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NEWS SHORTS

DI office closed Dec. 25

The Daily Independent will be closed Monday, Dec. 25 in observation and celebration of Christmas Day. We will re-open the office at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 26. The DI will also be closed Monday, Jan. 1, 2018 in observation of New Year's Day. Stay safe and have a very Merry Christmas.

OTHTC preps for a resolution run in 2018

Over the Hill Track Club and The Pack Rats are again hosting their annual Resolution Run on Jan. 1, 2018 at the dirt parking lot, south of the Cerro Coso Athletic Building.

Sign ups are at 8 a.m. and the race starts at 9 a.m.

The course is a fairly easy 5K with uphill and some rocky areas.

As usual there will be no fees, no awards, no t-shirts and no times kept unless you want to keep your own.

There will be noise makers, hot apple cider and cinnamon rolls at the finish.

If anyone would like to bring any leftover holiday goodies to share, please feel free to do so.

For more information, please call Roger Brower at 760-446-0454.

Waste Management announces holiday schedule

Waste Management's curbside residential and commercial trash and recycling pick-up schedule will be delayed by one day throughout the week of Dec. 25 and the week of Jan. 1 in observance of Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

All Waste Management operations will be closed on Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

Customers should place their carts out for pick-up one day later than usual, beginning Tuesday, Dec. 26 through Saturday, Dec. 30 and on Tuesday, Jan. 2 through Saturday, Jan. 6.

Customer service is available at 760-463-6024.

Light up Ridgecrest with season's greetings



This home in the 700 block of West Alene Avenue brings to life the winter wonderland, and seen from above by Jolly Ol' Saint Nick and his reindeer.



Another wonderland awaits at 111 Chambers Street, along with a variety of favorite creature features.



Signs point in all directions at 111 Chambers Street.



Season's greetings from 728 W. Kinnett Avenue.



It's a team effort on Renee Court off of East Upjohn Ave.



A home in the 1000 block of South Yorktown Street goes all out.

Photos by Jack Barnwell



A home on Pegg Street shows off.



2017 Letters to Santa Claus

The following are letters to Santa Claus written by children throughout the Indian Wells Valley and Searles Valley. They were typed as we received them, to show exactly what Jolly Old St. Nick saw. Once the Daily Independent elves were done dotting every 'i' and crossing every 't,' we made sure they were all forwarded to Santa. Don't worry, kids — we finished typing them with plenty of time to get them to the North Pole so Santa could work on filling all the orders. Merry Christmas to all.

Dear Santa,
I like for Christmas is, Fid
bit Art Kit a pitchur of
Eileis and camila and
Kayleigh and Celeste, Ju-
lian, Maverick and a box
that is blue and it has a
buetten fly box for my
Birthday. I want to not go
paping for my Birthday a
bag of m & m's a big bear
that's white and red
and holding a flag Califor-
nia flag
Love, Olivia Alice Eber-
chard

Dear Santa,
May I have: a cra-z-art cotton candy maker, choc regs su maker, and a E-Z-ultment oven?
Love,
Michaela Seng

Dear Santa,
I would like a stuff animal,
shows, bin bags, noms,
candy cane, new backpack,
barbe hose, new lunch box
that sassy Wonder Woman
on its Barys, Pineapple,
pet cat.
Love, Kayleigh

Dere Santa,
I want a puppy a toy tiger
that I saw at Walmart
more toy cats and more
toy babys.
Love, Celeste
XOXOXXOXXOXO
XOXO

Dear Santa,
I would like a Barbiy houes
for Chirmsas.
Elise Patin

Dear Santa
I would like fake nails,
jelpens, unicorn poop,
buddy edible starbrs
slime.
Camila Santiago

Dear Santa,
Hi hope your elf's are
good. Ma I have a valca-
neo lego set. I want 47 of
them plees.
William Long

Dear Santa,
I want a remot control
mario cart.
Julian

Dear Santa,
All I want for Christmas
is my two front teeth. I
also want a hippo.
From, Maverick Blake
Muhle.

Dear Santa
Some people say you do

not egvest but I think you
do eqvest.
From Sloan Patrick

Dear Santa,
I want anything you can
give me.
Eleazar J. Gicomelli
Dear Santa,
I want a toy train for
Christmas. I would also
like a book and glufs. I
want a trans former and a
video game. I want a new
game. I want a new toy.
Isaiah Gicomelli

Dear Santa,
I want a phone case, a new
hat, and a new bike. I want
a dirtbike or a quoad. Can
the dirt bik be a 80 or 150
Can the hat be a deadpool
hat please and my dog
Ryder can you get him a
jacket for the winter.
Sincerely,
Jacob Scott Berry

Dear Santa,
My name is Christian
Raley and I want New
Nikes, a Hooverbord, Xbox
One, Xbox 360 Games like
Naroto Revelation, Halo 5,
and I want 3Ds Games
like, Metoepe, Pokemon
Sun and alura sun and a
Watch a poket watch.
Some throwing knives, the
whole Harry Potter Movies
P.S. My age is 11 years old.
Also I want some Nenteno
cards.

Dear Santa,
On my wishlist is a Iphone
lots of clear glue and white
glue for slime, beads,
foam beads, glitter, more
borax, pigment, metallic
pigment, beautiful colors,
and fake snow. I want all
these stuff because for an
Iphone I want to make bet-
ter musicallys, clear glue
and white glue and all
those other stuff. If you
can please give these stuff
P.S. Not all of them at
least 2 things and can I
have gold leaf.
Sincerely,
Lynkin

Dear Santa
I want xbox and for WW2
for seson pass. So far I like
it but I want the discs for
it!
From, Justin

Dear Santa,
I want Maverick merch
from loganpaul.com shop
and I want a steelers hel-
met from football. I want

my brother his name is J.R. And I want him to have some riverdance merch. I want a nentado swith. I want my sister her name is Jocelyn to have some supernatural merch and I want a remote control car and I want my mom to have a stich painting her name is Cynthia. I also want my dad his name is Daniel I want him to have a football helmet but it has the puerto rico flag on it.

Sincerely,
Ali Vidal

Dear Santa.
I want a PS4 game thats T
for Teenager. I want a 100
dallor bill. And I want my
family and Jueses.
From Thomas

Dear Santa
What I want for Christmas
is a Flash lego set, lego
marvel superHeros 2 and
snow.
From: Emmanuel

Dear Santa,
I don't want much. All I
need is Peace on earth
and a camra. I also wish
you a Merry Christmas
Santa and a safe trop. I
know this is way to short
but this is all I want.
Sencerly, Mitchell Eisen-
hour

Dear Santa,
I would like one thing. It
would be a merch of
Wolfie.Raps. That would be
all it. I don't need it but if
you don't it would be noth-
ing. OK.
You friend
Kevin Ortiz

Dear Santa, I want to ask tell you what I want for Christmas: I want a video game called watch dog's two and I want my step dad to stay till christmas and I want Lego set's for christmas I also want a stocking full of candy. Also I want a kitten or a puppy for christmas and I want more comic books for christmas, and I want tickets to the new movie star wars the last Jedi. Lastly I want a hidden blaze that's \$75.

Ethan Cote

Dear Santa, 12/6/17
How are things going in
the North pole. The elves
must be busy. What I want

Mia and James's letters to Santa



Dear Santa, can you bring me a transformer, donuts, milk and salt and vinegar chips please.

Dear Santa, I want a few things for Christmas. I want an arrow, magic bubblegums, hachamols, salt and vinegar chips, phone and a nerf gun please.

for Christmas is a Xbox1,
GTA5, a new phone or lap-
top. I just want a few
things. Thank you.
Sincerely, Michael

Dear Santa,
This year I have been vary
nice this year. I won't to
ask for a barbie dream-
house, barbie dream
camper, barbie dream hrse
with doll and a puppy.
Love Karman

Dear Santa,
I would like a set of Pokemon cards, a magic set,
scary halloween costumes,
a nintendo switch and a
Toy Elk. I will be good.
Love, Seke Podell

Dear Santa Clause,
I think I have been a good
girl! I want a volleyball and
whipped cream for my Pie
Face game. I'also would
like a Hatchimal.

Love, Zoje

Dear Santa Claus
I want a drone for Christ-
mas. Santa, were you a
kid?
Love, Wesley.

Dear Santa,
Can I please have these things? Bay blade spinner, a ukelele and a Nintendo switch and a Pokemon Wii. I would also like a nerf gun set, a phone, a go cart and a tablet. What's your favorite kind of cookie and milk? Can I please have a Harry Potter wand?
Love, Eddie

Dear Santa Claus,
Can I have a dune buggy?
want a Halo Megablock
pack and a new kitten.
Lastly, can I have a hug?
Love, Jude

Dear Santa Claus, I would like a serpent strike pyramid, a toy Elf on the Shelf, a Batman bat bot robot.

games and boooks and a
Star Wars baton.
Love, Jacob F.

Dear Santa, I want a dune buggy and a toy dragon and a wooden helicopter, wooden jet and a statue of God.
Love, Cameron

Dear Santa Claus, I think I have been a good girl. I would like a dog and a trampoline. I also want a 2 piece bar.
Love, Lilly Kajiwara

Dear Santa Claus,
Can you get me a dune
buggy? Have I been good? Did
the elves have fun? Did you
have fun? Can I have a baby
puppy? Can I have a Pie Face
Game? Can I please have a
tablet? Even can I please have
a Nintendo switch?
Love, James Moguina

Dear Santa, can I get anything
Stitch?
Love, Addison

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MICHAEL SMIT/DAILY INDEPENDENT

Children of the Thomson family, getting rare face-to-face time on Dec. 9 with the real-life Santa Claus, quickly share their wishlists which they've spent a year planning for. One wishlist included a desire to adopt all the cats from the Ridgecrest Animal Shelter. The child's father said that he had recently adopted two cats from the shelter, but the boy wanted to rescue them all. He wrote down all the cats' names on his wishlist to make sure Santa didn't miss any of them.

