really good this year. This year I really want is power ranger dino charge gear and the swords to go with it. I really want this because I think its cool and I've been watching the series of the Power Ranger Dino Charge for about 2 years. I also what I want this christmas is all of the Avengers characters for the movies and the series. Another thing I want for christmas is the entire set of batman and the figures to go with it. Also this christmas I want me and my family to have an awesome christmas and have a lot of fun spending time together. Thank you for the present that you have given me. I hope you have a great trip. Enjoy the cookies and milk.

Love, Leo Mahalak

Dear Santa,

i would like to ask how do the reindeer fly? Santa my behavior was good this year. I would like a real phone for Christmas I plan to play animal games such as a dog game. I also want the movie grinch book. I want this book be-

cause I can match the dogs up at the same time. I also want to ask you for a stuffed animal tiger, I am going to play with my tiger. I would like to ask how the elves are doing? There is one more thing I would like to ask for and that is a Barbie camper. Have a merry Christmas.

Sincerely, Madeline Long

Dear Santa,

how is the North Pole? I think it is in the north. I have been very good this year. I would like a tablet this year. I am going to play games on it. I would also like two walkie-talkies for Christmas. I am going to talk to my friends with them. I would also like a huge box of LOL dolls. I am going to play with them in my room. Thank you for all the presents I got last year. I wish you good luck with delivering presents with the reindeer this year.

Love, Haley Tessmer

Dear santa,

I would like to know how raindeer fly I think that raindeer start flying by running. I would like a rocking horse unicorn I think that would be vary cool, I also would like you bring me a stuffy dragon. I have ben vary good this year so i think i would like you to bring my mom a puppy, I think that a cressmess dress would be vary pretty and i could ware it to my cressmes program this yare, i would like a frisbee to play with in the spring, i also have a amirican girl doll and i need new close for it, and some princess high heals to wear with my cressmess dress.

Love, Maple Emerson

PS: have a vary good christmas

Dear santa,

how do you make it to everyone's house? I think it's because his nice reindeer travel really fast around the world. I have been a good boy this year. I would really like it if you brought me video games for christmas. I would also really like some games for my nintendo switch, like mario kart. I would like to play games with both of my friends. I would really like it if santa would bring them some new video games as well. I also enjoy some yummy candy canes for christmas, it's my favorite holiday candy! I would also like a brown teddy bear, art supplies, nintendo switch, bug books, and a speaker to play music! I really like to draw with crayons and paint also. I hope you love the cookies and milk I will leave you, and I hope you have a safe trip back home.

Love, Mason Smith



## Happy Holidays

All signs point to a great season - and your kind friendship is the reason!

Thanks Everyone



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Dear Santa,  
How do reindeer fly? I think you push a button that makes them go. I have been very good this year. I would like a license and a gun for hunting. I want them because I really want to go hunting. And I want a whole entire Minecraft set of Legos and a Minecraft game for Xbox One. I also want two walkie-talkies so I can call my friends. I also want a 1000 piece Minecraft puzzle to do with my family and a Hulk suit. Thank you for all of the presents you gave me last year. I have been spending a lot of time with my family. I hope you have a safe trip!

Love, Alias Neggie

Dear santa,  
For christmas i would like a mega gravedigger. it has huge tires and it is very big. i want it because i have seen cool commercials for it and it can go over tables and anything without flipping over if falling off. i have been dreaming about the mega gravedigger for weeks know. I have been good this year staying out of trouble playing my dads video game. I would like to give my mom my dad and my uncle both a gravedigger because it would be fun for all of us to have one. We have cookies and milk for santa and 10 carrots for the raindeer thank you santa i really hope i get the mega gravedigger.

From, Peyton Armstrong

Dear Santa,  
I have been really good this year. This year from santa I would Like a hoverboard. I think they are very cool and fun. I would also like a el el for christmas this year. I want this from santa because they are very fun to play with. They change colors when you put them in water. You can get them in many different colors. I also want a finger ring this year. The fingering is very cool because they can talk. You can also get them in different colors. Thankyou for the winding unicorn last year, I really loved it.

Love, Macy Somers

Dear Santa,  
how do you and your elves make all the toys each year? I have been good this year. For Christmas, I want a dog. I want a lab. I also want Legos. I want Legos so that I can build and play with them with my siblings. I also want kinetic sand. I can make things with it and it comes in different colors, but I want blue. Also, I want a Nintendo Switch. It is a video game. I want it because I want to play Just Dance.

Love, Braxton Goddard

Dear Santa,  
how do Reindeer fly? My favorite one is Rudolph, because that's in the movie

and I really like it! Every Saturday we have a movie night. I think they fly from jingle bells because it says so in Christmas Chronicles. I think I've been pretty good this year because I just know I am! Lols and Barbies are my top two gifts I want for Christmas. Lols have surprises in them and I like the Barbies because they have a

Barbie plane! The Barbie plane has food and luggage, and the Daisy doll! I want the Daisy doll because she comes with luggage, and the Barbie doll comes with luggage too. I want just want a regular phone that is yellow, pink, and purple. Make sure that all the colors are on the same phone. My favorite color is yellow because it's really light. I like light colors! If I get a phone I want to play games like Mario Kart! I would be Mario and Luigi. I think I'm pretty good at Mario Kart and would get first place MOST of the time. Lastly, I want a spirit horse. It's a brown horse that comes with carrots, food, and stuff. I saw the horse on one of my favorite videos on Youtube and commercials. I hope Santa gets me all the things I have on this list, but most importantly a cat named Princess because it will be funny when it chases my dog Lucky.

Love, Larissa Potts

Dear Santa,  
Can you give me a minecraft lego set? How do the reindeer fly? How are you watching us? Space lego set? How do you get all of the toys? A collection of clay so i can make a finiaph for from spring trap. How did he make the factory? A coat that says elementary tigers go. A dirt bike.

From, Liam Eargood

Dear Santa,  
What are the reindeer doing? I think their sleeping. I think my behaviour has been good, I helped my mom carry in groceries. I want an LOL doll this year. It has plastic hair it has sparkley clothes its a doll and its a girl. I'm going to play house with the doll and play with my other dolls. The doll is for the bathtub and it spits water. I want a baby alive doll for christmas. It has real hair it comes with pajamas and dresses it eats pretnd baby food and it's a baby. The doll is very small. A barbie, a confetti pop, a stuffed animal named crystal, an elsa doll, and Anna doll, slime, playdoh, a tiger puppet, a playhouse, a tent, a baribe house, a unicorn mama, a puppy moma, anda cat mama. These are most of the things I want from santa. How was your day santa? I will be setting out chocolate chip cookies for you! Happy Merry Cristmas!

Neveah Lobaugh

Dear Santa,  
Dear santa how are you? I would like to ask you a few questions and ask for a coupOle gifts. My first question I would

like to ask is about your wonderful reindeer, I was wondering how they fly, is it magic dust or christmas spirit. How old are you santa? My friends say your like 150 years old! What does your workshop look like it is very sparkly and as magical as they say it is. One day when I grow up I would love to see it. Santa I would like just a few things for christmas this year not much. For christmas I would really love some Airpods there wireless headphones my uncle has a pair and I really want one for myself. I would also like a brand new lego set. Thank you santa I hope you read my letter as soon as possible.

Sincerely, Kayden Dorr

**Mrs. Jirasek's Class**

Dear Santa,  
How do your reindeer fly? I have been very nice this year so I would please like American Girl Doll. I would want it so my other one can have a friend. In specific I would love to have one with blonde hair. I would also love a cowgirl hat. I would love one because I want to plan to get a horse in the future and ride it with my hat. I would love for it to be purple please. I would also love a jojo siwa karaoke machine. I would like one because I really love to sing. And if it's not too much trouble I would love the opportunity to have my very own chromebook please. I would love one so I can talk to my friends and long distant family. I would also like jewelry for my mom specifically red rubies please. I would also love a dancing game because I love to dance. And last but not least I would love a puppy. I would love one because I don't have any animals and I love dogs thank you for your time to look at my list.

Sincerely, Izzy Franklin

Dear Santa,  
Why do you have reindeer and a fat belly? I have been sometimes lying, but I've mostly been a good kid. What I want for christmas is a new pair of nike shoes, preferably blue. I also want new clothes and new outfits. Also I would like new toys for my animals. I would like a chew toy for my dog and a new mouse for my cat. I would like to get my mom some new perfume, and also a blue and green chromebook. For my papa I would like to get him new light bulbs, a stack of newspapers 100 of them and lastly, a couple new pairs of clothes.

Sincerely, Joseph Ranger



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Dear Santa,

How do you reindeer fly so fast? I think that there are stars on the back of the sleigh that make it go really fast. Sorry for being mean to my sister. I want a dog. It could be a cop dog and I could name it Rufus. Rufus will be a girl. I will take him on walks and play with her because she will be my dog. She will be black and white. She needs to come as a puppy, short hair and she needs to be nice. I also want a corner pillow. It has short arms and then a curve. It needs to be red and pink, I will lay with it and sleep with it. I can also put my feet on it. I also want a Chromebook and bean bag chairs for my room. They need to be red and pink. Santa I'm sorry for being bad I don't want coal for Christmas.

From, Harlee Jade Flerchinger

Dear Santa,

I was wondering how the reindeer fly? I was thinking magic. I've been very good this year I helped clean and did all my work. I would like an electric truck to pull me and other toys around. This truck would keep me busy during the summer or the snow days. I would also like a metal detector. I want a metal detector so me and my dad can find things when were at the beach. I hope to find gold with my dad. Are the elves making presents today? I want to get a safe for me to keep my Pokemon cards away from my brother stealing my favorite cards. I want to get a lantern for my dad. I want to get my mom a really big fan. I really want the safe.

Sincerely, Brody Merillat

Dear Santa,

how do reindeer fly? I'm pretty sure it's because of christmas power. I think I've been very good this year because I'm nice to my parents and other people. For christmas, I would like a hoverboard. I would like a rainbow on it. If I get a hoverboard for christmas I'm going to ride it around my house. I would also like a lol doll, they're like regular dolls but smaller and you can pop their heads off. There's a lol

pet too. I also want a microphone that repeats whatever I say. I would like a blue or black one. I want Noah to get a toy bird. I also would like Malena to get a microphone too. My dogs would like two bones. They need two because they always fight over them. Thank you for my presents last year, I really like them. Have a safe trip Santa!

Love, Lauren Armendariz

Dear Santa,

how are the reindeer? I think they are doing good. I have been very good this year and kind of bad. One thing I would like is a computer. I plan on using the computer to play Roblox. I will also use it to help with my reading and spelling. I would like a baby husky for my dad. His name would be Bengo. I would play with him and get him a toy that squeaks like a pig. The dog could have blue eyes and the fur could be black and white. I can leave you some milk and cookies at my house. Thank you for everything that you give me.

Sincerely, Chazz Barton

Dear Santa,

I have been very good this year. I cleaned my room last night, and I always leave you milk and cookies every year. This year I really want a computer so I can play piano games. I also want a dog and a cat. I would name my dog Jacob. And I would name the cat Jasper. I want a phone, and a new camera. I also want a secret thing. I would also like some extra money. I would also like to have some craft stuff. I want to make paper statues. I will leave you homemade cookies and milk this year with frosting.

Love, Autumn Kimberlin  
I love you <3 <3

Dear Santa,

Is Rudolph the rednosed reindeer ready? I think he is or should be. I think I have been a really good boy this year. First I would like an RC car, next I would like beyblade, then a skateboard, also a football, next trampoline, next godzilla toys, also power ranger stuff, also wild cratz and stuffed animals. So for mom I would like pajamas. for dad, breaks for the snowmobile.

Jaydin Mousseau

Dear Santa,

I want a new Barbie Dream Camper. Anew squeaky, green, bow chew for my dog, Bruce. A new chew toy and food for Coco. I need a chicken for Bentley and some food. I want a new stocking for my Dad. And a green vase for my Mom. For my Aunt Tiffany, a new snowglobe that is golden with a Santa head inside of it. A boombox for my Aunt Cam. I want another baby dog. A new boy American Girl Doll. I also would like some paint colored the rainbow (except white and black). Some colored pencils. And some earrings. I would also like Scrunchies. I don't know if I've been very good this year. Don't eat too many cookies!

