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# The Story of Christmas

And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed.

And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city.

And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem to be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child.

And so it was, that while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered.

And she brought forth her firstborn son and wrapped him in swaddling cloths, and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

And there were in the same country, shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.,

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.

And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

For unto you is born this day in the city of David a saviour, which is Christ

the Lord.

And this shall be a sign unto you: Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling cloths, lying in a manger.

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying; Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.

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.

And they came in haste, and found Mary, Joseph, and the babe lying in the manger.

And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child.

And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds.

But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart.

And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them.

Chapter 2, St. Luke



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# Santa's Mailbox





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## Dear Santa...

**Dear Santa**  
I hope you have a good Christmas eve and a good time delivering presents. Can you give me pleas a zero gravitx laser raser! Pleeeees!  
**Love Declan**

**Dear Santa,**  
I hope you're feeling good and I hope you're not sick today.  
And also I hope someday we can facetime you.  
I hope your elves are doing good.  
Are your reindeer feeling good?  
I want a zero gravity racecar like my brother Declan.  
I love you Santa!  
**Love**  
**Oskar**

**Dear Santa**  
This is Midori's Christmas list 3 Lols 2 aquiz's and microscope happiness  
PS I love Santa Christmas is my favorite holiday  
**Midori**

**Dear santa**  
I hope you don't have the coved 19  
I am 7 years old I live in Alaska I love you soooo much  
Toy Batman and a toy plane and a toy skeleton and a toy eodsilla erath and a medel deeteckter and a kylo ren toy  
**Liam Jackson**

**Dear Santa,**  
I have been good!  
Tablit, Juno, koalastufey, robot rock kit, diary, bFF gumey, bFF Zara doll  
Santa I got rid of Juno and now I rile miss it. So that is whe I want a new one..  
Will leave you cooceys!  
**Libby age 6**

**Dear Santa,**  
I hope you have a Merry Christmas! Of course you will you are Santa! Anyway all I want for Christmas is a Puppy remember the one that was downtown Boulder. The golden retriever and I want him to be potty trained already and for a



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Brenda Gudgel and Kennedee Cole-Schulz send their letters to Santa.

back-up present I want a nintendo switch one of the ones with the mini screens! Anyway hope  
P.S.. i also would like a phone!  
You have a merry Christmas!  
**Lucia W. age 8**



**Dear Santa**  
I wish for a present pet and a LoL doll remix set and four in 1 plane a ferret electric skootr and a nerf gun Poopsiesupris and a kinddy kids donate nu  
**Ivy W. Age 7**

**To Santa**  
Merry Christmas Santa  
I luv you santa also I luv your ELFS. Your house looks beautiful. What do you like to do?  
I miss you santa! I wonder wut you are doing? I want a nintendo  
**Duncan Durst**

**Dear Santa,**  
How are you? -wizard fafnir - sppyzen - broveval +pyek - sword altoyok - wonde pvag - gold pokemon pack - crystal hedge hot - dino digegg.  
Thank you!  
**Cooper K.**

**Dear Santa,**  
A lego set  
A energy sword  
**Alex**

**Dear Santa,**  
I have been trying to do my best this year. I want a few things so these are the ones to  
**Continued on page 4**



# Dear Santa...

**Continued from page 3**  
choose from: a Letherman, re-  
mote control helicopter, new  
video game, lego airplane kit,  
race car lego kit.  
**Silas**

**Dear Santa**  
For Christmas I want a com-  
puter so I can get games on it or  
text to my friend Andrew.  
Ps. I've been really good  
**Jamari**

**Dear Santa,**  
I've been really good this  
year What I want for Christmas  
is a 3D printer.  
Sincerely,  
**Hakon**

**Dear Santa,**  
All I want for Christmas is a  
computer! Thx PS I live on 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Street  
**4 year old Martin Barker**

**Dear Santa,**  
I would like a avolad stuffy.  
Blue silk Vans shoes Big bean  
bay chair for mom.  
Love  
**Ton Miller**

**Dear Santa**  
I have been in the middle of  
naghty and nice and what I  
want for christmas is a dragon  
bedspread and more leggings  
and t-shirts and high heel boots  
Sincerely  
**Jovee**

**Dear Santa**  
I have been very good this  
year. Thank you for the presents  
last year. It was everything I  
wanted. It has been a foggy  
year so I could not see through  
it. This year I wish for silkes and  
an electric scooter.  
Sincerely,  
**Devyn**

**Dear Santa,**  
I've been good this year.  
Here's some stuff I want for  
Christmas,  
A electric scooter  
A phone  
A puppy  
A squishy  
A sleeping bag  
A fairy garden kit  
Makeup real  
I hope I get this stuff,  
love  
**Kyra**

**Dear Santa,**  
Ivin been good and bad  
some time but I have been good  
for a like 2 weeks or so.  
**andrew**

**Dear Santa**  
I was a good girl this year. I  
would like some 101 toys and a  
sonic toy. Please  
Love you xoxo  
**Linda**

**Dear Santa,**  
Can I have toys, please!  
Love you  
**Jon Hammer 2 yrs old**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want to for Christmas is a  
electric scooter.  
Love,  
**Nadia**

**Dear Santa,**  
My name is Destiny. Please  
bring me a duck. And Choco-  
late too!  
Thank you,  
**Destiny**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want nintendo switch for  
Christmas. I want one because  
me and my sistercan play it at  
the same time. Another thing I  
want is the mandalorian rasor  
creast. I really want the rasor  
creast because I'm a big fan of  
lego, last I really want a filter for  
my toads tank because some-  
times the water gets really dirty.  
That's all.  
**Stellan**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a IP phone, a want  
have borde, mome bake  
pokeiaateure seteia, an new  
shower , gray bebing , a new  
bed and makeup.  
**Svea**

**Dear Santa,**  
I was forced to write this let-  
ter to you by my school. I don't  
have much elts to say so I'll end  
my letter here. My sencerst  
apologies.  
**Lolitah Slaven**



BRIAN VARELA / Petersburg Pilot

Kidd met Santa for the very first time at Park and Recreation's Winter  
Wonderland on Dec. 12.

**Dear Santa,**  
Can I just have skittles  
**Lucy**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a automatic airsoft  
gun and a mini bike also my  
own tv I woulds like an electric  
skate board and a giant thing of  
candy.  
**Mason**

**Dear Santa,**  
I want a dirt bike and 1 mil-  
lion dollars so I can fix my  
moms car and a puppy thats all.  
Sincerely  
**Tucker**

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by air or by sleigh,  
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first-class all the way!

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Wonder

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of all the people we  
want to thank and  
your name is on it!

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this Christmas, and we thank you for being  
so good to us this year.

Linda, Mary & Sam



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Have a Joyful Season

Here's hoping your holiday season is a truly memorable one,  
We know we're filled with fond memories as we recall the many  
kind people we've had the privilege to serve this year.

**Merry Christmas!**

From the gang at

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BRIAN VARELA / Petersburg Pilot

Christian Hanahan, left, and Theo Hanahan, right, had the chance to tell Santa what they wanted for Christmas at the Parks and Recreation Center during the Winter Wonderland event.

# Dear Santa...

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Dear Santa,  
This year I want oogglps,  
keyboard, better weather, new  
coat, money, top ramen, better  
handwriting, better math and  
faster computer

Seamus Warrington Stgrabe  
Dear Santa,  
Only "Santa" can read. I to-  
tally thing that "Santa" is real.  
This is all my thoughts if he was  
real, OK I want an Iphone12, a  
lgooo dollar gaming PC with

three monitors, an RC car, And  
actually I want 6 Iphone 12's for  
my friennds. Then 100,000 dol-  
lars for my parents just for  
spending a lot of money on my  
brother and a tesla for them.

