

THE BROOKINGS REGISTER

Holiday Greetings 2024



CHILDREN'S LETTERS TO SANTA: 2024

Mrs Carlson
First Grade
Dakota Prairie

Dear Santa,
 This year I went to the movies. I need a new hawth. I want a wemot car.
 Love,
 Blake

Dear Santa,
 This year I have a grate teechr. I need a noow wotr botol. I weat a gutar. Hoa menea elfs do you have?
 Love,
 Brystal

Dear Santa,
 This year I howp you have a grayt year. I need sum clos. I want ticits to a NFL vikengs game.
 Love,
 Ledger

Dear Santa,
 This year I went to my gramas, and grampas. I need noo socs. I want stice hand.
 Love,
 Henry

Dear Santa,
 This year I playd soopr mrylekrte. I need a noow pilowe. I wont a pupy. How old are you?
 Love,
 Madelyn

Dear Santa,
 This year I got my teeth poled out. This year I got to go to Disney World! I need a new coat. I want a lot of stitch. How many elf's do you have
 Love,
 Myla

Dear Santa,
 This year I got to be in camutisnin my my friend. And I need a playnt. I wont a ranbow hiy queen. How do elfs fly?
 Love,
 Charlie

Dear Santa,
 This year I playad with my cusins. I need mor hats. I want to havay good caismis. How menea ifs do you hav?
 Love,
 Bentley

Dear Santa,
 This year I went to muont rushmore! I need food. I want a PC. Also how can you fly?
 Love,
 Emmett H

Dear Santa,
 This year I went to the moove. I need sheets for my bed. I want a yodue. How are the rander?
 Love,
 Eden

Dear Santa,
 This year I got to sturt danc. I need nuw bust. I want a nuw scushmelo. Wut is it like in the noth porl?
 Love,
 Reese

Dear Santa,
 This year I had a sleepover and got to go to 2 moives. I need a new Vikings jersey. I want a good crismas. How much elfs do you hav?
 Love,
 Leo

Dear Santa,
 This year I have a hockey trmit. I need a shrt. I want a football. How are the rander doing?
 Love,
 Konner

Dear Santa,
 This year I got go to to snomoweell rasis. I need a vikeens jrse of Justin Jeffrsin. I want a ntindol.
 Love,
 Kayden

Dear Santa,
 This year I went to my gramus howes.



I need new slipiprs because thay have a rip. I want a new cupeter.

Love,
 Everly

Dear Santa,
 This yea rI got to go to my gramas hase. I need new shews. I want a elf. Santa how menea elfs do you hav?

Love,
 Jade

Dear Santa,
 This year I played with liam. I need snow boots. I want a spongbob stuff animal.

Love,
 Fenrin

Dear Santa,
 This year I wint to my dads haws for crismis. I need a noo wootr botol. I sunt a lot uf theengs for crismis.

Love,
 Kathrine

Dear Santa,
 This year I had my birthday party it was fun! I need a new scrf. I want a Lego. Can you give a prestzit to my sistr plees?

Love,
 Amaan

Dear Santa,
 This year I had lots of fun in first grade. I need new boots. I want new Barbe's and How meeny elf's do you hav and how are you doeg?

Love,
 Harper

Dear Santa,
 This year I went to the mall of Amariku. I need a new Pakrs cup. I want a fake elf that is a baby.

Love,
 Emmett F

Mrs Leo
Fourth Grade
Elkton

Dear Santa,
 How old are you? For Christmas I want Aphmau memeows. I also want a Aphmau School Pack. Another gift I want is a new water bottle. 1 reason I was good this year is that I helped my mom with the baby.

Love,
 Amyleigh

Dear Santa,
 I have a question for you. How come you sent Bojangles to be my family

elf? These are three things I want for Christmas. Number one, is a pack of twisted elxrbubbler. Number two, is a big spongebob blanket. Number three is a big Patrick stuffed animal. A reason why I was good this year is because I helped my dad get a dead steer out of the barn.

Love,
 Ava

Dear Santa,
 How many elves to you have? For Christmis I want a WWE Stone Cold Steve Austin action figure. I want a WWE toy ring and soccer card's. 1 reason I was good this year is I helped my mom clean my house.

Love,
 Neymar

Dear Santa,
 How long does it take to get to the North Pole? For Christmas I want a now globe that looks like the North Pole. Next, I want a picture of you. Last, I want a Christmas tree. This year I was good with my mom because I helped her with the Thanksgiving food.

Love,
 Virgen

Dear Santa,
 Whet is your favorite drink? I want a fishing pole, a football, and new shoes. I was good this year because I helped my mom do laundry.

Love,
 Briggs

Dear Santa,
 How are you doing in the north pole? Isn't it cold up there? For Christmas I would like a toy hay cutter. Also for Christmas I would like a toy cattle chute. The last things is a remote control tractor toy. I think I should get 1 of these things because I helped my mom put her 12 foot tree!

Love,
 Brayden

Dear Santa,
 How many elves to you have? I want a vbuck card for Fortnite. I also want a Lego Porsche. I want yeezy slides. I also want a Stefon diggs and a josh anen jersey. I think I should get these because I helped my parents.

Love,
 Mason

Dear Santa,
 Why do you eat cookies? I want for Christmas a Hot Wheels car, smash bros, and a Nerf toy. I have been good this

year because I helped everyone and I was kind too.

Love,
 Edwin

Dear Santa,
 How many elves live in the north pole? This year I want a PS5, basketball shorts, and football gloves. This year I was good when I helped my mom with my baby sister.

Love,
 Irving

Dear Santa,
 What do you do in the North Pole? I want a Holo Bright Pixies. I want to get that make your own Scrunchies. I want a speaker. I have been good this year because I have helped clean the house and do chores.

Love,
 Melanie

Dear Santa,
 Am I on the nice list? If so I really want these 3 things, a activity book, lol's, and a sweatshirt. I think I deserve these things because I helped my mom decorate and clean my house.

Love,
 Kyrsten

Dear Santa,
 When will you send my elf? One thing I want for Christmas is puppies. Anther thing I want for Christmas is to see all my family together at once. I would also like to see my grand parents. Here is one reason I was good this year. I helped my mom a lot. I also helped my moms friend.

Love,
 Kaysa

Dear Santa,
 How are you and how are your elves? I want Nike's and Legos, cow squish-mellows, and stich bedding. 1 reason I was good this year is because I'm taking the dog out side and feeding the dog and cat and cleaning the cat box for my mom because she is out of town with my sister for her surgery.

Love,
 Peyton

Dear Santa,
 How many reindeer do you have? I want 2 bags of cat food, and a Nintendo card, and a mini basketball hoop. 1 reason I was good this year was because I helped in the classroom.

Love,
 Vada

Dear Santa,
 How many elves do you have? I want a pet monkey with four bunches of bananas and a dog, and seven hundred pieces of candy. I think I was good because I helped my cousin.

Love,
 Luke

Dear Santa,
 How old are you Santa? I want A incubater, a playbook football, and a PS5. I help my mom do chores.

Love,
 Jase

Mrs Acheson
Kindergarten
Medary

Dear Santa,
 This Christmas I am 6 years old. This year I have been good all of the time. What I would like most this Christmas is stuffed kitty. And I promise to leave out peanut butter for you.

Merry Christmas Santa!
 Love, Renee

PS Please say "Hi" to Reindeer for me!

Dear Santa,
 This Christmas I am 6 years old. This year I have been good all of the time. What I would like most this Christmas is

See **LETTERS**, page 3

Best wishes this holiday season.

309 4th Street
 Brookings, SD 57006
 605.692.5501 | planwithLFP.com

Legacy Financial Partners
 A private wealth advisory practice of
 Ameriprise Financial Services, LLC

Ameriprise Financial Services, LLC
 Member FINRA and SIPC. © 2024 Ameriprise Financial, Inc.

Happy Holidays

And thank you to our customers & hard working employees

PRUSSMAN CONTRACTING

(605) 692-5421 • 223 Railroad St., Brookings

Merry Christmas AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Thank you to our patients, community and staff for a great year!

BROOKINGS
 FAMILY DENTISTRY

(605) 692-7788
 427 8th Street South
 Brookings, SD

www.BrookingsFamilyDentistry.com

CHILDREN'S LETTERS TO SANTA: 2024

Continued from page 2

spiddr m and hk. And I promise to leave out kn for you. Merry Christmas Santa!
Love, Trevyn
PS Please say "Hi" to lf for me!

Dear Santa,
This Christmas I am 6 years old. This year I have been good all of the time. What I would like most this Christmas is a tablit and a luve. And I promise to leave out cukes cauts for you.
Merry Christmas Santa!
Love, Torence
PS Please say "Hi" to monster jam drivrs for me!

Dear Santa,
This Christmas I am 6 years old. This year I have been good all of the time. What I would like most this Christmas is pens and pocenon. And I promise to leave out kede for you.
Merry Christmas Santa!
Love, Lincoln
PS Please say "Hi" to lf for me!

Dear Santa,
This Christmas I am 5 years old. This year I have been good all of the time. What I would like most this Christmas is gum and toy. And I promise to leave out coces mlke for you.
Merry Christmas Santa!
Love, Dawsyn
PS Please say "Hi" to Rodof for me!

Dear Santa,
This Christmas I am 6 years old. This year I have been good all of the time. What I would like most this Christmas is Kian sat and spibr ma. And I promise to leave out keoc for you.
Merry Christmas Santa!
Love, Hattien
PS Please say "Hi" to Dav for me!

Dear Santa,
This Christmas I am 5 years old. This year I have been good all of the time. What I would like most this Christmas is lagos and rmokin chol. And I promise to leave out coces mik for you.
Merry Christmas Santa!
Love, Jack
PS Please say "Hi" to Rodof for me!

Dear Santa,
This Christmas I am 6 years old. This year I have been good all of the time. What I would like most this Christmas is t and cue. And I promise to leave out flowrs for you.
Merry Christmas Santa!
Love, Pascaline
PS Please say "Hi" to me for me!

Dear Santa,
This Christmas I am 6 years old. This year I have been good all of the time. What I would like most this Christmas is crane Legos and more Legos. And I promise to leave out cookies for you.
Merry Christmas Santa!
Love, Jack
PS Please say "Hi" to me for me!

Dear Santa,
This Christmas I am 5 years old. This year I have been good all of the time. What I would like most this Christmas is Leges and Scatbbld. And I promise to leave out cuc for you.
Merry Christmas Santa!
Love, Liam



PS Please say "Hi" to gicgxublead for me!

Dear Santa,
This Christmas I am 6 years old. This year I have been good all of the time. What I would like most this Christmas is Hot Wels and lizrd. And I promise to leave out coke cots for you.
Merry Christmas Santa!
Love, Lavin
PS Please say "Hi" to Raf for me!

Dear Santa,
This Christmas I am 7 years old. This year I have been good some of the time. What I would like most this Christmas is woch and dog hos. And I promise to leave out milk for you.
Merry Christmas Santa!
Love, Mauricio
PS Please say "Hi" to Rinder for me!

Dear Santa,
This Christmas I am 5 years old. This year I have been good all of the time. What I would like most this Christmas is tals sufe and sonic sufe. And I promise to leave out cue mik for you.
Merry Christmas Santa!
Love, Lucas
PS Please say "Hi" to Mrs Acheson for me!

Dear Santa,
This Christmas I am 6 years old. This year I have been good all of the time. What I would like most this Christmas is spdmn toy and ipad. And I promise to leave out koke for you.
Merry Christmas Santa!
Love, Rudy
PS Please say "Hi" to Rawder for me!

Dear Santa,
This Christmas I am 6 years old. This year I have been good some of the time. What I would like most this Christmas is bite and legos. And I promise to leave out pesen for you.
Merry Christmas Santa!
Love, Laila
PS Please say "Hi" to Mealia for me!

Dear Santa,

This Christmas I am 5 years old. This year I have been good all of the time. What I would like most this Christmas is box and yy. And I promise to leave out crits for you.
Merry Christmas Santa!
Love, Luleken
PS Please say "Hi" to Ms clo for me!

Dear Santa,
This Christmas I am 5 years old. This year I have been good some of the time. What I would like most this Christmas is babe and brb. And I promise to leave out mlk coe for you.
Merry Christmas Santa!
Love, Ember
PS Please say "Hi" to Miskos for me!

**Mrs Kaiser
Kindergarten
Medary**

Dear Santa,
I am 5 years old. For Christmas, I want a Barbie dream house and of Santa.
From, Val

Dear Santa,
I am 5 years old. For Christmas I want form my cat a squishy toy.
From, Pablo

Dear Santa,
I am 6 years old. For Christmas I want nigh vision goggles magnets.
From, Liam

Dear Santa,
I am 6 years old. For Christmas I want a red life saber and star wars characters.
From, James

Dear Santa,
I am 6 years old. For Christmas I want money and a picture of Santa.
From, Thoreson

Dear Santa,
I am 6 years old. For Christmas I want Hello Kitty squishy and butterfly squishmallow.
From, Macklyn

Dear Santa,
I am 5 years old. For Christmas I want a raptoy and a lightsaber.
From, Cooper

Dear Santa,
I am 6 years old. For Christmas I want a Darth vader and transporter.
From, Renly

Dear Santa,
I am 5 years. For Christmas I want 4 games.
From Ethan

Dear Santa,
I am 6 years old. For Christmas I want a baby doll and teacher stuff.
From, Daisy

Dear Santa,
I am 5 years old. For Christmas I want a teapot and a duck.
From, Sophie

Dear Santa,
I am 5 years old. For Christmas I want legos and a car.
From, Wyatt

Dear Santa,
I am 5 years old. For Christmas I want a ice cream maker paydoh set and slime.
From, Arabe

Dear Santa,
I am 6 years old. For Christmas aquisies and Christmas I want baby dolls.
From Autumn

Dear Santa,
I am 5 years old. For Christmas I want night vision gogles and a science book.
From, JJ

**Julie Gunderson
1st Grade
Hillcrest**

Dear Santa,

See LETTERS, page 4

WISHING YOU PEACE AND JOY
this Holiday Season and throughout the coming year.