Love, Kaylee McMasters

Dear Santa,

Hi. I think I was good this year. I want an outfit. I want to give my dad a picture frame that I can draw a picture in. And my grandpa a picture frame again. Can I have my own hoverboard? My brother has one. I want a black one too like his. One more thing for my brother air pod cases. By Santa I'll see you next Christmas.

Myairah Paluch

Dear santa,

I would like a tablet this year for christmas. I love playing on tablets to kill some time. I would like an orange R.C car. They're very fast and fun to play with all year around. I would love anew football to play with my dad in the summer as well as a soccer ball. I would love to have a ps4 to play with my cousins. A mario movie would be great. I would love a new boat lego set for christmas. I would like a new set of beyblades.

From, Bentley Boyd

Dear Santa,

How do the reindeers fly? I think they fly by the magic dust from the sleigh. I have been nice this year. Here are some things I want for Christmas; Barbies, Barbie house, Jojo movie, a gray and white baby bunny, a kitten, a baby horse, Jojo slide, a pair of headphones, and a turtle necklace. I want to have fun with them. They are cool. I wish my dad would stop yelling at the cats and I wish we could have a pig. I want my mom back. Santa what did you do with my elf on the shelf? Why doesn't the tooth fairy come when you lose a tooth on the bus? Can you please give me candy in my stocking for Christmas?

Sincerely, Mia Newland

Dear Santa,

How do reindeers fly? I want Destroy and Devour indominous Rex From Jurassic World, Owen the figurine from Jurassic World, All the velociraptors from Jurassic World; Blue, Delta Echo, Charlie, Remote control, Blue velociraptor, sonic figurine, big dinosaur stuffed animal, PlayStation 4, white spider for PS4, ARK for PS4, Jurassic World Evolution for PS4, Godzilla for PS4.

Sincerely, Brayden Potts

Dear Santa,

do you have any new reindeer? I think he puts name tags on them to tell them apart. How do you get in our roofs? If the fire is going you should go in through the door. Where is our Elf on the Shelf? We can't find him anywhere. I think I'm on the nice list. I want a cat pillowpet. It is a pillow that folds into a cat. It should be orange and pink and red. It should also have a long fluffy tail. I also want a phone. A phone that has video games on it. I want a putty set, too. I don't mind what color it is. I would also like a crafting set and a driving lego set. Or dragons. Please. Could I also have a costume? A dragon costume.

Thank you, please,  
Lily Schroeder

With sincere gratitude from all of us this holiday season



## Greetings of the Season

As another holiday season comes our way we'd like to seize the chance to say, that one thing that we know is true, Is we owe our success to each of you!



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Dear Santa,

I don not have a question for Santa. I've been good. I want LOL dolls, jojo bows, candy, hoverboard, jojo hightops, and makeup. So LOL dolls are dolls that can cry and squirt. I put jojo bows in my hair and play with them. How Santa ate a bunch of candy? Two hoverboard one for me and one for my friend.

From, Karlee Colorite

Dear Santa,

How long does it take you to deliver all the presents? I think you're good and magical. I like your elves a lot. I want an elf board game for my mom and dad to get more money, more toys and lots of dinosaurs. My favorite dinosaur is a t-rex. I want video games too. I want all the games. That is all I want.

Love, Charles Woodbury

Dear Santa,

how do you make so many toys in one year? I think your elves work hard all year, along with your help. Also, how do you get around the world so quick before nightfall? I had a little rough patch at the beginning of the year, but I've been a lot better since then. I would like a nintendo switch for Christmas. It's a black box with a screen on it, and 2 controllers, one on each side. I wanna get pokemon sword, smash brothers, and mario party which is my favorite. I'd also really like a new phone, because mine has a crack in the screen. I want one like my cousin Kaiden's. Thank you Santa for always getting me presents.

From, Cooper Mahalak

Dear Santa clause,

Can I ride your sled? Riding your sled is so much fun. What does your classroom look like? I want a new sled for Christmas that's black and that goes fast. I also want a new bike, a snow bike they drive in snow and that they go really fast. I want it red and in the back, I want it to be fire but pretend and pretend engines, please. I really really want a pet peacock, a daddy peacock that when it spreads its wings that go really high. I want an airsoft gun and a nerf gun. I want a hoverboard piano that has a solar panel so when I ride in the snow I can go fast. I want an electric scooter when I rub the handles it can go fast. I want yellow fire flames and a lot of boosters. Lastly, I want a party robot that dances and plays music and does the splits. I also want a GIANT candy cane. Also, I want a bubble gum package. Also, I want a dog bone for my dog Chloe she is a guard dog. I love you Santa and Mrs. Clause.

Love, Jace Haller

Dear Santa,

How do Reindeer fly? I think it's Dasher's bells because they have magic inside them and when they ring it lifts them into the air. How do you make presents so fast and how did you get all your elves? Can I please have a pink hoverboard and a pink jersey? I'm sorry that my dog chewed mine up last year and my parents couldn't fix it. Also can I please have Jojo shoes and bows, I love her because she's popular and I

like her dog named Bow. I've never had Jojo stuff because my sister doesn't let me. I've been really good this year and I hope you can forgive all the things I did badly this year. I've only had two yellow slips and I've done my best to be a good girl.

Nevaeh Liebler

Dear Santa,

Does Elfie (The elf on the shelf) pull pranks? I have been behaving pretty good. I would like a little hammock, a dragon rock. I will nap on the hammock sometimes. The plans for the dragon rock would have to be the size of a hand. Can you please get this Santa. This is all the things I'd like to have.

Sincerely, John Mann

Dear Santa,

A question that I have for Santa is that can I see one of your elves fly? I think it flies with magical dust. I have been a good boy for most of this year. Something that I would like for christmas is a battery for my hoverboard and a Nerf gun. Another thing I would really want is a drone, so I can fly it around everywhere. Some things my uncle wants is tools. My Mom wants a notebook. My dad wants nails for building and my cousins want a football and a phone. My pets want a chew toy and a new bone.

Love, Carter Hilyard

Dear Santa,

I was good this year and I would like an ipad, a computer, a camera and a bouncy ball and a hoverboard and a basketball hoop. I would like to use the camera to take pictures and hoverboard. I want a new pair of boots.

Love, Jayden Raley

### Second Grade Mrs. Samp's Class

Dear Santa,

how do your reindeer fly? I think maybe they use their feet to kick. I have been very good this year. I want Jojo Siwa bows because I like wearing bows. The bows are colorful. There's different kinds and I would like any. I want makeup too. I want blue blush because I already have some at home. I want it so that I can put it on my face. I also want a Jojo Siwa phone case because I already have a phone. I don't know what phone I have but you got me my phone last year. it is teal and purple and blue phone case. Thank you for my phone you got me last year and stamps. Santa stay safe.

Love, Taylor Laube,  
2<sup>nd</sup> grade

Dear Santa,

How did rudolph get a red nose? In my opinion rudolph was born with it! This year I would like to have a phone. Because I won't have to use my moms phone. And I will be able to use my own phone. For example: to play, to watch a video games and I can watch youtube. I really like to watch on youtube interesting videos. And I think I deserve it, I have been a good girl this year. I also would like to have your picture of rudolph. I really want to see how the rudolph looks like and it is so interesting for me! Thank you for all the presents in my life.

I strongly hope that I will get my Phone! Do not eat too many cookies!

Sincerely, Megan Waligore,  
2<sup>nd</sup> grade

Dear Santa,

How do you eat so many cookies. Do you have to throw them all up? I think I did fairly ok this Year. I want Lego worlds for my Nintendo Switch, it's a game for the Nintendo that I played at my friends house. I plan to play the game whenever I can. I also want Mario Kart 8. It's a game series that my I have always liked. I plan to play the games as much as I can. I would also like a Hoverboard, because I like expensive things. This year try to save some cookies for Miss. Clause and the Elves.

From, Mason Beatty,  
2<sup>nd</sup> grade

Dear Santa,

How is Mrs. Claus doing? I think she is probably in the room with the elves because you are so busy watching all the kids. I've been really good, polite, and silly this year. i would like a real guitar this year. It's just a starter's guitar because I am just starting. I want a guitar because I want to learn how to play it. I really like music, so I would also like a flute. I would also like to learn how to play the flute. I do know that there are a bunch of little holes to cover, but thats all. One last thing would be a friend for my favorite stuffed animal. Don't get sick from all the cookies!

Love, Bristol Klingenberg,  
2<sup>nd</sup> grade

Dear Santa,

Why are you so fat? I think it's just because you eat so many cookies. I think I've been really really REALLY good. Tis year I would like yacht. The biggest yacht in the world. I want a yacht because it is basically a mansion on water. I would also like the yacht to be black. I would also like a mansion. Of course, I want it to be the biggest mansion in the world. I would like it to be made out of bricks with 500 bedrooms. I would also like a monster truck. Don't eat too many cookies!

Love, Josiah Pagles,  
2<sup>nd</sup> grade

Dear Santa,

What do you in your workshop? Do you do paperwork? I don't think I've been too good this year cause I get in fights with Tristen because he won't let me play his Xbox 360. I want a chinchilla and a real walking llama. A girl and I want it to be white and my a girl I want it to be white. I want to play with them. I also want a guinea pig. I want it to be brown and I want it to be a girl so I have baby guinea pigs.

Love, Amyah Hussain,  
2<sup>nd</sup> grade



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Dear Santa,  
Where do you elves go to the bathroom? Maybe in their slippers? I don't think I've been good because I told my sister I hate her. I really want a real live horse for my dad's house and the Shaker Maker. I want it to be a girl with black curly and the Shaker Maker makes colored sprinkles. I want the horse in a cage and ride it. I also want another guinea pig. I want a girl with brown and white patches.

Love, Avarie Granger,  
2<sup>nd</sup> grade

Dear Santa,  
how do you make it to all the houses on time? I've been very good this year but if my brothers and sisters are being rude to me I tell them to stop it. A american girl doll one with rainbow hair, a lol doll I found a set of thirty that I want but I don't want my sister too mess with them. She likes cutting hair. I want a poster for my room with unicorns with rainbows. I have a toy puppy and he's heavy and I like to play with him and he likes to play with my toys. His name is woofy I got him yesterday at the store. Other things important to me is my mom I want her back, I have to live with my grandpa and grandma. How do your reindeers fly around? Why do they only fly around at night and not day?

Love, Talia Warren Skeans,  
2<sup>nd</sup> grade

Dear santa,  
Do elves really watch us behave? I think santa would say yes. I have had good behavior i have stood up for other people. I would like a Nintendo switch there are two little remotes and theres a tablet holding each one and if there is two players they take one remote and theres a rope you put on your wrist. Theres a game called pokemon sword and sheild. Im going to play my until breakfast lunch snack and dinner. Im going to basically go one youtube all night and watch my favorite youtube channels ones called fetvve and theres also another once called pat and jen. I would also want a nerf tank. its a remote controlled car with a nerf gun on the side and theres a camera at the front of the car. If i got it i would spy on my cousins and my sister and if they are talking bad about me then ill shoot them with the nerf gun. I can also say things threw the remote and theres a microphone on the car. Thanks for reading this i hope you'll get this letter.

love, Damien Colosky,  
2<sup>nd</sup> grade

Dear Santa,  
How do you make all the stops in one night? He would respond with "It's a secret and can't tell you." I feel like my behavior was good this year. I would love to get a baseball because my other got lost. I plan on using the baseball for when I play baseball with my sisters and when I play the sport. I would like to get a scope for my bb gun so it will be easier to hit the targets. I plan on using the scope to hit my targets better. Thanks for all the presents, stay safe its colds out there.

Nelson Phinney, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade

Dear santa,  
Is rodolf of really real? I think he is real because he is in a bunch of books! And I watch a lot of movies. I also wanted to tell you that i have one of your elves! I have been a good kid this year, i have been cleaning the house and for being good this year For christmas, i really just want a happy family, i also want an art set. The art set that i want is very colorful one, that has a stage that it can set on and some paint brushes and a pallet. And on that art set i want a sign saying art set! I am thankful for everything that i got last year from you santa! Good luck on your trip with your reindeer! Eat lots of cookies and milk!

