



SANTAS MAILBAG

Dear Santa
My name is Holly and I've been a good girl. I would like to have Easy-Bake Oven, Rub a Dub Dolly and her shower.
Sincerely Holly
64 Langstone Cres.
Georgetown, Ont.

Age 5
P.S. Would you please send my little brother a baby and shower and talking big bird. His name is Dale.

Dear Holly and Dale:
Those are nice pictures of the rabbit, spider and web, and cat. Are they your pets? Both of you are undoubtedly preparing for Christmas and anxiously awaiting my visit. I won't disappoint you. See you on Christmas Eve. I might even peek into your bedroom without waking you.
Be good children,
Santa

Dear Santa
S Armstrong, drums binocular, bicycle, chalk board.

I love you Santa Claus and your elves and reindeer because all there hard work they done for all the worlds children.

My brothers and sisters names are Bobby Maurice Lisa Patty and I am Lorraine.
Dear Santa Claus
I would like to see you. For Christmas I would like the doll called Lov Kisses, and a Doll Crib. My baby brother would like a tram set and a combine I will leave some milk and some cookies. I will leave something for the reindeer. I would like you to please put the dishes in the sink. My oldest sister would like a typewriter and a cow! neak sweater and some jeans. My second oldest sister would like a cow! neak sweater and some jeans and a skidoo.
Bring my mother and father something nice please.
My mother would like a dishwasher. Bring my father a new suitcase.
From Lorraine

Dear Lorraine:
I enjoyed your letter and I'll remember to tidy up after my snack. Your mother has enough to do without picking up after me too. It is kind of you to include all your family's wishes when you write. I hope you will all be pleased with what I leave under your tree.
Merry Christmas,
Santa

To Santa I hope you have enough toys for all the children.
Can you please give me a monkey record. But not a refocus record because I have it now if you cannot find it you can get me a crawling doll.
from Andrea Newman

Dear Andrea:
I am quite interested in your secret code. It shows you are inventive but it certainly won't make spelling any easier for you. Thank you for telling me about your record. I'll do my best to find the right one but it is nice to have a choice in case I run out.
Merry Christmas,
Santa

Dear Santa Claus:
How are you? I hope you are well. I am six (6) years old. My auntie Laurie is helping me write this letter.

For Christmas I would like rescue boat with dolphin rescue carrier, batman things and spiderman with car track.
Love David Downs,
196 Churchill Rd. S.
Acton, Ontario.

Dear David
It is nice to see a boy of your age able to write such a good letter. I hope you will like your presents on Christmas day. Have a very Merry Christmas.
Your friend,
Santa

Dear Santa
I would like to have a Lunaby doll house, Donnie and Marie and a game for Christmas. My brother Jimmy would like a helicopter, and a big truck we have been pretty good for mummy and daddy.
Love Jennifer and Jimmy Brown

Dear Jennifer and Jimmy:
Santa will have a sleigh full of toys to leave at many homes on Christmas, so I hope you will be surprised with what you find. I won't tell you now what's in store for you because that would take the surprise away from Christmas morning. Be good children. Thank you for your list. Ho! Ho! Ho! Merry Christmas.
Your friend,
Santa

Dear Santa
How are you? This year I would like Hobby Crafts, some new clothes, and a doll. I will leave some milk and cookies on the table for you. Say hello to Mrs. Claus for me.
Love xxoo
Cherie Snow
48 Maple Ave.
Georgetown, Ont.

Dear Cherie:
You must be a little dear, are you? Did you know that your name in French means just that? Mrs. Claus says thank you for the Christmas wishes and says she thinks your name is just right for a little girl. I hope everyone in your family has a Merry Christmas.
Your friend,
Santa

P.S. Thank you for the cookies and milk.

Dear Santa
My name is Stacey. I am 8 yrs. old, and I'm in Grade IV. I think I have been pretty good, all year. I would like a Carrie

Dear Santa Claus
May I please have a Barbie Push Button Intercom for Christmas and a toy watch and a treasure box for Shawn and some surprises please. How's your family Santa?
Love from Tamra
xoxoxoxox
RR1 Acton

Dear Tamra and Shawn:
You draw very interesting pictures. My family are just fine and very busy helping me get ready for my big trip. Surprises are always the best Christmas presents to give. Tamra, so I'll do my best to find some that will make you and Shawn both happy this year.
Merry Christmas,
Santa

rag doll - Donnie and Marie dolls. Superstar Fashion place, and some clothes and whatever else you would like to bring me. Please be good to all the other little boys and girls in the world too.
Bye I love you Santa
Stacey Crossman
20 Mountainview Rd. Unit 29
Georgetown, Ont.

Dear Stacey:
Ho! Ho! Ho! Santa is always good to his little children, no need to worry. You know its such a long trip that I only wish I could be at every house on Christmas morning. Mrs. Claus wouldn't like that I think because she has a nice dinner waiting for me and it wouldn't be nice to miss dinner, now would it? Merry Christmas.
Your friend
Santa

Dear Santa Claus,
Santa Claus are you Okay? Will you be here this Christmas? I hope your reindeer are healthy. How is your wife? Santa Claus how are your elves? Santa Claus I hope you can get around the world to all children.
Santa please could you bring my big sister a make-up set, and my little sister a rub-a-dub dolly?
My Mom needs a new purse and my dad needs a pair of work pants. Please could I have some Tonkas? My grandma would like a new coat.
Thank you Santa
With love
Danny Vahey
59 Duncan Drive
Georgetown, Ont.