Jacob Tagaban



Art by Una Romine

Santa,  
I want a nerf gun, Paw patrol  
lookout with all the pups, Iron  
man action figure, remote con-  
trol car, remote control Dino

Love

Nick Hammer almost 7  
years old

Dear Santa,  
Doll Hous, American Girl  
Doll, Rocking Horse, Hachuml,  
Brbi Mrmad, Baby Alive.  
Adriana 7 yrs old

Dear Santa,  
Baby Alive, Rocking hors,  
oreea, balureena shoes, brbi  
mrmad, hachuml  
E Courtney

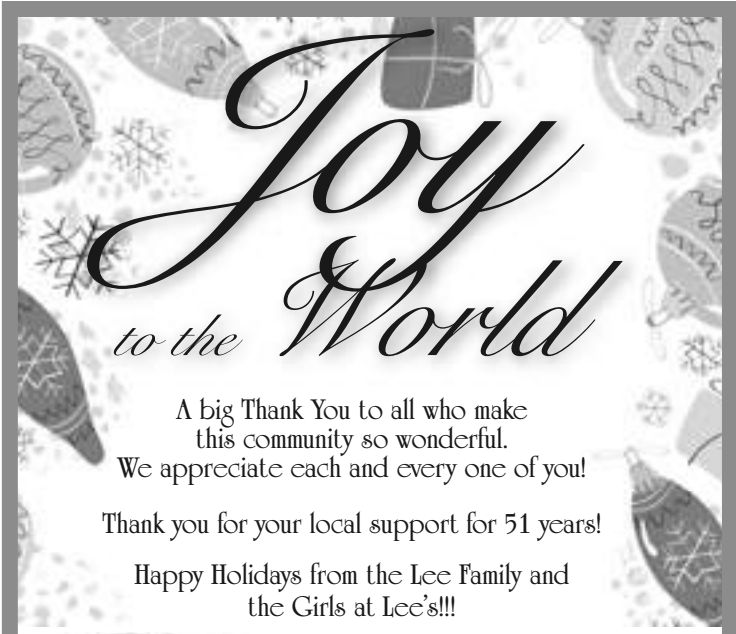
Dear Santa,  
I want any slime, squishies a  
lot!!! boots, clothes, stuff for my  
room, art craft. Thx Merry  
Christmas, hohoho

Love

Isabelle Hammer 9 3/4 yrs  
old

Dear Santa,  
I'd like a rine bown tety bere  
an a reel kitini achly - 2 reel

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**Joy  
to the World**

A big Thank You to all who make  
this community so wonderful.  
We appreciate each and every one of you!

Thank you for your local support for 51 years!

Happy Holidays from the Lee Family and  
the Girls at Lee's!!!





Merry Christmas &  
a Happy, Healthy New  
Year

I appreciate everyone's loyalty and patience during this year of uncertainty. I am hopeful that I will be able to come in 2021 to resume providing eye care in Petersburg. I wish everyone a Merry Christmas, Happy New Year and good health, peace, and joy!

Petersburg Vision Center  
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Peace &  
JOY

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CHRISTMAS

AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

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Happy Holidays!

The Trees  
Larry, Larine, & Dea



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and January 1st



# Dear Santa...

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kitins You are nice, and I like you!

Daphne Brantooes

Dear Santa,

I would really like a lego set, hevey blanket, and a new iPad caswe. My ipad case does not fit.

Daisy Morrow!

Hi Santa,

Boo! It's Finny Bob. I'd like a train and a green buoy for Christmas and a trip to a cabin with my family. A cabin with a beach to play on.

Love

Finny Lohr

Dear Santa,

My name is Rosie. I want to send hugs to my family in New Jersey, Florida, Wisconsin & Pennsylvania. I miss seeing them. I've been a good girl this year and would really like a Koala bear that has 3 buttons. 1 button makes the Koala climb. The 2nd button makes the Koala walk and the last button helps the bear eat eucalyptus leaves. Love

Rosie Lohr

Dear Santa,

Hi it's me Kym. Can I Please have a Nintendo Switch light, Leto friends, Moose plush, Amcan girl doll stuff and a new Ipad. Merry Christmas!

Love

Kymberly Heppe

Dear Santa,

A Mandalorian Akshin fig, a baoby voda , a mandaloryan toy gun.

Riley Sheldon age 7

Dear Santa,

Im 10 years old Im wishing for is 14 ft Red lund, Grapell-hook, IPad, New IPhone, Stellan and I have more sleepovers, led lights, Galaxy Clour Bye !!

Lincoln

Dear Santa claus

I hope you're reindeer are doing well. Christmas has always been my favrite holiday. I wish I could meet you! If you would be so kind can you please get me Animal Crossing & Gizmo the robotic dog.

thankyou!

Una romine

Dear Santa,

This is my wish list I want: a metal sonic stuffy, a tails stuffy, a Dr. eggman stuffy, Mario Kart 8 deluxe for the nintendo switch, a beyblade burst bey named brave Valtreiek that comes with a recoiling launcher, a bey blade burst launcher gip handle, a nintendo 3ds, and sonic lost world for the 3 ds.

Have a mary Christmas!

Coleman

Dear Santa



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First graders at Rae C. Stedman Elementary School wait in line to send Santa their Christmas lists outside of the Petersburg Pilot on Dec. 14. From left to right: Libby Taiber, Addison Flores, Victoria Ohmer, Kai Lyons-Swainson and Grady Walker.

i love you i wish I had a two barbie toy and i wish for a car toy with Kitten on it. I really want a skateboard and unicorn. I know that i am sometimes mean but i am sometimes good. I wish for a towy pipe and i wunt ahtadlit thats all i wunt for Christmas : i am not a good radar

Rosalie Sheldon age 8

Dear Santa,

hello, my name is Haileigh, you might of heard me. For this Christmas I would like my

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## HAPPY HOLIDAYS

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a wondrous season filled  
with all the trimmings and  
hopes of a prosperous  
new year.

Thank you for your kind  
patronage. Your  
friendship really  
makes us feel like  
celebrating.

Best Wishes from  
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Christmas  
&  
Happy New Year

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Our best wishes are with you and yours as we celebrate the Miracle of His birth. May your spirits be lifted by the beauty of the season, just as ours have been by the privilege of knowing good people like you. Happy Holidays and many thanks.

City of Kupreanof



OLA RICHARDS / Petersburg Pilot

Jaycee Coil slides her Christmas list into Santa’s Mailbox outside of the Petersburg Pilot office. Libby Taiber and James Nilsen wait patiently behind Coil.

Dear Santa...

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dream item, a hoverboard!  
Next is some Lilo and Stich  
toys, I would love a evee and a  
psy Duck. Third is this that vr  
help wanted game.  
Sincerely,  
Haileigh Sheldon age 11

Dear Santa  
When is your birthday? My  
birthday in july 10th and I am  
6. Can I ples have a remot control  
monster truk or anything?  
thamc yuo,  
Grady Walker age 6

Dear Santa  
how are the reindeer  
and how are the elves? Do  
you like eggnog? now on  
to presents! i love  
presents! I wish for slime, pot-  
tery kit, some chubby  
puppies, a pikmi pop.  
Thank you Santa!  
Love  
Gillian O’Soup

To Santa  
how do make toys? i  
would like a fort building  
kit and a rc trailer and  
dump truck, RC Jumbojet  
Merry Christmas  
Sven Reid 6

Hello Santa  
I want a unicorn magic  
wond, I also want a doll house  
scene and a toy unicorn and a  
toy wreath with a bow on it  
Merry Cresmes  
Johnne age 6

Dear Santa  
I would make a good elf be-  
cause Imoke presents  
Aubrianna

Dear Santa,  
I would make a good elf: I  
like to wrap presents

Donnie  
Dear Santa,  
I will be a good elf  
Zayden

Dear santa,  
I love to make presents like  
a elf can I be en elf to  
I love you  
Traezja

Dear Santa  
I would make a good elf be-  
cause I’m good at wrapping.  
Elizabeth

Dear Santa  
I would make a good elf  
because Im good at wrap-  
ping  
Leonah

Dear Santa  
I would do super good  
rile good Santa,  
I love you  
Lalelei MaMoe

Dear Santa  
ImaB a elf fur you  
Gage

Dear Santa,  
I would make a good elf  
because I make toys  
Braden



# SEASONS GREETINGS WORD SEARCH

S	V	S	E	Y	A	E	Y	C	V	D	K	D	V	H	J	C	C	W	C
M	L	P	G	L	N	T	F	G	R	N	R	J	A	O	F	E	A	B	B
I	T	O	L	U	T	A	G	W	N	E	G	E	O	G	U	C	N	H	S
L	I	P	R	S	H	N	A	J	I	C	S	F	I	Y	B	D	D	O	H
E	T	G	A	A	B	I	T	G	C	J	E	O	C	D	O	P	L	L	P
W	O	O	P	K	C	M	H	B	K	H	L	O	L	Y	E	U	E	L	F
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N	H	G	E	W	I	L	R	G	C	N	S	I	M	E	T	A	B	V	E
S	R	G	C	R	K	L	I	R	N	A	T	I	S	I	L	I	N	Y	E
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B	L	M	R	O	L	O	G	F	G	C	P	L	R	H	M	A	S	N	T
U	C	F	A	O	V	E	H	W	E	U	E	P	E	T	J	A	C	I	P
W	O	Y	T	Y	M	E	B	C	I	S	W	S	O	S	A	H	S	L	M
O	U	G	E	J	C	S	L	R	F	N	T	Y	I	H	N	I	T	K	E
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O	O	H	A	K	U	N	A	H	C	M	N	N	N	W	A	L	U	N	J
H	W	F	S	T	N	E	S	E	R	P	L	P	A	D	Y	H	O	S	L
B	N	R	A	E	Y	W	E	N	D	V	S	S	E	T	S	O	H	H	M

Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally & diagonally throughout the puzzle.