Love, Brooklynn Mathews,  
2<sup>nd</sup> grade

Dear Santa,  
Are you doing good? I think you're doing good. I've been very nice this year! I want a phone for Christmas. I don't remember what it was so i need to ask my mom to remember. I want a phone because I really want to make sure my mom got to work and to call my stepdad to make sure he is also good too because he's working really hard and might get hurt. I really want a fidget spinner too. I want one that lights up! How is Mrs. Claus doing? I think she gets tired with you running back and forth. I think that you've been tired from going to everybody's houses and all around the world. I would like one of those chairs that you sit on but they don't look like a chair!

Love, Athena Pendergrass,  
2<sup>nd</sup> grade

Dear Santa,  
how is it like in the north pole? I think the elves are working pretty hard. I feel like I've been good this year. For Christmas I want my family to be happy. I don't really know what else I want. I hope you have a good Christmas and I hope all the little girls and boys get their presents.

Love, Angela Walsley,  
2<sup>nd</sup> grade

Dear santa,  
How do you make all those toys. Santas elves do the work. Ive been decent this year. For christmas id like a big bouncy ball. Id like a blue one. I plan on bouncing on it inside. A big ninja turtle video game. Put ninja turtles on the toy. I plan in playing with around the house. Nintendo switch. Red with blue stripes. Playing with it in my room. Id like a chrome book. Blue and a big size. Do video games and homework

on it. Thank you for the elve last year and this year. fly safe. I hope there isnt a snow storm.

Love, Zach Abee, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade

Dear Santa,  
How are you? I have been very good this year. This year I would like to have a new candy maker because I like candy. Moreover, I would like to get a robot for Christmas. Robots are very cool and I will play a lot with it. I would start making collections of robots because I have a lot of them. Also, I would like to get some presents for my dog, so I would be able to paly more with my favorite dog Layla. We have been together for 7 years, so I like her sooooo much. If you would give these presents for me I will be very happy. If my parents not on the list can please give something for them because I love them so much.

Andrew Bradley, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade

Dear Santa,  
How do you fit through the chimney? I was very nice this year, and It's been a good year for me. This year I would love to have a puppy, I will feed and play with my puppy. It will be very fun. I want a german shepard because they are cool dogs. German Shepherds are good dogs to play with. I would like to have a kitten, because kittens are very soft. And are so cute. Thank you for being santa, and don't eat too many cookies, you will get fatter!

Love, Jadyn lincoln,  
2<sup>nd</sup> grade

Dear Santa,  
how do you get down my chimney because it is really small? I think you use magic to go down. I have been a little bit good this year. I can't really remember. For Christmas I would like a Scruff-A-Love. I know it will be surprise. I will name it Sophie if it is a cat and Hoppy if it is a bunny, and I will name it Begs if it is a dog. I will open it, get it out of the package, get a big cup, put it inside and wash it with real soap. When it has all its parts, I'll take it out and dry it to see what animal it is. Maybe like for both of my cats bring them a kitten toy. Ally is starting to grow up and needs a big cat toy. Cookie is still a kitten and is much smaller. She needs a little toy mouse so I can throw it and she can get it. Maybe my brother could have the PJ Masks sets and my sister can have a Minnie Mouse set, but without the tools because she is little and could choke. Could you get my father a new mug with "Best Dad Ever"? And one for my mom that says "Best Mom Ever." Also would like a Little Luv parrot and mouse animals that talk. I want the mouse one because I always wanted to pet it. I want the parrot because I really like birds and I always wanted to have my own pet bird. I hope you have good Christmas.

Love, Bella Baughan,  
2<sup>nd</sup> grade



Dear Santa,  
How does Rudolph's nose glow I think Santa used magic dust to make Rudolph's nose glow. I have been really good, well I try to be. My Brother on the other hand that is a different story. I would like a nerf machine gun and some attachments for it. The machine gun looks like it has a stand and Loops on the side and comes back down. I would also like a chest game and a normal lazer tag gun. I want a ploshi. Thank you for all of the presents from last year. I hope you have a safe trip.

Love, Gabriel Williamson,  
2<sup>nd</sup> grade

Dear Santa,  
Do you like recess? I live recess. I've been a good girl this year. Just ask my parents! This year for Christmas I want a cozy dozy. Its like a teddy bear that can actually sleep. It also makes noises and you can put a pacifier in its mouth. I also want to get my mom some lipstick. She loves waring makeup when she goes to work. Can it be red? She loves red lipstick maybe green to spice things up? Can I get a nintendo switch too? With bunches and bunches of games. I really like those. I lost my tablet so I would really like to get a nintendo switch. I cant forget an apple iPhone with a cat phone case. I could do so many things with a phone. I would play games and text my mom if anything is wrong. Oh Santa, can I please get one? Thank you for everything my family got last year. fly high in the sky and don't get sick!

Love, Genevieve Kirk,  
2<sup>nd</sup> grade

Dear Santa,  
how do you deliver all those presents in one night? That must take a lot of time. I don't understand how you do it all. This year I would like a Nerf gun. A blue one that hold tons and tons of ammo. I have too many sisters that just want a boy toy. Maybe I can sneak attack my sisters. I hope it doesn't hurt them. I also want an iPod. Make that blue too. Its my favorite color. I'm would play games like minecraft, subway surfers, and fortnite. Those are my favorite games! Can you get my mom and dad a new phone? They've been asking for a new one. Theirs are broken. They just don't act right anymore. Thank you for reading my letter. I hope you don't eat too many cookies and drink too much milk.

Love, Slade Dowaler

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Dear Santa,  
how do the reindeer fly? I think they fly by Santa putting magic on them. How do you have presents in your sack? How do you drive your sleigh? How do you have elves? I want stuffed animal toys. I want a chocolate lab one. And a golden retriever. I will play with them like with a huge dog house, a toy one with two owners two boys that are friends and are boys and will eat popcorn with the dogs. And they will take the dogs on walks. I want a toy barn with horses chickens pigs and roosters. And sheep. I'm gonna play cowgirl with them and pretend I'm riding them. I will

run pretending I'm on a horse. When I pretend to run on the horse I can stop because they will be tiny not big. I want slippers with puppies on them that have floppy ears and bark when I walk. I will use them to keep my feet warm and make my feet look good. I want a shirt that has a horse on it. Some jeans. Socks, my own socks. I will wear it. I want candy canes. I want blue red green. A new tablet. Mine is getting old. I'm gonna play games. Merry Christmas! Ho Ho Ho.

Your friend, Isabell Liebler,  
2<sup>nd</sup> grade

Dear Santa,  
How do you be so quiet when you go to houses? I think it is really cool that you do that. And how do reindeer fly? I don't really know and I would like to know how they do it. I think the reindeers might use some kind of magic, but I don't really know. I've been really good this year. I've helped a lot of people when they write, and I think that's good. I would like to have a real elf. I'd like for him to be a boy so I can play with him and have him make my gifts. I'd also like an Xbox one with Lego Superheroes and Nintendo Switch with Mario Kart 8 deluxe and Fortnite. These are the things I would like best. I want all of the lego adventures set too. It doesn't matter which ones, but I would like lots of them. And a dirtbike. I want the dirtbike to be red and blue, please. I also want lots and lots of candy if you have the room. I hope that my gifts aren't too big. Thank you, Santa!

Sincerely, Travis Ander-  
son, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade

Dear Santa,  
Is there a red nose reindeer? I think it's just a poem. I have been nice this year! I want unicorn slippers, they have a sparkly horn and they're light pink. I like pink!!! I'll wear them all the time! They're all sparkly! I also want a phone, you can do anything on the phone! I'll play games and text my friends. I want a sparkly case for the phone too. I want a sparkly vest that I can wear all the time! It is blue. I want gloves and hats too. I don't want to be scared of things!!! My dad scares me sometimes, he sneaks up on me and scares me because he's so quiet. I want a craft set with sparkles, paper, scissors, pencils, and glue and anything of crafting. I'm gonna make cards. I want high high heels too. I want my presents to be wrapped in sparkly wrapping paper!!! That will be it Santa, thank you!

Love, Marley Neggie!,  
2<sup>nd</sup> grade

Dear Santa,  
Do you actually have workers that look like you? I think I have been nice. I did nice at my house I shoveled the steps and I made paths so I could get to my trampoline and playhouse. I'm really excited for Christmas because I think I'm going to get a hoverboard. I'm gonna ride my hoverboard up and down the hallways. I want to ask Santa for more monster high dolls. I want more baby doll clothes. I'm gonna put them on my baby high dolls. I also want some

learning books. I want monster high legos and regular big legos. I'm gonna play with my monster high dolls and my legos. I want some of my new books. I want some more chapter books. And some more science books. Oh, and I want some video games. And some more paint stuff. For my kitty I want my kitty to get more toys and more things to chew on and more cat treats and more food. I want my momma to get some candy and some chocolate she likes in her stocking and some presents for her and my cat. Why do you come every Christmas? Why do you visit us in stores and schools? I've seen one of your elves before. I'm excited for Christmas for all of the things I may get.

Love, Zoe Throop, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade

Dear santa,  
How do your reindeer fly? I think they have magical powers that make them fly. I've been a good kid. A laptop. I want a portable laptop, I would try to figure out how to write. And of play games. An xbox one controller. So my friends can play with me. I want it to be blue and green. I want it to have a cord to reach the xbox. A dojo battle. it takes 3 strikes to make it stop and I would play it with friends. A green sled. So I can sled outdoors. I would use it to sled with my friends. I want plants vs zombies garden warfare 2 for the xbox one. I would play it all the time and with friends this game is really fun. I also want gang beasts. I would play with my whole family and take turns. I also want the 2<sup>nd</sup> lego movie videogame. I would play with my whole family and take turns. I also want the 2<sup>nd</sup> lego movie videogame. I would play with friends and family. I hope you have a safe trip. I'll leave cookies and milk and carrots for the reindeer. I believe Christmas spirit makes your sleigh fly as well as the reindeer.

Love, Tyler Suszek,  
2<sup>nd</sup> grade.

Dear Santa,  
I wanna know how tall the elves are, I think they're five foot one. I've behaved good. I want a phone, so I don't have to use my moms work phone anymore. I also want a fingerling, because my cousin also has one. I want for my family a new TV because we all have laggy TV, and our living room needs one too. I also would like some new toys because I have lots of old toys. And a new ipad because mine is cracked.

From, Bria Barnes,  
2<sup>nd</sup> grade

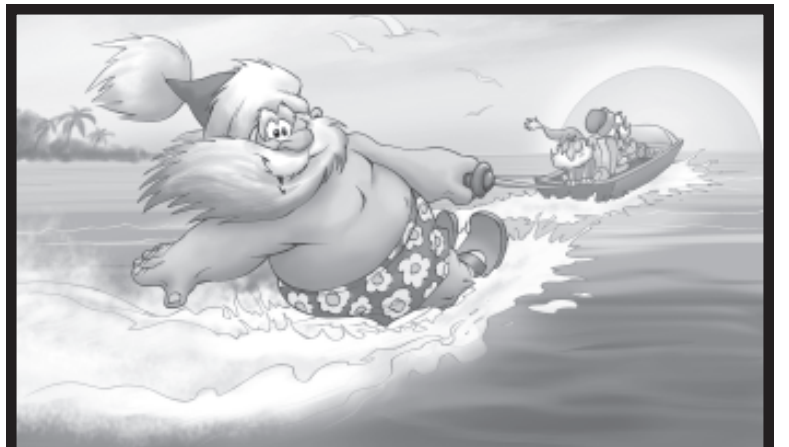
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Dear Santa,  
 How do you make your reindeer fly, how are you so quiet? I think you have a special power that you use on the reindeer to make them fly. I think you're so quiet because you have a special pair of boots that have magic stuff on it to help you be quiet. I've been pretty good kid this year but I've been a little bad at times too though. What I want for Christmas is a play store gift card for my PS4 so I can use it for the game Fortnite. I want to use it to get V-bucks which I can use to by skins and dances. I want another phone for my brother because he lost his. What he wants most is the new iPhone X. He can use it to watch YouTube and play games if there is no internet. I also would like a mansion with a Nintendo switch. A really big mansion with a lot of rooms. I want a huge forest in the back and a dirtbike and a four wheeler plus a snowmobile to go with it. I want the dirtbike to be blue and the four wheeler to be green. I want all the protective gear that comes with them too. I want the boots to be red and the helmet to be red and the leggings and shirt to be green. I want Mario Kart for my first game. My favorite character is Mario. I'll play whenever I can. I hope you have a safe trip this year Santa!