605.692.6076 • 206 Main Avenue S. • Brookings, SD

BRACES, RETAINERS, INVISALIGN®...OH MEYER!

Scan to Book Free Consultation

MEYER ORTHODONTICS
BracesByMeyer.com
(605) 692-7511

Thank you to our customers and hard working staff for another great year.

Best Wishes to all in 2025!

NICK'S HAMBURGER SHOP
Since 1929
"BUY 'EM BY THE BAG"
605-692-4324
427 Main Avenue
Downtown Brookings
www.nicks hamburgers.com

Hope your holiday suits you!

Many thanks to all our customers for your continued patronage. We look forward to serving you in 2025.

We sell gift certificates!

FREE PICKUP AND DELIVERY IN BROOKINGS.

IN-HOUSE DRY CLEANING
414 Fourth Street, Brookings • 605-692-4132
Hours: Mon.-Fri. 7:30am-5pm and Closed Saturday

YOUR LOCALLY-OWNED DRY CLEANERS FOR 42 YEARS!

Happy Holidays

bel for all for good
Bel Brands USA

Holiday wishes.

Kevin Witte, Agent
2312 6th Street
Brookings, SD 57006
Bus: 605-692-8383
kevin@kevinwitte.net

May the magic of the season bring you peace, love and joy. Happy Holidays to an incredible community!

Here to help life go right.®

State Farm
Bloomington, IL
1708156

CHILDREN'S LETTERS TO SANTA: 2024

Continued from page 3

I want a bunny toy or a doll house or a hamster.
Love, McKenna

Dear Santa,
I wot a big motecuchocar dat havs big wheels and a little glar for the guy and who go in the house and the starus and outside of the house. I wot a watr of pussles wtop.
Love, Izaiah

Dear Santa,
I wuz good.
Love, Eva

Dear Santa,
Barbie fokecat quishmelow fake babe nails makup
Love, Jhenae

Dear Santa,
Is at you're the best pls inanthe plenit beecus ueel cuo at nadbcu shaus it hupres isor the best preset prstpr estsis
Love, Keston

Dear Santa,
I wus og boe but fa da hit in or has
Love, Duke

Dear Santa,
I wats Ciefs and footballs Ciefs bedsheets football stuff
Love, Xander

Dear Santa,
I love wen you breeg preesis to miy has.
Love, Logan

Dear Santa,
I wont jac and sun bowl all and ay NL football and ay car rays jac and ay noow bowl suf.
Love, Levi

Dear Santa,
@#??#?* tellod conting to ter in Espanyol uno dos trase qatro synco says seyetary ocho nuwavay dease.
Love, Isaac

Dear Santa,
I want some Pants and Shose and a blue car and sttuft frog.
Love, Charlotte

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas! I wunt a Sonic toy for Christmas.
Love, Ezra

Dear Santa,
I wat a cat!!!!
Love, Pennlopi

Dear Santa,
I wont a pet Lizard and fluming wotch and a stufee eegl and a intendo.

Love, Sebastian

Dear Santa,
I wont a brbee and a wumse stufee and I wont Dexter to fel bear and I don't wont eneebudee els to not feel bad mry uoonukrn stuf.
Love, Hazel

Dear Santa,
I wate a phone and nerf gun and a exbox and loteno and candy and oun and books and peesfiff and madding 25 and coolich 25 and I love Santa so much.
Love, Vincent

Dear Santa,
I want to hav a stfee and a

Dear Santa,
I want for Christmas Luii Mansion 3, and iPhono 16, PS5, funko pop sonic and shadow, Mr. Beast lab, super shash bro+hots amiibox, 3D printer, cut that spells Miss Leitheiser.
Love, Kayden

Dear Santa,
This year I want Dragon toys, a sea monster painting kit, a new Nintendo swic, a megnet, a fake chicken and a dragon transformer. Merry xmas Santa! My bayby sister wants minicorn toys, a unicorn painting kit, a unicorn play set.
Love, Liam

and wen you go to my home in twenteeto day's you will see milk and cookies tank you Santa and elves and Mrs. claus and Rudloph and am I on the nise list or naughty list?
Love, Kammer

Dear Santa,
I am in 2nd grade. One thing that I want. Is my brth stone. It black and red. It is a roodey. Bi the way. I wanted too no. if your elves have been gud? I hope I am not on the note list. It it will be grate if I am! And I nuthr thing I wont is a pupy!
Love, Jersey

Dear Santa,
Can you get me a PS5 but

year's Christmas day so I think you should keep your money to keep buying spllies. And you worked so hard and I really know you are so good and nice and hard working. Will I be on the naughty list or on the good list?
Love, Xiang

Dear Santa,
I wish you a happy christmas. And I love your hat. Wat kind of weather is it at the north pole? I will bring good milk and cookies. And wat I wont for christmas is dolhous and a roobixcube and I wont know shoos but I wont hiehels of shoos. And a nootendoe swich. And a know woterbotl and a minifrij. And a krouwn and I wont some noow glubs and the Baby-Sitters Club Book and a puppy stuffy for christmas. And I love your flubs merry christmas sanda and Mrs. claus.
Love, Liliana

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas Santa hope you have a grate december. I want plus plus for December. Hope the cookies and milk tast good. I hope evrey one is on the good list.
Love, Ryan

Dear Santa,
I rile wunt a ginepig or a hasptr and a fone and toys and some slos and some cookies and I love

Christmas and a dog and a cat and I hope you have a goo dChristmas and Merry Christmas.
Love, Laney

Dear Santa,
I'm in 2nd gade Merry Crristmas! I wot a bug wib a oplapnlg door wod line a toy tran I hope you hav a grat time.
Love, Lachlan

Dear Santa,
I wish a had a DS5 and a mincraft card and a roblox card can you make a PS6? If you can I want wun. Happy crismis Santa. I hop you has the best day evr.
Love, Zayne

Dear Santa,
What I want of crimsis is a robot hand a mistrbeest lab. I'm going to are cusing hous

See LETTERS, page 5



Santa set and Randeer set. Twin doll babys. A reel phon. Curin set. A laptop for lxl.
Love, Alyda

Dear Santa,
I wot a Pizza stuffyzea stuffy reel fon that can col 911 39105 and I wan wohct curjinanglis into mezike. Xoxoxoxoxoxo. From Gia too Santa, Gumees lahcobls. Pizzas. I wish sat my mom and wil gitm and my mak sist. Xoxo.
Love, Gia

Dear Santa,
I wt a tons. I will wot a stufee. I will wont a XL. I will wot a plabibe.
Love, Gakly

Mrs. Leitheiser
Second grade
Dakota Prairie

Dear Santa,
I woud like to haf sonic tos. I would like to haf Ded Pool and Wolverine action figures.
Love, Riker

Dear Santa,
Merry Chrismas Santa I am going to give you milk and cookes. I hope your rinder is on the naughty list. I hope Rudolf is on the naughty list. I hope your evels are on the naughty list. I hope Mrs. Claus is on the naughty list. I hope you are at the north pole right nou. I am not gong to a vacation for Christmas. I wonder hou the weather is right nou at the north pole. Cheyenne has been naughty this year. Jaxon has been good this year. Dear Santa I want legos for crismas.
Love, Jaxon

Dear Santa,
This year I want a phone and a new a Ipad and benbag's

I have been naughty but will you frgive me I will bee betr. But if elfe is not at my hoas is it beacas I have been naughty and can you get me a phone 15. And can you get me a 3D printr and con you tel elfe to breeng a pet.
Love, Axel

Dear Santa,
I am in 2nd grade I am wont to get a watch and a pupy Santa I have been good I have cookies for you and Lego man and a phone but I hope I'm not on the noty list?
Love, Noah

Dear Santa,
I wish you have a good year in 2024. Merry Christmas Santa! And I am in second grade now. I really love that you gave me twenty dollars last year. I think, bu this time I want you to keep it because you worked so hard to earn money to keep buying supplies to make toys for next

MERRY CHRISTMAS

from Dr. Pond, Twitero, Morehouse, and Team BVC

BROOKINGS VISION CENTER
605-627-1212 | www.brookingsvision.com
606 20th Street South, Brookings

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

brookings dental clinic

2215 Derald Drive, Brookings, SD
605.692.1222

Happy Holidays

KARL'S
EMPLOYEE OWNED
"Your Servicing Dealer Since 1956" karlsonline.com

Check out our selection online!

Warmest Greetings for the Holidays and Best Wishes for the New Year

BURLAGE PETERSON
Auctioneers & Realtors, LLC.

317 4th Street, Brookings, SD • 605-692-7102
www.burlagepeterson.com

Bachar Lawncare & Landscaping would like to thank our clients for their patronage in 2024. We look forward to serving you in 2025!

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you and yours!

Steve Bachar & Staff

BACHAR
LAWNCARE & LANDSCAPING
605-693-2997 • bacharitcel.com

Thank You

to our loyal customers and dedicated employees.

Merry Christmas & Best Wishes to All in 2025!

Industrial
Machine & Engineering, LLC
PRECISION TOOL & DIE

3208 Hwy 14 Bypass, Brookings • 605.697.7467 • imetool.com

CHILDREN'S LETTERS TO SANTA: 2024

Continued from page 4

of crimsis.

Love, Carter

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas! Have your reindeer been good? What is your real name. Saint Nick or Santa Clause? P.S. love Snowflake!

Love, Jassilyn

Dear Santa,
I hope I'm on the good list. My elf is gowing to get awt of the box but Santa an I have a 3d printer like the one at the bodnm of the paper and a Iphone fifteen to. Can weceptit a secrete. A 3d snake to and a 3d dragon.

Love, Elijah

Dear Santa,
I want a PS5 and a nendo swich. Am I on the good list? I'm in 2nd grade. Santa I'm going to please milk and cookies. I like your elves. And nike shos and a culer set. And robux for roblox. Merry Christmas.

Love, Ryker

Dear Santa,
I rily rily wan ta snow glove and an elf on the shelf. I also want to meet Mrs. Claus. I hope you have a grate Christmas. You are the best. I want a borby doll haws. I also want more snow on the grawnd. I also want a fone that is just mine. And Merry Christmas!

Love, Indie

Dear Santa,
I rily wont a noow barbie hose that is rily big that has a wotr slide and a hamik swing in the baybie hose to plees and thank you. Tell Mrs. Claus Merry Christmas you to Santa. Wilk and olof are riy funy this yeer in 2024. Plees can I have a phone? Thak you sowe much Santa and Mrs. Claus. Merry Christmas! Brody will like some crustion wrer stuf. Brod says thank you so much.

Love, Bristol
P.S. My fmamly loves you!

Dear Santa,
I hope you are good at the North Pole what I wont for christmas is skishmelo tirkce also nice nike hello kitty shoos water bottle a christmas hat roobix cube desk a star cure books flower the wild robot books clothes dress a girinch shirt a santa dress uer pods paper xbox a deskt makers a caterpiler squishmelo a Christmas tree squishmelo a sqishe mushroom ligh a Lego set chalk a rocking chair a hart shirt sun glassis stickers a ben bag a Pensic a santa Squishmelo.

Love, Ainsleigh

Dear Santa,
I want a I phon 14 and a hverbrd and a dppll wach hamster gihbeng pig and a dog and puppes and am I an the nice list. And I want neces. And I want new red and bluy rollrskats.

Love, Madison



Mrs. Bolstad

First grade

Dakota Prairie

Dear Santa,
I have been good because I lisiin to mi techr.
I would like lots of prfume and woch.
Love, Aireal

Dear Santa,
I have been good because I wus nisse.
I would like a dog man stuffee.
Love, Alistair

Dear Santa,
I have been good because I help my mom and dad clean.
I would like a ipad.
Love, August

Dear Santa,
I have been good because I wuz so gud and hlp miy pariss.
I would like moreow 3D wrld.
Love, Bennett

Dear Santa,
I have been good because I lisiin to mi techr.
I would like LOL.
Love, Cambrie

Dear Santa,
I have been good because I am kind.
I would like toy Pokeemon cards.
Love, Carlina

Dear Santa,

I have been good because I hlp mi pairits tac cair uv the dog.

I would like u gecoo and ulf on the shlff.

Love, Claudia

Dear Santa,
I have been good because I help my mom and dad.

I would like a lot of tois.

Love, Emerson

Dear Santa,
I have been good because I help my pairis.

I would like fake flawer and a woch.

Love, Emma

Dear Santa,
I have been good because I mace mi gramuz coffee.

I would like a hamstr.

Love, Emmy

Dear Santa,
I have been good because I have been kind.

I would like a holo brite.

Love, Harper

Dear Santa,
I have been good because I help my frend.

I would like Jaks football.

Love, Kastin

Dear Santa,
I have been good because I helpt my frends.

I would like lagoss.

Love, Kolsen

Dear Santa,
I have been good because I help my bruthrsss.

I would like robot.

Love, Logan

Dear Santa,
I have been good because I help my brother play playstayshin.

I would like to dogs.

Love, Nebay

Dear Santa,
I have been good because I ben kiynd for uthrz.

I would like x box.

Love, Rhett

Dear Santa,
I have been good because I am niss to mi cusin.

I would like smell stuff.

Love, Shawn

Dear Santa,
I have been good because I help my dad.

I would like minecraft costume.

Love, Sutton

Dear Santa,
I have been good because I help my mom kleen.

I would like a skootr.

