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IN THE STARS

EVENTS

DEC. 16-18
Crosby FD
Operation Santa



Crosby Volunteer Fire Department
OPERATION SANTA ROUTES
Friday, 12/16 @ 6PM - Foley Rd. / Indian Shores
Saturday, 12/17 @ 6PM - Newport
Sunday, 12/18 @ 5PM - Barrett / Kodiak Crossing / Crosby Village

Crosby Volunteer Fire Department
OPERATION SANTA

The Crosby Volunteer Fire Department will be escorting Santa through neighborhoods again this year with help of our friends from HCSD 5 EMS and CSD. The routes will be on the evenings of Friday, December 16th through Sunday, December 18th. Please like and follow us on Facebook for more information. We have created events on Facebook for each night with the routes attached so you can add them to your FB calendars and share them with neighbors and friends. We are all looking forward to this magical event.

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BIRTHDAYS

Dec 17-Tim Dammon
Helen Dunks
Brandon Tappan
Laurie Delome
Dec 18-Mikey Martin
Pauline Shields
Dec 20-Kerney Thomas
Dec 22-Rusty Williamson
Dec 23-Barbara Whitby
Dec 24-Janice Loftin
Russell Rach
Dec 26-Rick Bobalik
Belvia Courville
Dec 27-Kathryn Dunlop
Dec 28-Jocelyn Victoria Kmicik
Kyle Schultz
Dec 29-Thomas Coward
Darryl Foster
Dec 31-Susan O'Neal

ANNIVERSARIES

Dec 17-George & Stachia R. Thurmond
Zorro & Katie Soto
Dec 19-Kitty & Bob Elkins
Dec 20-David & Kathryn Dunlop
Dec 21-Roger & Lisa Simmons
Dec 25-Bill & JoAnn Turner
Dec 28-Kyle & Tricia Schultz
Dec 31-Raymond & Jean Oliver
Ashley & Eric Clamon

Highlands Elem. Choir Christmas Presents "The Granny Awards"



The Highlands Elementary School was filled to standing room only last Thursday night December 8th, as the Highlands Elementary School Choir presented a pageant entitled "The Granny Awards."

Students sang and acted out a Christmas story for the enjoyment of the audience and the participants. The production was directed by Marsha Goodwin-Jones, Choir Director; Juliette Walsh, Assistant Director; and assistants Dontreal Perique and Hanna Kinder.

Songs performed as part of the story were "Let it Snow," "White Christmas," "Little St. Nick," and "Grandmas Got Run

Over by a Reindeer." This last number brought great fun and expressions of joy to the performers, which was also appreciated by the audience of parents and educators.

Performers in the production included Faith Mitchell as Granny, Jonathan Ramos as Grandpa, Karson Marsh as Santa Claus, and Addisyn Speaks as Mrs. Claus. Narrators of the story were Imari Henry and Luke Knoebel.

A large supporting cast, as can be seen in the photo, played parts as family, Reindeer, Award Personnel, Grannys, and Elves.

Highlands celebrates with Santa & friends

HIGHLANDS – Santa came to the Community Center last Thursday evening, and so did hundreds of children and parents who wanted to whisper their desires in his ear. Pct. 3 and the Chamber of Commerce combined this year, to provide a fun and festive experience for the families of the area.

The venue was different this year, and Santa arrived by foot, not by fire truck, but all the children seemed to be happy with the event, anyway. Besides Santa, the Grinch was a popular if scary visitor to the center too. Decorated Christmas trees and other decorations can still be seen at the Community Center.

Some families came early, so that they could also go to the Elementary School for a Christmas Choir pageant. See story above.



Santa listened patiently, as a long line of children waited to tell him their secrets, and get a photo taken.



Tonya Kostka shows some of the Christmas trees decorated by community organizations.



Hot Chocolate was served by the Rotary Club, and Cookies by the Highlands Horizons.

Ice Land returns to Moody Gardens

GALVESTON – It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas on Galveston Island. Festive sights, sounds, and smells fill the air from Nov. 19 to Jan. 7 as Holiday in the Gardens opens with over nine seasonal attractions including ICE LAND, Festival of Lights trail, and more as the largest holiday destination in the region.