Love, Jacob Windsor,  
 2<sup>nd</sup> grade

Dear Santa,  
 How old are you Santa? I think that you are 566 years

old. I have been kind of good this year. This year I would like an iPhone 11 pro. I would be very happy and thank Santa if I got this present. I would download Fortnite and play it all the time. I like the box, and it would be very cool so I could play Fortnite on it. I also want a four-wheeler. I also would like a real life horse with a horsie seat, so I can hang onto it and ride. I want these presents so I can ride my horse on the horsie seat and listen to Old Town Road on my phone but I would be wearing my cowboy suit too. I want a Playstation 4 so I could play lots of different games and maybe borrow games from my uncle named uncle Keegan. Thank you so much Santa, you are the best person ever! You have been a real pal over the years.

Love, Bentley Bell, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade

Dear Santa,

How do you make elves? I think they are made by magic. Also how do they get to my house? I think they get there by Santa's magic and spirit. I have been very good this year. I want five elves. I want him to have magic and wear elf clothes. He needs to wear red and green. I would name them Christmas Spirit, Cookie, Snowflake, Hanna, and Taylor. I would watch them do funny things. I want two pet turtles too. I want them to be Tortoises. I would want to name one of the boys Jacob and the other Leanabear. I want them to be green colored. I would give them a good home and play with them. I also want a phone. I would want it to be an apple phone. I would want it to be my favorite color red. I would play subway surfer on my phone and call my friend Taylor. I really like my tablet I got last year. I took cute and funny pictures of me on it. I hope you enjoy your chocolate chip Christmas cookies and milk this year.

Love, Leana Bear,  
 2<sup>nd</sup> grade

Dear Santa,

How many cities do you go to? I think that you go to a lot of cities. I have been very good this year, but I will do better next year but I've already been good, I promise. This year I would like a ring. I would like the ring to be blue and purple. I want the bottom part of the ring to be gold. I would like to give the ring to my mom or I might keep it. I would also like a new phone iPhone 11 with a galaxy phone case with diamonds around it. I want the diamonds to be gold. I plan to bring the phone to school on technology day. I would also like to play games on it. Another thing on my list is galaxy boots. I want gold lights on them that will light up. I would also like some fake snow that gets bigger and bigger. Thank you and have a good Christmas! I will leave you lots of cookies.

Love, Aubrie Karas,  
 2<sup>nd</sup> grade

Dear Santa,

Why do people dress like you to pretend to be you? I've been nice this year. I want to have a cloud pillow with a cute face on it. It's a smile and glittery blush and big dot eyes. I want a 3 layer macaroon swooshy. The top was

blue, middle pink, and bottom was blue. All had the same face except the middle. The middle had a swooshed face. And the top had a smile on and so did the bottom. I'm gonna sleep on the pillow when I first get it and I'm going to play with the macaroon. I want to go to the zoo because I've been talking about it a lot this year. If I go to the zoo Elena will make us late because she gets up late and I'm going to ignore her so she gets up.

Noah Armendariz, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade

Dear Santa,

how tall are you? I think you're 5 feet 6 or 5 feet 4. Are your elves smart? How big are their ears? I've been mostly good but I might have argued once. This year I want a LOL doll house and a American Girl house so all my dolls can play. I would also like a laptop to buy stuff online and play games even though mom might take it from my college funds. I want a lot of new dresses and a lot of cute shirts. I want an owl case for my phone, a fin fun mermaid tail and I would also like a marble dispenser. Some new shorts would be nice so when it gets hot or I got swimming inside. I want some more cute boots that I have and lastly a picture of you and me. I hope you have a good Christmas trip and I will leave carrots out for the reindeer. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Love, Sophia Bruning,  
 2<sup>nd</sup> grade

Dear Santa,

Is my nana an elf? My nana told me she was so I think she is. I have been half good this year. I was half bad this year because I got in the presents early. This year I want a choker necklace, a lava lamp, scrunchies, makeup, play-doh, candy, a surprise puppy, American girl doll school, and I'm going to use all of them. I want my own elf on the shelf too. Thank you Santa for hermie, my elf, and my presents last year.

From, Emma Hecklick,  
 2<sup>nd</sup> grade

Dear Santa,

You have been a good kid. I would really like to have a Juno Baby Elephant for Christmas. I would also like a owlz toys, it flies but it fails a few times, and you got to train it to fly better. I would also like to have Hachamoles, they are these animals that hatch from the same egg and then you have to take care of them. When it plays music that's when you know they grew up. There are these books call owl diaries and I would really like some for Christmas. There is also this thing called the Blinger, it's to carry and very easy to get out of your hair. There is this little live pet hamster, it acts like a really hamster but it's not. I want a little toy phone. This is the very last thing I want, A LOT of slim supplies.

Love, Brooklynn Mose,  
 2<sup>nd</sup> grade



Dear Santa,  
I wish you a merry christmas. The present that I want is a laptop and a RC car and some xbox game which is gta five game and a big box of snickers xbox one headphones and a new 11 iphone and a big candy canes.

Love, Isaiah Long, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade

Dear Santa,

I have one very important question, how do you survive in the North Pole? I believe you survive by a very very comfy sweater! My behavior has been kind a good this year, sometimes I tend to get into some trouble by my younger sisters. I would love to have a tablet this Christmas, a random tablet that looks the coolest. I would put a game onto my new tablet, it would be minecraft. Secondly, for Christmas I would love to have a puppy. A dalmatian puppy would be perfect they are very cute. I want the puppy because I would be able to carry it around and play with it and it will be the BEST cuddle partner. Also I would like to get a really comfy blanket that is good for night time and a Pokemon coloring book would be good. Thank you for giving me awesome present last year and the other years. I plan to make very special cookies for you the night you come to visit.

Love, Sophie Rice, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade

Dear Santa,

I wonder where your house is in the arctic so I can stop by one day. I've been very good this year even ask my teacher. I really would love an Xbox 1s with the games minecraft and hill climb. I plan on playing the xbox very often (Maybe when I should be doing homework) but I will get lots of use out of it. Next I want a new Nerf gun, the One Nerf Ultra. Also maybe a new tablet or DS Since mine is broken. Lastly santa I think you're really nice because you bring us all the presents in ONE night, also you're cool because all of your bright red clothes.

Sincerely, William Sowers, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade

Dear Santa,

how old is he. I was very very good this year. I want a chromebook for christmas. I want it because it has fortnite and it's small and I can bring it anywhere. I also want this because I can listen to stories like storylineonline. I want to play fortnite with it. I can play abcy on the computer too. The other thing on my list is headphones like gaming headphones because I need to talk to all my friends on fortnite. I can have fun with fortnite. I want markers and paper with a printer. I want my elf to come. A mouse for my computer too. I want some money too. I want to see santa on christmas.

Sincerely, Paxton Zielinski, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade

Dear Santa,

I've been a good boy. I would like for Christmas a new lunchbox and a Godzilla set with big Godzilla and big monster enemies for Godzilla to fight, new Pokemon cards, and coloring books. And Santa Claus I'd like a shark play set. I would also like some movies please. I would also like some deer antlers. And I would also like some dinosaur bones so I can put them together. I would also like some beach toys. And I want some stuffed animals. Pleas for everything please. Thank you! I love you! High five and fist bump. Give Rudolph a pat on his back for his red rose shining the way thru the night.

Leo Fowler, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade

**Third Grade  
Mrs. Gombos' Class**

Dear Santa,

I was good all week. I want a remote control piloting jet, a candy cane, and video games, and I want a lego star wars. I think I deserve these gifts because I was good all week. I was good today. Also,

everyone in school is kind and I hope everyone has a great time. I will behave awesomely next year. I hope you like your cookies and Mrs. Claus likes the candy bar. I hope your reindeer like the carrots. I hope you have a safe trip.

From, Steven Comstock, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade

Dear Santa,

Are you enjoying Christmas? I hope you don't have too much cookies. How is Rudolf? I'm going to school and I'm going to have fun. For Christmas I want 50 lego sets, lost kitties, nerf guns, and Fortnite guns. You should get them for me because I help my dad clean and I have fun with my friends. So that's why I deserve the gifts. I will be good next year. I hope you like the cookies.

Farewell, Bradley McCracken, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade

Tsup Santa,

Tsup dude? I can't wait to see you. I feel excited! How do you like your cookies? I've behaved. Well I helped my mom with groceries and chores and I helped my teacher. I would like for Christmas is the Lost Kitties truck, Nintendo Switch, the Nintendo Switch Pink and green controllers, a pomsy puppy, spartans ipad case and kids apple watch. Thanks. I think I should get these presents because I was looking out for friends and family. I have been doing some stuff without sighing. I have also been doing my chores, feeding my cats, and other good stuff. Next year I will be a little sassy, okay not a little, but I will help out with my parents. I hope you like the hot chocolate with carrots. I hope you have a good trip. Peace out dude!

Zoey O'Connor, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade

Dear Santa,

I can't wait to see you. Did you have a good Thanksgiving? I have been good and

bad, about 50/50. For Christmas, I want a kitten and trip to Great Wolf Lodge. I think I should get these things because I shoveled snow at my house. I try not to fight with my sister. I help my mom put the dishes away. Next year I will try to be 100 good and zero bad. I will leave you cookies and milk on Christmas and carrots for the reindeer.

Sincerely, Addison Griffin, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade

Hello Santa,

I hope you have a good Christmas. I hope Mrs. Claus is not giving you too much cookies. I tired to be good. I promise. I would want Toy Story 4 movie, Toy story little Bo Peep doll, LOLOMG, My life barn, and my life horse. I think I deserve these presents. I have been good to my mom and dad. I keep my room cleaned. I will be good to my big sister. I hope you like the cookies. Bye Santa.

Adriana Grove, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade

Dear Santa,

Hello. I hope you have a Merry Christmas. I love when you come to town. How do you make the toys so fast? I tried so hard to be good. I was a little good. The first gift I want is my whole family together. The 2<sup>nd</sup> gift is Lost Kitties, legos, my sister to be happy, and a chrome book. I don't care if I get presents. I just hope you and my family have a Merry Christmas. I will be good next year, better than this year. I can't leave you anything because my mom is sick and I can't cook

it without her. Bye Santa. Merry Christmas  
Aiden Geddert, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade

Hi Santa,

My name is Arlo. Are you having a good Thanksgiving. If you don't know what I'm talking about, just ask google. I tried to be good but I don't think I was. I tease my little sister and I say bad words. For Christmas I would like Harry Potter advent calendar, Mark of the Dragonfly Book series, Harry Potter Book 7, and a happy Christmas. I deserve these presents because I stand up for people and try to help them. I love my family. I hope you like milk and cookies. I wish you, Mrs. Claus, your elves, and your reindeer a very good Christmas.

Sincerely, Arlo Emerson, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade

Hello Santa,

I can't wait until Christmas. I hope you had a great year. I have been good all year. For Christmas I would like a chromebook and a nintendo switch. I think I deserve these gifts because I helped my mom and I have been good to my parents. Next year I will be a good person. I hope you like the cookies and the reindeer like the carrots.


Sincerely, Brenton Merillat, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade



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And when they were come into the house,  
they saw the child with Mary his mother,  
and fell down, and worshiped him...*

~ Matthew 2:10-11

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I can't wait to see you. I am wondering how Rudolf is doing. I have been good somewhat this year. I would like a xbox, airpods, 10,000 dollars, and flatscreen TV. I do my chores and help my dad out. Next year I will behave very good. I hope you really like the cookies. Good luck, friend, Have a fun trip and be careful.

Farewell, Christopher Kroon, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade

Dear Santa,  
hello. Are the elves good? I hope so. I want to know how you have been. I have been goodish. I hope I can get a nice DS and cleats, a PS4, overwatch video game and PS4 headphones. I tried with my grades. I love my family and I am good. Next year I will be better. I hope you and your reindeer are happy and you. See you next year.