Dear Santa, what kind of cookies do you like? Can I have a JoJo toy?
Love, Bella

Dear Santa, What kind of cookies do you like? Have fun. Can I have a hatchimals?
Love, Lexi

Dear Santa, I wish for a go cart and I want a horse.
Love, Mateo

Dear Santa Claus, I want a car. I want a Hot Rod toy. I want a cart. I want a sal toy. I want a joe joe toy. I want a dog. I want a games.
Love, Jacob S.

Sata, I want a coloring book with markers and a Doctor Kit. I have a little brother is 3 years old and he wants a monster truck. My mommy wants a curling iron to make her pretty.
Thank you Santa, Jason J., age 5

Dear Santa, I would like a remote control helicopter. I have a little one year old sister Jennifer that would like a baby doll that talks. My mommy could use some make-up to look pretty.
Thank you Santa, Jabob J., age 7

Dear Santa, all I want for Christmas is a dirtbike, chromebook, hoverboard, and a bakery set for lps. I want all of these things because I have been desptly wanting all of them but I have never got them, can you please get one of these if you can't I'll just take the dirt bike at least. I appreciate your kindness and one last thing, my brother is getting bullied and I try to stop it but I can't so can you give him my chromebook and make the kids stop bullying him please? Thank you, bye Santa.
Keona

Hello my name is Timothy Morehead. And what I want for Christmas is a playstation controller. I also want a hoverboard, video games, clothes and I want another playstation and one more thing new phone and candy. And if I get any I will try to write back and say thank you.
Sincerely, Timothy.

Dear Santa can I have a crazy kart, a ps4 with 2 remotes, go kart, a nintendo switch, rc car that gos on water, rc car that's moater powered, nerf gun, figit spinner, rc plane and a virtual reality set.
love Hunter

Dear Santa, what I want for X-mas is a horse, quad, computer, leago friends, watch, hoverboard, mortar skootar, breyer horses, go-cart, RC truck, VR glasses,

nintendo switch, mortar bike, every pokemon card in the world and a phone.

Dear Santa, For Christmas I want a lego friends set. I really want to have the Frozen yogurt heart lake city set. I also want the county fair set but it's to expensive. I guess I would want the Frozen Yogurt heart lake city set. I also really really want a new pet hamster with it's cage too! I really want a sew cool machine for kids, because they're so cool! I would also like cloths and lots of board games. I would really want this most and it is peace for the world and my famly! PS: (I especially want toys and cloths for my dogs too!)
Sincerely, Yasmine Flores

Dear Santa, For Christmas I want my kitten named Padin back. He jumped on to the broke window to go play in the grass and someone stole him. I also want a hatchablana pack-ete and that's all.
Love, HuxliY Young

To Santa, 1) I want a metro PCS Phone and a wallet phone case. 2) I want a mylife doll. 3) New doll close. \$0 New closes
From: Haylie

Dear Santa, merry Crist-mas. How are you doing in the north pole all I whant this year is not much but a few things. All I whant is a pet lizard, phone and a new water bodle. Thank you
From Keira R.

Dear Santa, how is it in the north pole I bet it is osom I'm not asking for much all I want is a real pet hamster.
Love Riley, I hope you have a grat crismes!

Dear Santa, for Christmas can you bring me a Nin-tendo switch, a Hatchimal Surprise, a crate creature and 2 drawing set. Oh and by the way how is the North Pole.
Sincerely, Colton

Dear Santa, How are you. I don't want that much. all I want is a iPhone and a 4whealer. That is pretty much it. and 1 more thing, a Ameran doll set.
Love gabriella garcia

Dear Santa, I want a toy menen that woes gumas and dat toks and duket too o toys and culr pencos and a drone.
By Giovanni

Dear Santa, how are you what is it is like in the north pole can I please get a tablet, nerf gun, football. All the dog man books and a new video game, any one you want and a nintendo switch and a scooter, and a vestaba, any color, thank you santa.

Sincerely Jayden. anx xoxo to all, thank you Santa

Dear Santa, I love you so much I wondering how is it in the north pole. I don't want a lot for Christmas. I want my family to be happy and I want a iphone 6s for Chrismas and a computer that is what I want for christmas because I wrote a other letter at my mom's house.
Love, Ayden Bird
Dear Santa, How are you? I want a nerf Acurit strike it is a nerf gun and a xbox one gift card and a xbox onenew cool centroler that you can see throw it and it looks green. I know it is short. I will make a bigger list.
From Cameron

Dear Santa how are you. What's it like in the north pole. Can I have a doll, seours and a good time.
Love, Emma

Dear Santa, it is not much but I whant some gnastec-nnats and a toy deer.
Love Heidi

Dear Santa, I hope Feyone dus not wake up and bruck. Can I have a hole pack of lol dolls and a robot dragon and a toy toy spirit, Lukcy, Cicklen du, pru boomer and g, a digal, wild hourses and fake grass, wood glue, wood paint, fake plants, pots, sees, suvl and a toy night-mer a moon and barbes and cat ears and a real unicorn nale art and a king crown and a queen crow and a rudey and 100 dollers and a real bird and a bird cage.
Love, Mariska

Can I have please have a nintendo switch.
Gavin

Hatichmal, cat, legos, toi-let game, pony, unicorn, jucoozy, private tv, motor-cycly, gold fish and a lot more.
Haleigh
iphone, obeebs bog, new make up, phifit bathroom to paint my room blue, pouigy it mc sagdhe dolls and see my tv plug in you thitk
From Cianna

Dear Santa, what I whont is a RC car, a nerf gun, a remote control flip car a remote control speed boat, a hover board.
From Kona
To Santa,
Obeloz, sanake, green sand, dain desar, car real, legos
from Justis

Dear Santa, I want a phone, computer, lots of lego sets, ppodle and I want x-boxes and controls, a robot that gives me food, money a bab riendeer for my mom, and it will be a bab reindeer forever.
From: Richard

dear Santa, I want a geko shoos and gluvS and a

cumputir or a xpox scor-peo and a veicol, I fone. Give mony to pore peapel!!! Can I have a baby ranedear.
PS Kayden, thane you

Dear Santa, don bother going to our house. we will be in Hawaii. Sorry Santa No cookies or milk. W've treat the elfs nicely. They are very funny. Mocha and Magic are nice and w've treated them nicely to. The thing I want is a great Christmas. And a great landing in Hawaii. Say hi to Mrs. Claus for met.
Love, Layla Hoyer.

Dear Santa, What I want is a remote control flipcar because it is two cars in one I would also like to have a wi u with the re-mout and pod and smash bros. the game and a hove board and a nerf gun and a wach plus a star wars book.
- Phineas L. Smith

Dear Santa, can you get me a Dart Board and a karoky mushian and a phone Paper and a marker maker. that is what I want.
Thanks Santa!!!!!!!
Maylee

Dear Santa, I want candy, lagos, barin a mous, cat costum and more bacin and how is it at the nort pole. You're friend Delia and I will leve you cookes.

A musheen that makes lecktristy shoot out of it sow I can charge my pow-ers and I want you sow me how to make a sord out of lecktrit with by hans.
Aidex

I want a Robley gift card and game called hallo ncigbar.for Xbox one I want a turtle cause I like turtles. Call of duty WWII. P.S. What does your work shop look like and i want an X Box X.
Christopher

I wont nintendo swich and a call o doty x box one a tablit, and a rivl nrf gun and 100 nerf bolts and a lambow and a acont on row blox and a tv and a mick and a PS. wen wt y coming?

Dear Santa, I want 1 thig for Christmas is a hver bored. I know ther is other kides so I want 1 thing. I love you Santa. My famaly loves your notes.
Love, Anela Goins

Dear Santa, I want a lot of stuff. How are you doing is it fun at the North Pole. Are the elf doing good. I want money and I'm come to North Pole.
Jackson

Dear Santa, I want a phone case, a new hat, and a new bike. I want a dirt bike or quad. Can the dirk be a 80 or 150. Can the hat be a deadpool hat please and my dog Ryder can you get him a jacket for the winter.

Sincerely, Jacob Scott Berry

Dear Santa, I have worked hard learn-ing this year. I would like peace and money for the poor also, for the world. Next, I would appreciate a vacation for my family. Fi-nally, for myself I would enjoy a skate board and an ipad. Thank you for stop-ping by, Merry Christmas. Liberty S. Inyokern 4th Grade

Dear Santa, I've worked really hard this year. I would like a nice next year for the world. I would also appreciate a good future for my family. Finally, for myself, I would simply want no toys, on gadgets, only some joy and love. Merry Christmas! From Frankie, Inyokern 4th grade.