This holiday season the highly popular ICE LAND ice sculpture at-



Ice Sculptures and playful Christmas characters are part of the Ice Land experience now open at Moody Gardens in Galveston, through Jan. 7.

traction is returning after a two-year break due to the pandemic. ICE LAND: A Caribbean Christmas will allow visitors to be fully immersed in the region's coolest holiday attraction. Guests will embark on a breathtaking underwater journey from the shores of Galveston Island through the Gulf of Mexico. As they explore the depths of the ocean, they will dis-

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Letters to Santa

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Dear Santa,
My Christmas list board games, Doll stuff shoes, a keyboard (for music) shopkins (that look like food) and anything. Thank you for everything, you are amazing for all the presents from all the years thank you for everything.
Isabella Solano, 8,

Dear Santa,
What is it like in the North pole? Do you drink a lot of hot cocs every morning? If so how many cups? I want to thank you for sending Tin my elf. I get happy to wake up seeing him in different spots. I know I'm on the NAUGHTY list but I'm trying my best to be good at home. Here are a few items I want... Led lights, pop socked, new shoes/sandals. I hope you have a Merry Christmas.
Joselyn Ramirez, 8,

Dear Santa,
I hope you had a great rest year. I woud like a race car for Christmas. I want to play with my friends. I work hard at school. Tell Rudolph Hello for me.
Love, Adrian Ramirez

Dear Santa,
I hope you had a great restful year. I want a plushie for christmas, I have never had one I did my homeworks. I hope you and the sleigh deer have a nice trip.
Ma Landmeree

Dear Santa,
I hope you had a restful year. I would like Wdrie game for christmas. I want to play the wdrie game with my brother helped my mom. I'll be watching for you.
Rene

Dear Santa,
I hope you had a great restful year. I would like monster high dolls for christmas. I want to play with it with my sister. I hope you and the reindeer have a safe trip.
Ava

Dear Santa,
I hope you had a great restful year. For christmas I would like shopkins for chistmas so I can play with my barbie house. I deserve it because I helped at home. be careful on christmas eve.
Brittany Vasques

Dear Santa,
I hope you had a great restful year. I would like a kittin for christmas. I want to play with it. I have been helping my mom around the house please be careful on christmas eve.
Patricia

Dear Santa,
I hope you had a great restful year. I would like my Dad and a PS5 for christmas. I want to play with my dad I did my chores with my mom and dad tell Rudolph hello for me.
Jaxon Orbe

Dear Santa,
I hope you had a great restful year. I would like a RC car for christmas. I helped out at home I clean the living room. I hope you and the reindeer have a safe trip.
Ethan Springer

Dear Santa,
I hope you had a great restful year. I would like a VR headset for christmas. I want to be able to play these things. I helped my

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mom at home. I hope you and the reindeer have a safe trip.
Jaron

Dear Santa,
I hope you had a great restful year. I would like rainbow high dolls for christmas so I can play with my cousin. I want a puppy so I can sleep with it. I do my chores and homework be careful on christmas eve.
Aminan Rose H

Dear Santa,
I hope you had a great restful year. I would like a Hooverboard for christmas. I want to play with my friends. I have good grades. Can you please tell my Elves I love them.
Liam Caderon

Dear Santa,
I hope you had a great restful year. I would like a squish mello for christmas. I want to share with my sister. I don't cry whet it is time for bed tell Rudolph hello for me.
Yazaira Munoz

Dear Santa,
I hope you had a great restful year. I would like some books for christmas. I can read at home. I worked hard at school. Be careful on christmas eve.

Barlee White

Dear Santa,
I hope you had a great restful year. I would like a piggy plush for christmas. I want to play with it. I helped my mom. I hope you and the reindeer have a safe trip.
Kay Leon

Dear Santa,
I hope you had a great restful year. I would like a metal detector I want to find my septic tank help clean my house.
Isaiah Escobar

Dear Santa
You are assume because you bring me present and I go to sleep, so I can get presents in the morning. All I want for Christmas is a mini shopping cart from Target and pink Rainbow Squish mellow. - Ali-Guy - 7 yr.