Sincerely, Cole Meese, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade

Hello Santa,  
How are you? What kind of cookies do you like? I really tried to behave. I would really like a iPad case like my cousin nora, apple watch kids and bedroom decorations, Michigan sweatshirt macbook pro and sword friendship bracelets, Jackets that say Danger, headbands That have a sword on it, and a sweatshirt that says sassy! and that matches for two people. I work hard on my grades. I am really nice to my friends. I was good to my teacher. I hope you like cookies.

Farewell, Gracie Travis, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade

Dear Santa,  
I can't wait till Christmas. How is rudolf and Mrs. Claus? I tried to be really good to my teacher and my mom. These are the gifts I want these legos: hidden side, star wars, ninjago, avengers, batman and lost kitties. I think I should get my gifts because I am kind to animals and nice to my mom. I will be a good kid next year. I hope you like the cookies I will leave you.

Bye, Gunner Lanski-Buric, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade

Dear Santa Claus,  
I hope you make more friends. Please try not to fire elves or reindeer. I tried not to fight with my sister but I've been good. I want an xbox one, nintendo games, legos, iphone 11, playStation games, a hot tub, gold, a pet guinea pig, one kitten, and Michigan stuff, nerf guns, and fortnite guns. I earned these because I don't fight. I worked hard to get to 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, really really hard. I do my chores like fold clothes, clean my room and take out the stinky garbage. I will be super good next year and the net year. I hope you like cookies and the reindeer like carrots. Be safe.

Bye, Holden Mahalak, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade

P.S. You should listen to Santa is Getting Fit for Christmas.

Hello Santa,  
I hope the elves are being good this year. I have been trying super super hard to get along with my little brother. I would like a Iphone eleven, Nintenddo Swish Xbox 360, and overwatch. I

have been trying hard in school and I shovel the driveway. I have been kind of nicer to my brother. Next year I will be good.

Sincerely, James Storey, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade

Hello Santa,  
I'm having my birthday and Christmas both in December, crazy right? I am being about 30% bad and 70% good, sorry. Can I please have no coal? I want Lloyds titan mech, and a nintendo switch, a huge tablet/phone, nerf ultra one, the book Bad Guys Big Bad Wolf, and a Pikachu over 100 reaction POKEMON figure. That is all of my presents. I really deserve these gifts because I listen to my mom and my dad. I share with my sister. I play with people who get left out at school. These reasons are very true because you know, you are watching. I will behave 100% (maybe) next year. You heard me. 100%! I will leave you milk and cookies on the counter in the kitchen. I promise. I hope there is no storm on the way home and please leave a cookie for me.

Sincerely, Jonathan Tesser, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade

Hello Santa,  
You should totally listen to the song Santa's Getting Fit for Christmas. I tried very hard to be good all year. I would like a iPad, a couch for my room, a extra fuzzy bunny, a fuzzy pillow and a fuzzy blanket to go with the new couch I get. I should have all the presents I want because I got good grades, I am good at school, and I decorated the whole Christmas tree. I admit it. I have a few things to work on like not being sassy to my parents. I hope you like the cookies we made you. I hope the reindeer like the carrots. I hope you get home safely.

Sincerely, Lila Somers, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade

Dear Santa,  
What's up Santa? I am so ready for Christmas. Are the elves okay? I tried to behave my best this year. I really want a smart sketcher, Lost Kitties, Lost Kitties Car, Barbie Dream Plan, Soccer Stuff, Coloring Books, a squissy maker, a chromebook, and cry babies, a class elf, barbies, barbie camper, a kitten, rescue runts, and tablet headphones. I should get these gifts because I work hard in school and never give up. I am polite. I try not to argue with my parents. I hope you like the cookies and milk. I hope you drive safe. Have fun and goodbye.

Madisyn Hysell, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade  
P.S. At least I am my teachers favorite student!

Hello Santa,  
I can't wait until Christmas. Have you had a great year? I tried to be good. For Christmas I would like a Nintendo Switch, Iphone 11 and a chromebook. I think I should get these presents because I've been good all year. Another reason is I will try to be nice to my grandma. I hope you like the milk I got for you. Make sure to give the reindeer the carrots. I hope there's no snow storm.

Sincerely, Maisy White

Dear Santa,  
Hello Santa. How are you today? Do dress warm. It's really cold so watch out for a storm. Is Mrs. Claus doing good? Yes or no How are the reindeer? What do they like to eat? I have been a little nice to my brother and he's nice too. I really want a puppy, a phone, a barbie house, scrunchys, a hydro flask, a huge t-shirt, and makeup and my family all together. I have been doing the dishes when my mom tells me to and I feed the cats and dogs. I clean the hallway and I'm kind to the animals. I do my homework right and I finish it on that day. I will try to be nice to my brother next year. I hope you like the cookies and milk I left for you.

Sincerely, Savanna Skiera

Hi Santa,  
You better bring those cookies and milk. So I did pretty good this year and I have been like only 15% bad and I want a iphone 11 and some cool legos. I did really good in school this year and I do really good on youtube because I got over about 400 dollars. Next year I will try to be good to my sister. How did you like the milk and cookies I left you last year? Be safe and take care of those reindeer. Plus take care.

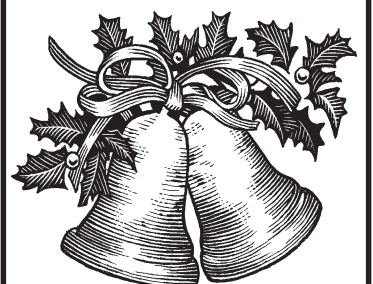
Sincerely, Ryan Bartz, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade

Dear Santa,  
hello. I hope Mrs. Claus isn't making you go crazy. Have the elves been bad? I tried to be good but I fought with Andy and Izzy. I would like OMG dolls, LOL dolls, makeup, socks. I deserve the gifts because I helped my mom with my brother. I have not back talked my mom or dad in a while. I have been doing good in school. I promise I will be nice to Izzy and Andy. I don't know if you will have cookies at my house.

Sincerely, Monica Welsh, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade

Hi Mr. and Mrs. Claus,  
How are you doing? I tried to be good. I would like money, TV, barbies, TV stand, a pony and credit card. I tried to be good to my mom. I play with kids when they are sad. I am kind to animals. Next year I will try to read more. I hope you like the milk and cookies.

Bye, Bye, Maggie Weiss, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade.



## Greetings of Joy and Goodwill



**Ms. Wilkerson's Class**

Dear Santa,

How are you doing this Christmas? I am doing really good. When there is a fire in the chimney, how do you get down? I have been good. Me and my sister are having fights rarely. My top two things I want for Christmas is a Nintendo light blue and a new Pokemon sword and shields game. The next thing I want is a 40 Pokeman card booster pack with 10 cards in them. Then a Smashers Dino Egg and 20 Lindor chocolate and a bone for my dog Luka. Why I should get my gifts because I do really good in school. the next reason is that I do a lot of stuff for my mom and dad. The last reason is because I am great. I deserve my gifts because I am awesome. (well that is what my teacher and my mom say). We are leaving carrots, cookies and milk for you. I hope you have a good year. See you next year.

Sincerely, Abel Birk

Dear Santa,

Hi Santa, this is Gracie Barkley. How are your elves? Here is the thing, I am trying to but sometimes I do not listen. I want a Barbie camper, Chelsey camper, kitchen set, exclusive LOL set, unicorn robe, real long Mal dress. I have been doing good in school. I love Christmas. I have been trying really hard to be good at home. I hope you like chocolate chip cookies and milk. I will behave next year. Have a safe flight!

Sincerely, Gracie Barkley

Dear Santa,

hello, why do you wear red? I was really good this year. I wish for Christmas Roblox toys. I wish for Minecraft Lego city and one Roblox with 4500 Robux. I am going to give you cookies and milk. I hope you have a nice trip.

Love, Tommy McKenzie

Dear Santa,

how are you? Can you get full after a lot of cookies? I

have been pretty good. I do the dishes with my sister. For Christmas I would like a Nerf gun, skinny jeans, LOLs, make up, American Girl doll, Art Supplies, a Fitbit and a tablet. I think I should get my gifts because I'm good almost everyday. I will leave cookies, carrots, milk and letter for you. I am good in school. I think I deserve the gifts because I listen to my teacher and I tell the truth. I will behave next year by working on taking care of my stuff. I hope you like the cookies I left you and your reindeer like the carrots and apples. have a safe trip through the world. You are the best Santa Claus!

Sincerely, Emma Griggs

Hi Santa,

How old are you really? I have been really good. I would like something. I want a Poke Belt with Pokeballs. I need clothes. I need lego books to read. I have been helpful in school and at home. I am really funny.

Your friend,  
Owen Martineau

Dear Santa,

Ola, so I hope you have been feeling food. What is your favorite cookie? I have been pretty good at school, sometimes. This Christmas I would like, LOL dolls, kitty's, stuffed animals, make up, gum, puppies, baby dolls, a Fitbit, hoverboard, smart watch and a American girl doll. I deserve these gifts because I tell the truth (at least I try to). I don't know what I am going to make for you but I hope you like it! I hope you have a very good Christmas! Love you Santa Claus!!

Sincerely, Mikayla Prater

Dear Santa,

I love you. How does Rudolph have a shiny nose? I have been behaving. I would like a 22 rifle, a snow blower, and lots of toys. I have been very good. I am really helpful around the house I help getting the chores done. You are

the best, I love you. I will be extremely good next year I promise. I think that you like sugar cookies. I love you.

From Brayden Morrison

Dear Santa,

Do you shave in the summer? I am good when needed. I would like a youtube channel, a puppy, a kitten, and to get all of my adult teeth. I think I should get my gifts because I do my best in school. I am mature for my age and I only have two adult teeth so far. I think I should get my gifts?! I hope. I will behave if necessary. I hope you like your milk and cookies.

Sincerely, Rainey Miller

Dear Santa,

Hello, how are you doing? How old are you? I have been kind of bad and good. What I want for Christmas is an Xbox, magic set, art set, crystal set, 3 puppies, 2 kitties, a big stuffy, a ball, a tablet, a good Christmas with my family and a stereo. The first reason I should get gifts because I have been helping my mom when she sprained her ankle. The 2<sup>nd</sup> reason is I will behave. The 3<sup>rd</sup> reason I have been trying to be good. I will behave the same as this year for next year. I hope you like the cookies, milk, and carrots for your reindeer. Hope you have a safe trip!

Best Wishes, Alice Bajema

Hi Santa,

I wonder how are you doing? I have been very good and a little mean. I want a LOL surprise doll, Christmas season and a hoverboard. I have been trying my best at school and at home. I have been trying my best Not to fight with my brother and sister. I have been trying my best for everything. I will be good next year. I hope I can make cookies for you. Have a nice Christmas.

Sincerely, Tayler Wilburn

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing? Why do you have a white beard? I was really good. I want a puppy for Christmas. I want a mini bike. I have been good this year because I was nice and did not argue. I did nice things and I will be have. I hope you like the cookies and milk. Bye Santa, have a safe flight.

Blayne Dellar

Dear Santa,

Do you actually look like you do in the movies? This Christmas I want a gymnastic bar so I can practice my back hip circles. I hope you like my cookies. I hope you never get sick. That would be the worst Christmas ever!

Sincerely, Abby Belanger

Dear Santa,

Hello, I can't wait for you to come to my house! Have you ever been in a blizzard? It happens here sometimes. What is your opinion, it was great but you are the one with the answers. Please I want a Cozmo Nerf mini gun, Red Dead Redemption video game. I have been working hard all year. I don't really care about getting presents. I care about family. I love Christmas. I have been good. I think we are leaving cookies, milk and carrots for you. I hope you enjoy them. Hopefully, there will be no blizzards in your way to houses this year.

Best wishes, Cody Kimball

Dear Santa,

What does your sleigh look like? There was a little issue, I was not very good this year. I am working on that! This Christmas I want a skateboard, a hover board, a football and more lego's. I will

behave better next year. Have a safe trip.