## WORDS

- CANDLES
- CAROLS
- CELEBRATE
- CHANUKAH
- CHOIR
- CHRISTMAS
- COUNTDOWN
- DECORATE
- DREIDEL
- EGGNOG
- ENTERTAIN
- FAMILY
- FEAST
- FESTIVE
- FRIENDS
- GATHERING
- HOLIDAY
- HOLLY
- HOSTESS
- HUGS
- ILLUMINATE
- JOYOUS
- MIRACLE
- MISTLETOE
- NEW YEAR
- PRESENTS
- RESOLUTION
- SHOPPING
- SMILE
- SNOW
- SURPRISE
- TINSEL
- TOAST
- TREE
- WINTER
- YULE

# How to plan virtual office parties this holiday season

Holiday parties are a tradition at many businesses. A 2019 survey from the outplacement services firm Challenger, Gray & Christ-mas found that 76 percent of companies planned to hold holiday parties in 2019.

As popular as holiday office parties may be, few businesses are likely to gather in person this holiday season as the world continues to confront the challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic. Social distancing guidelines may put many holiday office parties on indefinite hold, but there are still ways for employees to gather this holiday season.

Virtual meeting apps like Zoom have helped many businesses stay connected during the pandemic, and there's no reason why the same platform cannot be utilized when hosting virtual office parties this holiday season. While it might not be the same as planning in person holiday office parties, planning a virtual office get-together can still capture the spirit of the holiday season.

¥ Encourage festive back-grounds. Backgrounds have taken on special meaning as people limit their interactions to video calls. Virtual holiday party organizers can encourage employees to decorate their back-grounds in traditional holiday colors to give the virtual party an authentic holiday feel.

¥ Take the day off. Holiday office parties often take place after office hours. Since that



might not be doable when everyone is working from home, host the virtual holiday party on a company-wide off day. Schedule the party for midday and then encourage everyone to hang around on the video call and chat for as long as they'd

like. Such calls can be a great time for everyone to catch up and unwind without having to worry about going back to work once the call ends.

¥ Cater the party. Dinner is often served at traditional holiday office parties, and while it may require some logistical maneuvering, employers can still provide employees with meals.

Office holiday parties will likely go virtual this year. While that might not be how employees prefer to get together and celebrate, there are many ways to make such gatherings memorable and festive.



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Advisory Board & Harbor Crew



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We wish you all a truly joyous and  
memorable holiday season.

For your loyal patronage, we are deeply grateful,  
and look forward to your visiting us in 2021.

"God so loved the world that He gave  
His one and only Son, that whosoever  
believes in Him shall not perish but have  
everlasting life." John 3:16

*In Appreciation of your loyalty and support,  
best wishes for a Merry Christmas  
and Happy New Year.*

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## Good Tidings

May you and yours enjoy smooth sailing all through the holidays.  
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Christmas

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Candy canes and boughs of holly,  
Festive scenes that make us jolly.  
The Christmas season is finally here,  
Bringing with it joy and cheer;  
And on that note, the time is due,  
to share best wishes with all of you.

May Your Season  
Be Blessed and Happy!

**Tiffany Budinger**

**Bookkeeping & Payroll Solutions, LLC**  
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# YEAR IN REVIEW

# 2020...

## HAPPY NEW YEAR!

by Sue Paulsen

(to the tune of

### God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen)

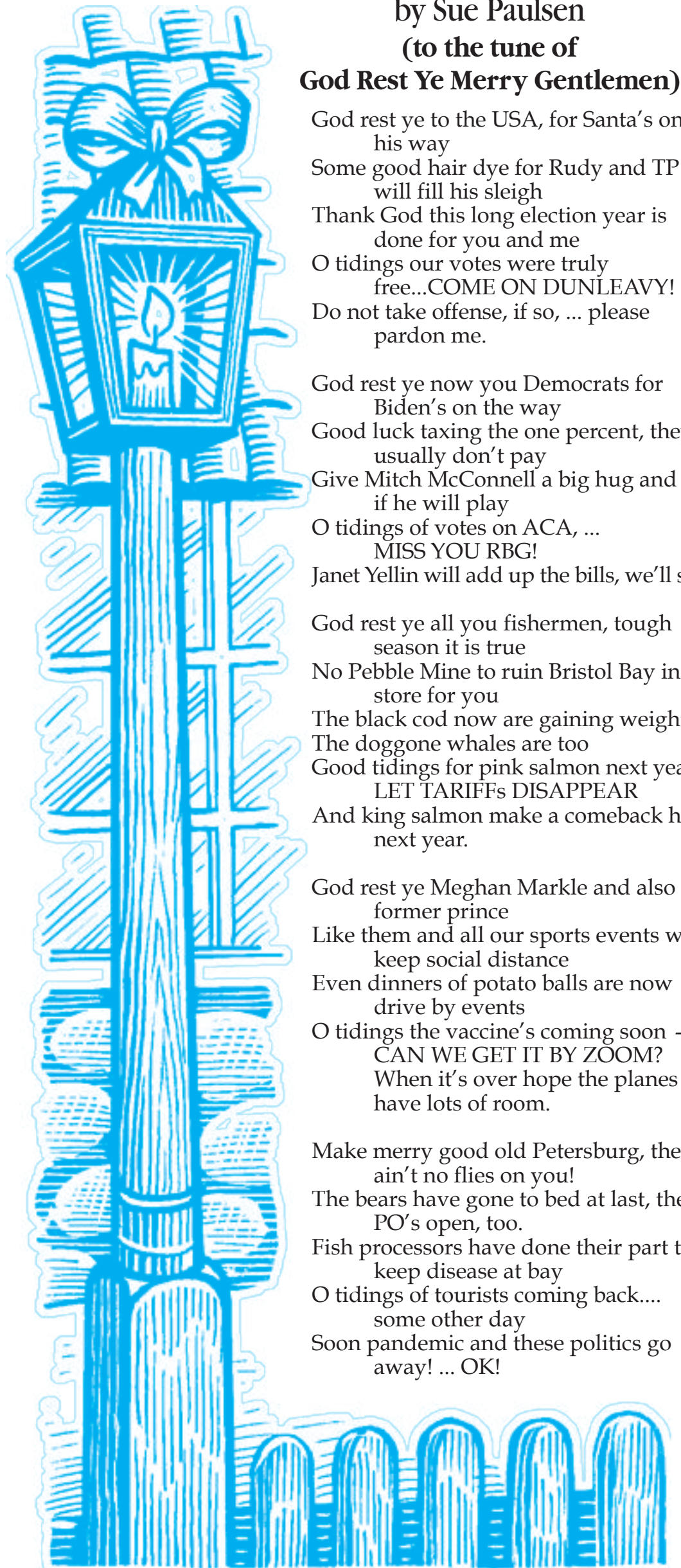
God rest ye to the USA, for Santa's on  
his way  
Some good hair dye for Rudy and TP  
will fill his sleigh  
Thank God this long election year is  
done for you and me  
O tidings our votes were truly  
free...COME ON DUNLEAVY!  
Do not take offense, if so, ... please  
pardon me.

God rest ye now you Democrats for  
Biden's on the way  
Good luck taxing the one percent, they  
usually don't pay  
Give Mitch McConnell a big hug and see  
if he will play  
O tidings of votes on ACA, ...  
MISS YOU RBG!  
Janet Yellin will add up the bills, we'll see.

God rest ye all you fishermen, tough  
season it is true  
No Pebble Mine to ruin Bristol Bay in  
store for you  
The black cod now are gaining weight  
The doggone whales are too  
Good tidings for pink salmon next year...  
LET TARIFFS DISAPPEAR  
And king salmon make a comeback here  
next year.

God rest ye Meghan Markle and also the  
former prince  
Like them and all our sports events we  
keep social distance  
Even dinners of potato balls are now  
drive by events  
O tidings the vaccine's coming soon —  
CAN WE GET IT BY ZOOM?  
When it's over hope the planes  
have lots of room.

Make merry good old Petersburg, there  
ain't no flies on you!  
The bears have gone to bed at last, the  
PO's open, too.  
Fish processors have done their part to  
keep disease at bay  
O tidings of tourists coming back....  
some other day  
Soon pandemic and these politics go  
away! ... OK!