Dear Santa
Hi! My name is Peyton. I know your name is Santa, I love your elf and I love you Santa. I want for Christmas a dog Squish mellow. -Peyton- 7 yr.

Hi! Santa! How are you doing Santa? We are having a Christmas performance. Are you going to come? -Sam- 7 yr.

Dear Santa
How are you? What I want for Christmas is a typewriter and a nutcracker. I also want Pokemon violet and a Nintendo switch and a joke. - Auburnee- 8 yr.

Dear Santa
How are you But I am great but I want a squish mellow and watch bottle and kid iPad and a coloring book and Merry Christmas. - Jayleen- 7 yr.

Hi! Santa how are you. For Christmas I want squish Mellow. -Olivia H.- 8 yr.

Dear Santa
How old are you? I want for Christmas is squish mellow. - Rose - 8 yr.

From Our Family to Yours, Best Wishes for the New Year



Joe Stephens and family

Best Wishes for the Holidays

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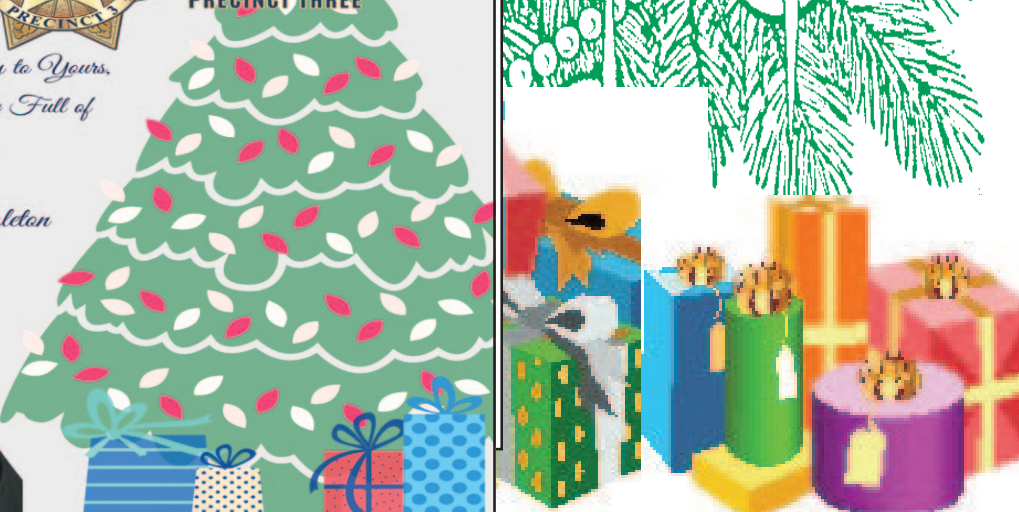
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ON THE HILL

Memorials to the Chambers County Library System

At the Sam and Carmena Goss Memorial Branch Library, Mont Belvieu:
In memory of James (Jim) Baccus: Texas history for kids, T is for Texas, 10 little monsters visit Texas, Welcome to Texas, The Trinity River, This is Texas, y'all, from Porter Hedges, LLP
In memory of Mary Fae Foster: Light & easy vegan baking, Baking it easy, Keto baking, Official Harry Potter baking book, Noelle bakes a cake, from Jake & Kristen Porter

In memory of Hank Gup-ton: Baytown (Images of America), from Executive Board of the Friends of the Chambers County Library System

In memory of Carl Holzaepfel: Edison's tackle box, Angel grandpa, Let's go fishing, from Joe, Adrienne, Blayne, & Alec Tesar

In memory of Carl Holzaepfel: Why my son needs a dad, Just in case you ever wonder, from Butch & Carolyn Brumley

In memory of Buddy & Avis Irby: Grandpa's lessons on fishing and life, My first book of growing food, We love fishing, Andre goes fishing, Grandpa's garden, Up in the garden and down in the dirt, Nana's garden, Hello garden, from Dan & Johnnie Melton