Sincerely, Logan Lyke

Hello Santa,

My name is Adriana Grimshaw. How are you doing? What is your favorite cookie? I think I have been good. This Christmas I want a LOL doll house. A unicorn robe, a hydro flask in light blue. For my dad's house I want the movie The Descendants 3 and the matching bed comforter, a Descendants 3 nightgown, fake shopkins nails, some LOL dolls that some are boys, some are girls, and some are babies. I think I should get these presents because I have been very good at school and I have worked hard in school. I think I will get carrots for your reindeer. Have a nice flight.

Sincerely,  
Adriana Grimshaw

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? How do you fit in the chimneys? What I want for Christmas is a hoverboard, football, basketball and video games, and a box of chocolate milk 40 pack. I should get these gifts because I have tried my hardest to be good. The second reason I should get gifts is because I help my mom and dad clean. The 3<sup>rd</sup> reason I should get gifts is because I am good. I am going to try my hardest to be good. I am going to behave the same as this year. I am going to leave milk and cookies for you and I am going to leave carrots and apples for your reindeer. Hope you have a good Christmas.

Grady Goddard

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Dear Santa,  
This is Ryleigh speaking. I hope you have a good trip hohohoho. When is your birthday? I have been good, I have some problems. I want a Fitbit and a chromebook and mostly a happy family. I want a real dog, scrunchies and slime. I help around the house a lot. I also help my brother and I am responsible. I will care for them and I will help people when they need help. I hope you like the cookies and warm milk and carrots and the elf. Good-bye Santa. I will try to not eat any more Ramen Noodles.

Ryleigh Desonia

Hi Santa,  
How is Mrs. Claus doing? What is your favorite reindeer? I have been good this year. What I want this year is a hoverboard, Pokemon cards and pokemon folder, a baby alive doll and the thing I really want is a Michael Jordan poster! Finally, please can I have a gymnastics bar, some scrunchies and slime. Why should I get presents? Because I have been good. The second reason I should get presents is because I take care of my toys. The third reason I should get presents is because I take care of everything I have and I am responsible. I am very caring and I will be good next year. You will like what I left you, milk and cookies and carrots.

Sincerely, Jordyn Somers

Hi Santa,  
Why do you wear red? I have been very good. I want an elephant, Barbies, LOL, shoes, bike. One reason I should get my gifts is that I have been very good. The second reason is that I have not thrown a fit. My third reason is that I am very good every year. Next year I will be good. I hope you like the cookies and milk. By Santa I hope you have a safe flight. Ho Ho Ho

Your friend, Nevaeh Lason

Dear Santa,  
Hello, What is your favorite cookie? I have been good. I would like art stuff, LOL dolls, makeup, and a Fitbit. I am good, I am smart and sweet. I am doing good in school. I will be good next year too. I will leave you and your reindeer cookies, milk and carrots. I wish you a safe ride home to the North Pole.

Sincerely, Breanna Link

Dear Santa,  
I wanted to talk to you, it's very Merry to talk to you. Did you get a new sleigh sometimes? I have been very Merry good! I want a Llama stuffed animals, hacking packing Alpaca, some LOL surprise dolls, Harry Potter stuff, Flipgrid, Lego's and a tablet. I love toys because they are so cool and I wanted toys that I never had before. I wanted a Flipgrid to make videos for my friends. They are very Merry good. I want them for me to be happy. I will be very very good next year too. I hope you like oreo's and the milk. Wish you well. I will see the gifts... Aloha

Sincerely, Zoe Bowers

**Fourth Grade  
Ms. Crevier's Class**

Dear Santa,  
I would really like a hover board for Chistmas. I would

also like you to look over my family. I want to have the best Chistmas ever this year. I will be good until Chistmas. I also want a gift card. Santa travelsafe and don't lose your reindeer.

Sincerely, Scott Burns

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the preants last year. I love the preants they wore so cool. This year I want air pods. and a wond curler. and I would like some slime. and I would like a phone holder and a 6s case and a pop soket. I would also want a I pad. Santa you are the best. I dont really care what you get me I just want preants.

Sincerely, Shailagh Marjorie Warren'-Skeans

Dear Santa,  
Can I please get candy for Christmas? lost of candy! and one thing can you please help my mother? and please let me, my dad, my mom, my stepmon, my stepdad, my two brothers hunter and Jaden, my four sisters chloe, gwenith, bailee and katelyn have the best christmas? P.S. Get my Dog something. P.P.S. I'm going to Disney world.

Sincerely, Amelia Elizebeth Sommer

Dear Santa,  
This Christmas, I will have some quistions for you. How do your reindeer fly? How does magic igsist? How did you get so much knolidge? Have you been good? Just like you ask all of the people? Have a great Christmas. Merry Christmas

Sincerely, Mike Burnett

Dear Santa,  
I will leav you some home made cookies and a glass of milk. and some carrots for the rander. how is rodof and the other rander? woud the rander like the carrots haff or hole? and I would for you to spris me and I love crismas beucs it is about the birth of christ. and pleas watch out for my uncle rick becus he is in albama and to be rude I would like a smal iphone and crac and a pop socit.

Sincerely, Cia Cox

Dear Santa,  
Santa do you make all the present's your self? Am I on naughty or nice list I think I am on the nice list? how many elf's do you have a lot I think? I want a fish and a poleroid camra.

Sincerely, Ethan Levine

Dear Santa,  
thank you for the elf and may I have same art stuff. And thank you for thinking about us. And for giveing us presents. You are the best one that give us presents. And think of us. And I love how you love rander and other animals.

Sincerely, Josh Abee

Dear Santa,  
can I have an elf for crismis? Pls Santa I had one Last year and I took good care of it. For the year and p.s. I will give you a present It will be next to the cookies and milk you will need it and can i get a iPhone 11 Pro Max and air Pod Pro? two of each.

Sincerely, Jacob R. Smith

Dear Santa,  
Merry Chistmas! This chistmas can you please get me a Ipad? I really want to donate to the kids who don't get presents. I also want airpods please. I'll leave cookies out for you. I'll also leave carrots out for the reindeer. How do you go to everyones house in one night? does mrs. claus come with you.

Sincerely, Abigail Wortley

Dear Santa,  
Can you please give my sister a box of pokemon card's so she wont take mine. Also can you please forgive me when I be bad. I dont mean to be bad when I do. I always try my best to be good all day, all year, all the time no madder what. By the way shyanne loves to read dork diaries can you get her the hole seson. I hope you get this.

sincerely, Katrina Laberge

Dear Santa,  
Please watch my great grandpa Rickert he is only 93 I love alot. I worry about him alot since he left after deer season. All I want for christmas is to donate money so every child and adult has a present just like me. I will like a bird and everything else for a bird. I would also like a iPhone one of those small ones and a case. Please and thank you and your welcome for everything. When is elfy coming?

Sincerely, Adelle Esther Boyat

Dear Santa,  
These are six thing I'd like for christmas. A new tack set for my horse because I grew out of my saddle. Some barbie clothes I have lost most of mine. I would like my sister to better because shes really sick. Some oversized christmas shirts because I'll use them for pajama's. A giant unicorn because I use my other one for a pillow. for my dad to be better because he has a stomach bag.

Sincerely, Myra Armstrong

Dear Santa,  
I wish for People to be kind and People who do not blefen in you are bad People or thay do not get presens and thay do not no how love feels like and thay are mad at People and Santa I wish for a phone.

Sincerely, Taelyn MacNeill

Dear Santa,  
thank you for all of the presents last year and this year. I have something for you and ms. claus. Your gonna like it and she is gonna like I promis. What I want for christmas 1. I phone X, 2. hover board, 3. nerf gun Elite titen. I belive in you.

Love, Lochlin Gordy P.S. I dont no how to draw rain deer.

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for last year's gift.. It was amazing. I am happy for this year's gift. I wish it was crismist allredy. I excited to see you. See you soon santa claw's.

Sincerely, Malena Armendariz



Dear Santa,  
I want a dog and a Bird. I also want a remot control sumuren and a dirt bike.  
Sincerely, Brett Travis

**Mr. Robinson's Class**

Dear Santa,  
I would like a Xbox one, a tv, and a tablet to! I have been great this year! Anyway do you now where I live. Plus I want candy.  
Sincerely, Joshua Perez

Dear Santa,  
What i'd like for christmas is a 0. Apple I-Pad, 1. Apple watch 2. Apple tablet, 3. Apple phone with case, 4. Slime, fluff balls, sqishies, 5. money, money, money, money, 6. money, money, money, 7. money, money, laptop, chromebook, 8. Apple headphones, Pokemon stuff, 9. 1,000,000,000 kittens.  
Sincerely, Alexandra Baird

Dear Santa,  
I would like a tablet and wireles head phone's. can I have one of the newest crombooks pleas and a 3DS and all mario's gams. Also a 17x14 inc TV.  
Sincerely, Spencer Vantine

Dear Santa,  
I would like a new all black xbox controller, a iphone 10, 13,000vdux mary minty axey, jedi fallen please.  
Sincerely, Henrik Healy

Dear Santa,  
This year i want...hoverboard, a computer, a nerf gun, an elf suit, xBox, Free wifi, 3 pear's of sock's, Frozen 2 DVD Disc, camaflosh sweater, robot. Hope you give me them.  
Sincerely, Twyla Barton

Dear Santa,  
I have ben good this you can tell. I wod like something for my bird, roll skass, LOLs, candy, robot, and some more toy and crismis.  
Sincerely, Juliet Mann

Dear Santa,  
I'm So sorry that ive been very bad and I'm grounded for 2 weeks becuse I Lied to my mom and dad. But if it is ok with you I would Like mostly clothes so I want a new coat with a fuzzy hood on it and a new Backpack and also I want new Bra's and also, cropped Sweatshirt's and also, Leggins and also, new under pants and also no show socks, and also Bath Bombs and also, Succulent plants for my room.  
Sincerely, Khloe Jayde Boyd

Dear Santa,  
I want a nirf gun niper and I want a huver bord that huvers. I want a mincraft guys and I want a Lego set. I want a ipad. I want a phone. I want a nirf gun 3.  
Sincerely, Xander Cruz

Dear Santa,  
I really want all of the decedents movies, with diary of a wimpy kid movies, too and sketch pad's and all of the Archie Comix, and a Panda stuffed animal. And a IPad, and head Phone's and sharpie's, scissors, a Back Pack and a new upgrade on my Kindle, and all the longureing movie's.  
Sincerely,  
Riley Elizabeth Yehl

Dear Santa,  
I have been good. And I really want a ChromeBook. And a Tablet. And a iPhone II and I wnat a Bed Set. And I want Art. And I want Cooking Stuff, and Slime, Rabbitt. Please.  
Sincerely, Alexis Peterson

Dear Santa,  
I'm Sorry I've been bad to my Parents I'm sorry, I Please want clothes and a stuffed animal reindeer so I can sleep with it.  
Sincerely, Reid Travis

Dear Santa,  
I would i like a yeezy 350 Size 4, KTM iphone with case and a Pit bike and PC gaming and suviver stuff. drive safe Santa. When will my elf start coming?  
Sincerely, Jaxon Morgan

Dear Santa,  
I would like a iPhone XR and a apple i Pad. and a blowup Jacuzzi and a tv, a trip to the spa, a swing cair in my room, a fitbit, and a phone 11 a bag full of marshmlow's and shoe's.  
Sincerely, Madison Hall

Dear Santa,  
I been so good This year. I been a little naughty but I do what i am told. May I have a new i Phone 11 Please and Squshy's Please? and Slime and make up please.  
Sincerely, Amie Colosky

Dear Santa,  
I want Dollers, a airplane, a iland and air space ship and allso a silver peney. I would like wifi around the world, a hot tub. I want a jeney in a bottel.  
Sincerely, Asher Pagels

Dear Santa,  
I would like a tv, chromebook, and tablet for christmas please. and more thing a i phone. And with the tv a fire stick remote. And a speaker. the last thing a hamster dwarf hamster please.  
Sincerely, Alexis Schmidt

Dear Santa,  
This is the truth I haveint been the best this year. But I would like a guitar for my room, an i Phone 8 whith a pop sokit. And the big sistr to my LOL litl sistr. safe travling.  
Sincerely, Tina Cripps