**JOY  
HOPE  
LOVE  
PEACE  
FAITH  
CONTENTMENT  
GRATITUDE  
FRIENDSHIP  
GOODWILL  
GOOD HEALTH  
GOOD FORTUNE**

**May the  
greatest gifts  
be yours this  
season and  
always.**

**But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord.**

*Luke 2:10*

**As we celebrate the Birth of Christ it is important to take time to reflect on the many blessings of the past year. Your unwavering support reminds us how fortunate we are to be part of this close-knit community, and we are truly grateful for good neighbors like all of you. Thank you for bringing so much joy to our year with your visits, and for your continued trust in us.**

**We wish you all a merry and blessed Christmas season! From all of us:**

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# Boxing Day extends holiday fun

The end of the year presents plenty of opportunities for shopping and celebrating. Starting with Thanksgiving preparations, there is a steady supply of days geared around generosity and merriment, counting down to the holiday gifting and entertaining season. Black Friday,



Jesus spoke, saying  
*“I am the Light of the world;  
 he who follows Me  
 will not walk in darkness,  
 but will have the Light of Life”*  
 - John 8:12

At Christmas and always, may your heart and faith in God lead you down the road to peace, joy and contentment. We feel blessed to be a part of this community, and we thank you for your friendship and support.

## Rod & Darcey Judy

Small Business Saturday and all of the weekends preceding Christmas are prime opportunities to snag discounts and deals.

However, for those in Canada, Australia and the United Kingdom, gift-giving doesn't cease with the passing of Christmas. Boxing Day, which falls the day after Christmas, has nothing to do with bringing empty gift boxes out to the recycling bin. While it has transformed into another day to grab seasonal deals, Boxing Day has historically served as a day to give to the less fortunate.

During the Victorian era in Britain, servants were not given off on Christmas Day because they had to work during their employers' celebrations. Therefore, they were allowed off the following day - December 26 - to spend time with their own families. The holiday became standard practice in 1871.

Boxing Day may have gotten its moniker from wealthy people who would give their em-

ployees boxes filled with small gifts, Christmas dinner leftovers and money as recognition for their service.

Others believe it refers to alms boxes placed in churches for the collection of donations for the poor. December 26 also is the feast day of St. Stephen, the patron saint of horses, so Boxing Day has been tied to sporting events involving horses. This includes horse races and fox hunts.

Even though the British established early residency in America, the Boxing Day tradition did not travel over to the colonies from England. However, Canadians and other former British strongholds celebrate it as a public holiday. Offices are closed and public transportation may run on holiday schedules.

Boxing Day is yet another end-of-year opportunity to share gifts and well wishes with loved ones and the less fortunate.

# How to make holiday wreaths the easy way

There are many different ways to decorate homes and businesses for the holidays. Tall evergreen trees are among the most visible symbols of the holiday season. However, wreaths hung on doors, windows or fences also are ubiquitous this time of year.



Wreaths adorn homes primarily during the holidays of Easter and Christmas. Wreaths have also been worn around the head or neck in ceremonial events around the globe for centuries. It is believed the first wreaths date back to ancient Greece and Rome. Members of the Greco-Roman society were known to hand-make ring-shaped items using fresh tree leaves, small fruits, flowers, and twigs. Oftentimes these

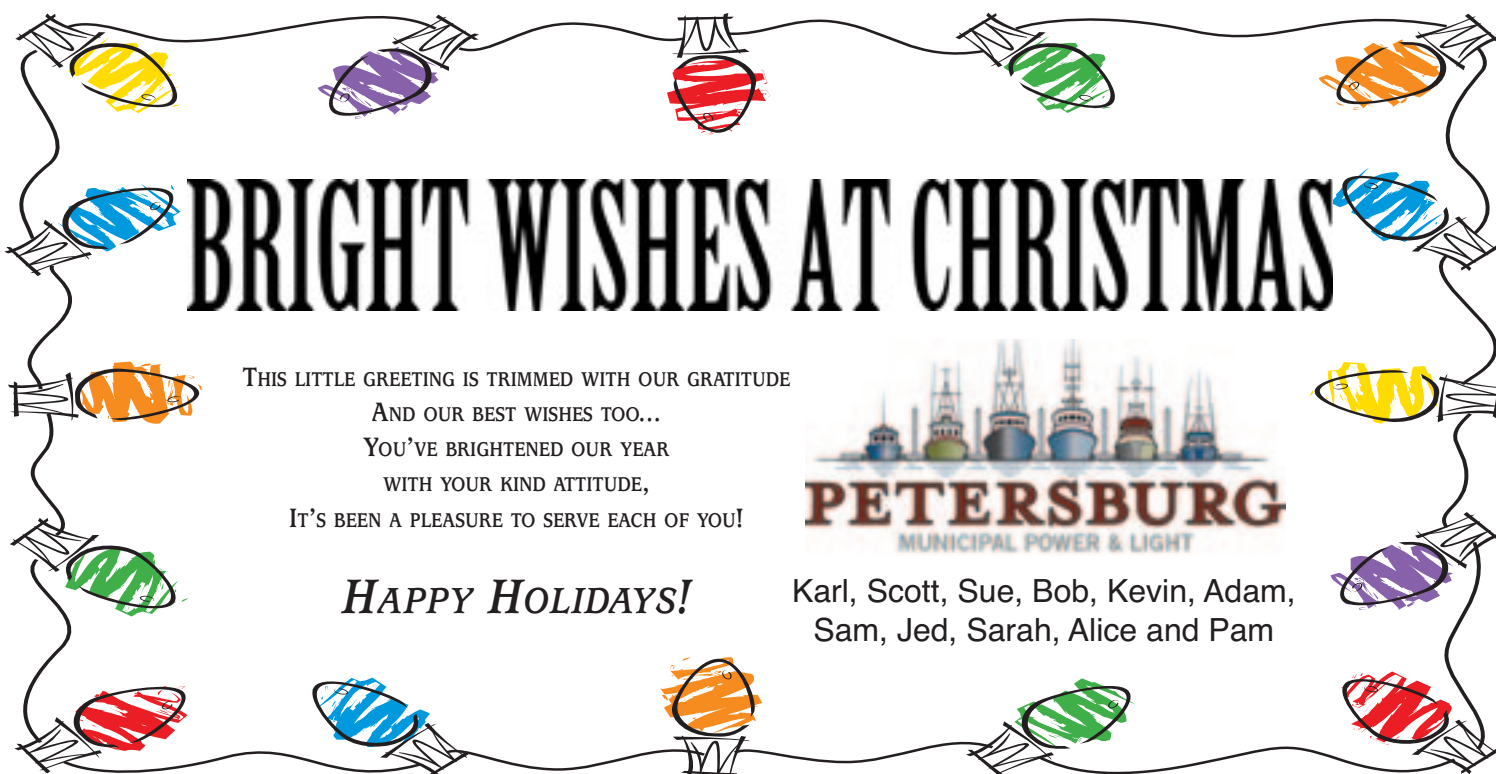
headaddresses symbolized a person's social status. Others suggest wreaths evolved to become a Christian symbol of immortality.

Regardless of how wreaths are viewed, many people like to display wreaths for the holidays. Wreaths can be purchased premade, but making a wreath on your own can make the holidays even more fun.

One of the easiest ways to make a wreath is to design it around a circular floral foam form. Gather supplies to make the wreath. For traditional wreaths, supplies will include sprigs of evergreen (real or artificial), ribbon, floral wire, bows, and artificial berries. Working around the foam form, arrange the boughs of evergreen, using the floral wire to wrap or pin into the foam itself. Keep the layers coming until you get the desired coverage. Embellish with a ribbon or place a bow.

Thick card stock can serve as the wreath template. Attach artificial flowers or leaves, spray snow, ornaments, or other items to the card stock ring with a firm adhesive.

Wreaths may seem like complicated creations. But a little imagination and the right materials is all it takes to create a homemade wreath.







# Dear Santa...

**Dear Santa:**  
What I want for christmas is a hoverboard, punching bag and a small blue tooth speaker. I would also like the game I “Meustache You a ?” and a Gerber serrated strongarm fixed blade knife. And one more thing, Santa, I would like a knife case and something for my cat, Denali.  
Thank you, Santa!  
**Love Noah**  
PS. I would like an AK. 47 airsoft, and a cat bacnkpak.

**Dear Santa:**  
Please get me: battleships, bey blade



OLA RICHARDS / Petersburg Pilot  
Addison Flores sends her Christmas list to Santa.

