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Town of Sherry
9285 2nd Street
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Gentlemen:

Thank you very much for the use of the town hall on Tuesday, December 23, for the 6th Annual Community Christmas Sing. We had not really been told how many kids to expect to eat with us before they entertained us with their music. We were pleasantly surprised to have 37 kids join us that day. Mark Cournoyer made sure they all sat at different tables and talked to us and sang with us. Everyone enjoyed themselves very much. They even had the new principal with them along with a few other teachers. We did run out of chairs and borrowed some from Dan next door.

Many local musicians accompanied the kids. Doris Mielke, Susan Treml, Renee and Elliot Corse, Grace Bauer, Jeri Budtke, and Amy Peterson provided guitar music. A great time was had by all! Fond memories of Christmases past were shared, along with some naming their milk haulers.

There were 38 townspeople in attendance. Mentioning this event in the annual letter by the Chairman of the Town Board, posting it on the Town's website, and posting it outside the Town Hall really helped get the word out again this year. I heard many positive comments about the event, along with the hopes that we would continue.

We couldn't have done it without the help of Thrivent Financial who provided us with \$250 in startup money. This was used to buy some of the food, beverages, and paper supplies that needed replenishing.

Thank you again for the use of the town hall. Thanks to Tena Linse, Carol Raab, Jeff Peaslee, and Joyce Lobner for all their help in setting up. Thanks to George Lang, Tena Linse, Carol Raab, Ron & Sandy Lobner, Joyce Lobner, Don & Sally Furo, Renee Corse, and everyone else for helping clean up the town hall. Everyone just pitched right in and started putting stuff away and cleaning up. Those that packed my car and my husband's car then followed us home and unpacked everything there. That was very much appreciated.

When I tell others how everyone in our small town pitches in and helps without anyone even being asked, they tell me Sherry must be a special place to live. I tell them it really is. Everyone watches out for everyone else.

My son mentioned we'd like to form a committee next year to help with some of the things so that I'm not doing so much. Again, I had a lot of people stop me to say they'd like to be on the committee. We can begin planning it ahead of time since again this coming year, the last day of school for the kids will probably be the day before Christmas Eve day which is Wednesday, December 23. That is a busy time for everyone so a committee will surely be helpful. I'll confirm that date when the school calendar is published for 2026-2027.

Also Mark Cournoyer mentioned that having the kids eat lunch with us really does help them in that they don't have to go all the way back to school for lunch. He also mentioned that they have been singing to the shut-ins for 25 years and they used to go to 45 houses but as of this year they now have 100 houses they go to on this day. That is a busy day for these kids. Just think of how many times they get on and off the buses! Mind-boggling!

Sincerely,



Bev Peaslee, Joyce Lobner, and Lisa Zinda
Community Christmas Sing Committee