**Fifth Grade Mrs. Yokom's Class**

Dear Santa,  
This year all I would like is a few things. For Christmas I would like Airpods, Iphone Gift Cards, Iphone 11. And I would also like for you to give stuff to the people that can not afford toys or electronics. Also, how is Mrs. Claus and the reindeer? Also this year I will leave out more cookies for you can have more for you and Mrs. Claus.  
Sincerely, Braedon Scott

Dear Santa,  
how is Mrs. Claus? I want a nickelodeon slime and tell Christmas tree that I love him and I will miss him very much. How is Rudolph? and I want my Grandma Barb to get better. I want a new chromebook, and the iphone 11.  
Love, Ryan Windsor

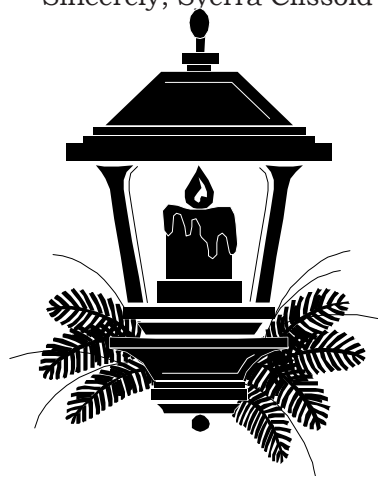
Dear Santa,  
I want a camera for me and a B positive kidney for my grandma because she is in kidney failure.  
Sincerely, Trinity Wilburn

Dear Santa,  
Hello Santa, you are a special guy. I hope you have had a great year. Tell Mrs. Claus I said hi. Tell all the elves they have been doing a great job the past years making presents. Will you do something really special for me? Please give the other kids who may not be as fortunate as me extra. I will put out cookies for you. Actually, what kind of cookies do you want, chocolate chip or oatmeal raisin, or no bake? Which one? Oh, can I have a couple special things like hoverboard? And it you can help me by making sure I don't move again that would be awesome. Is Rudolph still leading the sleigh? Does his nose still glow red? I mite not have a Christmas tree this year so if I don't have one by Christmas, just put the gifts by my fireplace. One more think I want is a turantula since my mom hasn't got me one, even though she said she would get me one. Well, have a great Christmas. I will hear that Merry Christmas soon. Thanks for everything!  
Sincerely, Jade Shurmur

Dear santa,  
I'm not really sure what I want this year besides a hoverboard and some khaki pants. I have a few questions that I hope you have answers for. First has there been any storms where you are? Also, how do you manage to make it around the whole world in one night stopping at every house it doesn't seem possible! Another thing I want to know is how are the reindeer, do they ever get sick? I guess that's all I have to say, except say hi to Mrs. Claus for me and good luck this Christmas. Merry Christmas!  
Sincerely, Your friend, Benjamin Myers

Dear Santa,  
I have loved all the presents you game me, but I have a grandpa who just got 2 Knee surgeries also my grandpa's stepmom in a nursing home. Instead of giving me more presents, give them presents that they want. thanks for all the presents.  
Sincerely, Izzabella Lincoln

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I want Lol dolls, Lego friends Rescue mission Boat, Trouble game, Brain quest 5<sup>th</sup> grade, math minutes 5<sup>th</sup> grade, Googly eyes showdown, Don't break the ice game, Are you smarter than a 5<sup>th</sup> grader? Gametime WII game, Tamagotchi On, Numchuck.  
Sincerely, Sverra Clissold



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Dear santa,  
 For Christmas I would not like to receive presents this year but my one wish for Christmas is people treat homeless people better and not like they are scary people. or possibly people could even help them out with food or money or even finding a home. I fell like this should happen because people are not treating them like they are normal people and it would be great if you could drop by people who are homeless and give them food and water and a blanket. Merry Christmas.  
 Sincerely, Rielle Sanders

Dear Santa,  
 I would like to give the homeless kids some really nice presents. Like a nice home and some money for some food. I would also like to have a very nice Christmas this year. What I actually mean is I don't want my brother to be mean to me on Christmas day.  
 Love, Adrian Burnett

Dear Santa,  
 I want a new xbox one, xbox one controller, new iphone 11, football, airpods pro. And plus how is Rudolph and Mrs. Claus doing? I am going to try to leave cookies out for you and Mrs. Claus and I will try to also leave your reindeer carrots or whatever they like.  
 Sincerely, Gavin Lobaugh

Dear Santa,  
 Thank you for the gifts and presents, but I don't want (or need) much for Christmas. But, I would like some of the following: a new American girl doll and maybe even more LOL dolls. I want you to know not to spend much time getting me stuff (or should I say "making me stuff") but spend your time on people who need it and don't get much stuff ever. So take my request to heart and only get me one or two things. There are more people that need things and

I'm not on that on that list. Also tell Mrs. Claus, the reindeer, and the elves I said hi and Merry Merry Christmas!  
 Sincerely, Leigha Belanger

Dear Santa,  
 This Christmas I Will Like All The Michigan Chillers and All the American Chillers Books and a Very Nice Hoverboard and a New Cat. how is Rudolph doing? How are you and Mrs. Claus doing? One more thing I want a new DVD player.  
 Sincerely, Laken Middleton

Dear Santa,  
 I don't want much for Christmas, but I do want some Xbox games like farming simulator, Forza Horizon, MX vs ATV All Out, Rocket League and cars games. That is all I want for this year, but I want you to go and give all the kids that do not have a lot of toys so they can be happy just like me. Also give them some shoes and coats to the kids that do not have that stuff.  
 Sincerely, Tyler Gregory

Dear Santa,  
 For Christmas Hi I would like a computer and a wireless mouse and a mouse pad and a slime and a Nintendo switch and all the kids in need to have a holly jolly Christmas.  
 Thank you, Kalab Tews

Dear Santa,  
 All I want for Christmas is a few things that I want and something that I want for someone. The thing that I want is a hoverboard and headphones. I also want a fourwheeler. Another thing I want is a new pair of tennis shoes. Now what I want for someone else is for a poor person to get a present.  
 Sincerely, Ceanna Stern

Dear Santa,  
 Thank you for all the presents you've given me. I just want a couple things for Christmas. One thing I want is for all my family to be happy and healthy. Another thing is mini brands 5 surprise. And anything Harry Potter I'm happy with. I would also like some customized galaxy prism pods please. I have a couple of questions, what is Mrs. Claus's favorite cookie? And can you send me another elf on the shelf? (preferable a girl and a boy). I will set out cookies, carrots and milk.  
 Sincerely, Katelyn Sommer

Dear Santa,  
 I don't want a lot for Christmas this year, So you don't have to spend a lot of time on me, So you have enough time to do other peoples presents. but somethings I want are lucky fortunes, a camera and paint. I will also be leaving some cookies for you and Mrs. Claus and some carrots for the reindeer for you to enjoy on your journey back to the north pole.  
 Sincerely, Danica Gauthier

Dear Santa,  
 This Christmas I will like a new phone please. That's all I want for Christmas this year. how is Mrs. Claus? Ho and did you think I forgot about the reindeer and the elves how are they doing? How cold is it in the north pole? I mostly want you to visit the other kids that want stuff for Christmas.  
 sincerely, Bailey Dellar

Dear Santa,  
 Thank you for all the presents you have given me throughout the years I appreciate it Thank You! But these are a couple of things I want for Christmas this year in 2019. I want a hoverboard that lights up, a laptop (white), a hydro flask (rainbow), also I really really want the new wireless airpods (with case), a finally I really want an elf on the shelf. I hear that they are really cool and fun to find around your house. Thank You!! And Merry Christmas. And don't worry I am still going to leave you cookies and food for the reindeer. And P.S if you find a cookie that is horrible looking that that most likely might be mine. =!  
 Your friend, Everly Gordy

Dear Santa,  
 Thank you for all the toys you bring on Christmas day. I am very thankful for all of the toys you bring on Christmas. I have a few questions for you. How do get around the world in one night, and if Rudolph guides the sleigh? For this Christmas, I want a new hoverboard, new clothes, ugg and a new phone. Merry Christmas!  
 Sincerely, Ellie Norling


Dear Santa,  
 I am so very thankful that you ride your magical sleigh to everybody's houses. But, this year I only want eight presents. For the first present (It's a biggie), I would like the

other half of my tooth fixed. The second present, would be my phone, that is currently in possession of my mother and father. The third present, isn't exactly for me (Well, yes, it's for my health), it would be for my mother's hernia in her stomach. The fourth present is a fitbit or an apple watch. The fifth, should be a good trip to heaven for my aunt that just recently passed away of brain cancer. The sixth present is a chance to see my family. The seventh present is money for poor families. My eighth present is probably my chance to get a PS4. Thank you, and please have an amazing Christmas, and new years. Tell Mrs. Claus I have said hello, and a merry Christmas (with a happy new year!)  
 Your friend,  
 Jaclynne Lockhart


Dear Santa,  
 Thank you can you give me a blinger and go glam, and I want a coloring set. I want a phone because can you give me it because Can I have a phone for Christmas. Can you give my dad A Ohio State necklace because my dad likes that. My wants a ring. My sister Ariel she wants a volleyball for Christmas. My sister Nevaeh wants a coloring set. My aunt wants a phone for Christmas because she wants it for Christmas. My uncle wants tools for Christmas. My cousin mikey he wants a phone for Christmas. My grandma and grandpa they past away.  
 Thank you Santa Claus,  
 Aubrey Dowalter


Dear Santa,  
 I would like several things this Christmas. First I would like a few Xbox games, as well as a gaming chair. Legos and a new headphone set would also be great! Maybe a new phone too. Lastly I would like a new virtual reality set, and a video camera. A video camera would be awesome! If possible, a battery for the camera would be very helpful. Thank you and Merry Christmas!  
 Sincerely, Tristan Hussain

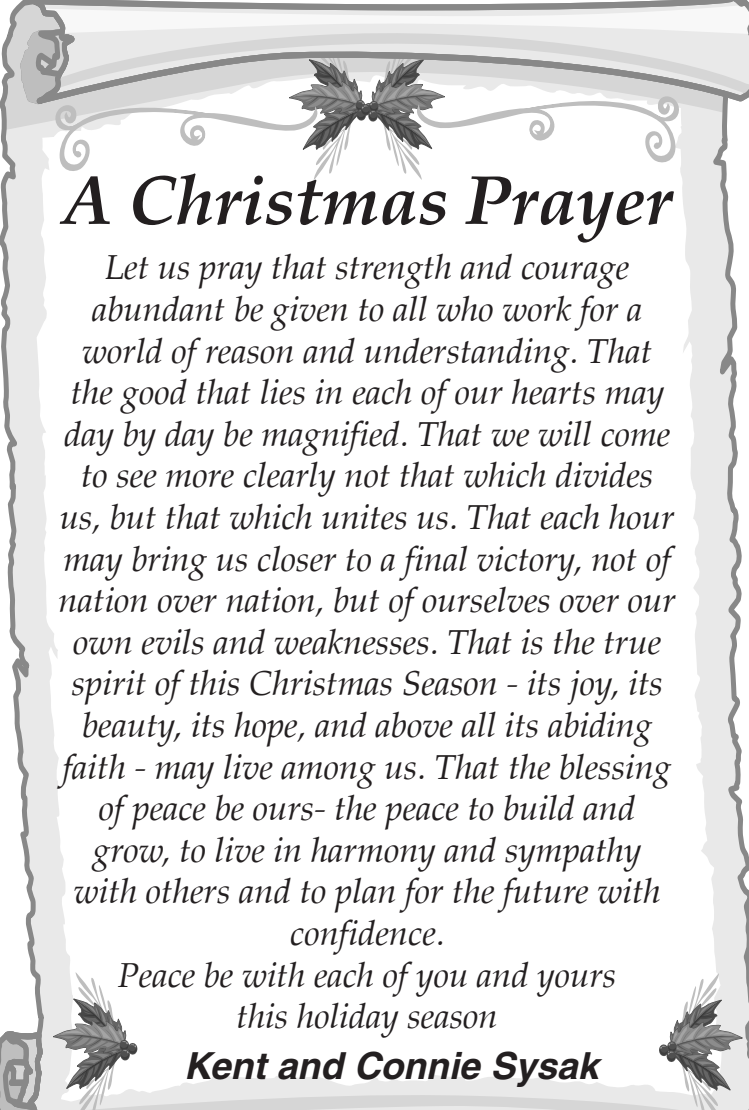
Dear santa,  
 I want a few things This year for Christmas. I would like a hoverboard, a wireless controller for my switch, iphone 8, and gift cards. I will leave carrots for your reindeer, cookies for you, I hope Mrs. Claus is doing great. And tell Rudolph I said hi.  
 Sincerely, cooper Breier



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## A Christmas Prayer

*Let us pray that strength and courage abundant be given to all who work for a world of reason and understanding. That the good that lies in each of our hearts may day by day be magnified. That we will come to see more clearly not that which divides us, but that which unites us. That each hour may bring us closer to a final victory, not of nation over nation, but of ourselves over our own evils and weaknesses. That is the true spirit of this Christmas Season - its joy, its beauty, its hope, and above all its abiding faith - may live among us. That the blessing of peace be ours- the peace to build and grow, to live in harmony and sympathy with others and to plan for the future with confidence.*

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Dear Santa,  
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Sincerely, Willow Ward

Dear Santa,  
 Thank you for all the joy you bring on Christmas morning. My sisters and I are thankful for what you bring. I have one question, How is Mrs. Claus? She is probably making cookies back at the north pole. I don't want much for Christmas but I would like some fuzzy socks to make my toes warm. For Christmas I want to help my mom, she has worked so much. She needs a break, so I want to help my mom by helping her clean, Making hot cocoa for her, maybe even for her to watch a Christmas movie. I am a big help to my mom when I take care of my sisters and my 1 year old cousin. I will try to be on the good list, I will still help my mom as much as I can. Don't worry

Santa cookies and milk will be out this year. Merry Christmas!!