Thank you!  
**Luke**

**Dear Santa,**  
There is a doll that is at the hardware store that comes with a story, I would like that please. My roller skates are too small, can you bring me a pair of size 12, please? I hope your reindeer are well. I love you. **Love,**  
**Tula (5)**

**Dear Santa**  
I would like a set of drums and a soft furry unicorn, I would like lots of stuffed animals.  
**Love**

**Heidi**

**Dear Santa,**  
I hope you are doing well. I would like a new kindle. I would like a new big squishy any type as well.  
I would like to give my mom a day off of work but I don’t know what she does on the computer. I would like candy, any type.  
**Love**  
**Etolyn Turland (8)**

**Happy Christmas Santa,**  
I love you. It’s 25 days until Christmas. I want a boat, trailer and a truck. I want a battleship (a Dark Vadership) a minigun. That is it. Happy Christmas. You are the bestest Santa ever.  
**Brandt Burrell (6)**

**Merry Christmas Santa**  
I hope you have a very grate Chiristmas. I don’t care what I get if I one wish it would be a happy family and more monye for mom and dad so they can keep are house.  
Bye Santa, Have a very merry chistmas! HoHoHo  
PS. To Buddy Elf, have a good christmas!!  
**Sailor Odegard**

**Dear Santa,**  
Im 10 years old Im in 5 grade if you really exist I would like a skiff the most. But 14 ft red lund  
Bye  
**Lincoln**

**Dear Santa**  
I would like a drone, hex bug scorpion, tattoo gel pen set and a lego set, playstashun.  
**William**

**Dear Santa**  
I would like a Double Truck.  
**Love**  
**Jacob**

**Dear Santa,**  
I don’t rilly mind what I get for Christmas but what I want the most is a sisytochlits, LoL’s, LoL doll house, LoL camper, a picther of you and your elfs, a phone, watter botel. Merry Christmas!  
**Bay**



## Have a Starfilled Holiday

We’re wishing our friends from far and wide all the best of the season.

# Scandia House

Nancy & all the Staff

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FOR THE PAST 30  
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CELEBRATE THE MIRACLE  
MAY THE JOY AND WONDER OF CHRISTMAS  
FILL YOU WITH CONTENTMENT. THANK  
YOU FOR BEING SUCH AN IMPORTANT PART  
OF THIS YEAR.

## Harbor Way Parts, Inc.

Sandi, Phil, Stuart, Rod, Lana & Caedmon







# Feliz Navidad

*Merry Christmas*

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# Yes Virginia...

DEAR EDITOR:

I am 8 years old.

Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus.

Papa says, 'If you see it in THE SUN it's so.'

Please tell me the truth; is there a Santa Claus?

VIRGINIA  
O'HANLON.  
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STREET.

We take pleasure in answering at once thus prominently the communication below, expressing at the same time our great gratification that its faithful author is numbered among the friends of the Sun:

Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They do not believe except they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's, are little. In this great universe of ours man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge.

Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus. It would be as dreary as if there were no VirginiaS. There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies! You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa

Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in the world.


You may tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, nor even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside that curtain and view and picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

No Santa Claus! Thank God! he lives, and he lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia, nay, ten times ten thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood.

(Editorial in the New York Sun, Sept. 21, 1897, by Francis P. Church)

## SENDING OUR BEST

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# Bring On the Merry!

**Friends, family and festivities...  
Light, love and laughter...  
Gifts, gratitude and goodwill...**

**We hope this Christmas season treats you to all the best.  
Doing business with you has been our pleasure, and we look forward to seeing you again soon.**

## Happy Holidays!

From Barry Morrison, President, General Mgr.;  
Staff, Management and Board of Directors of

# THE TRADING UNION INC

## Another Christmas Is MOVING IN!

The spirit is moving us to say,  
"Hope you enjoy a grand holiday!"  
Wherever you go, live,  
work or play,  
Our best wishes are with  
you all of the way.  
*Thank you for choosing us*



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# Help isolated loved ones this holiday season

A phenomenon called “cabin fever” tends to set in around late autumn or in mid-winter. Long hours of darkness coupled with cold, inclement weather often is a recipe for increased time spent indoors. For people who live alone, the effects of cabin fever might be more pronounced.

In addition to seasonal cabin fever, this year another factor comes into play: social distancing and voluntary quarantine as a result of the novel coronavirus COVID-19. Even those who may venture outside to socialize, particularly around the holiday season, may be hesitant or unable to do so to

help prevent the spread of the virus. In these instances, friends and loved ones can mitigate feelings of isolation in various ways.

- Schedule video chats. Video conferencing apps have become the communication vehicles of choice during the era of social distancing. Different applications and services continue to evolve and help people stay in touch. Plan regular chats, either once or twice per week with isolated or vulnerable people. Try to organize a large group chat on the holiday itself so no one has to spend Christmas or Chanukah alone.
- Drop off supplies. Even

though supermarket shop-from-home and other delivery services have normalized somewhat since the start of the pandemic, treat individuals who may be isolated to some personalized attention. Put together care packages of supplies or holiday treats and deliver them in person so you can see the smiles that result from being able to visit with someone familiar.

- Send uplifting messages. Children or even adults can make personalized cards and mail them to loved ones at home or those who may be in long-term care facilities. Send new mailings every week or

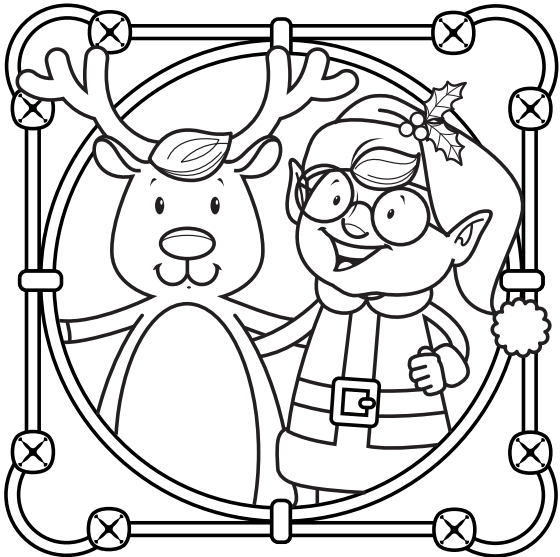
two so that residents always have something to look forward to in the mail.

- Start a virtual club. A book club or another shared interest can be the catalyst for more frequent communication. A club puts everyone on the same page and enables them to come together, via phone or video chat, for a discussion.

- Ask for help learning a new skill. Along the same vein as a virtual club, lessons on everything from woodworking

to crochet to making favorite holiday recipes can be conducted online. Give an isolated individual daily purpose and distraction by engaging him or her with online lessons.

Isolation and feelings of loneliness can affect anyone who normally suffers from cabin fever. However, this year it may be more pronounced, as it could be coupled with social distancing precautions that have already been in effect for some time.



## How to give safely during the pandemic

Donations are the lifeblood of many charitable organizations. Unfortunately, donations also can be the lifeblood of criminal operations designed to scam would-be donors.

The potential for charity scams could be even greater in 2020. Charities accept donations year-round, but the spirit of giving that prevails during the holiday season makes the weeks between Thanksgiving and Christmas especially popular times to donate to charity. In addition to being on the lookout for the usual scams, the Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia warns prospective donors to beware of potential scams involving the COVID-19 virus.

Recognizing the challenges people in their communities have faced as a result of the economic fallout of the pandemic, donors may be more inclined to donate to charities purporting to help laid off workers, small businesses or others adversely affected by the outbreak. That’s admirable, but prospective donors must recognize that their eagerness to support COVID-related charities may make them vulnerable to criminals looking to exploit their charitable nature. In recognition of that, the OAGDC offers these tips to men and women who are considering donating to charity in 2020.

- Be wary of recently launched operations. Operations that were formed in response to the pandemic may be viable, but the OAGDC also warns that many have been formed by scammers looking to exploit the outbreak for their own gain. Be especially wary of crowdfunding campaigns.
- Ask questions. The OAGDC says that any

charity, even those formed in response to the COVID-19 outbreak, should be able to provide you with the same information as charities that have been around for years. Prior to donating, ask for the charity’s name, address, telephone number, and mission. In addition, don’t feel skittish about asking how your donation will be used and the percentage of each donation that goes to programs that directly help the people you’re trying to assist.

- Be vigilant before donating via peer-to-peer social networking websites. It’s especially difficult to verify how donations made via texts or websites are ultimately used. While these can be convenient ways to donate, the OAGDC urges donors to be especially vigilant about vetting before donating to charities through these channels.