Dear Santa, I have worked hard learning this year. I would like peace for the world Next I would appre-ciate a happy Christmas for my family. Finally, for myself I would enjoy new beanie boo and some clothes for my dogs.
Merry Christmas, Santa. Maggie K., Inyokern 4th grade

Dear Santa, I have worked hard learn-ing this year. I would like to stop animal abuse for the world. Next, I would appreciate another free pet for my family. Finally, for myself, I would enjoy a magic 8 ball and a wolf stuffed animal.
Merry Christmas, Adrina, 4th grade Inyokern

Dear Santa, I have worked hard learn-ing this year. I would like joy and peace for the world. Next I would appre-ciate a vacation for my family. Finally for my self I would enjoy a gocart and a pair of shoes.
Merry Christmas, Summer R. Inyokern 4th grade

Dear Santa, I have worked hard learn-ing this year. I would like peace and freedom for the world. Next, I would appreciate a dog for my family. Finally, for myself, I would enjoy a hachamal and a book.
Thank you and merry Christmas, Kylie D., Inyok-ern 4th grade

Dear Santa, I have worked hard learn-ing this year. First, I would like a clean environment for the world. Next, I would appreciate my family to play more games with me. Finally, for myself I would enjoy a chromebook and more board games.
Merry Christmas, Charley W., Inyokern 4th grade

Dear Santa, I have worked hard learn-ing this year. I would like a new road. Next, I would appreciate a vacation for my family. Finally, for me I

would like a remote con-trol and a phone back.
Merry Christmas, Devon B. Inyokern 4th grade

Dear Santa, I have worked hard learn-ing this year. I would like kindness for the world. I would appreciate a vaca-tion for my family. Finally for myself, I would enjoy iphone and kitty.
Merry Christmas Riley H., Inyokern 4th grade

Dear Santa, I have worked hard learn-ing this year. I would like a big future for the world. I would appreciate a vaca-tion for my family. Finally, for myself, I would like a big stuffed animal and a new big and sport jacket.
Merry Christmas Roma J., Inyokern 4th grade
PS Christmas is not about presents or gifts. It's about having joy for this holiday and for all.

Dear Santa, I have worked hard this year. I would like peace for the world. Next, I would appreciate a break for my family. Finally, for myself I would enjoy a unicorn. P.S. Santa I hope you get a vacation someday and Christmas is not about myself, it is about family and friends.
Liliana C. Inyokern 4 Grade

Dear Santa, I have worked hard learn-ing this year. I would like peace for the world. Next I would appreciate dog for my family. Finally, for my-self, I would like a game and my dogs to not be scared of me.
Mariana L., Inyokern 4th grade

Dear Santa, I have worked hard learn-ing this year. I would like shelters for the homeless. Next, I would appreciate a family vacation for my family. Finally, for myself I would enjoy a phone and more fun books, and activ-ities. Thank you and Merry Christmas.
Jessica F. Inyokern 4th grade

Dear Santa, I have worked hard learn-ing this year. I would like joy for the world. I would like peace for my family. For myself I would like a micro mini pig and a quad.
Merry Christmas, thank you. Danni W. Inyokern 4th grade

Dear Santa, I have worked hard learn-ing this year. I would like homes for the homeless for the world. Next I would appreciate a family vaca-tion for myself. Finally, for myself I would enjoy a dogman book and a Christmas hat. Merry Christmas.
Mickayla L., Inyokern 4th grade

Dear Santa,
I have worked hard learning this year. I would like happiness and joy for the world. I would appreciate a trip to see my cousins in Alaska with my family. Finally, for myself I would enjoy a new phone case and a new plant for my grandma.
Merry Christmas, Devan S. Inyokern 4th grade

Dear Santa,
I have worked hard learning this year. I would like less crime and food for the homeless for the world. Next, I would appreciate food for my family. Finally for myself I would enjoy an smart phone for important things and a happy Christmas.
Have a merry Christmas and also say hi for me to your reindeers please.
From: Jacqueline M., Inyokern 4th grade

Dear Santa,
I have worked hard learning this year. I would like no drugs for the world. Next, I would like love for my family. Finally, for myself, I would enjoysome socks and some books.
Merry Christmas, Anko L., Inyokern Elementary 4th grade

Dear Santa,
I have worked hard learning this year. I would like peace for the world. Next, I would appreciate joy for my family. Finally, for myself I would enjoy going to the beach and a vacation.
Merry Christmas, Nicholas C. Inyokern 4th grade

Dear Santa,
I have worked hard learning this year. I would like shelters for the world. Next, I would appreciate a family trip for my family. Finally, for myself, I would enjoy a video game. I wish you a merry Christmas.
By Gabriel F. Inyokern 4th grade

Dear Santa,
I have worked hard learning this year. I would like joy for the world. Next, I would appreciate happiness for my family. Finally, I would enjoy a happy family and Rudolph for Christmas.
Merry Christmas, From Payten M.

Dear Santa,
I have worked hard learning this year. I would like happiness for the world. Next I would appericate a family vacation to June Lake for my family. Finally for myself, I would enjoy Ms. Jagensen to have a good Christmas and I want a horse. Merry Christmas. Everybody have a good Christmas.
Jayden S., Inyokern 4th grade

Dear Santa,
I have worked hard learning this year. I would like world peace for the world. Next I would appreciate respect for my family. Finally, for myself, I would enjoy a pogostick and a new video game.
Merry Christmas, Bryce E. Inyokern 4th grade

Dear Santa,
I have worked hard learning this year. I would like medicine for those in need for the world. Next, I would appreciate a vacation for my family. Finally, for myself I would like a phone and a bottle of elmers glue.
Merry Christmas, Santa. Thank you,
Amris M., Inyokern 4th grade

Dear Santa,
I have worked hard learning this year. I would like joy for the world. Next, I would appreciate a car for my family. Finally, for myself, I would enjoy legos and books.
Merry Christmas, Jerry S. Inyokern 4th grade

Dear Santa,
I have worked hard learning this year. I would like a happy day for the world. Next, I would appreciate a vacation for my family. Finally, for myself I would like an iphone 7 and a friend.
Merry Christmas, Benjamin, Inyokern 4th grade

Dear Santa,
I have worked hard learning this year. I would like peace for the world. Next, I would appreciate a vacation for my family. Finally, for myself I would enjoy mittens and a iphone 5.
Merry Christmas, Lillian S., Inyokern 4th grade

Dear Santa,
I have worked hard learning this year. I would like peace for the world. Next, I would appreciate a vacation for my family. Finally, for myself I would enjoy a new phone and a pug.
Merry Christmas, Stephanie C., Inyokern 4th grade

Dear Santa,
I have worked hard learning this year. I would like kindness for the world. I would appreciate kindness for my family. Finally, for myself I would enjoy peace and kindness.
Merry Christmas, Edward J.

Dear Santa,
I have worked hard learning this year. I would like homes for the homeless for the world. Next, I would appreciate ol nice for my family. Finally, for myself I would enjoy a poncho and spinning wheel with clay.
Merry Christmas, Kayden R. Inyokern 4th grade

Dear Santa,
I have worked hard learning this year. I would like fewer wars for the world. Next, I would appreciate no fighting for my family. Finally, I would enjoy a horse named Sunday.
Merry Christmas. P.S. Christmas is not about presents.
Raylynn B., Inyokern 4th grade

Dear Santa,
I have worked hard learning this year. I would like happyness for the world. Next, I would appreciate happiness for my family. Finally for myself I would enjoy a bell and a hat.
Merry Christmas, Collin W. Inyokern 4th grade.

Dear Santa,
I have worked hard learning this year. I would like less fires for the world. Next, I would appreciate to see my mom for my family. Finally, for myself, I would enjoy a gocart and a toy car.
Merry Christmas, Lailand F., Inyokern 4th grade

Dear Santa,
I have worked hard learning this year. I would like peace and joy for the world. Next, I would appreciate kindness for my family. Finally, I would enjoy a bike and a phone.
Merry Christmas, Timothy T., Inyokern 4th grade.

Dear Santa,
I have worked hard learning this year. I would like peace for the world. I would appreciate cookies and finally for myself I would like an iphone and elf on the shelf. Merry Christmas and say hi to Rudolph for me.
Aiden M. Inyokern 4th grade.

Dear Santa,Bots, power ranger set Legos
Dinx ryc
Pockem 50 clem robots
Woopy
Andy
Real Life
motorcyle
Marcus

Dear Santa, please bring me
1. swing set
2. cutie cars
3. hatchimals
Love, Kahri Brown

Dear Santa,
I would like a barbie a bike



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Children from the Eggum family pose for a picture with the actual, real Santa Claus, who once again returned for Desert Empire Valleys Federal Credit Union's Christmas event on Saturday, Dec. 9.

and markers.
Love Makena Wiley

Dear Santa, I want you to come t in rolino Chrimas as I wanta tool and is a picture of my toy.
Hannah

Dear Santa, I would like a guitar, T-Rex toy and fast cars, transformers, Spider-man suit, Xbox 1 games, clothes and batman suit, basketball court, Michael Jordan toys and shoes.
Jonnah

Dear Santa, Thanks for sending our elf buddy. This year I would like LOL dolls, bike, hacthamals, bath bombs, makeup, kapelatirah
Merry Christmas, Love Hailee LaPointe

Dear Santa,
How are you doing. I have been good. I wanted to let you know I have a Chirstmas wishes. I would like a Nintendo Swich.
Love, Jack

Dear Santa, How are you today? I have been good. I want to let you know I been good on my homework. I have a few Christmas wishes. I would like an Xbox 1, games, art, ipad, and Math books. Also, I wish the community to have enough food to eat.
Love, Mike

Dear Santa, How are you doing. I have been good. I wanted to let you know I have a few Christmas gifts. I want a slappy dummy. Also I don't want people to be homeless.
You'r friend Jaiden

How are you Santa. I have been good well I really I don't know. I wanted to let you know that I'm kind to the teacher. I have a few Christmas wishes. I would like to heal my kindy and let the poor people to have lambos and money.
Your friend Juan!

Dear Santa, How are you. I have been goof. I wanted to let know that I am doing well in school. I have been helping with the dish-washer, I have helped with folding clothes, vacuuming and cleaning house. Also, I wish that everybody will get a present.

