

### More Santa Letters

**Dear Santa**  
My name is Rachel. Me and my sister Sarah have been good. My sister would like a bath baby. I would like a shaving Ken. Have a joyful Christmas. December is my favourite year.  
**From Rachel Magyar Age 7**

**Dear Rachel**  
Thanks for writing! I'm glad that you and Sarah have been good. December is my favorite time of the year, because that's when I can bring nice surprises to nice children like you.  
**Love Santa**

**Dear Santa**  
Hi! How are you and Mrs. Claus and the reindeer? I have tried to be good this year. You know that Canadian Tire commercial? It is wrong because you and the elves make the toys, right? I would like a couple of things this year, I will tell you them, a Polly Pocket Mansion, a disk for my little computer, a Winnie-the-Pooh chapter book, a GT sled. I hope you and the elves can make it for me. I hope I will see you on Christmas Eve! Merry Christmas to everybody at the North Pole!  
**Love Stephanie English**

**Dear Stephanie**  
Of course the elves & I make the toys at Christmas, and on Christmas Eve, I'll be seeing you if you're asleep. Merry Christmas.  
**Love Santa**

**To All My Little Friends:**  
Santa wants to thank everyone who wrote me a letter. From now on, I'll be too busy loading the sleigh to write back. But don't worry, I read all the letters I get. After all, Santa is Magic!  
**See you Christmas Eve! Love Santa**



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### Letters to the editor

## A piece of the pie for Acton

Dear editor,  
Three cheers for Brian Cochrane's letter of Nov. 27, entitled Acton deserves better roads.  
In the past, Georgetown has been the recipient of enclosed malls, a downtown-core bypass, traffic studies, extensive beautification projects, sidewalk widenings, etc.  
Acton's fate has not been so equitable. Stores have closed; malls and arenas are proposed and seemingly never built; swimming pools are threatened with closure; roads deteriorate and are hastily patched rather than redone. With a few exceptions, our downtown just needs Casper or Jacob Marley to be complete. The list could go on and on.  
Yet, during an impromptu "tax-pie" debate I participated in, a Georgetown resident vehemently accused all Actonites of "having something wrong with them". The scary thing is this person later ran for public office.  
Think this over with me, will you? Busloads of tourists arrive in Acton to visit our superior fall fair, shop at the olde Hide House and stroll down our picturesque streets without fear of mugging due to ethnicity.  
Yet, our residents are forced to shop elsewhere to buy our kids' shoes. The purchase of which still gives them little chance to survive traffic due to woefully inadequate sidewalks and the lack of traffic lights.  
Something must be done soon. We had our own mayor and town council members before... why don't we reopen this discussion? The tax pie baked here should be eaten here.  
**J. Roberts, Acton**

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8:00 am First Mass of Christmas Day  
10:00 am Mass with Children's Christmas Pageant  
12:00 noon Solemn High Mass

### Cats are unwelcome guests

Dear editor,  
I have a complaint. We have a family of cats that have taken up house-keeping on our porch.  
The mother had three babies about two months ago. They are all there, including the father. They were staying by the woodpile and starving.  
When it got cold we had to give them a box for shelter and a little food and milk.  
We contacted the Humane Society but they won't do anything about them. I repeat—humane. Believe me, I will no longer support them after this.  
**L. Gurak, Acton**

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