- Never donate using cash, gift cards or wire transfers. Reputable charities do not ask for donations to be made in this way. The OAGDC advises donors to use credit cards whenever possible.

- The terms ‘COVID-19’ or ‘coronavirus’ do not authenticate a charity. A reputable name or logo does not mean the charity is actually reputable. Prior to donating, donors can confirm a charity is legitimate by contacting organizations such as Charity Navigator, the BBB Wise Giving Alliance or the National Center for Charitable Statistics.

Scammers will no doubt try to exploit the pandemic to take advantage of donors during the upcoming giving season. Savvy donors can employ various strategies to ensure their charitable donations end up in the right hands.

## Merry Bright Just Right

Hope your Christmas is simply perfect. Thanks for being perfectly wonderful customers and friends.



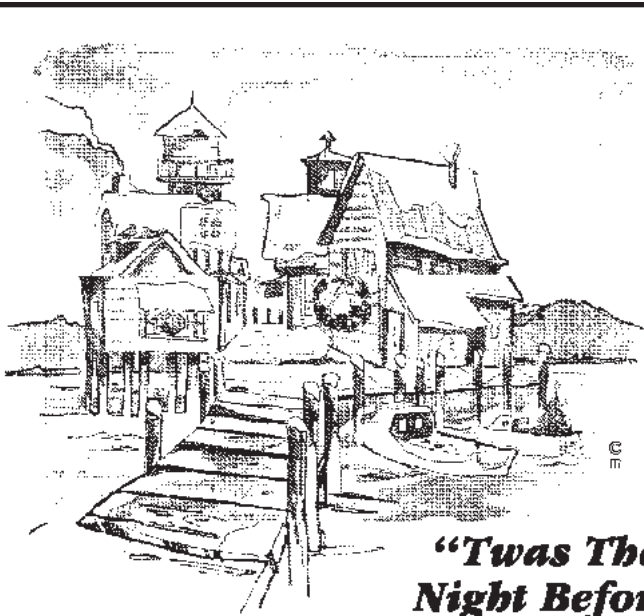
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*Joy*  
**Spread It Around!**

In this season of revelry, we’d like to take a moment to thank all of you for your invaluable support. **Have a very Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year!**

**Petersburg Business Services**  
Sammy



## “Twas The Night Before Christmas...”

*Down by the sea,  
And all the gifts were wrapped and put 'neath the tree,  
But the rule of the house was to wait until dawn,  
When Santa had been there already and then gone,  
And we send you our thanks and we wish you great joy!*

From Dave, Gene & the gang at





# Cooking with Santa

Cocktail Dates

Ingredients

12 large dried Medjool dates  
1 4-ounce chunk Parmigiano-Reggiano cheese  
6 slices bacon, cut in half widthwise  
Preheat oven to 350 F.

Directions:

Insert a bamboo skewer or a similar facsimile in the bottom of the date until the pointy tip rests on the bottom of the pit. Push the pit out of the stem side. Reserve dates.

Using your sharpest knife, cut Parmigiano-Reggiano cheese into 1/4-inch slices. Cut those slices into 1/4-x-1-inch pieces (the resulting 1-inch pieces should be approximately the same diameter as a pencil). Cut the tip of each piece at a 45-degree angle.

Leading with the pointy end, stuff a stick of Parmigiano-Reggiano cheese into the pit hole of each date.

Wrap each date with a slice of bacon. Set dates on a baking sheet, seam-sides down, and skewer each with a toothpick to hold bacon in place.

Bake for approximately 20 minutes, or until bacon is crispy. Caution: These cocktail dates are like molten lava when they come out of the oven. Let cool for a few minutes before serving.



French Bread Recipe

Ingredients

2 Tablespoons yeast (2 Pkg.)  
2 Tablespoons sugar  
3 Cups lukewarm water  
2 Teaspoons salt  
2 Tablespoon oil  
6-7 1/2 Cups flour

Directions:

1. Add together ingredients and let sit about 5 minutes, until it bubbles.
2. Add the 2 Teaspoons salt, 2 Tablespoon oil and 6-7 1/2 Cups flour.
3. Knead the dough
4. Let rise till double, divide the dough in half, roll each half into a rectangle and roll up long ways, slit the top 5 times and let rise 1/2 hour.
5. Bake 400 degrees for 30 min.

**Variation 1:** use golf ball size dough and roll into bread sticks, let rise 30 min. Brush with melted butter and sprinkle with garlic salt. Bake 400 degrees for 15 - 20 min.

**Variation 2:** pull pieces of dough off and stretch till circle, fry in deep oil until browned.

Shrimp Pasta Salad Recipe

Ingredients

16 oz. penne pasta cooked  
Green olives sliced  
Black olives sliced  
Pickled asparagus chopped  
Artichoke hearts chopped  
Mozzarella pearls (optional)  
Baby shrimp  
Dressing 1: 1 dry packet Italian dressing, 1 bottle zesty Italian dressing  
Dressing 2: 1 dry packet ranch dressing, 1 bottle ranch dressing.

Directions:


1. Mix all together and refrigerate.

Both recipes by Tasha Prus


## Merry Christmas

### Thank you for your business

From the Petersburg Branch  
Liz, Carynne and Michael



**WHERE YOUR MEMBERSHIP MATTERS**



*Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace, goodwill toward men*

- Luke 2:14

We are so blessed to live in a community that supports local businesses. Thank you Petersburg, we are very grateful for you.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!!

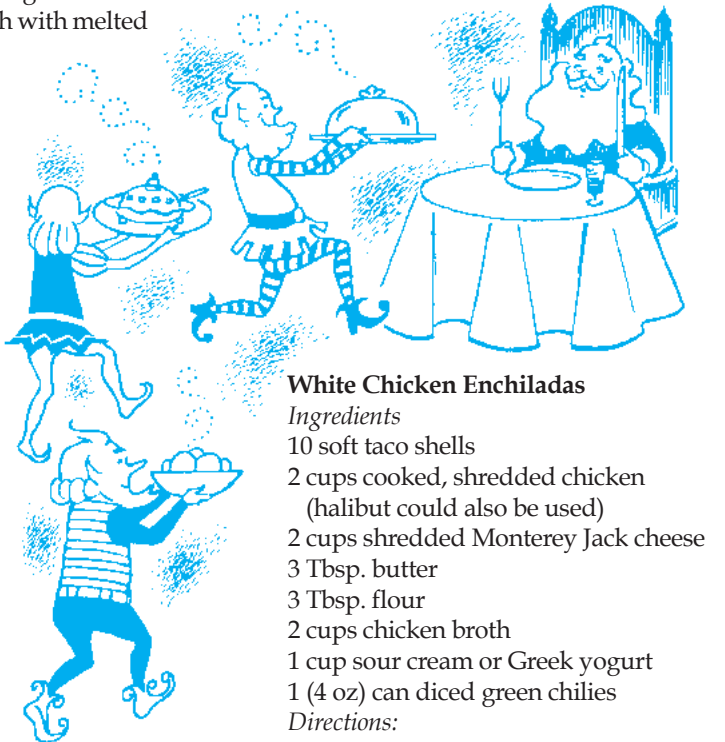
## Alaska Floorcovering

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(Spending Christmas week with family)

## Have a Merry Christmas



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## White Chicken Enchiladas

Ingredients

10 soft taco shells  
2 cups cooked, shredded chicken (halibut could also be used)  
2 cups shredded Monterey Jack cheese  
3 Tbsp. butter  
3 Tbsp. flour  
2 cups chicken broth  
1 cup sour cream or Greek yogurt  
1 (4 oz) can diced green chilies

Directions:

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Grease a 9x13 pan.
2. Mix chicken and 1 cup cheese. Roll up in tortillas and place in pan.
3. In a sauce pan, melt butter, stir in flour and cook 1 minute. Add broth and whisk until smooth. Heat over medium heat until thick and bubbly.
4. Stir in sour cream and chilies. Do not bring to boil, you don't want curdled sour cream.
5. Pour over enchiladas and top with remaining cheese.
6. Bake 22 min and then under high broil for 3 minutes to brown the cheese.

By Anne Loesch





### Happy Holidays!

Wishing you and your family peace, joy and good health this season and throughout the new year.

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From the PeaceHealth Ketchikan Medical Center Board of Governors

[peacehealth.org](http://peacehealth.org)




we wish you a very

# Merry Christmas

and Happy New Year

Wishing you and yours health and prosperity in the new year.