In honor of the Little Black Book Club: The housemaid, All good people here, The Manhattan girls, The last dress from Paris, A dress of violet taffeta, Horse: a novel, The hunting wives, Hokulua Road, Remarkably bright creatures, The death of Vivek Oji, Math refresher for adults, Phonics for adults, The palace papers, from Little Black Book Club members

In memory of Roger McCormick: Seventy years of farm tractors, from the staff at the Chambers County Library System

In memory of Ella Ray Moorman: Baking: from my home to yours, from Eddie & Sondra Going and Jim & Teina Laird

In memory of Steve Osgood: Ultimate guide to hunting skills, tactics, & techniques, from Jensen family

In memory of Clarence Swonke: Why should I walk? I can fly!, Oliver the curious owl, On the nature trail, A camping spree with Mr. Magee, The hike, Tall, tall tree, The wonder of thunder, from the family of David & Flaudie Hon Valerie Jensen, MLIS County Librarian Chambers County Library System
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Texas Issues Recall on Oysters Harvested in TX1

CHAMBERS COUNTY, TEXAS - The Texas Department of State Health Services has issued a recall of oysters harvested from the TX 1 area of Southeastern Galveston Bay after reports of cases of gastrointestinal issues among several dozen people.

Symptoms experienced include nausea, fever, diarrhea, vomiting, abdominal cramps, chills and headache. There are currently no cases or suspected cases of exposure in Chambers County, but residents who have experienced these symptoms after consuming oysters should contact their health care provider and discuss their potential exposure.



The recall is issued for both oysters in the shell and shucked oysters harvested between November 17 and December 7. A map of oyster harvest areas can be found on the DSHS website.

Consumers who purchased Texas oysters during this time should check packaging to see if those

oysters were harvested in TX 1. If oysters were unpackaged, consumers should contact the seller to find the source. Restaurants should contact their distributor for information on the source of oysters.

Any oysters harvested from TX 1 between November 17 and December 7 should be discarded.

Chambers County Public Health officials are monitoring this situation and will provide updates if and when it is appropriate to do so.

For more information, visit the DSHS website: <https://dshs.texas.gov/news-alerts/DSHS-Recalls-Oysters-Harvested-Area-Southeastern-Galveston-Bay/>

Free Water Well Testing for Chambers County Residents

The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service in Chambers County has partnered with the Texas Well Owner Network, Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board, Texas Water Resources Institute and RCAP to provide "Well Informed" water well testing.

This FREE program screens well water for common contaminants including fecal coliform, E. coli bacteria, nitrates and high salinity.

Sample containers can be picked up December 12 through 19 at the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Office in Chambers County or at any Chambers County Commissioner's Office.

The "Well Informed" TWON program is an edu-

cational program that gives well owners the opportunity to have their well water samples screened for common contaminants including fecal coliform, E. coli bacteria, nitrates and high salinity. The screening of the water samples is followed by a 1-hour explanation of the results, water well protection practices and focuses on wellhead protection and recommendations for remediating well contamination.

Well Informed Screening - December 19 & December 20

• Chambers County AgriLife Office: 295 White Mem Pk Rd, Anahuac, TX 77514

• Commissioner Jimmy Gore's Office: 211 Broadway, Winnie TX 77665

• Commissioner Hammond's Office: 10616 Eagle Dr. Mont Belvieu TX

• Commissioner Billy Comb's Office: 7711 Highway 146 Baytown TX

• Commissioner Mark Tice's Office 7911 S. FM 565 Mont Belvieu TX

• Pick up sample containers prior to November 19 from above locations

• Sample drop-off 8:30—10:00 a.m. November 19 from above locations

Results & Interpretation meeting 6:00 p.m. @ Mount Belvieu Library – Sam and Carmena Goss Memorial Branch, Mont Belvieu, 1 John Hall Dr., Mont Belvieu, TX 77580.

For more information, call or email Joel Pigg: 979-845-1461 or j-pigg@tamu.edu

THOUGHTS FROM HILLSIDE CHURCH

By Dr. Mark Trice



What Did I Present?