Love, Zach.

Dear Santa, You are you doing. I been good I wanted to let you know I helpen my dad with the Christmas lights. I have a few Christmas wishes. I wish people hat a better life and that everybody had a home.
Sincerely, Mark

Dear Santa, how are you doing good? I have been good. I wanted to let you know that I have done good things like make my family feel good, make my friends feel good and I play fair. I have a few wishes. I would like a new pillow, some silk and a ginger bread house Also, I wish that people that are sick will feel better.
You friend, Everett

Dear Santa, How are you doing. I have been fine. I wanted to let you know I've been kinda bad this year. I have a few Christmas wishes. I would like one of the robot toys. Also, I wish all the homeless people get presents.
Your friend, Melissa

Dear Santa, How are things going. I have been good. I wanted to let you know I always wanted a dirt bike. I have a few Christmas wishes. I would like a dirt bike and Nike shoes a some hear vens shoes. Also a new puppy for my mom.
Your friend, Ethan.

Dear Santa, how are you doing. I have been really good this year. I wanted to let you know a few wishes I want. I would like a bon-hairo and silly bbuis. Also I wish for everyone has warm clothes.
Love, Mya

Dear Santa, I want to tell you my Christmas wishes. I want a easy bake oven and a big doll. Also a lot of food for my family. Can you make me have a good Christmas. Come down my chimney.
Love Keovan

Dear Santa, how are you? I wanted to let you know things that I've done really well this year. I have been babysitting are adopted cousin, I have been reading to my sister and I have

a few things I want a se-cret song bird, little live pets, a new blanket, new girly shirts, and the park piaries whole series. Also I want world peace.
Thank you, Sincerely Kyn-dra

Dear Santa, how are you doing. I have been good this year. I wanted to you to know that I have done lots of homework. I have a few Christmas wishes. I would like a lego car, book, ball and a snow globe.
Sincerely, Raphael

Dear Kris Krinkle, how are you? I have been a little notei. I want you to let you know if your elfs are getting unuf sleep. I would like a few Christmas wishes. A stack of cheese and a warm jacket. I would like evry body to have a good Christmas. Love Avelina.

Dear Santa,
Happy holidays again! I wanted to let you know the things that I've done really well this year. I have been good this year. I love Christmas so much. Christmas is awesome. I love it. I love it. I love it! I have a few Christmas wishes. Can you please give me a phone, a computer, a ultaimate soothing spa by crazy art, a black jacket, and nightmare before Christmas.
Thank you, McKenna

Dear Santa, how are you. I'm great. I have been a good. I wanted to let you know I help my mom clen the dishes. I have a few Christmas wishes I would like a ipad. Also a ball. I would like you to have a good Christmas.
Your friend, Daidrian

Dear Santa, How are you. I have been good. I want to let you know Santa. I have a few Christmas wishes. I would like a toy elf, also for the world to be a better plas. Your friend, Ayden.

Dear Santa, how are your raindeer. I have been good, I think. I wanted to let you know that I like the present you gave me last year. I have a few Crismas wishes. I would like to have a pair of fake nails. A big tranpoleen, an electric scooter, and a fair costoom

for next halloween. Also, to have everyone love one another.
Love, Grace

Dear Santa,, How are the elfs. I have been great. I wanted to let you know I have a few Cristmas wishes. I would like an bb8 controabbe device. Also, R2d2 control device.
Your friend, Anthony.

Dear Santa, How are you doing. I have been good. I wanted to let you know it. I have a few Christmas wishes. I would like cook-let and a rmote car. Also, I wish that everyone had a home
Your friend, Damien

Dear Santa, How are you doing. I have been good wanted to let you know I read to my little brother every nite and help my uncol make pancakes. I have a few Christmas wishes. I would like esy bake over for me and my sister. Also I wish everyone will have a grate Christmas.
Your frend, Alisy A.

Dear Santa, How are you today. I have been good. I wanted to let you know I have been good. I have few Christmas wishes I would like a Elf on the Shelf. I would like a puppet.
Love, Anna Marie

From Mr. Kent Schmidt's 1st Grade, Trona Elementary
Dear Santa, I want a new baseball, and a Patriots football, and I want new colored pencils.
Love, Nathaniel Finley, 1st grade, Trona Elementary

Dear Santa,
I would like a new bike and a stuffed and a new game, 2nd mine craft and Playstation 4.
Love, Sean Riggs 1st grade, Trona Elementary

Dear Santa,
I want a bike, and a new Legos set, and a coloring book and a toy drum, and a few blocks.
Lovey, Jayden Royal 1st grade, Trona Elementary

Dear Santa,
I would love car pedals and an I-phone 6 and a I want a gas tank for my dirt bike.
Love, Elijah Farmer 1st grade, Trona Elementary

Dear Santa,
I want a cell phone and a tablet and a Barbie doll.
Love Eva Stitt 1st grade, Trona Elementary

Dear Santa,
I would like a Spider-man toy with Venom, and I want a new cell phone, and I want a toy pool and a toy Santa.
Love, Garry Heimsoth 1st grade, Trona Elementary

Dear Santa,
I want a new cell phone, and I want a new bike, and a new swimming pool and a doggie toy for my dog, and toy that looks like Santa.
Love, Walter Sanders 1st grade, Trona Elementary

Dear Santa,
I want a play-do and I want a baseball bat, and I want a Santa hat.
Love Keahnu Horta

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Dear Santa, I want a new t.v., a Falcon Fire, a Santa hat, and Sonic Mania, and a Nintendo that goes with Super Mario, and Odyssey. Love, Samuel Reynoso 1st grade, Trona Elementary

Dear Santa, I would like a doll, and a i-phone 6, and a new dress, and some pants, and a shirt, and light-up shoes. Love, Samiya Kerl 1st grade, Trona Elementary

Dear Santa, I want a toy for my dog, and I always wanted a tablet, and I always wanted a go cart with a steering wheel and seat belts. Love, Windle Manning 1st grade, Trona Elementary

Dear Santa, I would like a P.S. 4, and a Samsung Galaxy phone, and a tablet, and a TV with a T.V. stand. Love, Syd Delaney 1st grade, Trona Elementary

Dear Santa, I have been so good, so please give me a global puzzle and a telescope

please. From Nick

Dear Santa, I have been good this year. I want to tell you what I did to be good. I cleaned my room and I also feed my cats and other pets too. Also for what I'm going to do now and I am going to ask you get my friend Autumn and I the same friendship bracelets, thanks. Love, Amethyst

Dear Santa, I have been good this year. I have been helping my mom with a lot of stuff. For Christmas I want you to give Amethyst my friend a pretty red dress for Crismas and I want the moive Salor Moon Season 2. From Autumn

Dear Santa, I would like to know if you had a good year? I would like to get Mrs. Laird a new mug for Christmas. And I would like pokemon cards for my brother, my Dad and me. Please give a nerf gun to Tyler Knight. I got a great grandma in the hospital, can you help her feel better. Love, Isaac Flores.

Dear Santa, I have been helping my mom taking out the trash and doing

the dishes. These are the thing I want for Christmas if you cannot get me all of these things, tehn just plik one of them. I want is a coloring book, gray bench and cursive writing book. From Katryn

Dear Santa, I have been good this year. I have watch my baby sister and my pets. I want you to give my dad new shoes please and give my mom new dishes please. Bit I am running out of room on my paper. Can you give my family something please and my cousins and I will like three toys but make it a surprise and I will give you something to. Can you give Lily something to. Can you give Caid something and Katryn something and Isaac something chase pokeman cards. Tyler

Dear Santa, will you use your magec and make my grandpa better so he can still be with use more. And my dad some tools for work and my sister Aria some beding and my other sister Kristy some julrey and my brother an xbox and my mom some julrey. My dog cooper som dog toys and my dog bodie some dog toys. Love Bella

Dear Santa, I was good all month. So I want you to give Caid M. a new pair of running shoes and boots pls. And give tyler some stuff animals. I want for Chirsmas is a box of candy lables and some mimiky stuff. Also I want my teacher to be more positive. And bring my family a ton of books about pokemon. And I want two wireless controllers for Xbox One. From Mark Ush

Dear Santa, how have you been. How is Mrs. Claus. When you come to Sparks of Love I help you. How was your summer. My cousins Aaliyah, Jasmine, and Vanessa Yankle Cadle. Tyler would like a remote control car. I would like a Drone. Love Lily

Dear Santa, I what my brother to have a box of cars. I what my friend to have a phone. I what a phone. Love Robert

Santa, please bring me some dert bick boots and bring tyler a computer and a nerf blasters and bring Katryn a iphone 7 and a skate board please. From Caid

Dear Santa, I have been a

good girl. I helped my grandma put her grocery's away in the refrigrater. And I help my mom clean the living room and my room. I do my chores. If im good when I meet you I want a hamper or a puppy. By Viviana

Dear Santa, I don't know if I ben goof this year please get my sister Cadence tangers for Christmas this year. Also can you get a stuff animals for my sister Tahn. Can you get my sister Avaha a toy kitchen, also can you get my sister matty a mermaid car. Can you get my friend Autumn a doll with a pink dress. Could you also get my friend Amhtyst a princess doll. Finilly could you get me a necklass. Summer

Dear Santa, I was good but I wish you can give my classmates and my teacher a good Christmas. Please and one more thing, can you please get me classic Pokemon cards please. Love Austin

Dear Santa, I've been a normal boy this year so can you get me these thing: yo-gi-oh cards, some books and board games. But can you get Mrs. Laird some books

and my mom and dad some mugs and Meika candy and Chris yo-gi-oh cards. Sincerely Chabe

Dear Santa, I would like my bicycle to be fixed and a real guitar. My friend's brothers and Arianna have only about 4 toys each. Would you please get them some toys. I have been good and I helped Arinna with home work so her mom is not mad, helped with chores, helped with my baby brother, and listed to my mom. I also stand for my big brother and little sister. I try to be good. Love Sierra

Dear Santa, I been good almost the whole year. The thing I did is helped mom get the bags all the things she buyed. I also love my sister this month. I want for this Christmas an Ipad, that is most I want. I also cleaned my dad's room. It was very messy. I do the right things that I make. Love, Javier.