Sincerely, Kaylee Belanger

Dear Santa,  
 For Christmas I want an iphone xr, air pods, hoverboard, macbook air. What are your reindeer names? Can you get my step dad a new truck he needs a new truck his doesn't work? I also want something that can help me learn foreign languages. oh before I say goodbye I want to thank you for all the gifts you gave me over the years.

Sincerely, Brandon Stanley

**Mrs. Holmes' Class**

Dear Santa,  
 Thank you for the presents last year! here is a list of stuff I would like for Christmas. 1. Electric guitar 2. Art set 3. Canvases 4. Easiel 5. Twizzlers, Reese Pieces 6. Pringels and Takis. That is what I want for Christmas. I will leave you cookies and carrots.

Sincerely, Ariana Riso

Dear Santa,  
 Thank you for all the gifts this year and last year. I will bake enough cookies for you and Mrs. Claus and carrots for the reindeer. What I would like for Christmas is lemon color hydro flask and lemon color headphones, lots of scrunchies, a metal straw - color turquoise and a chrome book so I can type more stories. I wish for my parents and everybody I know to have the best wishes and holiday.

Sincerely,  
 Elliyana Grimshaw

Dear Santa,  
 Thank you for all of the nice gifts last year! I had a lot of fun with them. I was wondering if you could fit in a four wheeler, a Roco tv and a big fat box of M&M'S? Thank you! Oh, and please say hello to Mrs. Claus and the reindeer for me!

Sincerely, Addison Birk

Dear Santa,  
 Thank you for all of the presents you got me last year. How are Rudolph, the elves and Mrs. Claus doing? I would also like to know how you are doing? Are the elves still making toys for all of the kids? I just have two more questions: One, how do you get into houses that do not have chimneys? Two, how do your reindeer fly? I would like roller blades, an art set and Monopoly Cheaters Edition. Have a wonderful trip around the globe, Santa Claus.

Sincerely, Sierra Wright

Dear santa!  
 Thank you for all the toys and cheer you bring. What I really want are books I love books. So that's what I want. What would you want? Hmmm. New sleigh? New warm clothes? I don't know. If I could give you what you wanted I could but I don't have \$\$\$. I hope you, Rudolph and Mrs. Claus are doing good.

Your friend, Lucas Haskins  
 Merry Christmas Santa

Dear Santa,  
 What I want for Christmas is Call of Duty (World at War, Modern Warfare 3, Black Ops on the Wii) I also want call of duty T-shirts and sweaters

and two pairs of jeans. I want an xbox one with (Call of Duty Modern Warfare remastered and WWII) and a small TV. and thank you for the presents for last year but make this Christmas the best. Me and my sister well give cookies for you and Mrs. Claus and carrots for the reindeer. How is rudolph doing? See you soon.

Thank you, Zachary Hall

Dear Santa,  
 Thank you for all the gifts you have given me. Instead of giving me gifts this year please give the less fortunate children my presents. I would like to give them hope this Christmas. I will still leave cookies for you and Mrs. Claus, and snacks for the reindeer.

Sincerely, Alexis Grove

Dear Santa,  
 Thank you for all the presents last year. I don't want much this year, but I would like you to cheer my mom up. My grandma is really sick. Thank you. I will make sure I leave cookies and milk for you and leave carrots for your reindeer.

Thank you, Tyler Warren

Dear Santa,  
 Thank you so much for all the years of presents and all the magical experience. Now I don't know what I want so just surprise me, please. I don't really have any wishes. I guess I could have one wish and it is so that everyone has an amazing Christmas, and my one true wish is everyone, in-

cluding all the bad people in the world, to be happy, kind and loving. Especially make sure they have a wonderful Christmas.

Sincerely, Your friend,  
 Myera Holberton

Dear Santa,  
 I want Kawaii~chan cat and Zone cat merchandise by Aphmau. Aphmau is a YouTuber. I would also like Nintendo Switch, an Ipad, paint and canvases. My friend Katelyn Gordon would also like Aphmau merchandise, an Aphmau and Aaron cat. My cousin would like a four wheeler. Have a Merry Christmas, and have a safe trip here!

Sincerely, Aubree Davison

Dear Santa,  
 Thank you for the gifts from last year. I hope you had a safe trip her and back up there. I hope you are safe this year. This year I would like an ipod, a polaroid camera, and a nail polish set. Thank you for everything you have done for me and my family. Have a Merry Christmas.

Sincerely, Claire Griggs

Dear Santa,  
 Thank you for the HUGE stocking, and Nerf guns. This year I would like some more rival nerf guns, some huk fishing shirts and sunglasses. If it's not too much to ask, could you bring world peace? And trust me I will leave cookies and carrots. Also, make sure to take some cookies to Mrs. Claus. P.S. My teacher would like tons of dark chocolate.

Sincerely, Your friend,  
 Edju Hechlik

# Delivering Our Best at Christmastime

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Dear santa,  
I would love to get a computer for my mom so she does not lose my baby picture and I would appreciate an Aphmau cat and an Aaren cat plushie (Aphmau is a youtuber). May I also have some clothes. I hope you have a safe trip down and up. Addison wants a four wheeler, a roku TV, and a big bag of M&M. Aubree would love an ipad, aphmau merch a kawaii~chan cat and zane~chan cat plushie, and a nintendo switch.

Sincerely, Katelyn Gordon

Dear Santa,  
Tahnks for all the gifts you gave me last year. I am still using the pugicorn pillow you gave me. I love it so much. How is Mrs Claus doing? I hope she is doing good. This Christmas I am giving you 10 cookies, 5 for Mrs. Claus and 5 for you. I am not going to forget about the reindeer. I am putting on a plate 10 carrots, 1 for you 1 for Mrs. Claus and 8 for the reindeer. There is one thing I want for Christmas at leased one thing - a Polaroid camera. Please and thank you.

Sincerely, Adrianna Reich

Dear Santa,  
Hope you liked the cookies from last year. The new cookies for this year are on the stove. Thanks for everything! All I want for Christmas is a miracle; I need one.

Your friend,  
Kaidance Barnes

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the presents last year, I loved them, I hope you had a safe trip last year. I hope you have a safe trip this year too. This year I want a laser tag set and I have always wanted a hoverboard. If you can fit in two hoverboards for me ples. If you can't its ok no problem. I hope you can though.

Your friend,  
Olivia Gauthier

Dear Santa,  
A few things I want for Christmas is a real llama for a day, a polaroid camera with the film, cozy clothes, art supplies, a blow up chair, a safe, storage drawers, and to go to an indoor water park. A ques-

tion I have for Santa is, how do you do it in one night? It's like impossible?!

Ariana Hussain

Dear Santa,

Thank you for the coal you gave me last year and the years before! All I want for Christmas is all of Aphmau (Afmow) merchandise I want all of it! and a bunch of Juicy drop pops.

Your friend,  
Alyssa Williamson

Dear Santa,

What I want for christmas is money so I can buy anything and maybe a PS4 and the game is madden2k2020. Also I hope for you to give something good to my brother. He deserves it.

Your friend, Josh Siebert

Dear Santa,

Thank you for the presentes last year, I appreciate them. I dont know what your cookies will be this year. But I might put a little something for the reindeer. I would like a motoz4 phone for Christmas and some dark chocolatse for my teacher. Thankyou. Have a very merry Christmas. Tell Mrs. Claus I said hi and have a nice Christmas.

Hailey Zuchowski

Dear Santa,

Thank you for the gifts last year. But wait till you see my list this year! Teal hydro flask, scrunchies, hoodies, takis, (10-12) size clothes, hoverboard, headphones and lights that hang up in my room. Tell Mrs. claus I said hi. Don't worry, I will set out milk and cookies. I wish for my family to have a happy Christmas. And Mrs. Claus, does Santa like your cookies? And Rudolph, shine your nose so bright on Christmas eve. Elves, how many presents did you make so far for all of the children in the world? Fill my stocking up this year, Santa. Can you set out a letter to tell us who has been good or bad. I hope you have a very merry Christmas.

Sincerely, Sawyer Somers

Dear Santa,

What I would absolutely love is a blue guitar. I have been wanting a guitar for a couple years. i would also be thankful if you could bring joy, like you always do every year. By the way, if you may also be able to get me a potato pushi that would be awesome! I hope you have a Merry Christmas!

Your friend,  
Ashlie Moldenhauer

Dear Santa,

I hope you have a great Christmas. Thank you for all the wonderful gifts. This year

i've been dearly wanting the new airpod pro ever since they came out last year. Also i've been wanting an xbox screen recorder so i can upload higher quality to youtube so I can grow my channel and become famous. If you want you can check it out its coolcat22309. Merry Christmas

Harrison Gehring

Dear Santa,

Thank you for all the happiness you spread across the world. I want a cute little hermit crab and a fire stick.

Eric Cann

Dear Santa,

Thank you for all the gifts you gave me last year, I really appreciate it. This year I would like some slime kits with some glitter glue. I would also love to get a hoverboard so I can teach my little cousins to ride it. the most important thing I want for Christmas is for my family to be happy and healthy. I will remember to give you milk and cookies this year and some carrots for the reindeer. Merry Christmas!

Makeda Shaw

Dear Santa,

I would like a iphone 11 pro max and airpod pro and new pair of shoes. Thank you for the presents you got me last year. I will leave you cookies and the reindeer carrots. And what is Mrs. Claus's first name?

Josh Sobeck

Dear Santa,

This is what I would like for Christmas: Hoverboard, pixiebells, oleez, sewing kit, gymnastics beam, nintendo switch and the best Christmas ever!

Claire Somers

Dear Santa Claus,

How are you doing and thank you for the presents you gave me last year. This year I want some imaginator crystals for Skylanders Imaginators, more Skylanders, some games for my Nintendo Switch, Star Wars Battlefront 2, Star Wars, Marvel, and underwater Lego sets. Oh, and some Marvel superhero action figures like the Iron Man I left at my Grandma's house and an Xbox 360 with Plants vs Zombies Garden Warfare 2, and some Plants vs. Zombies plushies as well. Please. Also, I try to spend time with Drew but he doesn't want to play with me. Oh, I forgot something I will leave cookies and carrots for the reindeer. Say "Hi!" to Rudolph for me! Save some cookies for Mrs. Claus ok! And I want another cat. Do you have any cats?

You're the best, Robert Eby

# Have A Jolly Good Season!

We sure do appreciate your dropping in this past year.  
Merry Christmas and many thanks!



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