Dear Danny:
That is a very good picture of Rudolph and me at the top of your letter. All of us at the North Pole, elves, reindeer, Mrs. Santa and I, are well, and I will certainly be visiting your house on Christmas Eve, on my trip around the world. I hope your family will be happy with the presents I bring everyone. But they will be a secret until Christmas Day. Merry Christmas to you and your family!
Your friend
Santa

Dear Jenny-Lynne and Michael:
Thank you for your letter. I'll see what I can find to suit both you and your brother. I hope you have a very merry Christmas.
Your friend,
Santa

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The aurora borealis—the colorful fireworks known as the northern lights—most often is visible within a 300-mile wide belt that rings the magnetic north pole, sweeping south of Greenland and across northern Norway, Alaska and Canada.

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AN OPEN LETTER to the CITIZENS OF HALTON HILLS

Our Company has been endeavouring to develop its landholdings south of Silver Creek for many years. Now that the matter is before the Ontario Municipal Board and the Supreme Court of Ontario, the time has come to acquaint the residents with the facts so that our Company's position is clearly placed before you; and relying on your basic fairness, we enlist your support.

We have been a corporate citizen of Halton Hills since January, 1966, when we acquired the entire holdings of Delrex Developments Limited. Since that time, we have been responsible for providing homes for a substantial portion of Georgetown, while at the same time encouraging industrial development, as well as expanding the Georgetown Market Commercial Complex. Also, we donated your water tower site and made church and school lands available below our cost.

Before we acquired the Delrex holdings, we appeared before your Council and explained our intentions fully, and the Council unanimously passed a By-law consenting to the transfer of Development Agreement 190, 198 from Delrex to ourselves, thereby protecting and preserving the contractual rights and obligations therein contained.

This, then, is the crux of the issue before the Ontario Municipal Board and the Courts. Namely, can one contracting party receive his benefits under a contract and then deny the other side his?

The major benefit to the municipality was the option to acquire 175 acres of fully-serviced industrial lands at \$100 per acre, being only a fraction of their cost, let alone their worth. The municipality acquired 135 acres from us in 1965 having previously quit claimed its option on the remainder, on the basis of approved sales by Delrex to General Fireproofing and Economy Forms. The Town had bargained for and received an outstanding opportunity to build Georgetown's industrial assessment base with its attendant benefit to residential taxpayers.

The major benefit to our Company was the clear contractual right to register its lands south of Silver Creek.

The following is an excerpt from Agreement 190, 198, Paragraph 1(c) of Schedule 'D':

"That at such time as the vendor (McLaughlin) shall desire to register a plan or plans of subdivision for the said Cleave farm and the Hepburn farm and the Wright farm, it shall enter into a subdivision servicing agreement or agreements with the purchaser (Georgetown) and the plan or plans of subdivision and the site plan or plans shall be approved by the purchaser (Georgetown) and such other public authorities of the Province of Ontario as at that time may be required."

No one will argue that the wording couldn't be improved, but the intent is crystal clear, i.e., our contractual right to proceed with the development of the 3 farms as subdivisions, which were acquired on the basis that they would be annexed.

After having annexed the farms in question and changed their official plan designation from Agricultural to Residential, the Town has consistently refused to complete the balance of its obligation by routinely implementing the Official Plan Amendment with a Zoning By-law and entering into a standard engineering agreement. While we stood waiting empty-handed, your Council permitted registration of other Plans of Subdivision within the municipality, none of which had our Company's contractual right. The children who were enrolled in Grade 1 in January, 1966 will be entering university next year and still we wait.

Without coming to any conclusions on municipal morality or good faith, it must be apparent to the reader that this gross injustice can no longer be tolerated by the Company.

There is of course, a larger issue here and that is the right of all citizens to affordable accommodation, and the rights of their children to live in a neighbourhood of their choosing at prices not arbitrarily increased by artificial shortages of housing forced on the citizenry by the political process.

Georgetown is a beautiful town in which to live, and we pride ourselves in the quality of development which we have brought to this area. On the other hand, no one can sensibly allege that the Town would or should stay the same size with the same amenities it had at the beginning of this century. GO Train service is now available, shopping centre facilities exist, the sewage treatment plant has been expanded and the school system is second to none in the Province.

If the so-called concept of "population pollution" had been enforced in 1966, over one-half of the population of the Town would not now be living in and enjoying the amenities of Georgetown today.

Our Company has no intention of building a high density development, but we do intend to add much to the quality of living in Halton Hills. The vast majority of the proposed homes would be single family, and semi-detached, and there is only a small number of street townhouses proposed which were felt to be essential in order to provide the desired mix of housing for a residential community such as Georgetown.

The only alternative to development on the south side of Silver Creek is high-density infilling within the already built-up area of the Town of Halton Hills. The ramifications of such a policy are probably not understood by the majority of citizens and will probably only be comprehended after being built and the resultant problems become evident.

The Company by this letter hereby solicits your active support of its corporate objectives in the pursuit of its contractual entitlement resulting in the development of its lands within the letter and framework of the law.

We would be pleased to respond to your queries and questions with regard to our development proposals in order that they may be better understood. All of which is respectfully submitted.

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