Love, William

Dear Santa,

See LETTERS, page 6

Happy Holidays FROM VOLGA

DAKOTA RECYCLING 301 INDUSTRIAL DRIVE VOLGA, SD 605-627-9147 dakotascrap.com	Volga ACE The helpful place. 114 EAST HWY. 14 605-827-2020	Reach for the Gold! Dakotah Gold Insurance Inc. 627-5261 Douglas and Julie 50 Industrial Drive & Hwy 14 Volga, SD	installation • service • repair residential • commercial landscaping KERRY'S landscaping & Irrigation Kerry Antonsen 709 13th St. West, Brookings office: 605-692-1655 • cell: 605-690-0154	Gayle Chapel Proud Sioux Valley Alumni! 605-690-1177 BROOKINGS HOME TEAM CENTURY 21 323 22nd Avenue, Brookings
STOREMORE RENTALS VOLGA, SD 695-9156 Self-Storage Units BILL & DEB CALMUS	Lucky Dog BAR & GRILL Hwy 14, Volga • 627-5607 GRILL OPEN 11AM-9PM • M-F 8:30AM TO 9PM • SAT. CASINO & BAR AT 10AM • M-F	LANCE TRUCKING Local & Long Distance Lance Intermill (605) 695.4651	Richland State Bank 602 1st Street • Bruce (800) 339-1474 (605) 627-5671 www.richlandstate.org	DAILY SPECIALS Valley Restaurant 103 Caspian Avenue • Volga, SD (605) 627-5900
VALLEYMART C-STORE • FUEL GRAB AND GO DELI "FRESH BAKED" PIZZA TO GO Across from the Soybean Plant, Volga 627-9422	30 M&T FIRE SAFETY APPARATUS BRUSH TRUCKS PPE RESCUE SERVICE Celebrating 30 years of quality firefighting products. 105 Kasan Ave Volga, SD tel 605-627-3165 mtfiresafety.com	BROOKINGS DUMPSTER SERVICE 605-691-4442 • BROOKINGS, SD	Brookings HEALTH SYSTEM 300 Twenty-Second Avenue Brookings, SD 57006 Phone: (605) 696-9000 Fax: (605) 696-7770 brookingshealth.org	BANK ON THE BRIGHT SIDE. BankStar FINANCIAL Member FDIC
For all your building & concrete needs. CB CONSTRUCTION INC. VOLGA, SD Clint 690.9977 Brian 690.8263	Dakotaland FEDERAL CREDIT UNION TOGETHER STRONG www.DakotalandFCU.com	JOHNSON'S ProClean LLC FULL SERVICE COMMERCIAL CLEANING SEAN JOHNSON 605-695-8565	MIDLAND Contracting, Inc. 101 Industrial Drive, Volga 605.827.2040 midlandcontractinginc.com	DAKOTA SUN ASSISTED LIVING 125 W 2ND ST. VOLGA, SD 605.627.9141

IT'S BEEN A PLEASURE SERVING YOU

Have a Happy Holiday Season!

Exhaust and Complete Auto Care

Call us today for ALL your automotive care and maintenance needs.

**WE SERVICE MOST MAKES AND MODELS!
WE PROVIDE FAST SERVICE. ALL WORK IS GUARANTEED!**

Dual Exhaust Specialist • Tune-Ups • Batteries • Starters • Alternators
Struts and Shocks • Transmission Flashes • Coolant Flashes
Brake Service • Scanner • Trailer Hitches • Mufflers • Pipes
Certified Catalytic Converter Testing and Replacement
Custom Pipe Bending • Lifetime Warranty • Over 50 Years Experience

EXHAUST PROS AUTO CARE

302 FOURTH STREET • BROOKINGS • 605-692-6200

WISHING YOU AND YOUR FAMILY

a very Merry Christmas & Happy New Year from our family.

COUNTERPART, INC.
INDUSTRIAL METAL FABRICATION

214 32nd Avenue S., Brookings, SD 57006
(605) 692-5952 • counterpartfab.com

Your community newspaper.

THE Brookings Register
692.6271 • 800.568.5032
www.brookingsregister.com

CHILDREN'S LETTERS TO SANTA: 2024

Continued from page 5

I have been good because I playd with my bruthr.
I would like maddin 25.
Love, Zekiel

Dear Santa,
I have been good because I lrn math at scool.
I would like cambeey doll.
Love, Willow

Dear Santa,
I have been good because, I washd dishes.
I would like a reel elephanat.
Love, Eliana

Mrs. Edwards
First grade
Dakota Prairie

Dear Santa Claus

I like Santa and Elfs. I need worm glovs. I want a stufee Elf.

Reese

Dear Santa Claus

Hi Sanuh. I need pguv. I wot a Doll.

Ava

Dear Santa Claus

Haw ar yor elfs doing? I need cumfee clos. I want two lego set.

Everetts

Dear Santa Claus

Haw are you doing? I am good. I need a good crismis. I wont a barbee plane. I will leev you cooceeaz and milk.

Macy

Dear Santa Claus

Haw are you/ I hav bin a gud boy. I wunt a br craftcareeyur. I need a bik.

Kellen

Dear Santa Claus

I need a Rancote. I wot mor rot. Haw are you doween. Are the effs been good.

Kylee

Dear Santa Claus

How aryuo doen at the Nrth Pol? I hop yr raders ar doegud I hop the ef are doen gud at the nrth Pol I wat a no woch.

Jacob

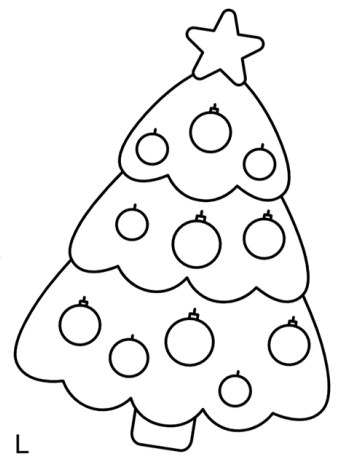
Dear Santa Claus

How are you? I would like a lego Mario set for Christmas. I would like it for my yoshi set.

Adam

Haw ar yor elfs douin with the prez-ins I need doz. I wont a now tablitt.

HOLIDAY WORDSEARCH



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



WORD LIST

ADVENT
ANGEL
BAUBLE
CANDLE
CAROLS
CHESTNUTS
CHIMNEY
CHRISTMAS TREE

COAL
COOKIES
DECK THE HALLS
EGGNOG
FATHER CHRISTMAS
FIREPLACE
HOLLY
JINGLE BELLS

KRIS KRINGLE
NEW YEAR
NOEL
NUTCRACKER
ORNAMENT
PEAR TREE
PRESENT

REINDEER
SLEIGH BELLS
SNOWBALL
STAR
STOCKING
TINSEL
YULETIDE

Kellen

Dear Santa Claus

I need a Rancote. I wot mor rot. Haw are you doween. Are the effs been good.

Kylee

Dear Santa Claus

How aryuo doen at the Nrth Pol? I hop yr raders ar doegud I hop the ef are doen gud at the nrth Pol I wat a no woch.

Jacob

Dear Santa Claus

How are you? I would like a lego Mario set for Christmas. I would like it for my yoshi set.

Adam

Haw ar yor elfs douin with the prez-ins I need doz. I wont a now tablitt.

Keelin

Dear Santa Claus

How are you doing? I would like a Christmas tree that lights. I want a reetshep.

Aryan

Dear Santa Claus

I wont a dirt bike. Santa haw are you dooig? Good? I need a lolepop.

Layton

Dear Santa Claus

Are you reede to give pesints to the wrld? I need crismis deck rashins. I rile wont a isc crem playdow set.

Kori

Dear Santa Claus

Haw are you dooig? Rit it heer: _____ . Wut I need 4 woodin basball bats. I want a basball bat holdr.

Evott

Dear Santa Claus

Widid mee ad Taylor git r elfs rlee. I need a noo bed. I wot a noo bed.

Maverick

Dear Santa Clause

How are your elfs doing? I need sum new gluv for Chrismas. I wunt a new Wartebotill for Chrismas. I will give you cookes and milk.

Brinley

Dear Santa Clause

Is me and Karsyn's elf dooig grate trieeng to floss yet? I need pans beecus my legs are green long. I wont a hedset plees.

Coen

Dear Santa Claus

How are you dooin? I am dooin good. I need a a good cherimis. I wont a vikings hellmit that's real so I can put it on my hed pleas.

Tanner

Dear Santa Claus

How are you doing? I need a new blanket and I want a lambo.

Hunter

Dear Santa Claus

Are the elfs woking hrd? I need noo shorts. I wont a shocking. I will leev kceez and milk awt for you.

Eleni

See LETTERS, page 7

Thank You

Thank you to my excellent crew for another great year and wishing Happy Holidays to all of our wonderful customers.

— Mike

Complete Plumbing 310 7TH STREET W. 605-697-6502

THANK YOU to each of our team members for all of their hard work throughout the year!

FALCON PLASTICS

Happy Holidays FROM WHITE & TORONTO

BIOAG ENERGY SERVICES
Your Partner in Energy
402 W. Main St. White, SD
(605) 553-1039

Brookings-Deuel Rural Water System
47602 SD Hwy. 28
Toronto, SD
605-794-4201
Quality Water on Tap

Pizza • Pop • Chips • Snacks
Beer • Ice • Gas
OPEN 7 DAYS A WEEK!
CORNER GAS & FOODIES
605.629.2501
White, SD

White Medical Clinic
Brookings HEALTH SYSTEM
White Medical Clinic
302 E. 5th Street, White, SD 6283333
brookingshealth.org

HENDRICKS FARMERS LUMBER
219 S. Main Street | Hendricks, MN
507.275.3359
ACE

Pedi. Rehab • House Protection
Boring • Trenching
R&L Splicing
PO Box 515, Toronto, SD 57268
Phone (605)794-2540

TORONTO STOP
600 Main Avenue, Toronto
605.794.2511

CHILDREN'S LETTERS TO SANTA: 2024

Continued from page 6

Dear Santa Claus

Hi Santa how are you doing? Can you give me a dolphins helmet a Tireek Hills jrisee. Pliees. Have a good Christmas give me one to. And the pants.

Carter

Dear Santa Claus

Hea Santa. How are you duig? I need a nou lunchbox. Santa I wont nou uges this is all I wot for Chrismis.

Lydia

Dear Santa Claus

How are you doing? For Christmas I want three dee isse. I need now sozze. Spsh mello.

Jetta

Mrs. Gaalswyk

Third grade Dakota Prairie

Dear Santa Claus

I think I have been very good for chrimas so can have a big Peterbilt toy loger? And coveralls cose I do not have anyt. Marey chrimas hofloy you will not get cold.

Blake

Dear Santa Claus

I loved want you got me last year and I hop you love all the cookies that you get. Santa this is what I want for Chirsmas this year. I want makeup, drawing stuff, loge set, and my sister to have a great Chirsmas this year. And I hop miss claus is taking care of you in the noth pole.

Kennedi

Dear Santa Claus

I hope you have a great chrimas. Now I'd like a Nintendo swith game called Kirby and the forgotten land. Now back to you! I hope you have a great new year and sleep.

Kvany

Dear Santa Claus

I hope you, the Raindeer, Elves feel good. I been good this year. I've been anew toy car because the Jake got me for my Birthday broke.

Riley

Dear Santa Claus

For Christmas I would like a electric guitar and a snow board, dirtbike helmet, electric dirtbike charger, thanos gauntlet legoset, nerf minigun, santa pajmas.

Karsyn

Dear Santa Claus

I think I've been very good this year and I hope you and the elfs are doing good and I would like Butter Slime, fake nails and I really, really want an elf next year. Thank you!

Berkley

Dear Santa Claus

I would enjoy pokemon, DS light, pokemon rudy, pokemon red, super game day, pokmon 5 taid and plushes.

Spencer

Dear Santa Claus

I don't know if I am on the naughty list or good list, but this time I'll try my very best! If your okay I want, an electric bike, a snow globe with you inside! I also want Led lights, and an elf on the shelf! Thank you!

Emmalyn

Dear Santa Claus

How is your December this year? We have not a lot of snow this year. How are your raindeer? I'm going to give them carrits on chrimas. This year I want a hockey bag, hockey cards and a hockey stick. What do you want chrimas? Let me geuss, cookies for chrimas. I really liked the highgrolict boxing bo.

Beau

Dear Santa Claus

Hi Santa. I love you. I want to have a chismis dinr and see my family.

Jace

Dear Santa Claus

Hi mr claws. How are you and your elfs doing. We don't have that much snow. I've ben good. I'm a good student. So this is what i want. I would like some pupets, any kind, and a new video game miles mrowls, and I'm robccaj.

Sam

Dear Santa Claus

Santu you or hludas or the best. You giv me joy and family membrs you or mi gift I will oll washebyor side. You giv me the best presint. You ar mi gift yor the best.

Asher

Dear Santa Claus

I hope you are having a good year so far. I really loved the slime I had last year. This year I want slime, skirts, shirts, and crop tops. That is all. Thank you so much and I think I was good this year. Thank you.

Ellie

Dear Santa Claus

I hope you and Mrs. Claus are doing well. I've got to play with my cousin with my toy from last Christmas. It has been a long but happy year. Once again Christmas is my favorite holiday. So I was wondering if you coiuld please bring me a Stanly or Apple I-pad for Christmas. I hope you have a good Christmas.

Makenna

Dear Santa Claus

Thank you, for the electric mini sleigh. But I have to give it to my lit bro that's Molu. So, what I want for christmas is a Artbox.

Desire

Dear Santa Claus

I love you so much. I just want to hug you. You are the best. This is my Christmas list. Can I please get a dirt bike, roller blades, skate bord, a new dog, a new friend book art supplies, sweat shirts, sweat pants, a can ipi, tend shoes that fit me, a desk, vanity, robux, vbuks, meet a celabrty, airoojs, a new iPad, candyowala, water bottel. I hope you like it. I hope you stay warm. I hope you have a merry Christmas.

