

Dear Santa,
I love Santa.
I hilped my Mom and Dad
I believed in your self.
I want a Game Boy.
Love, Carlee VanderMark

Dear Santa,
I love Santa.
I helped my Mom
washing dishes.
I want a carseat anda babybed and
one of those videos now.
Love, Jessica Tesch

Dear Santa,
I was a good girl.



I helped my mom wash the dishes.
What I want for Christmas is a gocart
and a hat.
Love, Mikenna

Dear Santa,
I been a good boy, you don't have
to give me no toys but if you want to
give me some toys I would like that.
These are the toys I would want a
spiDER-Man Web shooter and a Babe
Blader and a power Renger toy and I
think that's all I want.
Love, Aaron

Dear Santa,
I believe in you santa. I have a
christmas tree in my bedroom and I
help my mom with The bishes. Love
Lenora I Love Santaclaus. Love
Lenora
Love, Lenora

Dear Santa,
I been a good boy.
I been helping my DaD
Haw are you doing santa?
could you bring a cool bike.
Love, Grant

Dear Santa,

I been a good Boy.
I help my mom to get
the dogs.
I want a Game Boy.
Love, Isaac Mendez

Dear Santa,
I was a good boy this year.
I washed the dishes and worked
cows.
This is what a portable.
dd player.
Love, Connor Benton

Second Grade Ms. Ludau's Class

Dear Santa,
How are oy doing? How is Mrs.
Clause? I can't wait for Christmas. I
want a B.B. gun so I can shoot it. I want
a new pair of sun glasses so I can look
cool in them. I want a pair of new shoes
so I can wear them. Thank you for all
the presents.
Love, Bobbie VanHowten

Dear Santa,
How is Rudoph's red, shining, bright
nose? I can't wait for Christmas. How
are you doing? Would you please bring
me a guitar because I would want to
play my own songs. I would love it if
you would bring me a reindeer because
I would like to fly with it in the air. I
will leave some cookies and milk on the
table. I will leave the door unlocked for
you.
Love, Marlana Thomas

Dear Santa,
How is Rudolph? Santa are you able
to make it? Did you know Christmas is
my favorite holiday? Please bring me a
cell phone so I can call you. Does
Rudolph really have a red nose? I also
want a bell from your sleigh. I also want
a swing set with a slide and monkey
bars so I can swing on the swing and
slide on the slide and climb on the mon-
key bars. I will leave milk and cookies
on the table and reindeer food on the
ground. You are my favorite Santa
Clause.
Love, Virginia Hardcastle

Dear Santa,
I will leave you cookies and milk.
How are the reindeer doing? I like
ruobiph because he has a red nose.
Would you please bring me a go-cart
because I want to drive it home and a
four wheeler to go to places in Rock
Island and a lot of packages of paper.
Thank you for bringing a lot of presents
to the kids.

Love, Maurisio Morales

Dear Santa,
How are Rudolph?
the elves, frosty
the snoman, and the other reindeer
doing? How are you doing? Would
you bring me a crossbow so I can shoot
a tree. Please bring me a Robot so I
won't have to do everything. You bring
me a Joy. Thank you for bringing the
world peace.
Love, Justin Frederick

Dear Santa,
I can not wait for Christmas. How
are your reindeer doing? I hope you
don't get sick. Santa I wish you never
die because I love you. I want a pink
new bike for Christmas because I could
ride it around the pond and the road.
Santa, I promise I will put it in garage.
Santa, I want a new cellphone so I can
talk to friends. I promise you that I'll
take good care of it. Please Santa bring
me a lil' Bratz movie and Lil' Bratz
toys.
Santa, I will leave you milk and
cookies.
Love, Maria Esquivel

Dear Santa,
Ask your wife haw she is doing. I
want a cellphone so I can play games
on the cell phone. I want a guiter so I
can sing songs with my cds. Santa
Clause can you bring me a cd and it is
Tim McGraw and Nelle and Kenny
Chesney santa I make sure I Keep my
clothes picked up and my toys and my
coffee table I like the stuff that you
bring me. Santa Clause, I Love You
Very Much!
Love, Melissa Beck

Dear Santa,
How are you doing santa clause?
How are the elves doing? Santa would
you bring me a trantula because I want
to put it in my bedroom Santa Clause
you please bring me a Monopoly
because I can play my brother. Santa
Clause, you please bring me a Jack in
the box because a Jack in the box I want
to scare my self. Thank you for the
presen. I Love you santa.
Love, Brandon Welch

Dear Santa,
How are the elves doing?
I hope Rudolph is giving you som
light where you can see. Would you
please bring me there things? I want a
axe and machete. I w ant a fourwheeler.
so I could ride arand.
I hope you are doing good. Love,
Charles Allen Hubenak
Love, Charles Hubenak

Dear Santa,
I can't wait until Christmas.
Would you please bring a go-cart. I
can't wait until you bring me my
present. Please bring mea Bake Shelton
CD because he sings nice. Last please
bring me reindeer so I can ride them. I
have been very good all year.
Love, Dakota Kazmir

Dear Santa,
How is Mrs. Clause and the
raindeer? How are you too? Would you
please bring me a computer so I can
play a game on it? Would you please
bring me an x-box because I can play
a game on it? Can you please bring me
a cellphone so I can call my friends? I
love you Santa Clause! My favorite
holiday is Christmas. I will leave cook-
ies on the table.
Love, Ana Perez