From your friends & neighbors at IBEW

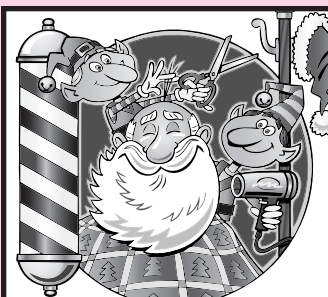


### MERRY KRISMOOSE

and a Happy New Year!



Petersburg  
Moose Lodge #1092




### Trimmed With A Wish

Here's hoping your holiday is a cut above the rest! We loved every minute of serving you this year, thanks!

Roni's Hair Design

### A NOTE of THANKS



...And a chorus of best wishes to our many noteworthy customers and friends.

Happy New Year!  
Thanks For Your Support!  
Winter Hours 10:30a - 3:30p



### At the Holidays and All Year, Thanks for Dining Here!

We're so very grateful for your support this year, and we hope you've enjoyed your visits with us as much as we have.

As we celebrate this special time, we'd like to share our very best wishes with all of you.

May the holiday season and the new year bring you generous portions of happiness, health and good fortune.


Enjoy!

The Beachcomber Lodge

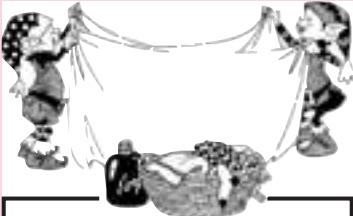
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# ELF



## APPLICATIONS

Name: Linda Carnes Age: 6

1. Have you ever played with toys? Yes
  2. What is your favorite toy? Stufys
  3. Are you naughty or nice? Nice
  4. Are you a good helper at home? Yes
  5. Do you like Christmas music? Yes
- Signature (aka) Goofy Snowflake

Name: Johnnie Hess Age: 6

1. Have you ever played with toys? Yes
  2. What is your favorite toy? tabby
  3. Are you naughty or nice? Nice
  4. Are you a good helper at home? Yes
  5. Do you like Christmas music? Yes
- Signature (aka) Fuzzy mcsparkys

Name: Thomas McKeown Age: 6

1. Have you ever played with toys? Yes
  2. What is your favorite toy? drone
  3. Are you naughty or nice? Nice
  4. Are you a good helper at home? Yes
  5. Do you like Christmas music? Yes
- Signature (aka) Sneaky Pipsqueak

Name: Riley Sheldon Age: 7

1. Have you ever played with toys? Yes
  2. What is your favorite toy? Cars
  3. Are you naughty or nice? Nice & Naughty
  4. Are you a good helper at home? Yes
  5. Do you like Christmas music? Yes
- Signature (aka) Sneaky Twin klexoes

Name: Jackson Zweifel Age: 6

1. Have you ever played with toys? Yes
  2. What is your favorite toy?  
Remote Control shark that actually goes in the water
  3. Are you naughty or nice? Nice
  4. Are you a good helper at home? Yes
  5. Do you like Christmas music? Yes
- Signature (aka) Sneaky cookies

Name: Jaydon Mendoza Age: 6

1. Have you ever played with toys? Yes
  2. What is your favorite toy? Trtl pupit
  3. Are you naughty or nice? Nice
  4. Are you a good helper at home? Yes
  5. Do you like Christmas music? Yes
- Signature (aka) Sneaky Candycane

Name: Khloe Taylor Age: 6

1. Have you ever played with toys? Yes
  2. What is your favorite toy? Slime
  3. Are you naughty or nice? Nice & Naughty
  4. Are you a good helper at home? Yes & No
  5. Do you like Christmas music? Yes & No
- Signature (aka) Rose Snowflake

Name: Denali Littleton Age: 6

1. Have you ever played with toys? Yes
  2. What is your favorite toy? BarBie
  3. Are you naughty or nice? Nice
  4. Are you a good helper at home? Yes
  5. Do you like Christmas music? Yes
- Signature (aka) Goofy Candy Cane



Sneaky “Jaydon” Candycane



Fuzzy McSparkys



Gumball “GS” Snowball

Name: Kennedee Cole-Schulz Age: 6

1. Have you ever played with toys? Yes
  2. What is your favorite toy? Rihting
  3. Are you naughty or nice? Nice
  4. Are you a good helper at home? Yes
  5. Do you like Christmas music? Yes
- Signature (aka) Snowballflake

Name: Kai Swainson-Lyons Age: 6

1. Have you ever played with toys? Yes
  2. What is your favorite toy? Star Wars Legose
  3. Are you naughty or nice? Nice
  4. Are you a good helper at home? Yes
  5. Do you like Christmas music? Yes
- Signature (aka) Fluffernut snowball

Name: Grady Walker Age: 6

1. Have you ever played with toys? Yes
  3. Are you a good helper at home? Yes
  4. Do you like Christmas music? Yes
- Signature (aka) Gumball Fissy

Name: Addison Flores Age: 6

1. Have you ever played with toys? Yes
  2. What is your favorite toy? a train
  3. Are you naughty or nice? Nice
  4. Are you a good helper at home? Yes
  5. Do you like Christmas music? Yes
- Signature (aka) Glitter

Name: Jaycee Coil Age: 7

1. Have you ever played with toys? Yes
  2. What is your favorite toy? Slohn
  3. Are you naughty or nice? Nice
  4. Are you a good helper at home? Yes
  5. Do you like Christmas music? Yes
- Signature (aka) Tinselbottom

Name: Victoria Ohmer Age: 7

1. Have you ever played with toys? Yes
  2. What is your favorite toy? LOL
  3. Are you naughty or nice? Nice
  4. Are you a good helper at home? Yes
  5. Do you like Christmas music? Yes
- Signature (aka) Twinkletoes

Name: Libby Taiber Age: 6

1. Have you ever played with toys? Yes
  2. What is your favorite toy? Juno, Koala Toys
  3. Are you naughty or nice? Nice
  4. Are you a good helper at home? Yes
  5. Do you like Christmas music? Yes
- Signature (aka) Snowflake Fuzzy

Name: Audrey Boggs Age: 7

1. Have you ever played with toys? Yes
  2. What is your favorite toy? laagose
  3. Are you naughty or nice? Naughty
  4. Are you a good helper at home? Yes
  5. Do you like Christmas music? Yes
- Signature: (aka) Peprmint candeeahn





Behind face coverings, Ivy Worhatch, left, and Lucia Worhatch, right, smile for a photo with Santa.

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# ELF APPLICATIONS

Name: James Nilsen Age: 6  
1. Have you ever played with toys? Yes  
2. What is your favorite toy? Bup thuk  
3. Are you naughty or nice? Nice  
4. Are you a good helper at home? Yes  
5. Do you like Christmas music? Yes  
Signature: (aka) Gumdrop Fusst

Name: Abraham Sabin Age 6  
1. Have you ever played with toys? Yes  
2. What is your favorite toy? Remote control robot  
3. Are you naughty or nice? Nice  
4. Are you a good helper at home? No  
5. Do you like Christmas music? Yes  
Signature:(aka) vaajingles gumball

Name: Lachlan Boitor Age: 6  
1. Have you ever played with toys? Yes  
2. What is your favorite toy? Nomee  
3. Are you naughty or nice? Nice  
4. Are you a good helper at home? Yes  
5. Do you like Christmas music? Yes and no  
Signature: (aka) Gumball Snowball

Name: Barker Isa Bean Age: 7  
1. Have you ever played with toys? Yes  
2. What is your favorite toy? Slime  
3. Are you naughty or nice? Nice  
4. Are you a good helper at home? Yes  
5. Do you like Christmas music? Yes  
Signature: (aka) Lollipop M sparkle

Name: Luke Glasow Age: 7  
1. Have you ever played with toys? Yes  
2. What is your favorite toy? Remote control car  
3. Are you naughty or nice? Nice  
4. Are you a good helper at home? Yes  
5. Do you like Christmas music? Yes  
Signature: (aka) Garland Gumball

Name: Brenda Gudgel Age: 6  
1. Have you ever played with toys? Yes  
2. What is your favorite toy? Dol Hows  
3. Are you naughty or nice? Nice  
4. Are you a good helper at home? Yes  
5. Do you like Christmas music? Yes  
Signature: (aka) Lightning Sprinkles

Name: Bella Hansen Age: 6  
1. Have you ever played with toys? Yes  
2. What is your favorite toy? LOL's  
3. Are you naughty or nice? Nice  
4. Are you a good helper at home? Yes  
5. Do you like Christmas music? Yes  
Signature: (aka) Lollipop Pointytoes

Name: Gabe Perry Age: 7  
1. Have you ever played with toys? Yes  
2. What is your favorite toy? Stufees  
3. Are you naughty or nice? Nice  
4. Are you a good helper at home? Yes  
5. Do you like Christmas music? Yes  
Signature: (aka) Snowball candy cane



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IN THE SPIRIT OF THE SEASON, WE BID YOU ALL THE BEST AND LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AGAIN, SOON.

