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Mariemont City Schools

Mariemont Elementary Celebrates 25 Years of Caring and Sharing

On December 12, Mariemont Elementary held their annual holiday Caring & Sharing Program assembly. This year marked over two and a half decades of students bringing holiday cheer to area families through a gift giving effort. Over 40 families in Mariemont, Fairfax, Madisonville, Madison Place, Kennedy Heights, Oakley and Walnut Hills - including 113 children, ranging from one month to 17 years old - will have a brighter holiday thanks to this favorite holiday tradition.

The gifts are all delivered to school by December 12 when the program culminated with a spirited all-school assembly. Holiday entertainment was provided by the Mariemont High School chorus and the strings orchestra along with Mariemont Elementary's own 6th grade bell choir. This year, the Mariemont police joined in the giving program by adopting a family of their own and delivering their packages on stage during the assembly. The event ended with a visit by one jolly old elf who spoke of the importance of giving and of appreciating all the people in our lives.

Photos:

MECaring6Elves – Some Mariemont Elementary 6th grade elves show a fraction of the gifts collected for the 2008 Caring & Sharing Program.

MECaringPolice – This year, the Mariemont police joined in the elementary's holiday gift giving program to support local families.

MECaring6Bells – The Mariemont Elementary 6th Grade Bell Choir brought sounds of the season to the annual Caring & Sharing Program assembly.

MECaringSanta – Santa Claus paid a visit to the Mariemont Elementary Caring & Sharing assembly to spread holiday cheer.

MECaringPoliceSweets - In addition to good cheer, members of the Mariemont police shared sweet treats with Mariemont Elementary students at their annual Caring & Sharing Program assembly.

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