Dear Santa, My dad needs neck sock because dogs my dad i socks if he have them by Christmas when the elf goes by I will not be happy because it won't be happening to my dad and you better bring them

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back if you don't I will not in I'll be unhappy and my dad will be unhappy and they'll be great will just something else you will bring back my dad so I will be happy.
Branson

Dear Santa, did you make your workshop? Can you give my mom some clothing please she hardle any clothing.
Love Angelina

Dear Santa, How do you reindeer fly. Can you please bring my grandpa Mike close.
Love Jess.

Dear Santa, Brooke needs new clothes. How did you get your reindeer.
Love Savannah

Dear Santa, will you seen elf to Eva hosue the elf can help Eva clean her haws she
Arianna

Dear Santa, Do you have a daughter? My frind Savnah needs new shoes because her shoes are torn and ripped and please make them pretty ok.
Love Brooke

Dear Santa, make my dad get a lot of money.
Madyson

Dear Santa, how do you deliver all the presents.
Neva need socks.
Eddie

Dear Santa, How do your reindeers fly? My family needs new pajamas because we don't have any.
From Neva

Dear Santa, how do you deliver a lof presents in one night. Santa could y please bring money to my mom and dad before the 22nd because they need money
Signed Jacob

Dear Santa, what is your favorite ice cream and please bring my mama some new clothes
Love Berlina

Dear Santa, how do reindeer fly and what is your favorite ice cream and do you put coal in people stoking and do bad kids not git a president.
Robert

Dear Santa, What do you put in your stockings? How do you go don the chimney. What is your favorite Ice cream. Can you please give my dad moneys.
Love Colton

Dear Santa
My name is Keana and thanks for the present last year. My mommy needs money please give her money. Love Keana.

Dear Santa, what is your favorite deer. PS PT Rudorf
Love Fane

Dear Santa, please bring closes to the people whe dont have any.
Loveing, Jethra

Deer santa my friend name Landon once a light up shoes
Chase E.

Dear Santa, Thank you for what you gave me. Arriana needs new socks. Will you bring them.
Love, Emily.

Dear Santa,
Do you have presents. Aar you coming to Ridgecrest now? I am good now I am in 1st grade. I love you so much. I want a BAT BOY and I want you Santa. I want one of your sleighs and I will give you cookies and chocolate milk. I love you. Love Axel Tucker.

Dear Santa, For Christmas I am going to spend time with my familey this year. I am going to go to my grandma and grandpas house on Christmas eve to give presents. And I am going to make Christmas cookies. My favrit color is pink. I have been very good this year. And very nice to my sbilings to. For my present this year I want a barbie lif in the dream hous.
Thank you Santa! Love Maddie.

Dear Santa, I want toys

Dear Santa, Please can I have a stuffed elf and a shelf. Love Brighton.

Dear Santa, Merry Christmas. You have a elf you fly every house have Christmas tree. I get you a milk and cookies. I Wot a barbie book. You have a reindeer.
Love Isabell



PHOTOS BY MICHAEL SMIT/DAILY INDEPENDENT
Santa Claus poses for a picture with a young lady on Saturday afternoon, Nov. 10, at the Saint Ann School Holiday Bazaar. Santa took the time to visit the school just before his schedule got busy with the winter holidays.

Dear Santa, I want a little pup robot. I like your reindeer. I will leave some cookies with a note. Thank you.
Love Grant!

Dear Santa, I want kitin it is real and a litte dog.
Love Mika M.

Dear Santa, May I please have a elf on the shelf and a purple case of my own home depot stuff please and I will leave cookies for you and Mrs Claus and I will milk.
Love, Lillian

Dear Santa, I would like ten THT and a drone. Thank you Santa,
Love Friend Logan

Dear Santa, for Christmas may I ples have a remote control monster and a dirt bike? I would also like a new bik and a ninja suit so I can play in it. I would like a FijH Keeob so I can also with with and roler skats
Luv Ryan Johnson

Dear Santa, I 'm going to make cookies. And my wish is I want snow on Christmas Day please. I am going to spend time with my family. I'm so happy that you are com-

ing to twon. I decorated my tree with my Mom and Papa and Evan and David. And my dad just came bake to Ridgecrest. I was so Happy. I hope you are haveing a grat day back at the North Pole.
Love Arike Fulton

Dear Santa, For Christmas I want a Elf on the Shelf and a Mal dolls a Uma doll, and a Limited Adishou Shopkins all of them. Thank you, Sant. Can you please help my family have a Marry Christmas.
Love Vivian.


Dear Santa, Merry Christmas. I hop you be saf I wot a citin and a little dog and loso mom to mak a sistr. I oso want lots of Bisket books. Thank you.
Love Hailey

Dear Santa, I wot a ple hahave. I want and two a video games. Ware Mrs. Clause.
Love Amir

Dear Santa, I want a razors scooter and a doll house. I would also like a wibard. I will leave some brownies and milk and a cookie and carrots for the reindeer.
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Can I have a hedset please and thank you and Xbox 1 and I will bring cookies. Love Caiden

Dear Santa, Please can I have a borbey home with a borbey elevadr. And calco crindrs white. And a froot nekles. And a wondr women kostoom. And time with my family and a mrmad kotoom. Swimming soot. And a mrmad koom swimming swoot. And a mermad doll that can go in the watr and comes whith a mrmad hair salon and 9 hachmol 2 20 pack. And toy uooncorns a babey and mom. And a jasmen doll. From Paisley Smosna

Dear Santa, I do not want that much presents this year. Two of the presents that I want is a phone and a hoverboard. Also a whole bunch of cat stuff

and I want Julia's mom to get a house and find a job. If you can do those stuff for me thank you. Sincerely, Jordyn

Dear Santa Claws, I have bin getting a's in spelling. So may I have a Real Madird jersey in cr7 the color white 2018 and a Xbox 1 and cr7 soccer shoes, Chapter 5 kit and wwe 2018 for PS4 the special edition. Love Christian

Dear Santa Claus, I would like a teddy bear for Christmas. I want some books too. I will leave you some milk and cookies. Al I really want for Christmas is my family to have a Holly Jolly Christmas. Thank you very much and Merry Christmas! Sincerely, Jamavnh

Dear Santa Clause, I have bin very goo. So how have you bin and I hope you have not bin naughty. What I want for Christmas is nothing. Love, Koa

Dear Santa Claws, May I have a art set, fluff pom

keychain, glitter puppy Hank, rose message sand bottle, slime ball, all Christmas earrings. Love Sara W.

Dear Santa Claus, I don't want much for Christmas but the health of my baby brother, Luke, he is not born yet but I want him to be healthy and fine. All of the other things I want is a baby walker and a baby bottle and a lot of clothes a jacket and pants and long sleeves for winter, caual clothes for spring shorts and a t-shirt for summer and fall clothes for fall, all for Luke and baby toys so he can be intertained and have a safe birth of baby Luke and have him be safe. Thats my wish and all of my wishes are for luke. Sincerely, Lerana

Dear Santa,how are you doing I am doing just fine. I am going to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want lol dolls and I want an ipod. I want 100 hatchimals. I also want a tsum tsum you can stack them on each other. I want new shoes that are high heels. I

also want those little monster high figures that are lego's. I really want orbeez spa. That is what I want for Christmas. Sincerely, Khyla

Dear Santa Claus, Merry Christmas! How are you doing? I promise I'm not naughty. I love Christmas, especially the friends and family. May I please have a romote control helicopter. I love how how you make every child happy. Please help the student team to win "Class Wins" all through December and January. Thank you for all you do. Sincerely, Emilia

Dear Santa Claus, I would like to see my cousins, aunts and my uncles and I would like a puppy and a PS4 and some books and one more page of home before the year is over. Love Raymon

Dear Santa Claws, What I want for Christmas is a drone that cna fly and drive. So how are you and your wife doing? I'm okay. Me and my sister mite leave some cookies for

you. One more thing, can you convince my mom for extra desert? I also want a xdox 260 hockey game. I also want some legos. That's it. See you next year. Love, Sam. Dear Santa, can I please have a drums. I been really good. Also one of your elfs came to my house my family amed him spirit he loves playing tricks on us. May I please have a Xbox. I have been really good. Love Ezekiel

Dear Santa, may I have a toy wolf and a new pair of shoes. Also I want stuff for slime. Santa can I have a big birth stone. I also want a lion mood necklace. Sant can you get me a big diamond. Sincerely, Maddyn

Dear Santa Clause, I would like in X Box oen S and a lot of games tom clancy rainbow 6 siege and a lot of controller and please make me able to play online with Zeke. Love, Devin

Dear Santa Claus, for Christmas can you get be a


basketball please. Sincerely, Malek

Dear Santa, all I want for Cristmas is a memory foam mattress fand the love from my family. Merry Cristmas. I hope you can get here! Sincerely, Yach

Dear Santa, thanks for always bringing me presents. This something I would like for Chrismas, a huge teddy bear! This is the thing I whant the most. I want a holly jolly Christmas with my family! I hope you have a great Christmas. I also you you like my shuger cookies. I also am giving you some milk to wash it down. Have very merry Christmas! Love Luke