Lauren

Dear Santa Claus

This is Abbott. I think you are so nice. It is so kind that you give everybody presents. This year can I please have a snowboard with a picture of Snoopy on it. P.S. I think you are so cool. Merry Cristmas!

Abbott

Dear Santa Claus

I think I have been vary good this year, and sorry to bath-er you, and I really hope you can make it. My house is vary bright so I think you can see it. By the way I really want some books please and I hope I'm on the good list and I think you are a really joyly fellow.

Harper

Dear Santa Claus

Dear Santa, I rillee want a pupu for crismis. I have ben vare good this uer. I would be so happy if you get me a pupy. I would want a wit lap I will do my vare best at shcool.

Kinsley

Dear Santa Claus

Hi santa, my name is Rowan and I really want Roblox money, because it is my favorite game. I will love if you give it to me. I will be happy. One more thing I want fake air pods.

Rowan

Dear Santa Claus

I've been wondring if you could give me a snowbord. I know we might not but I would love one. Also mabey you can give me a Cade Otten jersey or Suse gardve or gavet Wilson jesity. Could you give me a gas dirt bike?

Austen

Dear Santa Claus

I loved the gift you have me last year. How have you been? I've been good. This year, can you give me Madden 25 and Thunder Rores jump set and lego seets in my stocking. Mery chrimtes.

Easton

Dear Santa Claus

I hope you stay warm on your trip. And last year I loved my present. This Christmas can I please have a skate board and a Lego set. And also I hope you have the best year. You are the best santa.

Jack

Dear Santa Claus

This year has been great. I can't wait for Chrismis!!!! My mom has told you already and I forgot anyways.

Rhett

Mrs. Ness Third grade Hillcrest

Dear Santa Claus

Merry chrimas. I hope you have a merry chrimas. I was extra kind this year. For chrimas I realy want a Stitch watch for chrimas. Have the best chrimas in the whole world.

Diana

Dear Santa Claus

I have been very very good and I want this for chrimas: 1. Cromebook; 2. A puppy real one; 3. Goats.

Mira

Dear Santa Claus

Hi Santa. I have ben realy good. I hope Stela is telling you that. But I realy want the pink tablit because I can have it as my play television. Marry Chrimis.

Bella

Dear Santa Claus

I have been very good this year. I hope can get me a really fuzzy hat. I also want a new pair of roller skates. I hope you have a merry Christmas.

Lily

Dear Santa Claus

Can I have 50 dollars in robux. Can I have a new bike. Can I have Legends of Arceus for my switch.

Alex

Dear Santa Claus

I want a golden retriever and a new phone, please. I want som candy canes with my new phone. I want a rinerng wat my hart bet and go mects to my phone. And I want elastinec car, ples, ples, ples.

Karter

Dear Santa Claus

I want legos, a new phone, some robux, a vr headset, a ps5, a ps4, a ps3, a ps2, a ps1, candy, a new soccer ball, a new tennis racket, Mario and Lugige brotherhip, pokemon scarlit and voloit, a candy canb, legin of Zelda breth of the wild, a computer.

Owen

Dear Santa Claus

I been a good kid this year like you can see. Can I have a puppy, a phone, a ipad, a laptop, my cousin's books, toys, a baby brother — ugh, lol — cool stuff and a better room, world peace. Love to be pretty to be love — last buit not least, anything. PS love you. PSS, Frank my elf isn't here yet, please send.

Talia

Dear Santa Claus

This is some of the things I want for Christmas: a dragon, Orlly pax, Godzzila, Netendo Swich, Aphmau plushies, Aphmau figurines, Aphmau toys, Aphmau squishies, cute stickers, fake nails, globe.

Elena

Dear Santa Claus

I want snow globe, pokemon, and a squish mellow. I would really like a Nintendo switch and Kansas City Chiefs stuff. I've been good and bad this year, and I want I Survived books. These are examples how I've been good. I helped my mom and dad. I did chores without my mom and dad asking.

Phoenix

Miss Hardin Kindergarten Dakota Prairie

Dear Santa, I have been good because, I am a gymnast. I would like LOL dols. Love, Eliana

Dear Santa,

See LETTERS, page 8

SEASON'S GREETINGS
Wishing you an abundance of glad tidings at this special time of year.

Dave's COLLISION
1019 Main Avenue South • 605-692-4024
www.daves-collision.com
YOU'RE DRIVING HOME OUR REPUTATION.

Happy Holidays!

State Farm™
Paul L. Kruse, Agent
1024 6th Street, Brookings, SD 57006
605-692-5200
www.paulkruseinsurance.com, paul@paulkruseinsurance.com

Merry Christmas
AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

Thank you to our customers & employees for another great year!

KERRY'S
landscaping & irrigation

706 13th St. West, Brookings • 605-692-1605 or 605-690-0154

Celebrate safely!
Please don't drink and drive.

BROOKINGS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
315 7th Avenue, Brookings

CALL 911 IN AN EMERGENCY. Find us on Facebook

MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR

Thank You to Our Employees For Another Great Year!

Royal Plastics
200 32nd Avenue, Brookings | 605.692.2171 | royalplastics-sd.com

MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR

A CAR QUEST GIFT CARD IS THE PERFECT GIFT FOR THE "DO-IT-YOURSELFER".

LOCALLY OWNED & OPERATED

JASON HUSMAN
PH 605.692.6298

CARQUEST AUTO PARTS

820 22ND AVENUE S. | BROOKINGS, SD 57006

CHILDREN'S LETTERS TO SANTA: 2024

Continued from page 7

I have been good because,
I am good.
I would like pupe that is ecet and soft.
Love, Edith

Dear Santa,
I have been good because,
I am good.
I would like a amgus.
Love, Olly

Dear Santa,
I have been good because,
I got an A+.
I would like a pink brbe.
Love, Tamzen

Dear Santa,
I have been good because,
I am a good frend.
I would like a toey kichin.
Love, Ava
Dear Santa,
I have been good because,
I am Kind.
I would like brbes.
Love, Konner

Dear Santa,
I have been good because,
I am nis.
I would like brbe has.
Love, Jennie

Dear Santa,
I have been good because,
I am good.
I would like tos.
Love, Caleb

Dear Santa,
I have been good because,
I am a good fred.
I would like a dog.
Love, Kollins

Dear Santa,
I have been good because,
I am a gd frend.
I would like stufe.
Love, Gentry
Dear Santa,
I have been good because,
I am good.
I would like umugus.
Love, Tommy

Dear Santa,
I have been good because,
I am good.
I would like sei kit and 3D pen.
Love, Carson

Dear Santa,
I have been good because,
I am a gd frnd.
I would like rt stf.
Love, Alivia

Dear Santa,
I have been good because,
I am a good boy.
I would like a sonic.
Love, Cooper

Dear Santa,
I have been good because,
I a good.
I would like a crestmis tre!
Love, Lincoln
Dear Santa,
I have been good because,
I am a grat grl.
I would like boy babe dog.
Love, Nova



Dear Santa,
I have been good because,
I am a gud frad.
I would like prpl strid.
Love, Emmy

Dear Santa,
I have been good because,
I am kind.
I would like spi ket.
Love, Crosby

Dear Santa,
I have been good because,
I am a grb boy.
I would like sonic.
Love, Andres

Dear Santa,
I have been good because,
I am a good grl.
I would like LOL dol.
Love, Berklee
Dear Santa,
I have been good because,
I am a good grl.
I would like a stich.
Love, Hannah

Dear Santa,
I have been good because,
I listen.
I would like turtles.
Love, Wendel

Dear Santa,
I have been good because,
I am a good big sistr.
I would like elf stuff animl.
Love, Lyla

Dear Santa,
I would like some taba squishies.
How are you? are you ok?. and I would like to have a bunny plushy just like the one I have
Rylee

Dear Santa,
I want to tell you whant I want for chrissamas
Lego Titanic

Orbees
Train with chracks
Toy roketship
Lego big ben
drone with camra

Love
Ryan

Dear Santa,
I want a 3Ds. I want Donkey Kong bu. I want a Pokey decks. I want rock us sock um.
Lexington

Dear Santa,
My name is Zyana I hav been rely good and a Little dab Laty I wan a phNoN and Sparki and i will love it and how is miss clause doing dab'or good.
Zyana

Dear Santa,
can i have a 16 Pro, PS5, Brilliant Stars Boxer Bax and a Elite trainer Boc Pokemon/at or Like 300 Booster packs please. and theank you ANd vducks 3/3500, 12 5000 12800/1000 ANd finally Rodux idc how much you get me And Min coins.
Liam

Dear Santa,
I whould want a J.J M karth picher. And how Mrs. Clows. And how are the cookes. And a I whould like a Vikings shoes. I hop you have a safe flat.
Emmett

Dear Santa,
I want 3 LoL Mistery pacets Haedfons that don's plug in and a crten for my bed we will leav you coces and eggnog. Who are you and my els doing I want to know the ranedear and Mrs. claws to hope I have a wonderful crismuss.
Maggie

Dear Santa,
I rilly like christmaste I can't a machin how much work you do I hope you hava good christmas.
Ariyah

Dera Santa,
I want a pangin stuffy and a candy bar and a electric scooder and a new computer and I will make you cookies and get you a cup of milk and some carrets for the raindeers merry christmas!
Hailey

Dear Santa,
what I want for chrismis marks, candy, plushys, puppy, calring book.
P.s, who are you doing
Frankie

Dear Santa,
What I want for Christmas is a gizmo. I am asking how mrs. Claus is doing. And also what I want for Cristmas is a plush of santa so I an take it our each Cristmas and put it on the Cristmas tree. And also what I really want is a snake.
from: Layla

Dear Santa,
hear are some things I want for Christmiss.
1. Gel gun blaster
2. Spy suit
3. Paint gun
4. Smok bomb
5. RPG
PS thank you
By Anson

Dear Santa,
i been good today and a month my name is Kyle Hill i made you a ginger bread house and a cookie and how is your elfs doing we are good thank you.

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I don't really know what I want, here are two thins that I might want, slippers and a crotchay kit. How is Mrs. Clause? Would you like cookies on Christmas Eve or Moms homemade pretzle sticks? I forgot to ask how the elves?

P.S. how are the raindeer?

See LETTERS, page 9

Thank you to all of our customers who have let us help them make their house a home.

Happy Holidays from all of us at

Barrett's
FLOORING AND DECORATING CENTER
SOUTH MAIN, BROOKINGS

Thank You

To our customers & hard-working employees.
Happy 2025 to all!

Commercial • Residential • Rural
TRENCHER • BUCKET TRUCK • MAN LIFT • SKID STEER

Resmen Electric
KENT RESMEN
605.690.0160 • 515 Main Avenue S., Brookings, SD

Happy Holidays FROM ARLINGTON

605-983-5131
108 S MAIN ST - ARLINGTON, SD 57212
WWW.ARLINGTONCHIROPRACTICSD.COM

Arlington CHIROPRACTIC & Acupuncture

DR. JOSH ZINSEW CHIROPRACTOR
JADYN PARSLEY OFFICE MANAGER
GRACE ERICKSON MASSAGE THERAPIST

Arlington Medical Center

Brookings HEALTH SYSTEM

Arlington Medical Center
104 West Birch Street, Arlington, SD
605.983.3283
brookingshealth.org

KINGBROOK RURAL WATER SYSTEM

302 East Ash Street, Arlington
PO Box 299
605-983-5074
www.kingbrookruralwater.com

Committed to Your Success.

Citizens State Bank
and Arlington Insurance Agency

Arlington (605) 983-5564
Sinai (605) 826-4151

Member FDIC

Prairie Ag Partners

Auto Service Center • Grain Elevator
Propane • Feeds
Full Agronomy Services

Locations in Arlington, Badger, Bancroft, DeSmet, Carbon, Lake Preston & Orlinam.

605.847.4844

INTERSTATE BATTERIES

Arlington
605-983-5884
107 Opportunity Drive

BROOKINGS DUMPSTER Service

605-691-9442 • BROOKINGS, SD

CHILDREN'S LETTERS TO SANTA: 2024

Continued from page 8

Sincerely,
Alaina O.

Dear Santa,
I've been good this year. I'm so happy that Evelyn and Eivis are back! My friend Mila really wants a puppy she is so kind I think that you should give her one. how is your deer and the eevs?

Love, Lena

Der Santa,
I want rizz. And a Phone and I want Takis.
My name is Tae'Sean.

Dear Santa,
for Christmas i want a phone and iphone 14 or a real puppy pleas it will make me cry happy tears because i try to ask evry time. Love Mila binker
Ps. How is rodof doing?