Many people start Christmas shopping early in the year, putting great thought into their lists and how best to please each and every person, often placing special orders for custom craftsmanship or acquiring one-of-a-kind pieces that are sure to please. Particularly elusive gifts are tracked down with care and wrapped with love before they find their way under a tree. Other gifts may be bought by hurried shoppers as the clock runs out on events that didn't just creep up on the unsuspecting buyer, but rushed in like a linebacker on an important play.

I'm not quite as bad as I make myself out to be from the pulpit, but I am one of those who figures as long as I have it on hand in time for Christmas Eve I'm doing ok. I've still put thought into it and only purchase what I believe will be greatly appreciated; I just don't spend days at the mall to get it all done. I can't even imagine putting myself through that type of torture. But as I think about presenting gifts to loved ones, I have to also consider one very important question: What did I present to God this year?

I'm pretty sure that's not the question you were expecting me to ask. When ministers tell you the best gift that can be under a Christmas tree is a Christian who has given his or her heart to God, we speak truth. But Christianity isn't a Christmas only thing. In Romans 12:1, the Bible refers to us present-

ing ourselves to God as living sacrifices. This isn't a one-time event like when you hand Aunt Kathy that special quilt you had made for her.

No, presenting yourself to God as a living sacrifice means giving up the right to live every day only for yourself. So, when I ask myself, "What did I present to God this year?" I mean, among other things, "How did I serve Him?" How, indeed, have I worked on both seeking the Kingdom of God and helping expand the Kingdom of God? What did I choose to do today, yesterday, last month...to show the world around me how much God loves them?

Because God does love them! He loves them so much that He asked Jesus to die for them, and Jesus loves them so much that He did. In spite of the agony leading up to the cross and the unimaginable pain of the cross itself, He did. There really is no greater love than this, and there is not a person on the face of the earth who doesn't desperately need it even if they don't recognize their need. In fact, Paul makes it clear in Romans 1 that we owe it to those around us to let them know about this great love.

So, again, I must ask myself, "What did I present to God this year? What prayers? What service? What one-on-one time spent with Him? What acts of love?" I can never do enough, but I must certainly DO.

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Houston Methodist Hospital Baytown

Sinus Surgery Offers Relief for CHRONIC SINUSITIS

Picture this: you're sitting at your desk. Your head aches, your nose is stuffed up, and it feels like you can't breathe. You've had what feels like a bad cold for weeks. Your doctor gave you some medicine, but it just isn't feeling any better. Unfortunately for you, you might be dealing with something more than a simple sinus infection: chronic sinusitis.

A nagging sinus infection can feel awful. Also known as sinusitis, this common condition occurs when the sinus cavities become inflamed and fill with fluid due to allergies, infection or other factors. This inflammation prevents normal mucus drainage, causing these symptoms. The good news is that these symptoms are usually temporary.

When these symptoms last for more than eight weeks despite medical treatment, it's called chronic sinusitis. The debilitating effects of chronic sinusitis can make it difficult to concentrate, sleep, work or even drive. Depending on how long it

lasts, chronic sinusitis can significantly impact your quality of life.

"Fortunately, for patients suffering from chronic sinusitis, new advances in surgery can offer a breath of fresh air," explained Dr. Sara Chen Xie, an otolaryngologist (ear, nose and throat specialist) at Houston Methodist Baytown Hospital, who helps patients suffering from sinusitis find relief.

INNOVATIONS IN SINUS SURGERY

If traditional medical treatment doesn't relieve your symptoms, your doctor may recommend noninvasive surgery. "These procedures use advanced technology and minimally invasive techniques to widen nasal passages and restore normal drainage," Xie said. Most people can have them performed in an outpatient setting, so there's a limited impact on your routine. Two types of minimally invasive surgery include:

Functional endoscopic sinus surgery (FESS) involves a thin, fiber-optic telescope (endoscope) inserted into the nose. The



Dr. Sara Chen Xie

doctor can see inside your sinuses and magnify them using the endoscope. This lets the doctor locate and remove the tissue that's obstructing nasal passages. Removing this tissue widens the sinuses and restores normal drainage. During these endoscopic surgeries, doctors rely on "landmarks" that help them orient their instruments. If a patient has atypical sinus anatomy, those landmarks may not exist. Image-guided surgery uses computed tomography (CT) scans of the sinuses to provide a map. This map and the endoscope allow the surgeon to make precise movements inside the nasal passages. FESS surgeries are usually done under general an-

esthesia and can last from one to three hours. FESS offers plenty of benefits for patients who want relief with minimal recovery time (one to two weeks). It leaves no external scars. It has few complications, and discomfort is minimal.