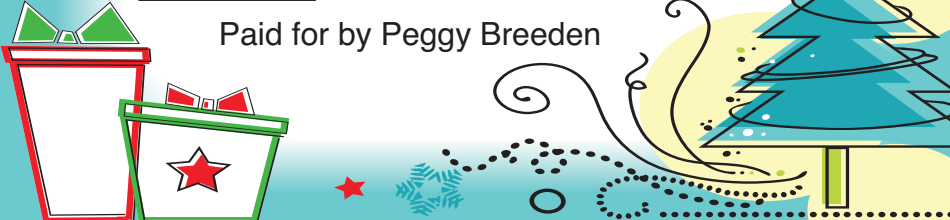
Dear Santa, may I have a big big enty box. I would like my own cooking pan. I really really want a little dog for my other dog so she has a friend. I would like a water bottle. I would like slime ingretients for me and my dad. I really would like a new bike. I would like a pet lizard and a new blanket. Sincerely, Jayshian

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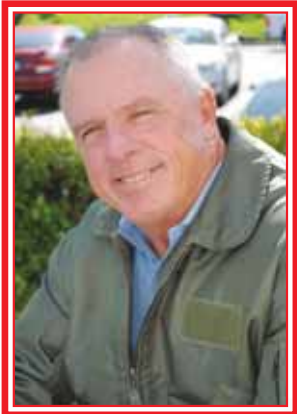
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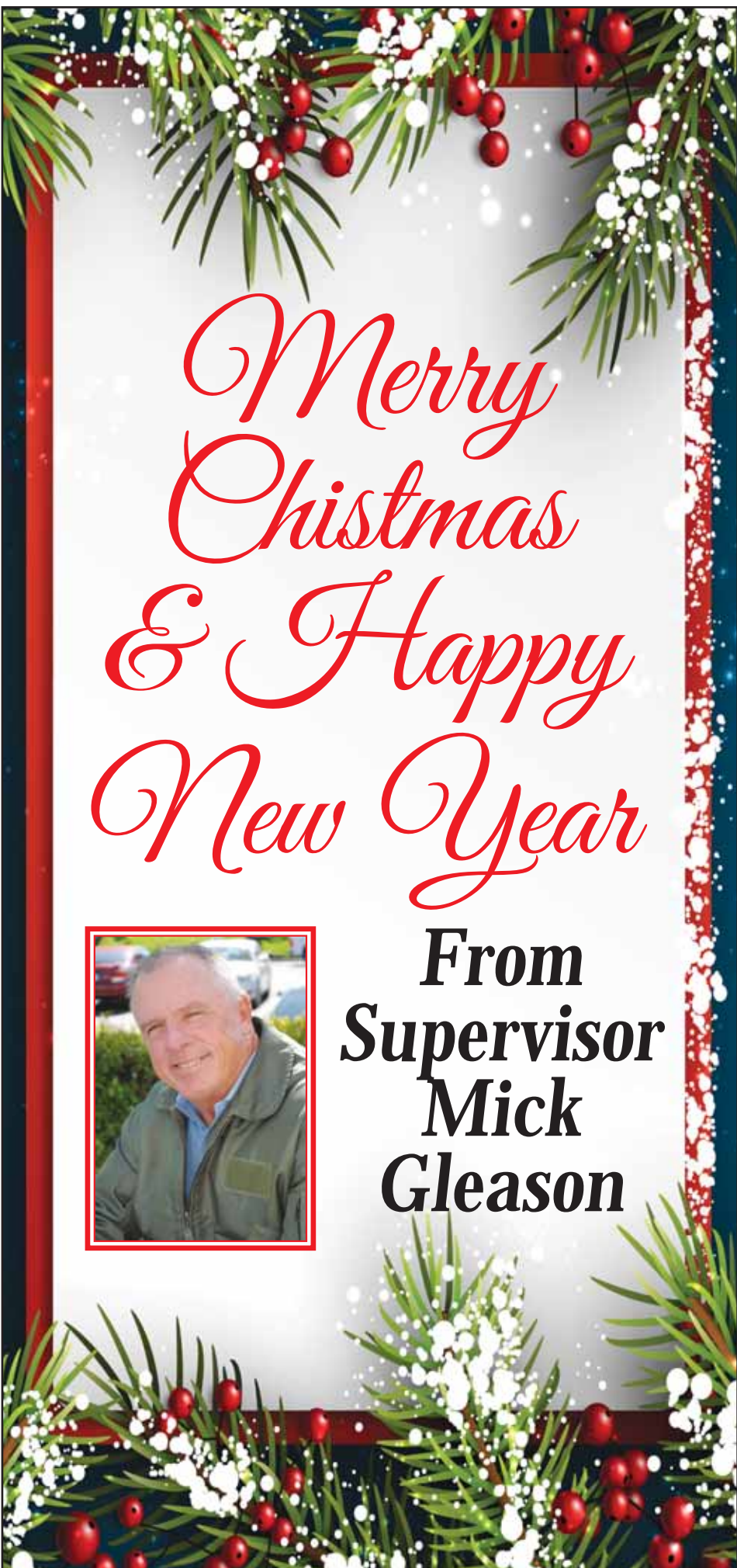


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Merry Christmas & Happy New Year



From Supervisor Mick Gleason



Dear Santa Claus, my name is Estella. I would like Minecraft books. I would like a guitar and a toy pug. I would leave some cookies and milk. Sinceny, Estella

Dear Santa, This year I hope you can bring me a toy but do you want a present I think you want everybody in the nice list not in the naughty list but can you bring me a dorne and a PS4 and a phone.
Love Oscar

Dear Santa Claus, May I please have two hatchimals, a few shopkin sets and one pug. Thank you Santa Claus for delivering presents.
Sincerely Emma

Dear Santa, merry almost Christmas. How are you doing? I am doing fine. I would not like to bother you but could you please give me some Numnoms, LOL dolls, eletric Lamberginey gig enough for me and long enough for me, orbeez, orbeez feet musgager, cooking stuff, shopkins #8, big teddy bear, big reces peaces, The last thing I would want is

the holly jolly Christmas
for my family. Thank you
for listening! I hope you
like my cookies.
Love, Ava

Dear Santa, For Christmas
this year I would like a
dune buggy, dirt bike and
a monster truck.
Love Jaykob

Dear Santa, For Christmas
this year I would like a
Barbie, a baby doll and a
book.
Love, Valerie

Dear Santa, For Christmas I would like a book, and a an RC Car, a baby puppy, a kitten, fidget spinner, snow flakes, and a baby black bunny.
Love Cali

Dear Santa,, For Christ-
mas this year I would like
a nerf gun.
Love Vincent

Dear Santa, For Christmas this year, I would like a kitten, a puppy and a slime.
Love Andeleah

Dear Santa, this year I want a skateboard, a phone, a lego Ninjago set, a puppy, 10 elves, and

Xbox, kittens and a RC Car.
Love Aulie

Dear Santa, For Christmas this year, I would like a dirt bike, Nintendo Switch, a phone, video games, a hamster and hover board.
Love, Isaac

Dear Santa, For Christmas this year I would like a kitten, a puppy, and xbox 1S, a baby doll, and a barbie doll.
Love Kayla

Dear Santa, For Christmas this year I would like a baby goat, a puppy, a kitten, a hover board, a baby doll, books, a bag of Christmas cookies, and lots of money.
Love, Tatum

Dear Santa, For Christmas this year I would like a baby doll and a puppy.
Love, Angelique

Dear Santa, For Christmas this year I would like a puppy, a doll, a bike, games, and clothes.
Love, Paxton

Dear Santa, For Christmas this year I would a

hover board.
Love, Skylar

Dear Santa, For Christmas this year, I want a Barbie, hatchimals, books and a baby doll.
Love Aliyah

Dear Santa, For Christmas this year I would like PS-4 games, dirt bike, X box 1s, Nintendo switch, a baby goat, a puppy, lots of money, 10 elves, a dune buggy and books.
Love, Athan

Dear Santa, For Christmas this year I would like a Nintendo switch, 100,000,000 elves, Lego ninjago, a phone and a skateboard.
Love, Brody

Dear Santa, For Christmas this year I would like a puppy, kitten, Nintendo switch, phone and a book.
Love, Jaxon

Dear Santa, For Christmas this year I would like a baby goat, a guitar, and a hover board.
Love Aaron

Dear Santa, For Christmas this year, I would

like bag of Christmas
cookies and lots of
money.
Love, Maggie

Dear Santa, For Christmas this year, I would like blue tablet and phone and computer and nerf gun and dirt bike and PS-4 games and hover board, fidget spinner and skates, board and viedo games, lots of money and Xbo 360.
Love, RJ

Dear Santa, May I please have Chapter books, MC Nail polish marker, EAZE over, makeup, dirt bike. Thank you. Merry Christmas.
From Olivia J

Dear Santa, May I please have an Apple phone, Apple computer, a giant stuffed bear, a hover board, snowcane machine, candy. Thank you Santa! Merry Christmas. From Annabel H.

Dear Santa, May I please have Transformers collection, drone collections, Lego set, Xbox 1. Thank you Santa! Merry Christmas.

From James.

Dear Santa, May I please have a dirt bike, 3rd Sniper nerf gun, xbox, remote control tank, tablet, heaver board, \$30.
From Destiny

Dear Santa, May I please
have a heaver board,
Apple phone, a giant
stuffed bunny, a new
bike, snowcane machine.
Thank you Santa. Marry
Christmas.
From Bella B.