Dear Santa,
I whnt for chrimis is a drumset. I whnt a now dog. I whnt a stuffees. I whnt a skaborde.
Love, Allie

Dear Santa,
Can I have a robot and 400 robux and plushe and a llyrdutctr and rodot for miy bruter and toy dog for my dog and wrk awt stuf for my mom and a chokbord.
Love Grayson

Dear Santa,
Can you get me a phone. can you get a led lights. I wot a exbox. I wot a teev. I wot a faptop. I wot a Lexie doll. I wot a wish doll. I wot a peeano.
Love, Lexie

Dear Santa,
Reemotkintroll cer
Axbox and a kintroller swich
A hockey hellmit
A backup stick
A new backpack
100 packs
A homemayd ice cream makr
A teeveey
Led lights
Hockey socks.
Love, Gage

Dear Santa,
I want slime. I want a 100 givet card that robux and a cat and a dog. I want a rainbow slime. I want a cutie plushie.
Love, Katherine

Dear Santa,
I wnt to scke book and to scker pencil.
Love, Cayli

Dear Santa,

I wot a ps5. I want a 100 givt card. I want cndy.
Love, Abby

Dear Santa,
Slim, candey, romim, new wodrbodll, maycup, pesoll box, bubll kit, dolls, new lip gos, new nobuk, sech pad, sicps, and chapsis.
Love, Zoe

Dear Santa,
I wot a babeydol, a kanguroo, stufey erarsseanimoz, flien plane, robote, stich, brbey, hadcufs.
Love, Skylar

Dear Santa,
I what uh barbee.
Love, Belen

Dear Santa,
I wot a brarbee jreem bestee doll and a merecka glirl doll and a minee gama phone, led lites, shaptt like a hrtart and a kyoot hrtart prers.
Love, Emery

Dear Santa,
I wnt a ps5, ipon, and maich.
Love, Eli

Dear Santa,
For krims i wut a fon wch, unuthr theeng are see cor, unuthr theeng is nuw sun glasiz, unuthr theeng is u wodgn.
Love, Henrik

Dear Santa,
Basketball and a hocky stick, phone, xbox, nintendo swich, football, \$300000000.
Love, Wesley

Dear Santa,
Cuntrolr, bik, ps5, pokemon kords, legos.
Love, Iker

Dear Santa,
Culring kit, stamp kit, sprkl kit, roblox, babe stuf, rosie too be in my klasrm.
Love, Charlotte

Dear Santa,
I wot a ps5 plees. Drone with a camru plees. Rmote kinchol bote. Cen I get a tredmil for my mom.
Love, Otto

Dear Santa,
I want a robot, a pone, a frendchip neklis, a scatbord, a car, lankbox toy, a book called Cooper Niting Suplis, a hampstor, a x box game, a nintendo game, 100 peses of gum, \$10000, laptop, \$3,000,000, 50000000000 gingerbread men, the newest fnaf game.
Love, Cooper

Dear Santa,

Squishmallows horse
Love, Anastasia

Dear Santa,
I whant a hovvs and grinch stufy and a grinch bendin and a sleep ouver with sloan and a sigset. I wat sloan to beey my sistr.
Love, Saige

Mrs. Brown
Second grade
Dakota Prairie

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. For Christmas I want a mermaid tail for the water. I also want a elf. And I want some barbies for Christmas. I also want a stuffed animl thats a cat or a or a or a unicorn.
Love, Cambrie

Dear Santa,
This year I want a xbox, and lagos, book, and a PS5. This is what I want for CHristmas. I have been very good this year Santa.
Love, Charlie

Dear Santa,
I've been good this year. I wont every single football teams helmet. I want 8 packs of football cards. Please can I have a gold chain. Thank you Santa.
Love, Austin

Dear Santa,
I've bin good today. Santa I want a puppy so I can take care uv it. I will let my brothers they will be happy so much.
Love, Akur

Dear Santa,
For CHristmas I want some make up, a turtle stuffy and some CHristmas pants. I've been relly good this year. Thank you Santa.
Love, Isabelle

Dear Santa,
Can I have pokemon cards? Can I also have a Afmal cleter set. Can I also have a monster rainbow corn?
Love, Taryn

Dear Santa,
I want a stuffed animal for Christmas. Can I please have a unicorn?
Love, Iyla

Dear Santa,

1. I want a Jack rabbit stuffy. 3. I want four Christmas is v buchs. 2. I want a PS5. 4. I want a besk.
Love,
Logan

Dear Santa,
What I want for CHristmas is Football cards. And I also want a PS5. Can I also have a gold chane. Can I please have a Football.
Love,
Jace

Dear Santa,
I want seb and footbalt cards. I like collect them.
Love,
Easton

Dear Santa,
For CHristmas I want a 3-D printer. Can I please have it? I will make some 3-D printed stuff for my sisters.
Love,
Connor

Dear Santa,
Can I please have a dog stuffy? Can I please have some makeup? I want some candy. I want a scoop chair. I want five stitch and Angle stuffys please. I was a elf.
Love,
Victoria

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a panda stuffed animal because I have one so they can be friends.
Love,
Haylie


Dear Santa,
I want a PS5 for Christmas. I will play on it with my bruthr.
Love,
Bradyn

Dear Santa Claus,
I like skated orb so I want a skated orb ad I want a rabbit. I want a ice skates a cat thats a kittein ab unk ben a swiming ploo aeb long dragin.
Love,
Katie

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want v buchs. Can I please have them. I mite give some to my brother or I mite keep them. I have been good this year.
Love,
Cannon


Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. Can I have a big lego set, a 3-D printid dragon, and an elf for Christmas?
Love,
Alice

See LETTERS, page 10



Joy and prosperity!

Wishing you and your family happiness this holiday season. Thank you for letting Modern Woodmen of America serve you this past year.



Bob Weisbeck, FICF, LUTCF*
Suite C
305 4th Street
Brookings, SD
605-697-7118 • 605-690-7222
Robert.L.Weisbeck@mwarep.org

Modern Woodmen
FRATERNAL FINANCIAL

Touching lives. Securing futures.®

HOLG0312



Happy Holidays
FROM ELKTON

HENDRICKS
FARMERS LUMBER
219 S. Main Street | Hendricks, MN
507.275.3359

ACE

TRUCK STOP & CONVENIENCE STORE
Skyview Junction
Pizza • Subs • Soft Serve Ice Cream
Sandwiches • Broasted Chicken
Hunting Licenses • Beer Cave

Open 5:30am-9:00pm
NOON SPECIAL 11am-2pm

Two miles north of Elkton at Junction Hwys 13 & 14
605.542.4961 • 888.345.4961

CHS Farmer-owned with global connections

Elkton
Agronomy/Energy/Grain/Feed
109 E 1st Street
Office: 605-542-2371
Agronomy: 605-542-2035
Elevator: 605-542-2211
www.chsbrandon.com

BANK ON THE BRIGHT SIDE.

BankStar
FINANCIAL
Member FDIC

Brookings
HEALTH SYSTEM

300 Twenty-Second Avenue
Brookings, SD 57006
Phone: (605) 696-9000
Fax: (605) 696-7770
brookingshealth.org

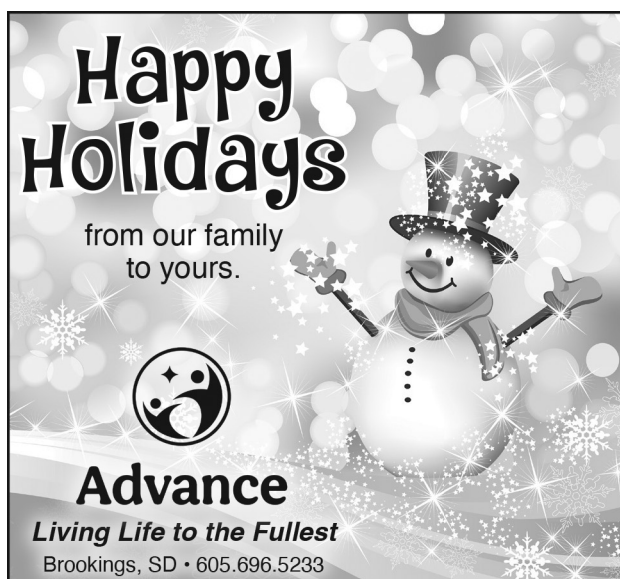
DeSmet Farm Mutual Insurance Company of South Dakota

Wiskur
Insurance Agency
Farm • Home • Auto

Bill Wiskur 21537 SD Hwy 13 Elkton, SD 605-542-7281
wiskur@itctel.com

Crystal Silk 611 Sixth Street Brookings, SD 605-690-7412
wiskurinsurance@yahoo.com

Happy Holidays
from our family to yours.



Advance
Living Life to the Fullest
Brookings, SD • 605.696.5233

SPARKING
Joy

THIS HOLIDAY SEASON FROM ALL OF US AT ABM



ABM
MANUFACTURING, LLC

524 13TH ST. W.
BROOKINGS, SD
605-697-6322

Still in search of a gift for that hard-to-buy-for person on your list?

GIFT CERTIFICATES MAKE GREAT LAST MINUTE GIFTS!

Mufflers • Custom Pipe Bending
Domestic and Foreign • Cars and Trucks
Catalytic Converter Testing
High Performance Exhaust Systems
Computer Modules and Programmers
Air Filters • Shocks • Hitches • Welding

BEST EXHAUST WORK IN TOWN



J&J's
EXHAUST WORLD

224 Main Avenue South
Brookings • 605-692-7970

OWNERS: Jodi & Tregg Hillstad • Hours: Mon.-Fri. 8-5:30, Sat. 8-Noon

CHILDREN'S LETTERS TO SANTA: 2024

Continued from page 9

Dear Santa,
I want hot wheels cars and a hot wheels rase track. I want Robucks too.
Love,
Parker

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I wunt a little train csx44cw995 and csxgp30-26421. I wunt a little 40 cars. I wont a little sothern pacific bb26. I have been a good boy.
Love,
Eli and Elf

Dear Santa,
For I want a real bearded dragon, because they look kool, and I want to play with it. Thank you.
Love,
Charlotte



college football 25 and Madden 25 for PS5. I was wondring what is your favorite CHristmas movie and song? How is Trixie doing? I will leave you some mega stuff oreos!!
Love,
Owen

Dear Santa,
I love you! You are the best! How long does your berd take to groyp? What is Mrs Claus doing, is she making cookies and biying carrots and palying with Rudloph and the elfs? You are so graet and I want som eart splis and a new water corer set.
Love,
Hailey

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas. I'll hand out cookies and milk. You deliver presents. How is Ms. Claus? I am nice. All I want for Christmas is a PS5, a Nitendo Switch Plus, and a new 240 crayon box. I love you and Merry Christmas!
Love,
Madit

Dear Santa,
I have a cueshten do the raindeer like candy cain if they do I will put candy cain out? I will love a new phone for my mom. I'm going to give the raindeer candy cain. I think Christmas ist he best holiday. It is so kind of you to give us prestinst. How much cookies do you eat a year? How much presents do you dilver a year? I hope evyone is ok? I want a iPhone 5.
Love,
Lincoln

Dear Santa,
How was your vacation this sumer? Is the elvs working hard at the north pole? Happy holid-ay to you! I wont to have a wotch and minecoens and crans and to have a grat Chrismis!
Love,
Camden

Dear Santa,
How is the wether in north pole? When will my elf coming? I love you. I want Minecraft Lego, Robox, and vbuck. I leave milk cookies, and carrots out for you and the reindeer.
Love,
Raymond

Dear Santa,
How are you? I am good we all miss you a lote. I almost frgot Merry Christmas! If I've been naughty I am sorry. I will put cookies, milk, and carrots. I love you!! All I want for Christmas is a woch, robucx, Ipone, my ermpa if you can do that pleas!! and a compuar love you!
Love,
Roman

Dear Santa,
How is your year? If it is bad circal bad if it is good circal
See **LETTERS**, page 11

Mrs. Jensen 2nd Grade Elkton

Dear Santa,
How many elves do you have? My faveit colo is red. Can I please p=have football gloves and eletchic trator and a digr that can dig and fuld up on the rmote and pokemon cards?
Love,
Lucas

Dear Santa,
How many elves do you have? My chickens are doing good. Can I please have a Nintendos Switch?
Sincerely,
Koy

Dear Santa,
How old are you? Do you get any sleep? I am a reading person. Can I please have a cinderella dress, gloves, and shoes?
Love,
Hadelynn

Dear Santa,
How old are you? How many reindeer do you have? I like to go outside. Can I please have the Harry Potter castle Lego set and the optimis prim masc that can transform and clos for my elf.
Love,
Jace

Dear Santa,
How many kids are on the nice list? I like to cook. I like school. Can I please have some keychains, Pokemon cards, computer phone, elf at home, Kurami, and Cinnamoroll?
Your friend,
Ashley

Dear Santa,
How old are you? I am a gaming person. Can I please have a PS5 and 15 controllers.
Love,
Thomas

Dear Santay,
How did you becum Santay? Can I plez have the card game uno no mrsy. I like to play uno so I wont it.
Love,
Abigail

Dear Santa,
How old are you? How many elves do you have? I have brown eyes. Can I please have a ipad, kitchen set and squish mallow and toy makeup?
Love,
Maria

Dear Santa,
Hold old are you? How many elves do you have? How many rindeer do you have? I like to play games. I like to jump on the trampoline. Can I please have Robux and a toy car.
Love,
Finnley

Dear Santa,
How many elves do you have? Where do you live? How many reindeer do you have? I am a gaming person. I like to race go-karts. Can I please have a car and a Patrick Mahomes jersey and toy?
Your friend,
Jonathan

Dear Santa,
How old are you? How many elves do you have? I have brown eyes. I like to cook. Can I please have a kitchen set squishmallow and toy makeup?
Love,
Elizabeth

Dear Santa,
How many elves do you have? Do you get any sleep? I like football. My favite team is the Chiefs. Can I please have a moth gard, nierth gon, clay bead set, football card and Basket ball jersy?
Your friend,

Wyatt

Dear Santa,
How old are you? How many elves do you have? I am a gamer person. Ilike Chistmas. Can I please have nintendo switch and a roblox gift card with 1 million robux on it?
Love,
Weston

Dear Santa,
How old are you? I am eight years old. Can I please have Nike Football gluvs. D.K. Meckalf jersy? Can I ples have a mavrycks hat? Can I please have jaw Marant jersy. A reshee rice jersy and a football?
Love,
Rhett

Dear Santa,
How old are you? How many toy's do you make? I like to cook. I like to jump on the trmpoline. Can I please have Cinnamoroll, Kuromi, elf on a shelf, a new crismas tree, phon, computer and ipad.
Love,
Emma

Dear Santa,
How old are you? How meny elves do you have? How meny days does it take you to wrap all the prenits? I am a big brother. Can I pleas have pokemon cards? They are the best.
Sincerely,
Garth

Dear Santa,
How old are you? I like to work. Can I please have a stuffy, pesify, and a cacollr?
Love,
Patyon

Dear Santa,
How old are you? I am a reading person. Can I please have a elf at home?
Love,
RaeLee