Balloon sinuplasty is a noninvasive option where a surgeon inserts a small balloon catheter into the sinuses through the nose. The balloon gently inflates, allowing the doctor to restructure and widen sinus passages without any cutting of tissue. This is a good option for people who cannot tolerate general anesthesia.

Candidates for balloon sinuplasty include people who:

Do not have nasal polyps or tumors Have mild forms of sinusitis Can tolerate local anesthesia

Benefits of balloon sinuplasty include:

Less discomfort Lower risk than surgery Minimal bleeding Quick recovery Symptom relief

POSITIVE RESULTS

Patients who undergo these procedures often ex-


perience less face pain and headaches. Many of them experience less nasal obstruction and postnasal discharge. "This kind of endoscopic surgery is already showing great improvement for many patients with chronic sinusitis," Xie said. "In fact, some of them even say they can smell better than before." In a recent survey of patients who underwent surgery for their chronic sinusitis, many say their issues with stuffy nose and loss of smell had improved — even 12 years later. Less than 40% of the patients needed further surgery, although many suggested that regular medication still played a role in helping to stave off sinusitis symptoms.

You may find the relief you need with noninvasive surgery. Meet with one of our board-certified ENT specialists at Houston Methodist Baytown Hospital to find out if surgery can help your symptoms. To schedule an appointment, visit houstonmethodist.org/ear-nose-throat or call 281.427.2747.

The Christmas Story

Luke 2:1-20,
King James Version

1: And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed.
2: (And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria.)
3: And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city.
4: And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judaea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of David:)
5: To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child.
6: And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered.
7: And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.
8: And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.
9: And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid.
10: And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.
11: For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.
12: And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.
13: And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying,
14: Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.
15: And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us.
16: And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger.
17: And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child.
18: And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds.
19: But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart.
20: And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them.



Hello, Santa. For Christmas I want a phone and a LOL and mini brans and a bike and a Squishmellows and Barbie and Cash and puppy corn. - Lohryr Ann - 7yr.

Dear Santa
How old are you? I would like a Word Search for Christmas. I would like a Pet reindeer and a pet snow fax and a pet dog mini brain a coffee cup Squish mellow. - Carlie - 8 yr.

Dear Santa
I hope you have a great time at the North Pole. Football helmet and a ...BMX PS5. Serempqh - 7 yr.

Dear Santa
I pop you are haven a Christmas. I would like a Squish mellow. Please three. -Ava - 7 yr.

Dear Santa
For Christmas my elf on the shelf has big good and I want a phone and money and meta quest pro and type written and Astros hats, pocket knife and pikeman charger. - Duriah - 7 yr.

Dear Santa
Howing are you doing? I want a PS5 for Christmas and a Pokemon Dragunay lord and caned and phone 14 pro and Forthite battle pass. - Austen - 7 yr.

Dear Santa
I have been really good this year. I would love a real bike and some ... - Lindsey - 7 yr.

Dear Santa
I've been good, would like new shoes and a magic kits. How are the reindeer? - Jaziel - 7 yr.

Letters to Santa

Dear Santa,
I would love to meet you, but I can't I want my RC car for an early Christmas present. I love you Santa. Keaten.

Dear Santa,
I know that its been a rough year, and for Christmas, I really want a hover board or a jungkook shirt, because I live Bts. I am Brissa Gaytan and I am 9 years old. I want a hover board, because my basic broke. I also wanted a Jungkook shirt, because I am a fan of Its and I like more Jungkook. I am glad what I got last Christmas and I know that I am gonna be glad what I'm getting, but the most thing, I want is the Jungkook shirt.
Sensirly: Brissa

good and nice to each other. - Julieth- 7 yr.

Dear Santa
I have been pretty good and I've stayed out of trouble. I would like some bath and body works perfume lotion. Hand sanitizer.I hope everyone at the North Pole is good. -Mya- 7 yr.