Dear Santa,
May I please have a
iphone 7, A 3rd Sniper
Nerf gun, Halo 4, Back-
ops 4, a Home Coming
Spiderman, a drone, a
heaver board, a remote
control tank, a dirt bike.
From Cameron.

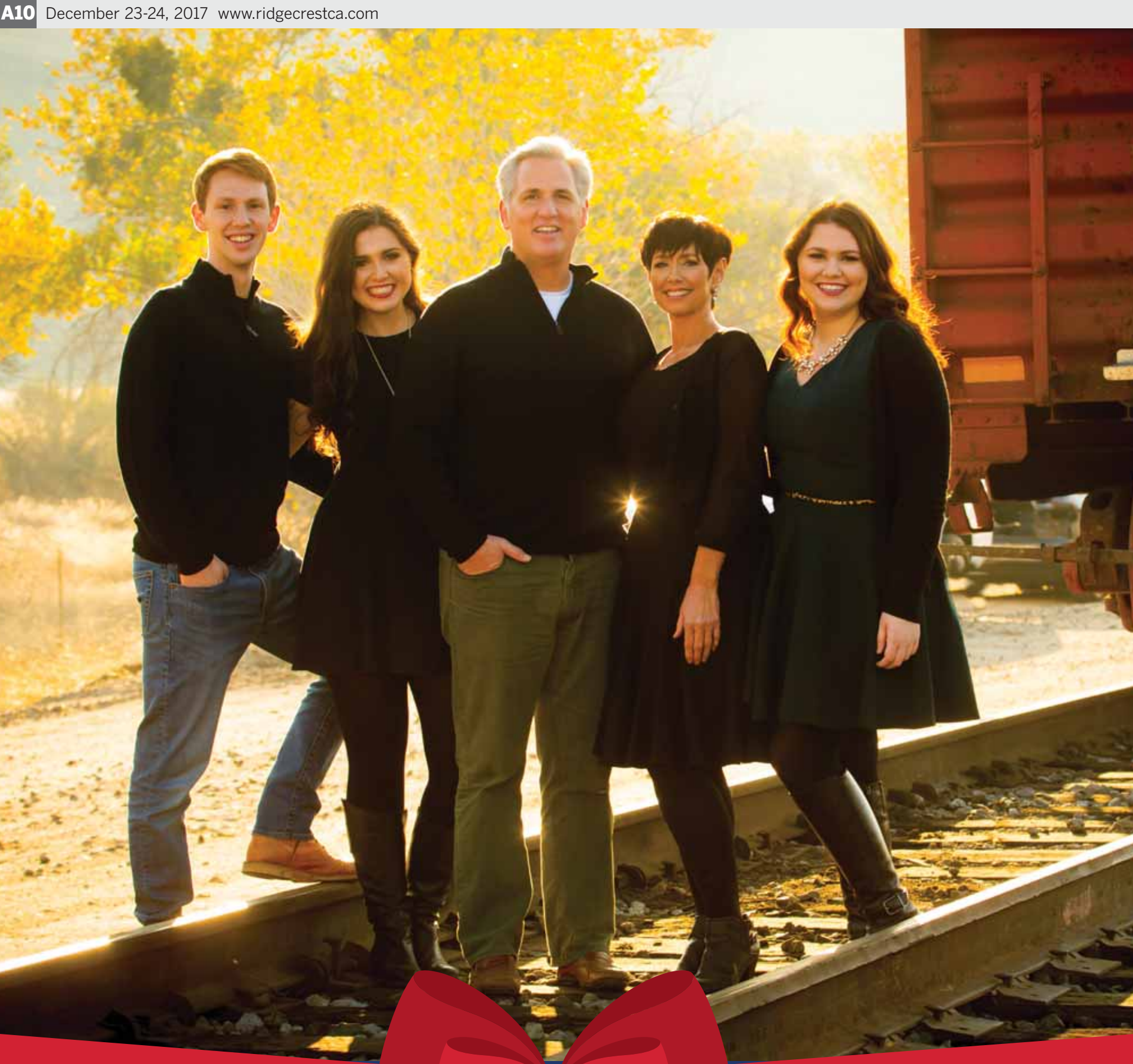
Dear Santa, May I please have a Rapunzel bow and arrow, headphones, money for poor family, a blue blanket for my new baby sister, new chapter books to read, food for families who don't have money. Thank you Santa, Merry Christmas.
Juliet M.

Season's Greetings

May this special time of year be one of celebration and peace. My warmest wishes to you and yours for a joyous holiday season and a healthy New Year filled with boundless promise.

Eddie Thomas
Ridgecrest City Councilman

A black and white portrait of Eddie Thomas, a man with glasses and a mustache, wearing a suit and tie, smiling. The portrait is set within a rounded rectangular frame.



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DI Letters to Santa

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Dear Santa, May I please have a MC2 Nail polish maker and type writer for my sister, a snowcane maker for my mother, new phone for my sister and another one for my ddad, a giant stuffed bunny, a Apple Iphone 10, x-box one for my brother, all the books from the Baby Sitter's Club, a gum-ball machine, a Hot Wheel, a Rapunzel doll.
Thank you, Santa! Merry Christmas.
From Arwen J.

Dear Santa, May I please have some hot wheels, and a Apple Phone and some toys for my cats, and some convers and hoods for me and my mom, and a new watch for my dad and for my papa, and Mrs. Thomspson to have good day, and some money for the poor people.
Thank you Santa! Merry Christmas!
From Haileyana G.

Dear Santa, Mrs Thompson to have a fun time with her family. I would like a bike. I would also like all the series of littlest pet shop. Thank you Santa for sparing your time. Merry Christmas.
From Brooke H.

Dear Santa, may I have a beautiful dress with beautiful shoes, and a iphone and a bow tie for my hair and roblox and a gift card for robot and a gift card/
Thanks Santa, from Jacy.

Dear Santa, may I please have Shopkins, a sing machine, Apple phone, a giant stuffed bunny, snowcone machine, shopkins move.
Thank you Santa. Merry Christmas.
From Eleana R.

Dear Santa, May I please have a Hot Wheel, cotton candy machine, gumball machine, Snipper Nerf gun. Thank you Santa. Merry Christmas
From Kason H.

Dear Santa, May I please have a Hot

wheel car, can I please have a Xbox. I wish that my mom and my dad git Christmas to and want a gumball machine and a toe transformers and thank you Santa! Merry Christmas.
From Colt

Dear Santa, May I please have for Christmas a snowcone machine, a phone with a Eagles case, Xbox, gumball machine, Sniper Nerf gun, cotton candy machine, a dirt bike, a vipporella, a stuffed animal, a hot wheel, a remote control jet and plane.
From Leighton.

Dear Santa, May I please have a type-writer, Zane's Ice tank, a bow and arrow, Sniper Nerf gun. Thank you Santa, from Phillip.

Dear Santa, May I please have a pink bow and arrow, a sing machine and a pink phone.
Thank you, Satna! Merry Christmas.
From Isabella F.

Dear Santa, May I please have a giant stuffed white bunny, an Apple iphone, a drone, 10 chapter books. Thank you santa and merry Christmas.
Love, Alicia E.

Dear Santa, May I please have a jet air-plane and a dodge charger police car and a iphone and a remote control King Cobra and a real snake and a remote control spider and a robot that shan shoot a hoop and catch and do my laundry together and a real cat. Thank you Santa. Merry Christmas.
From Tyler

Dear Santa, may I please have a snow cane machine and a ice cream machines and a cotton candy machine and a bow and arrow. Merry Christmas
From Donovan

Dear Santa, Many years you have given me a happy Christmas. Don't you need a



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rest some time. How is Mrs. Claus by the way? I would like everyone to have a happy Christmas. Did you ever get my letter last year when I was a fourth grader. Now I'm in fifth grade. My birth-

day is on the 27th of December. Birthday wishes please snd. When is your birthday. Jesus's birthday is the 25th the day after you deliver the wonderful toys, tots and children are waiting to open. I

would love to ride on your sleigh. I've only see you in my dreams. I really would really like a laptop apple. Many people really appreciate you. Your most thankful fan, Aurora M.

and a doll house, an a kid frot, and a breado's and a laptop and crazycraft and troll-craft and lacky black mods and a brum set and winter pajamas and a phone and headphones for music and sweat shirts and sking jen's and boots and tie shoes and a lot of dinosaur fossil toys.
From Mercedez Slay

Dear Santa, I've been good so I would want Monster High dolls, and shopkins dolls and shopkins and hact-mals, my mine mix

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Aryan Moore

Dear Santa, i was good this year. I want a dirt bike and a rc/ car and a phone and a dog named Clid and a Santa bag with 200 toys in the Santa bag. I want a ipad and a tablit and a tocking robot a bad duck and a dragin ratersnack toy, dire bike, and a harley toy, car and a ROV bike a dirt bike.
Brandon

Dear Santa, I have been a good boy. I would like a Hovr board, and big huge trampoline, and a laptop and mrey Christmas and Nike shones and talies and indoor kolt and I want elf on the shelf, and I want a Xbox one and I want 1000\$.
Angel

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you Santa, I've been good and I want a trampoline and for Christmas I want a laptop and I want clothes and pups and a I want a Santa clothes and winter pajamas and books. And a pair of shoes and earphones and a pept pedand boots and talikes. Eternity Robinson

Dear Santa, I want winter clothes and my owe pups and make up, a pink phone case and baby dolls and pokemon cards and a rabbit, laptop and guinea pig. Wakky-takky. Starla