Dear Santa,
How old are you? How many elves do you have? I have a baby brother. Can I please have a Mr. Beastlab, and R2-D2 Starwars?
Love,
Roman

Dear Santa,
How old are you? I like foxs and Gowts and cat and Dogs and dunes! Can you please giv my druthr a toy rodot that is big and trns in to a dinisorer? Can I gat a Pokemon set that is a stufey?
Love,
Riley

Dear Santa,
How did you become Santa? My favorite singer is Neiko Moon. Can I please have a Cinnamaroll stuffy, 3D printer, Kuromi stuffy, Money, computer and a smart watch.
Love,
Keni

Dear Santa,
How old are you? Do you get any sleep? I am a gaming person. I like school. Can I please have a phone?
Sincerely,
James

Dear Samta,
How many elves do you have? I like the Vikings. I like football. Can I please have foot- ball cards, basketball, college Madden, Ray Lewis?
Love,
Callen

Mrs. Chathan 3rd Grade Dakota Prairie

Dear Santa,
How are you doing this CHristmas? I have been a really good boy this year. I want

Smarter, more
sustainable
solutions for agriculture

Happy Holidays from
Altech

Merry Christmas &
Happy New Year

COMPLETE AUTO REPAIR
OVER 30+ YEARS OF EXPERIENCE
VERY COMPETITIVE TIRE PRICING

Oil Changes • Batteries • Struts & Shocks • Starters • Alternators
Tune-Ups • Brake Service • Fuel Injection • Engine Repair

GP Auto Service & Repair

605-697-7859 • 515 32nd Avenue • Brookings

Happy Holidays
FROM ESTELLINE,
BRUCE & HENDRICKS

RELIABANK
Since 1920
MEMBER FDIC
YOU CAN RELY ON US
211 N. Main | Estelline
(605) 873-2261
www.reliabank.com

Hendricks SCHOOL DISTRICT
507-275-3115
200 E Lincoln
Hendricks, MN

General Excavation • Gravel
Nitteberg Construction Co.
Gale Nitteberg - President
202 Main St. • PO Box 450
Estelline, SD 57234
O: 873-9300 • C: 881-6810
F: 873-9301 • E: nittcons@itctel.com

Brookings HEALTH SYSTEM
300 Twenty-Second Avenue
Brookings, SD 57006
Phone: (605) 696-9000
Fax: (605) 696-7770
brookingshealth.org

GAS • PIZZA • SUBS & MORE
COUNTRY CORNER
104 State Avenue W.
Estelline, SD 57234
605-873-2199
CHRIS VERHOE, OWNER

HENDRICKS FARMERS LUMBER
219 S. Main Street | Hendricks, MN
507.275.3359
ACE

Richland State Bank
602 1st Street • Bruce
(800) 339-1474
(605) 627-5671
www.richlandstate.org
Member FDIC

CHILDREN'S LETTERS TO SANTA: 2024

Continued from page 10

good! I want Madden 25. How long does it take to do a familys presents? How's Mrs. Claus? How was sumer break? If you give me and my family presents I will give you cookies and carrots!

Love,
Aiden

Dear Santa,
I rilly love Christmas. It's my fovert holliday. You no waht I would like an Nintendo Swich. I'll give you cookies. You would like cookies rihgt? I'll give your raindeer some carrots. Do you ever shave your beard?

Love,
Westyn

Dear Santa,
How is your year going. I willed like a custom kedoodl and a custom mose? I will leave cooes out for you and milk. Don't worry I will leav carrots to. Will you deliver presents? My dogs real like balls and treats. I will see you soon!!!!!!

Love,
Brandley

Dear Santa,
Hows the year at the north pole Santa and how's Mrs. Claus? Ok this is what I want. I want a xbox and also Madden 25 then I whould like a Vikings hat and a Vikings plush. The last thing I want is 2k25. I will bring you milk and cookes. See you in December.

Love,
Hendrix

Dear Santa,
How is Redoff the red nose raindeer doing? How good is Mrs. Caus cookies? If they're good cookies I will come over to your house. I want xbox, PS5, hot wheel car and spider man and web glove. I love you.

Love, Thomas

Dear Santa,
For Christmas can I have a squishmellw? What is it like in the north pole? How is Mrs Claus and you!? Was I naughty or nice? How are the reindeer for CHristmas I will put out cookies and carrots for the reindeer.

Love,
Violet

Dear Santa,
I hoope the elvis are working super hard. This is what I would like for Christmas. First I would like a laptop, a Christmas blanket, 120 cryans, pink, yellow, orange, adn green highlighters, dog toy for my dog. Have a great Christmas!

Love,
Amari

Dear Santa,
Did you have a good summer break and how cold is it in the North Pole? ALso for Christmas I want a xbox, kids



apple watch, wings of fire comic book series, and my brothers to have a Merry Christmas. And I'm going to set our cookies and carrots for you and your reindeer.

Your friend,
Dominic

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas Santa! Is Mrs. Claus doing good? Are you having a good year. Is all of the 9 reindeer doing good? Is it nice to be in teh north pole? How are the elves doing working hard? I'm gonna have cookies, milk and carrots. I really want to see you! Happy holiday! I want 2k 25 basketball and a apple watch and I will be really happy and it would be the best Christmas if I had a I Phone 16 Pro, pretty, pretty, pretty, pretty, pretty please,

Love,
Christopher

Dear Santa,
I can't wate to see you! How is the north pole? I love to play what do you like to do? How is Rudloph and the elves? I want a ipone a I ant books. Have fun! I will give you cookies and milk.

Love,
Hannah

Dear Santa,
How's your year been? I want you to know I realy want a skate bord and a gaint minion, also a moped and wen is my elf coming to town? And I have been realy good and I can't wait for CHristmas. How's you reindeer been? I also want robax and nintendo switch. Thank you!

Love,
Ava

Dear Santa,
How are you doing this year? Merry Chistmas Santa happy holiday Santa. I miss you Santa. Ever won loves you Santa. How is Mrs. Claus? I want my family to have a grat Christmas and a ranbow griffe and a Christmas Banlet. I'll see

you soon.

Love,
Kayleigh

Dear Santa,
How's it going? Are you looking foward for Chistmas? I am even though it hasn't even been Thanksgiving yet. Tell CTE hi for me! Here's what I would like to have? As usually a mini-fig pack, either an umbreal or glaceon stuffed animal, eevee's evolutions megablok set, and a small stuffed animal. The rest will be on my smaller than normal one that I will probably make at home. I will put out treats for you and the reindeer. Merry Christmas!

Love, Emily

Mrs. Carlson
Kindergarten
Dakota Prairie

Der Santa,
I wont a kitin.
I need a stuetder... And a cumpyodr.
I love you.
From, Thora

Sata,
I wot a elf on the shlf.
From, Kenzie

Sata,
I wot a prs.
I need plats.
I cant wat to see you.
From, Clara

Santa,
I wot a kitih.
I ned a toy.
From, Ireiyh

Santa,
I wot a runzins gift krd.
I wot a bik.
I wot a logien truk.
From, Tanner

Santa,
I wot a to to the zoo.
I wot sum toz.
I wot to go to the nipylo.
From, Braylee

Santa,
I ned cat fod.
I wot a gecsr.
Ig at sanba.
From, Mason

Satda,
I wont a
I wotsomt to cat.
From, Olivia

Satda,
I need luv.
I wont a toraey.
I luv you.
From, Claire

Santa,
I wot a dog.
I need a hom.
I love you Santa.
From, Rogan

Santa,
I wont LEGOs and a dog.
I need cups and plats.
I love you!
From, Ada

Santa,
I wont a dol.
I ned ERT.
From, Emersyn

Sato,
I wot a yonocorn
I ned som mlc.
I like you.
From, Elise

Santa,
I like yor prosns.
From, Brayden

Santa,
I wont a dog.
I ned wotr.
I luv you!
From, Morriz

Santa,
I ned Ar.
I wot a Vicesgs bir.
I love you.
From, Brooks

Santa,
I wont love and a prs.
I ned wodr.
I love you.

From, Ellie

Santa,
I ned a cat.
I wot a dog.
From, Easton

Santa
I wnt a sqe
I
From, Jax

Mrs. Hagen
Second Grade
Medary

Dear Santa,
May I have a omg doll? Also can I have some plushys and the biggest plushy? Can I please have a new cat? The last thing that I want is a lava lamp. Big wishes.

From, Ana

Dear Santa,
What do you want of Christmis? Ho, ho, ho. I want a little girls doll for my gift. I want a lot of baribes, baby things, a squishy animal and a secreat book please. Thank you if you give me all I ask of christmis by.

Good night,
From, Agathe

Dear Santa,
I like Chrismas becaus I get to go to my Gramas haus and you can mac snobols and you can hav snobol fits with my cousins and I wont boctagon for Christmas. Can I have hot coco and open presints enthen you can hav Christmis dinr. PS you're the best

From, Ajax

Dear Santa,
I wude if I was good I'm so happy I'm ring this to you. You make me so happy Santa. For chrimis please can I have a nana doll and please can I have a squishmuel to Santa please. Make this chismis fun and ausm. Santa thank you so much for making chimis speshl to me and evey one. Whe it's chimis evey one will play and sing evey one will be happy!

From, Alessandra

Dear Santa,
For Christmas my broter wants a hot weels trak. I think my mom wants a new ring from you. My dad wants some hedid things. I would like things frm you like some squishmdoes and a startz and las but not lest some things for my foom. Thank you elfs for eveyring you do.

From, Clare

Dear Santa,
I hope I'm on the nise list. If I'm not you don't have to give me these things. But if I am on the nise list. There are something's I would like: One, VR, two, bird or bunny, three,

See **LETTERS**, page 12

Happy Holidays
FROM COLMAN

TR ELECTRIC
SUPPLY COMPANY INCORPORATED
THE TRANSFORMER PEOPLE®
Colman • 534-3555

Brookings
HEALTH SYSTEM
300 Twenty-Second Avenue
Brookings, SD 57006
Phone: (605) 696-9000
Fax: (605) 696-7770
brookingshealth.org

Merry Christmas!

happy holidays

Thank you to our customers and hard-working, dedicated crew for another great year!

Clites electric
400 32nd Avenue, Brookings • 605.697.6838

There is no time more fitting to say
Thank You
and to wish you a
Happy Holiday
season.

MIDWEST GLASS Since 1974
Your Door & Window Store

1333 Main Avenue S., Brookings • www.midwestglass.net • 692-7251

Brookings-Deuel Rural Water System
47602 SD Hwy 28 • Toronto, SD • 605-794-4201

Quality On Tap!
Delivering quality water to Brookings & Deuel Counties!

HAPPY Holidays!
FROM **DAKTRONICS**

Your community newspaper.

THE Brookings Register
692.6271 • 800.568.5032
www.brookingsregister.com

Thank you to our employees, customers, and the wonderful Brookings community.

CHILDREN'S LETTERS TO SANTA: 2024

Continued from page 11

stahleop, four, makeup, five, phone, I hope you can give me these. Your good kid.

From, Daphne

Dear Santa,
You are so nice because you give us kindness and love everywhere. And I learned that Christmas is not just about presents but more about that later... If you want my list of presents that I have hoping for I'll tell... First a turn table, second a squish mello blaket, third my reindeer heart charm for my elf and me and fluffy and chippy friendship bracelets thanks Santa. bye Santa

From, Elise

Dear Santa,
How is it going in the North Pole?

I was really good the past year. I wish for a Mawtin bike and the rite gear for me. I wish for a macup kit, a fase pante kit, a elf costoom, and a citin with a elf costoom and citin food.

From, Esme

Dear Santa,
Ho do you get the presints in my house? How do you get the presntse in erre haose wen you only have lo awrse. Tings that I want. Prone tv in my room, ipa cokre net compueter. Have a gud day

From, Emmanuel

Dear Santa,
I hope that I see my whole entire famlie this year for chrismise well achla on the 21 becaus that's when my whole familie is free then. Allso I would like a 20 doler walmart gift card and for to drik hotchoclat with my famlie on the couch at my grandma's house. Oh and I would like a suit and tie.

From, Joshua

Dear Santa,
You spred Christ mas joy. Every year you come not just for presents but for making people happy! You are a bright star in the sky bliding with joy! I'll never forget you. Thank you so much! PS I would like an X Box fro Christmas

From, Levi

Dear Santa,

Do you have a dog? I changed my mind about the Xbox and I want Nintendo Switch Sports. Do you live in the north pole? If you want you can come in my room and see SweatE but don't turn off my Christmas tree I'd wake up! Do you like your job?

From, Logan

Dear Santa,
Hello Santa my name is Lucas we been larning stuff ina setest for crismis if your elfs can make it I would like a maten bike. I hop I get it love Lucas

From, Lucas

Dear Santa,
I hope you are having a good year. May I ples have a new tablit, moun-tin bike, new squashy molos, new cande and a new staple.

From, Luella

Dear Santa,
From Matthew to Santa My name is Matthew I have a quessen how did you git yore fs you efs are doing grate and your rain deers all I want for crismis is a big stufy moos and nerf guns.

From, Matthew

Dear Santa,
How is it going in the North Pole? Is Rusty being good? Are you ready for the big night? What I want for Chrismas is a Justin Jeffrson plushy.

From, Maverick

Dear Santa,
Ho do your raindeer fly? How do you get the presins down the chimne in ten hours? How is cont? How do your elfs get the presins rapt so quick? Can I get a noro stufe? You re the best. Thie is probe going to be the best crisamis ever. Love and cokes.

From, McKayla

Dear Santa,
Do you like white milk or choclate milk this year? This year I have been good by scooping the snow at my house and at my grandmas and grandpas house. This year for Christmas I would like a Ray Lewis jersey.

From, Nolan

Dear Santa,
Hello Santa, this is Quinn. I was wondering how are the rained-

eer and the elfs raete for Christmas eve night.