Dear Santa,
I'm looking forward to seeing
you. How are the elves and Mrs.
Clause? I hope you see Frosty the Snow
man. Would you please bring me a
game boy and games so when I am
board I can play it? Will you give me a
sleigh bell so when I'm sad I can ring
it. Will you bring me a toy angel so it
will make me happy? I hope you have
a good Christmas. Thank you for the
presents you gave me last year.
Merry Christmas.
Love, Jacob Miller

Dear Santa,
I hope you are not sick. I will be
waiting on the roof top by the chim-
ney for you. My friend and I will build
Frosty whit snow this Christmas. Are
you going to give me present this
Christmas? I want a B.B. gun for

Christmas because if I fall off my four-
wheeler I will shoot it. I want a black
outfit because I can wear it to school.
Plus I want some black boots because
I can wear them to. Will you like my
Christmas tree?
Love, Mykaela An Gundelach

Eagle Lake Christmas of Lights Parade has largest turnout in years



These beautiful trophies were handed out during the annual Eagle Lake Christmas of Lights Parade.

Photo courtesy of Sidney Struss

The Eagle Lake Chamber of Com-
merce wishes to thank everyone in-
volved that made the 2004 Eagle Lake
Christmas of Lights Parade such a suc-
cess.

Special thanks go to Mayor Pro-
Tem Larry Contreras and Rev. Mario
Vasquez for their assistance as Masters
of Ceremony and to the judges, Mayor
Mike Morales, and Keith and Tammy
Sommerlatte of Houston. You guys did
a great job!

Gold Stars are also awarded to the
Eagle Lake Police and Volunteer Fire
Department, Commissioner Darrell
Gertson and his employees of the county
and to Julian Flores and Union
Pacific Railroad for assistance in man-
aging the trains.

Silver Bells for all of our sponsors
and elves behind the scenes!

Also Red Hearts go to our 2004
Parade Marshals Bill and Helyn Farris
you were great sports and to our 2003
Parade Marshal Mr. Joe Lee McCreary,
once again Happy 90th Birthday!

The winners of the 2004 parade are
as follows:

**President's Award (1st Overall-
Grand Prize):** Golden Goose Designs
Float.

**Judge's Special Award (2nd Over-
all):** Colorado County Fair Royalty
Float.

**Grand Marshal's Award (3rd
Overall):** 2004-05 Fiesta Hispano
Americana Float.

Most Spirited Award: Rice Raider
Garwood Jr. High Cheerleaders.

Most Original/Unique Award:
Verlin Argo in his semi-replica 1892
Peugeot Vias-a-vis.

Best Lights Award: Garza Brothers
Trucking 1997 Peterbilt filled with
presents.

Best Traditional Christmas:
2004-05 Eagle Lake Area Royalty
Float.

**2004 Theme (Feliz Navidad)
Award:** Gasca Trucking - 4th Aparcion
of La Virgin de Guadalupe to Juan Di-
ego in Mexico City - 12/12/1531.

Best Music Award: The Gator
Swim Team "Cancun or Bust" Float.

Judge's Special Commendations
went to Tri-County Flyers and Eagle
Landscapes.

Again, thanks to all participants,
parade spectators and workers the
Chamber of Commerce wishes every-
one a Merry Christmas (Feliz Navidad)
and a Happy New Year!

*"Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace, good will toward men"*
- Luke 2:14

With exceeding great joy, all of us wish you and your family a
truly miraculous holiday season.
For all your support, please accept our heartfelt thanks and gratitude.

City of Eagle Lake Officials...

Mayor Mike Morales

City Manager Ron Holland	Police Chief W.E. "Bill" Lattimore
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and Councilmen

Larry Contreras • Dave Curry
Eric Nethery • John Young

*In The Spirit
Of The Season*

Christmas is more than a holiday -
it's a time to reflect on all the friendships and blessings we've enjoyed in the
past year. We feel truly fortunate to count you among them and hope you
will join us in wishing for worldwide peace this holiday season.

Noel!

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Prince Of Peace

As we rejoice in the miracle of Christmas, let us give thanks for the message
of love, faith and hope that was delivered in a manger so long ago.
May you and yours enjoy all the blessings this wonderful season has to offer.

Merry Christmas!

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Glenn & Ann Wesselski

*...And A
Partridge
In A Pear Tree!*

Wishing you twelve
miraculous days.
We really value the gift
of your patronage.

**John B.
Myres, D.D.S.**
**Vilma
Fernandez, D.D.S.**
And Staff

Peace Be With You

May the coming season bring peace to
your home and joy to your heart.
We really appreciate all the joy you've
brought to us with your visits.

Merry Christmas!

**Lake Oil
Company**

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Santa visits Lake Crest Entertainment

Children from Eagle Lake and surrounding communities shared their
Christmas Lists with Santa Claus, Saturday, Dec. 18. Special thanks to
Erik Cameron and Steve Burger of Lake Crest Entertainment at 123 N.
McCarty on the square in Eagle Lake, for hosting Santa's visit, and Dave
Cameron of Cameron Multi-Media Services in Columbus, for capturing
the Christmas Moment, providing 4x6 color prints to waiting parents.
Hey kids, Santa even bought a few movies while he was here!

Photo courtesy of Lake Crest Entertainment

FROM OUR FAMILY TO YOURS

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Best wishes for a happy holiday. Thanks for being great customers.

Todd & Beth Keaton and Staff
Columbus Livestock Co., Inc.
Sales Start 10:30 A.M. Thursdays

Last Sale of 2004: Dec. 16 First Sale of 2005: Jan. 6