Dear Santa, For Christmas I want a puppy and a candy cane and a Hobit and a laptop and a trampoline and a mace up set and a phone and head-phones and a guinea

pig and a spy plane. Daise
Dear Santa, you are my favert person in the world. Me and my brother would like a puppy and a candy cane and a tlabit and a laptop and a phone and a bracelet and a watch. Austin

Dear Santa, I was very good this year. I do not want a stocking of coal. I want a laptop, puppy, kitty, guinea pig, fish, fish bowl, trampoline, horse, clothes, blanket a soft one, money, watch, tablet, phone. Merry Christmas every one! Jessalyn

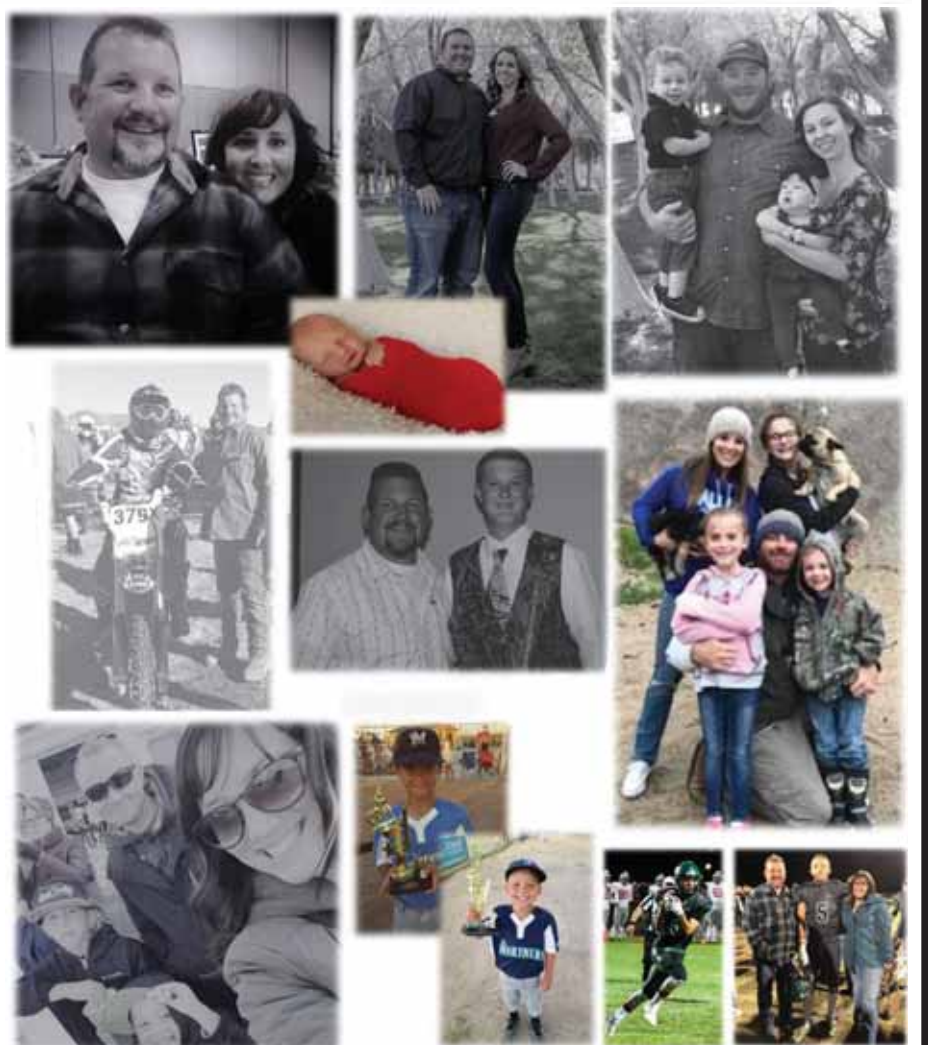
Dear Santa, I want Christmas is a head phone and a watch and a mp3 player and a kitten and a pink dinosaur with bells and a

baby doll. Desiree Oggs
Dear Santa, I want all the minecraft mini figures for Christmas and a trampoline and all the big ones. David

Dear Santa, I wont a ipad, I wont a bike, I wont a modrsiecl, I wont a hatchml, I wont headphones, I wont a pet sanke, I wont a motcar. Whitney

Dear Santa, I wont a indoor kitty cat for Chirstmas and I want a girl guinea pig that has babies and two wakky-taki and a little german shepard. Omar

Dear Santa can I have a stranger things poprock and a white hover board and stranger things porter



From our Family to Yours!
Chuck Griffin, IWVWD Director

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Travis

Dear Santa, I wood like
a kite and pupe and a
laptop and a little
trampoling that's what
I wont for Christmas.
Kylie Mouw

Dear Santa, laptop,
minecraft toys and
train toys.
Jeremy

Dear Santa, I wish for snow, I wish for 1000 dollars, I wish for a dirt bike. I wish for a dog.
Tyler

Dear Santa, the laptop,
talking souw
Shane

Dear Santa, I want
walky talkies I want a
pet snake.
Robert

Dear Santa Claus, First I want to remind you about how polite and good I've been. I have been very good. I want a gum ball machine, a big gint red teddy bear

and candy.
Sincerely, Phoebe Cox.
P.S. I will bring you
cookies and milk.

Dear Santa Claus, I want to remind you about how polite and good I've been. Can you please get me a gymnastic bar and a gymnastic mat. I would also like a turquoise bridle and breast collar. Thank you for all the things you do for the world. I'm glad you're around. Sincerely, Mackenzie Crawford

Dear Santa Claus, I want to remind you about how polite and good I've been. I want a Xbox 1, a red hover board and a wubble bubble ball.

Your friend, Joshua Gannon

Dear Santa Claus, I wanted to remind you about how polite and nice I've been. And I was going to tell you the things I want for Christmas. May I please have a magic 8 ball an a hachamal baby nursery and hamster.

Senserly, Danielle Mathis

Dear Santa Claus, I
want to remind you

about how polite and good I've been. I want a piano for Christmas so I can play music. I also want a robot horse so I can be responsible for a horse. I want an American girl doll just like me.
Sincerely Cynthia Bimbela

Dear Santa Claus, I want to remind you that I think I was good. There are three things I would really like: a My Little Pony to go with the rest of them and a stuffed dog to play with a three Minecraft play packs to play around lik I am in the game.

Sincerely, your friend
Madison Dove

Dear Santa Claus, I want to remind you about how good I've been. I helped my mom and dad with tires and chors and are beds and water we run of water. I want a ipad a phone, a top scope and a xbox 360 with games and Ps 4 with games. Then I want a blacket and a music disct and a bike and motersicel.

Sincerely Ronald B.

Dear Santa Claus, I want to remind you about how polite and

good I've been. And what I want for Christmas is a toy dog. That comes with toy food and a toy cit to and a set of playdow with a ice-cream set to go with the playdow to. Sincerely, Alivia Merinarrll

Dear Santa Claus, I want to remind you about how polite and good I've been. I want to now if I'm your nice

list. I will please want
dream tents and snugg
tales.
Gage Helm

Dear Santa Claus, I want to remind you about how polite and good I've been. I want to know if I'm on your naughty list. If I don't get anything for Christmas. But if I'm not on your naughty list, I would like a remote control monster truck.

a dollar 8, a magic track.
Love Michael Martinez.

Dear Santa Cloas, I
been good, always
good good. Can I get a
phone for Christmas
and a set of enegelit-
ing and a ses of horse
toys, ples and thank
you. Love you Sana
Cloas, you are the
best.

Dear Santa Claus, I





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want to remind you about how polite and good I've been. I was actually medium. I was bad a few times. Can I have a new phone case, black boots , pie face show down and grips? Sincerely, Karen Michel

Dear Santa Claus, I was a good girl this year so I hope I get a locking diary voice password and a slime maker, tablet, and a phone, mackup, new xbox one, locking jewelry box. Mary Christmas Santa. Love Angelina Ryant

Dear Santa Claus, I want to remind you about how polite and good I've been. I would like a cosmo for Christmas. Can you also bring me an elf on the shelf, can you please bring me both of these things. Sincerely, Kayle Kephart.

Dear Santa Claus, I want to remind you about how polite and good I've been. I want to tell you what I want for Christmas. So this is what I want for Christmas: A trampoline, a fluffy blanket, and a water bottle that says "Gym Hair Don't Care." If you can will you please bring me all of these things. Sincerely, Misylee M.

Dear Santa Claus, I want to remind you about how polite and good I've been. May I have a phone so I can play game. Sincerely Malachi

Dear Santa, I've been trying really hard to be good this year. Even though it was I hard, I made it. This year, I won't be asking much. All I want this year is 3

things. 3 new Xbox 360 controls, and exact replica of your bag and anything Sans redarts. The last one will make my day. The Sans thing can be cheap or expensive, either way, I'll love and take care of it. See ya! Merry X-mas, Amethyst Edmunds.

Dear Santa Claus, I would like 4 things for Christmas this year. The first thing is less floods and fires. The second is more hot water (snow). The third thing is happyness for my hole family, even Unkle James side of teh family. And for me, actually I lied. I want 5 things for Christmas. All the stuff you read. For me I would like a bike, tabe and grow like 2 inches. That is all. I'm not that greedy. Inyo School. Jamie Haas. P.S. You should have you elves bake coccies for you so you will have a huge jelly belly. Oh yay, have a

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(4) 1600 Block Of S. Flanigan St.
(5) 1000 Block Of S. Yorktown St.
(6) 1000 Block Of Peg St.
(7) 1800 Block Of S. Mahan St.
(8) 728 W. Kinnett Ave.
(9) 1108 N. Scott

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