From, Quinn

Dear Santa,
Greetings Santa. Santa you are the best at your lob. I hop you give me all of the presens. You are the best Santa ever! Stay warm.

From, Quinn

Dear Santa,
You wrk so hard. Your elfs wrk hard too. Santa I love your elfs. It is cool to see are elfs back. I like chrismis. I like misick I like deckorrasin. I would like a PS5 or the fortninte lego battle bus for chrismis.

From, Roman

Dear Santa,
Can I have a pet dog please. I love dogs! Can I please have the biggest box in the world! I am missing lots of stuff in my barbey dream house, so can I have a new barbey dream house? How are the elfs doing? One last thing, can I have a new soccer ball too? Please! I hope I'm on the nice list!!!

From, Rowan

Dear Santa,
How bo your ELF mace toys? How bo ELFS get to the hasis? I wont bay brad X, mor wii gamse.

From, Tanner

Dear Santa,
You are the best because you give us presints and that is so nice of you. I was wondering if I could have a real dog, 3d priter, fashion kit and what I relly want is to spend time with my famliy. I'm sorry if I was meen. It's ok if I don't get anything.

From, Tenley

Miss Elverud Kindergarten Dakota Prairie

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. I am proud to say I WRK HRD. I am working on S A MI Z. For Christmas I would like BRBE BLRENU

Love, Laila

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. I am proud to say

I cAN do crtweLs. I am working on do AbAkflip. For Christmas I would like a ken BRbe

Love, Serenity

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. I am proud to say I aM gud. I am working on be nis. For Christmas I would like ps5.

Love, Clay

Dear Santa, I have been good this year. I am proud to say I can rid a bik. I am working on sit wrds. For Christmas I would like FAnepAk.

Love, Ada

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. I am proud to say I help. I am working on siNs. For Christmas I would like BrBe.

Love, Nora

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. I am proud to say I nam pokemon. I am working on sta ON to Wels. For Christmas I would like a jRON.

Love, Beckham

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. I am proud to say I cAn pLay footBoll. I am working on RusTsyJg LuvEz. For Christmas I would like A shRik RA.

Love, Summit

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. I am proud to say I aM A frud. I am working on MaK Fnds. For Christmas I would like bAb yodM.

Love, Chase

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. I am proud to say I aM nls. I am working on BeIn kInD. For Christmas I would like DRF VADR.

Love, Autumn

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. I am proud to say I ppNt. I am working on sit oN CHRs. For Christmas I would like 10 STUFT

HiCNs.

Love, Amelia

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. I am proud to say I mAk crAFs. I am working on lisen to my pmTs. For Christmas I would like 100 STiKrs.

Love, Owen

Dear Santa,
I have been good his year. I am proud to say I Am GUD AT KRFS. I am working on BRAK KUBS. For Christmas I would like MAGNUTiLs.

Love, Luca

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. I am proud to say I HLPE. I am working on siNs. For Christmas I would like a RMOT cuNTRL CR.

Love, Alex

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. I am proud to say I can cuLR. I am working on SAT AT the crpiT. I would like SPIDr WeB.

Love, Orrin

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. I am proud to say I can DO crtweLs. I am working on IrN to reD. For Christmas I would like A SNAK.

Love, Harpet

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. I am proud to say I PIA tuG uv wr. I am working on jroin. For Christmas I would like huLk smash.

Love, Logan

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. I am proud to say I'm kInD. I am working on REDING. For Christmas I would like LiZRD Rmot CantRoL.

Love, Libby

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. I am proud to say I can sWiM. I am working on jump in tHE pool. Fer Christmas I would like Gun Nerf.

Love, Liam

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. I am proud to say I

AM ciND. I am working on MAF. For Christmas I would like Cat HAS.

Love, Beatrice

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. I am proud to say I Love school. I am working on Math. For Christmas I would like colorful Books.

Love, Ayyash

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. I am proud to say I love mom. I am working on reading. For Christmas I would like pac-man game.

Love, Pace

Mrs. Vrchota Kindergarten Dakota Prairie

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. I am proud to say I clen up. I am working on lising. For Christmas I would like a blz cr.

Love, Finley

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. I am proud to say I am nice to my friends. I am working on reading. For Christmas I would like rope.

Love, Maria

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. I am proud to say I lisen. I am working on sieus. For Christmas I would like a car.

Love, Junior

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. I am proud to say I am kind. I am working on matching chickens. For Christmas I would like a nerf gun and minions.

Love, Lorenzo

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. I am proud to say I lisen. I am working on siens and math. For Christmas I would like plans.

Love, Cameron

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. I am proud to say I tri mi best. I am working on letrs. For Christmas I would like a jelefish stufe.

Love, Simon

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. I am proud to say

See LETTERS, page 13

Happy Holidays!

Thank you to all our employees & best wishes in 2025.

Prince

www.princehyd.com | 111 32nd Avenue Brookings, SD

Merry Christmas!

From all of us at Prairie Land Ag Supply, Inc.

We appreciate your business and look forward to serving you in 2025!

Prairie Land
Ag Supply Inc.

WISHING YOU

Happy Holidays

AND A WONDERFUL NEW YEAR

BROOKINGS FURNITURE CO.

Jim Langland, Manager

409 MAIN AVENUE, BROOKINGS • 605.692.1399 • BROOKINGSFURNITURECO.COM

Monday-Wednesday & Friday 9am-6pm • Thursday 9am-8pm
Saturday 9am-5pm • Sunday 12pm-4pm

Happy Holidays FROM FLANDREAU

EKERN
PLUMBING, HEATING & AIR COND
692-4711 / 997-3132
FLANDREAU & BROOKINGS

605.997.3132 Flandreau
605.692.4711 Brookings

We can fix that!

COMPLETE BODY SHOP
INSURANCE WORK • REBUILDERS
RESTORATIONS • TOWING
GLASS REPAIR/REPLACEMENT

BURT'S BOLLSTON CENTER

Curt Ahlers
1100 WEST 1ST AVE, FLANDREAU
www.curtahlers.com
605.997.2942 • 605.530.3237

LOISEAU CONSTRUCTION, INC.

605-997-2511
1002 West Elm Avenue
Flandreau, SD 57028

Brookings HEALTH SYSTEM

300 Twenty-Second Avenue
Brookings, SD 57006
Phone: (605) 696-9000
Fax: (605) 696-7770
brookingshealth.org

Wishing you a **MERRY CHRISTMAS**

TK

QUARTZ AND GRANITE LLC

330 Prince Pl | Brookings, SD 57006
tkquartzandgranite.com | info@tkquartz.com
Office - (605) 692-8115 | Cell - (605) 809-1245

CHILDREN'S LETTERS TO SANTA: 2024

Continued from page 13

Aurora

Dear Santa
I ben his. Tis year for crismis I want a Scrufee with babees an a axuoto scwish-melo.
have yor rabeer.
Quint

Dear Santa
You make me Hapep. Can i Have soldier Tie. Thank you.
Yelden F.

Dear Santa
I have been really nice, i wibt a Nerf Gun. do you like cookies. I wood like a Nerf Gun.
Remine

Dear Santa
How are you booweeg? I wud like a Vee Ar set and a puppy, Please and thank you so much. I have Ben his,
Berkley

Dear Santa
How are your elfs doing? I woud like an xbox. I have ben nice because I have ben nice to my sistr.
Caleb

Dear Santa
How are your elvs doing this yeer? I wont a elf on the shelf. I think I Have Ben gouf this yeer, I wont a make up set, Thank you.
Mirjam

Dear Santa
I love you Santa. How has my elf bin doing? can I please have a jon Cena belt.
Can I Please have a lot of neaf guns.
Reader

Dear Santa
How aer the efs. I wot u babe ef? Stish pop is?
Piper

Dear Santa
How are you dogin? May I have a axiotos sichmill please. Thank you.
Amello

Dear Santa
I rile wot this tou for a la tim
I have a qehdio. you say? I wot to get a pet bunee ad a hastr toe.
I bin cid uv god.
Leilani

Dear Santa
How have you ben boing? I have been boing gub. I want a pupee and i want macup.
Harper

Dear Santa
How is Snowball dooween? Can have a gitare or a pack if 25 Chrismes Culren Sheets. Thangks so much. Tatum

Dear Santa
Please Santa I ham nis Sant becus I wet a pesmin hib a thosihx
Zander

Dear Santa
how are you dowing? I wot a cat for crismis, My mom duzit give me a cat. Thak you please.
Azal

Dear Santa
Hi. I bin rile nics this yeer. Can i hav a nintendo swich please? and can I hav a nrf gun please?
Henry

Dear Santa
How are your elfs. I wold like and ebike. I have bin good. I wold also like a PS5.
Thank you
Bentley

Dear Sabta
how are yur rariar? Can I have a please gtr,
I ben hefo for my mom.
Hadlox

Dear Santa
Hal do you feel? I wot a bop ifon. I wot a fon. I love you Santa.
I theek Im a gold.
Savannah

Dear Santa
How has my elf ben hey boing? I have been really nice this year! I would like a hors. Thank you so much.
Allie

Mrs. Hove Third grade Dakota Prairie

Dear Santa
if you have heard about my other book, I just want to say it's true. But

what I Really want to tell you is my Christmas list. Something I really want is a art kix. My second thing I want is a vanity, a big vanity. My thrid thing I want is a volleyball or a volleyball net. My forth thing I want is hair stuff.

Briar

Dear Santa
This year me and my brother and sister are trying to get along. I have a question do you like presones or love presents? You can get me what ever you to get me. It is hard when you have two older siblings and they some times pick on you. Maybe one of your elf pets for me. I would like the dog or reindeer or what ever one.

No name provided

Dear Santa
Do you like driving the sleigh? If you do, can I be one of your elves? Can I have a Hover Board please? If I can, Thank You! Can I also please have Mine Coins?
Beau Long

Dear Santa
Who is your favorite elf? I would also like Madden 5 around the time of Decemier this year.
I Love it cas it snows,
Logan

Dear Santa
Como estas? AKA. How are you? For christmas I would like a tortilla blanket solf shel, And I would like uggss size 4 maybe. Also Sabrina Carpenter tikesz for me and briar and Kingsley. Or an apple watch.
Kamry

Dear Santa
How have you been? I have been good this year. Thank you for sending my elves, This Christmas I would like purple or black roller blades or a big organizer for my desk, Have a good Christmas.
PS Glisten is my favorite reindeer.
Harley S.

Dear Santa
Are your reindeer ready to fly you around the world for Christmas. I would like an apple I-Pad, a earing holder, dangley earings and normal earing. I would also like a laptop for Christmas. I hope you have a good Chrismas
Harper Hougland

Dear Santa
I like the National football league also called NFL. I really really want to to get a NFL football, Beccause the NFL is a dream to me. I also want to get drafted. I also like the Minnasota Vikings and the Seattle Seahawks. What's your favorite team?
Christian

Dear Santa
Can I have and Organizer? To keep my stuff clean. I question do you like cookie?
Can I have an elf for Christmas. I have a list of things I could like a soccer skarf, Globe Trampoline, note book, sharpies, Staney's, Clothes, Art stuff, Please pease Santa at least 4 things. I've been wanting thee for a very long time.
Wendy

Dear Santa
Do you have a dog. This year I want a pet tortoise, I allso wat a pet pet parrot, I love you Santa.
Brayden

Dear Santa
I have a question for you how many elves do you have? And now I will tell you what I want for Christmas. I wat a computer that is a shade of baby blue! I have another question how do you get all the stuff you need? And another thing I want is a Taylor Swift t-shirt and some mechanical pencils, And did you hear I going to floride on March 8! I will get to swim with Dolphins.
Hadley

Dear Santa
Can I get what I what?
So I will tell you what i What. Kirby and the forgotten land. Kirby and rwturgtten to dream land, And Kirby star also a Japanese tablet and a tablit and robux, Santa I hope you have a good year!
Daxton

Dear Santa
All i want for Chrismas is slime, needow stees ball, candym to be NOT sick, I will leave milk and cookeis for you suger cookeis and my elf.
Molly

Dear Santa
I have been good and bad. Who is your faverite Elf. I want a pocket knife and a coyote call. I am surprised that you go a round the world in one night!

Did you know on Christmas you surprised gesse. How is Miss Closs, I pur out carrots for the raindeer and I put cookies out for you, When I wack up I open presets

Enihiett

Dear Santa
Como estas? for Christmas I'd like a pointer lazer. 2 pairs of ONLY white Brooks, 1 pair size 5 or 6, second pair, size 6.5 or 7. I also want a hover board charger cord, and Tiffany & co diamond earrings. That's all that I want for Christmas.
Mackenzie

Dear Santa
I have a question. How many minutes do you have to sleep? And another question what does the missus Do? For Christmas I want Road blox Doors and more Road blox doors. And that is it.
Kamden Carland

Dear Santa
How are your elf and raindeas? This year I have been really good, so I shoud get some stuff. Like a vanity to go with it I need some skin care like glowricep, Tower 28 mist sumer Firday please make my list come true
Kingsley

Dear Santa
How are your REAL elves. If you are wondering why I said real then here is your answer. I was looking for the elf on the self book when I found a box and my two elves were in there. I asked my mom why they were in there, I asked my mom why they were in there. She told me the whole story. I was really sad but my mom told me to believe and I'm trying.
Briar

Mrs. Meyer Junior Kindergarten Hillcrest

Dear Santa,
My name is Hassan and I am 5 years old. This year I have been nice. For Christmas this year, I would really like: 1. wolverine toy, 2. candy, 3. truck.
Merry Christmas! Love, Hassan

Dear Santa,
My name is Lukas and I am 6 years old. This year I have been nice. For Christmas this year, I would really like: 1. shark, 2. chain links, 3. train.
Merry Christmas! Love, Lukas

Dear Santa,
My name is Phoenix and I am 5 years old. This year I have been nice. For Christmas this year, I would really like: 1. Paw Patrol, 2. ball, 3. T-Rex toy.
Merry Christmas! Love Phoenix

Dear Santa,
My name is Isabelle and I am 5 years old. This year I have been both naughty and nice. For Christmas this year, I would really like: 1. electric guitar, 2. squishy toys, 3. dinosaur toys.
Merry Christmas! Love, Isabelle

Dear Santa,
My name is Emma and I am 5 years old. This year I have been nice. For Christmas this year, I would really like: 1. dinosaur toys, 2. T-Rex, 3. squishy toys.
Merry Christmas! Love, Emma

Dear Santa,
My name is Aritra and I am 5 years old. This year I have been nice. For Christmas this year, I would really like: 1. Spiderman toy, 2. dinosaur, 3. cars.
Merry Christmas! Love, Aritra

Dear Santa,
My name is Kasen and I am 5 years old. This year I have been nice. For Christmas this year, I would really like: 1. T-Rex, 2. Godzilla, 3. Indominus dinosaur.
Merry Christmas! Love, Kasen

Dear Santa,
My name is Killion and I am 5 years old. This year I have been nice. For Christmas this year, I would really like: 1. Nintendo switch, 2. letter, 3. unicorn stuffed toy.
Merry Christmas! Love, Killion

Dear Santa,
My name is Cruz and I am 5 years old. This year I have been nice. For Chrismas this year, I would really like: 1. dirt bike, 2. legos, 3. soccer ball.
Merry Christmas! Love, Cruz

Dear Santa,
My name is Matthew and I am 6 years old. This year I have been nice. For Christmas this year, I would really like:

1. remote control Godzilla, 2. fast spidey shoes, 3. zombie robot.