Dear Santa
I've been between bad and good, so I won't get that much presents. I would enjoy a iPhone , and everyone to have a great Christmas.I hope you are doing well. Love Olivia- 7yr.

Dear Santa
I've been solo good. For Christmas I want a PS5 and a iPhone. Love, Taylor- 7 yr.

Dear Santa
I've been really good this year, this is one thing I want this year is a water bottle, because my other one is broke. Merry Christmas. - Kinley- 6yr.

Dear Santa
I've been good and some day I really want to see you. And all I want for Christmas is a horse turn me to magic, last but not least is you. -Tace- 8 yr.

Dear Santa
I been very good this year, my elf even said I'm on the very good list and on Monday my elf save me a Christmas present, because I've been very good. -Ashton- 8 yr.

Dear Santa
I want a big & small plysheys and some new shoes , a new phone, clothes, soaks, new brush, new covers, new sheets and new pillows, new crocks and new colors, new markers and new drawing paper, new siver's and new rolling books. And a new stick pillow = BIG! -Adalne- 8yr.

Dear Santa
I have been good and I've stayed out trouble. I would enjoy new clothes and makeup. How have you been? -Tyanna - 7 yr.

Dear Santa
I've been a good kid. I would like a PS5 Nintedo Switch and a Phone. I hope my big brother would get along with me. I wish my family the best! I hope the elves are good. -Antonio- 8 yr.

Dear Santa
I have been pretty good. I have been tried to stay out of trouble. I would enjoy a James Charles makeup kit and a Ocles. I hope are well, Love Amia. - Ama- 7 yr.

Dear Santa
I've been so good and never


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Dear Santa,
My name is John and I'm in 5th grade, and I've been a good boy, and I wish for a Nintendo switch.

...

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a Santa slat that has a radar char on it and a antenna and a car radio on it.
From Jayden To Santa

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Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like a Panda computer, Panda state board. I have been good all year. Thank you. Bailee.

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Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. I want a game on my Nintendo switch W9xe. I'm cute a pitman and Kirby star allies, and a the battlecat on the Nintendo switch . All my game I want on my Nintendo switch I want more game and a the battle cat Pot be on my gameboy.
Thank you, me my Christmas

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Dear Santa,
I wish you a merry Christmas. I would like a pack of hot wheels. I would also like a Batman Launching car. I would also love a flying toothless from How to Train Your Dragon. I want Pokeman toys & cards. I love you Santal Be Safe, Love Corbin

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Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like a go car. I have been good all year. Thank you, Torge.

Dear Santa,
I want a PS5. How are you doing? I have been good boy, because I help take out the trash. I also helping my dad on work. For Christmas, I would like a PS5 and the Nintedoe and a game for the Nintendo . Thanks, Edwin.

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Dear Santa,
I want a toy car and a race charm and a tran. Zion.

...

Dear Santa,
I want a L.O.L., I want a ong dolls, I want a makeup, I want a phone. Zaylee.

...

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want is paint canvases, paint and brushes, and shoes. Thank you. Santa. Jasmine.

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For Christmas I would like a bike, baby dog, my mom to, hav fun and a dog. I have been good all year. Thank you, Michael.

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Dear Santa,
How are you doing? I have been a good girl, because I For Christmas I would like a toy please. Thank you, Melisa.

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like a Panda computer, Panda state board. I have been good all year. Thank you. Bailee.

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Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like a go car. I have been good all year. Thank you, Torge.



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person, so I will do chores what my parents told me to do. So I want dark souls, dragon ball fithorz, ...minion toy gun and blue cars, so thank you.

ar Santa,
How are you today? I have been a good girl this year, I want a make up pallet for Christmas. Ps have a great Christmas Santa. Winter.

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I would like a baby puppy, a bike, a stuffed unicorn and a baby alive. I have been good all year. Thank you, Kennedy. . . .

Dear Santa,
I hope you had a great restful year. I would like my Dad and a PS5 for christmas. I want to play with my dad I did my chores with my mom and dad tell Rudolph hello for me. Jaxon Orbe

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