THANKS, FRIENDS!



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## MERRY CHRISTMAS

May Your Days Be Merry & Bright!

With gratitude in our hearts, we bid you a most joyous and memorable holiday season.  
We know we will never forget the goodwill and friendship you've shown us. Noel!



Jay, Cherise, Donna, Chrissy, Natalie, Meredith, Sandy & Tanesa







# Start new caroling traditions

Caroling is a symbol of community that once was a wildly popular holiday tradition but has largely fallen by the wayside. According to the Pew Research Center, about 16 percent of Americans reported caroling in 2017. However, this once-beloved tradition can be brought back with vigor.

### History of caroling

Caroling evolved from the practice of wassailing. The word ‘wassail’ is derived from the Old Norse phrase ‘ves heill,’ which translates to ‘be well and in good health.’ As early as the 13th century, people in England would travel between houses to go wassailing and wish their neighbors well during the winter months. In some places, the word ‘wassail’ referred to a hot and thick spiced beverage given to travelers to help them stay warm. It is the precursor to modern-day mulled wines, cider and eggnog.

Caroling largely remained separate from Christmas until Saint Francis of Assisi incorporated similar well wishes and songs into his Christmas services. Music was embraced as part of liturgical services during the holiday season.

### Caroling today

Many caroling sessions now take place inside of churches or schools as part of choral performances. However, with social distancing limitations in place, it may be the ideal time to once again implement door-to-door caroling. This can help bring cheer to people who may be missing loved ones who can’t travel, and may even buoy the spirits of those who have been spending more time alone in their homes.

These tips can make caroling more successful.

- Find someone with some musical knowledge to guide the group. While everyone needn’t be the next star singer, it helps if one person can help keep the group in time and in tune.
- Choose familiar songs. Select a body of music that is familiar to all. Songs such as ‘Silent Night,’ ‘Joy to the World,’ ‘Deck the Halls,’ and ‘The 12 Days of Christmas’ are easily recognizable. The more familiar the song, the easier it is for carolers to follow the tune. Have roughly 10 songs and ro-

tate as needed when visiting homes.

- Map out your course. Caroling can take place over several days as carolers visit various parts of their communities. A caroling session may last about an hour or two.

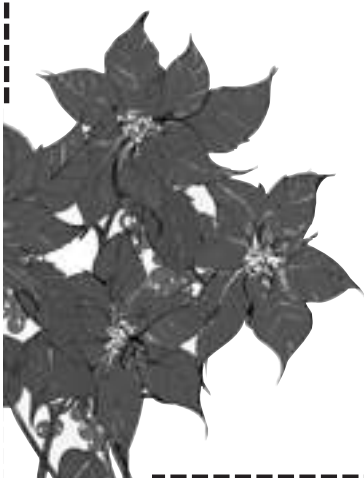
- Dress for weather. Layer clothing and agree on some festive trimmings that unite the caroling group. Wear comfortable shoes for walking.

- Advertise your intentions. Let others know that carolers will be stopping by on particular dates so they can come out on their front porches or doorsteps. Follow social distancing guidelines if necessary and urge spectators to avoid congregating too closely in one place.

Caroling is a great way to enjoy the holiday season responsibly.

# Merry Christmas

Our hearts are filled with gratitude as we wish you and yours a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. **We value your patronage and look forward to the opportunity to serve you again, soon.**



*Richard Sprague*  
**DMD**  
**& Staff**



Here’s hoping your holiday season is merry and bright! May your Christmas and the New Year deliver an abundance of happiness and good fortune to you and the ones you love.

*Petersburg Borough Assembly and Employees*

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# The origins of classic Christmas favorites

Scores of artists have released Christmas albums or holiday-infused singles during their careers. Christmas music can be broken down into two distinct categories: traditional hymns and carols and popular secular songs.

Some believe that the religious standards have been passed down since the earliest days of Christianity. However, that is not so. Before the 12th century, music wasn’t typically included in religious services, and even then music was included only sporadically. In present day, religious tunes identified as Christmas music typically are not sung until Christmas Eve and thereafter until the Epiphany.

Many of the oldest Christmas songs are not old at all. Many popular carols sung today are less than 200 years old. The world’s most popular Christmas carol was originally a poem penned in 1816 by Austrian Catholic priest Josef Mohr. Two years later, Mohr asked Franz Xaver Gruber, an organist and local schoolteacher, to put his words to music. The resulting song, ‘Silent Night,’ was not translated into English for 40 years.

‘Hark the Herald Angels Sing’ also originated from a poem and had the original opening line of, ‘Hark how all the welkin rings.’ The

subsequent version was more catchy, and the faster-paced accompaniment was courtesy of Felix Mendelssohn, added 100 years after the poem was written.

‘Jingle Bells,’ a nonreligious tune that has become synonymous with Christmas, was not originally written as a Christmas tune. In fact, the song was intended to celebrate Thanksgiving.

Christmas music is diverse, with lively tunes, modern interpretations and religious classics enjoyed through the years.

## SILENT NIGHT

Silent night, holy night  
All is calm, all is bright  
Round yon Virgin Mother and Child  
Holy Infant so tender and mild  
Sleep in heavenly peace  
Sleep in heavenly peace

Silent night, holy night!  
Shepherds quake at the sight  
Glories stream from heaven afar  
Heavenly hosts sing Alleluia!  
Christ, the Saviour is born  
Christ, the Saviour is born

Silent night, holy night  
Son of God, love's pure light  
Radiant beams from Thy holy face  
With the dawn of redeeming grace  
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth  
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth

## O COME ALL YE FAITHFUL

O Come All Ye Faithful  
Joyful and triumphant,  
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem.  
Come and behold Him,  
Born the King of Angels;  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
Christ the Lord.

O Sing, choirs of angels,  
Sing in exultation,  
Sing all that hear in heaven God's holy word.  
Give to our Father glory in the Highest;  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
Christ the Lord.

All Hail! Lord, we greet Thee,  
Born this happy morning,  
O Jesus! for evermore be Thy name adored.  
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing;  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him,  
Christ the Lord.

# Happy Holidays!

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# Happy Haulidays

Hope the spirit of the season fills your days with love, light and laughter!

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## Merry Christmas, Friends!



# Fun facts about Three Kings Day

The holiday season begins with Thanksgiving, and many people believe that the festivities come to a close after ringing in the new year. In fact, for the faithful, the Christmas season does not end until January 6 (January 12 in Eastern churches).

January 6 marks the celebration of the Epiphany, sometimes referred to as Three Kings Day, Little Christmas, the Baptism of Jesus, and D’a de los Reyes. The Epiphany is celebrated 12 days after December 25. In fact, that is where the phrase the Twelve Days of Christmas, and the song of the same name, originated.

Christians believe that the real celebration of the holiday season does not begin until December 24 and then continues through Three Kings Day. While the four weeks preceding Christmas, also known as Advent, are supposed to be times of reflection and prayer in anticipation of the birth of Jesus Christ, the 12 days of Christmas are times of great celebration. On the Epiphany, children may leave their shoes out for presents in a similar fashion to the way stockings are hung. Gifts are exchanged, reminiscent of the three gifts the magi presented to the Christ child of

gold, frankincense oil and a resin called myrrh. The gold represented Christ’s royal standing. The frankincense marked Christ’s divine birth. Finally, the myrrh stood for Christ’s mortality.

Many celebrants will bake ring-shaped cakes in which they will hide plastic baby figurines that are meant to symbolize

Jesus Christ. The cake is called The Kings Ring, or Rosca de Reyes.

In Latin America, the three magi are more prominent figures than Santa Claus and are greatly revered by children and adults alike. Until the 19th century, the Epiphany may have been considered more important than Christmas day. How-

ever, those tides have largely shifted outside of Latin America and areas dominated by large populations of people who have Latin American heritage. Christmas and New Year’s garner considerable attention during holiday celebrations, but Three Kings Day also is an important date on the calendar for faithful Christians.



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## Meeting Santa

Libby Taiber, left, and Addison Flores, right, hold their candy canes as they pose for a picture with Santa at the Winter Wonderland event at the Parks and Recreation Center on Dec. 12.



## MERRY CHRISTMAS!

*Petersburg Medical Center would like to extend our appreciation to our work family, patients, and community members. Thank you all for your kindness, support and generosity. Best wishes for a happy holiday season and a healthy New Year.*

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