Merry Christmas! Love, Matthew

Dear Santa,
My name is Pehzzo and I am 5 years old. This year I have been nice. For Christmas this year, I would really like: 1. scarf, 2. semi-truck, 3. car.
Merry Christmas! Love, Pehzzo

Dear Santa,
My name is Olivia and I am 5 years old. This year I have been nice. For Christmas this year, I would really like: 1. unicrn stuffed toy, 2. Brbee toy, 3. Cat stuffed toy.
Merry Christmas! Love, Olivia

Dear Santa,
My name is Finley and I am 5 years old. This year I have been nice. For Christmas this year, I would really like: 1. semi-truck, 2. soft dog, 3. kid motor-cycle.
Merry Christmas! Love, Finley

Dear Santa,
My name is Arabella and I am 6 years old. This year I have been nice. For Christmas this year, I would really like: Bluey House, 2. squishy Bee, 3. stitch House.
Merry Christmas! Love, Arabella

Dear Santa,
My name is Dayra and I am 5 years old. This year I have been nice. For Christmas this year, I would really like: 1. Bluey toy with hat, 2. dog Book, 3. kitty Book.
Merry Christmas! Love, Dayra

Dear Santa,
My name is Archer and I am 5 years old. This year I have been nice. For Christmas this year, I would really like 1. globe, 2. spiderman toy, 3. wolverine toy.
Merry Christmas! Love, Archer

Dear Santa,
My name is Bennett and I am 5 years old. This year I have been nice. For Christmas this year, I would really like: 1. Jackrabbit stickrs, 2. monster truck, 3. Bobcat stickrs.
Merry Christmas! Love, Bennett

Dear Santa,
My name is Oscar and I am 5 years old. This year I have been both naughty and nice. For Christmas this year, I would really like: 1. games, 2. fake teeth, 3. robox
Merry Christmas! Love, Oscar

Mrs. Broksieck 3rd Grade Hillcrest Elementary School

Dear Santa,
Hi! how is it goin at Noth Pole? I hope you had a good Chrismas this years. Santa you are kind. Santa, can I have a vido game? Santa, can I have a skance stuff pleast? Thank you for the presit. I hope thay are no storms on Rudloph.
Love, Cormae

Dear Santa,
Hello Santa. How is it in the north pole? The cold here is so chily. Think you for giving us presents. I have been doing very good in shcool. Shcool is so fun. I love it. Christmas is my favorite holoday! Thank you for filling are stokings. Thank you for giving us presents and thank you for eating are milk and cookeis. Do you like cookies? Do the raindeer like the carotts? You also have a candy cane too. Please, please more than any thing in the world is a typriter.
Love, Eleanor

Dear Santa,
Hello santa. I hope everything is doing good in the north pole. I really don't need anything from you. my mom is gonna buy me my presents for me, so don't bring me anything. please and thank you. Bye!!!
From, Kallea

Dear Santa,
Hi my name is Sawyer. How is the whether there? Ares is cold. By the way, I want a vr for chrismis and clos. I am good this year. Plea's give me sokes! Stuf in NY was waching my family. hope you have a good year stuff in NY too. Bye!!!
Love, Sawyer

Dear Santa,
Hi! I like my wach from last year. I want a drone and my toys and nerf guns. And a PS5 and GTA5 and a ticket to a seattle Kraken game in Minnesota.
Your friend, Kolby

Dear Santa,
Hi! My name is Emma. How are you? Well, I'm good. Hope you are. The



Yes,



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

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 you 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 tear apart the baby’s rattle and see what makes the noise in-side, 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, 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 lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia, nay 10 times 10,000 years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood.

Francis B. Church

Editor of the *New York Sun*

1897



Virginia, there is a Santa Claus

CHILDREN'S LETTERS TO SANTA: 2024

Continued from page 14

wether here is coold. Is it good for you. I have been good so maby I can have a gifet or more please. I wot a notebook, makeup, pelors, and a Stanley for Christmas. My elf as been good for the moost time,
Love, Emma

Dear Santa,
How are you doing. Is your sleagh in good shape, is your reindeer well fed? How cold is it up their, its pretty cold down here in south Dakota. Here are some things I want for Chrismas: 1. mincraft lego sets, 2. mincraft plastic sword ciran or netheritel, 3. mincraft stuff, 4. video games, 5. Luiges mansion, 6. mincraft legends, 7. mincraft story mode, 8. books, 9. clothing. I hope your droing well and I

belve you're real.
From, Wade

Dear Santa,
Hello. How it going in the nothpole. Its snowing in Brookings. I hope you have a safe ride in your sled. For christmas I want a robot dog and purple overalls, and all new howse. We hafto move. I don't know where we're moveing. Thank you!
Love, Hazel

Dear Santa,
Hello santa haw ur you. I am good. Ok sam taim I am gree bed. I am god girl. Okay quen you kive to my one stitch is mube. I am look in the videos ok. And one beby rebolt shi like real bed shi not. And ken you quive to my one Skishi Kaway. You now me like ririding. An one more ting oky,

ones marker because I like draw. Tan you Santa. I love you.
Merry Christmas.
From Sofia

Dear Santa,
Hiya Santa! How ya doing. Well I'm doing great! It has been snowy here, it's AWESOME. You probably have snow too. I would like peace on earth because well, who likes bad things. I think I've been really good and I'M AWESOME at school. Thanks! Safe travels!!!
Tootels, Frida!

Dear Santa,
How is everything going at the North Pole? It's very cold here. How cold is it at the North Pole? I've tried to be good this year and every year on. Anyways, I would like everything on this list: Golden Nerf Gun, TABS Toldol Batle Suimulatr Vido Game, A game like this 20 solgers 2 Kings 2 Catapltis 2 blistas. Bye. I hope you are safe. PS Tell Rudloph he's the best.
Love,
Luke

Dear Santa,
Hello my name is Avery. I'm having a good year. I'm hoping

your getting the presents finish. This year I want to have my class get things finished. I also want to have puzzles. I also would like to have food squishes because I have a lot of emoshoins. I have been good this year. I hope you fly safe.
Sincerely, Avery

Dear Santa,
I hope it's hot up there. You know how it gets cold up there, but all I want for Christmas is a drone with a camera or a odm gear or a marsh-mello.
Love, Juan

**Mrs. Greve
Jr. Kindergarten
Medary**

Dear Santa, This year I have been good. For Christmas I wish for Dino Smash Eggs. Love, Gus

Dear Santa, This year I have been good. For Christmas I wish for a drum set, guitar, and violin. Love, Lane

Dear Santa, This year I have been awesome. For Christmas I wish for a Dolphins football jersey. Love, Sutton

Dear Santa, This year

I have been good. For Christmas I wish for a puppy stuffed animal. Love, Everly

Dear Santa, This year I have been mostly nice. For Christmas I wish for a Shark Attack game and Mario game. Love, Jaxson

Dear Santa, This year I have been helpful. For Christmas I wish for a toy train and track with a remote control. Love, Bryon

Dear Santa, This year I have been kind. For Christmas I wish for an art table. Love, Nhia

Dear Santa, This year I have been good. For Christmas I wish for M&Ms and a shirt. Love, Jimena

Dear Santa, This year I have been good. For Christmas I wish for gummy bears and M&Ms. Love, Karla

Dear Santa, This year I have been nice. For Christmas I wish for a hoverboard. Love, Angel

Dear Santa, This year I have been super nice. For Christmas I wish for a hoverboard like my

sister and a toy unicorn that is not a stuffie and a Squishmallow unicorn and a toy star. Love, Hattie

Dear Santa, This year I have been really good. For Christmas I wish for a Cry Baby and a stuffed animal gummy bear. Love, Ivy

Dear Santa, This year I have been good. For Christmas I wish for a real cat. Love, Nicole

Dear Santa, This year I have been good. For Christmas I wish for a tablet. Love, Esthefany

Dear Santa, This year I have been good. For Christmas I wish for a toy pony and a princess outfit and a princess doll. Love, Lilly

Dear Santa, This year I have been good. For Christmas I wish for a Godzilla toy robot. Love, Thielen

Dear Santa, This year I have been nice. For Christmas I wish for Legos. Love, Zayin

Dear Santa, This year I have been good. For Christmas I wish for a toy dinosaur and pterodactyl. Love Dominic

Dear Santa, This year I have been nice. For Christmas I wish for toys and dolls. Love, Angela

Dear Santa, This year I have been good. For Christmas I wish for a toy baby doll. Love, Ingrid

Dear Santa, This year I have been good. For Christmas I wish for a toy dog. Love, Ana


Dear Santa, This year I have been good. For Christmas I wish for a Bluey house with furniture. Love, Rylee

At Ray's Corner, join in the fun
With good friends and laughter for everyone.

The walls are adorned, the lights sparkling bright
Come join us this season and make spirits light!

Come on in - you might even win a grand.
We celebrate Christmas in THIS GREAT LAND!

We'll raise our glasses to joy and good cheer
Wishing you a blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year.



RAY'S CORNER

Corner of 4th & Main

Facebook | Instagram | YouTube



embrace DENTISTRY

Wishing YOU A SEASON OF Smiles!

Kim, Emily, Ryleigh, Kaylie, Jodi Katlyn, Dr. Leeann, Dr. Anne, Dr. Hillary, & Aubrey

EMBRACE CHANGE WITH RISING HOPE COUNSELING

OFFERING HOPE • HEALING • CHANGE

Scan for more!



1921 Building, Suite 101, 102 & 104 | 604 4th St. Brookings
605.494.1500 | www.risinghope.com

MERRY Christmas AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Thank you "Brookings" for your support as we opened our new office in 2024!

THE EXPERIENCE Real Estate

422 4th St Brookings, SD

Shaylee Kuehl 605-695-3274
Roshal Lamp 605-691-1335

Dear Santa, This year I have been nice. For Christmas I wish for musical Barbies. Love, ...

Happy Holidays & All the Best in 2025!

Offering Free Estimates and Construction Consultation for 2025!

Call or Visit Our website to get your quote today!

605.693.3557 | BOWESCONSTRUCTION.COM

MERRY CHRISTMAS & Happy New Year

from our family to yours

Valero renewables Aurora

Happy Holidays!

Thank you to our loyal customers & amazing staff!
See you all again in 2025!

Craft CHOPHOUSE LOUNGE

6th & MEDARY · BROOKINGS
605.692.2555

Merry Christmas

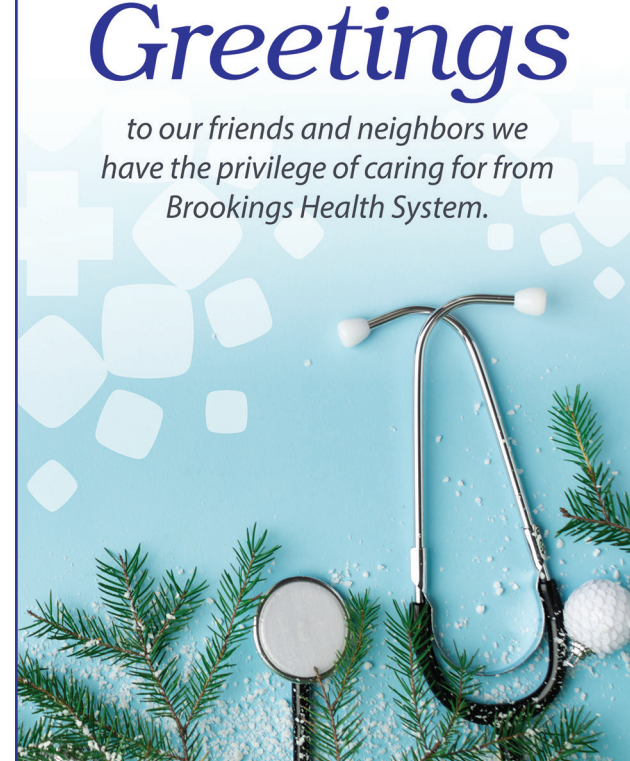
WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!

BISSON DENTAL

WWW.BISSON-DENTAL.COM
605.692.2820

Season's Greetings

to our friends and neighbors we have the privilege of caring for from Brookings Health System.



Facebook | Instagram | YouTube

Brookings HEALTH SYSTEM