



## SANTA MAKING 24th ANNUAL VISIT TO THE INDIANA RAIL ROAD DEC. 6-8

INDIANAPOLIS, Monday, Oct. 28, 2013 – In the wake of record-setting attendance and donations a year ago, the Indiana Rail Road Company (INRD) proudly announces Santa Claus’ return to the rails for the 24<sup>th</sup> annual INRD Santa Train from Friday, Dec. 6 through Sunday, Dec. 8.

The Indiana Rail Road Santa Train will visit 12 southern Indiana and Illinois communities over its three-day 2013 run, delivering goodwill, donated winter clothing and, most importantly, Santa Claus to thousands of children. Admission is free.

In 2012, more than 4,000 children sat on Santa’s lap in the Santa Train (yes, he was very tired Monday). In all, 8,835 people visited the train, shattering the “old” attendance record set in 2011 by more than 2,000. Nearly 50 Santa Train sponsors also delivered a record \$33,000 in contributions, making it possible for INRD to assist families in need of winter clothing.

The 2013 Santa Train makes its first stop at 3 p.m. (ET) Dec. 6 at Bargersville, Ind., and wraps up the weekend at Sullivan, Ind., on Sunday at 4 p.m. Please note the Sunday schedule of stops starts two hours earlier than previous years, and the Illinois arrival times reflect Central Standard Time; all other times are Eastern.

For persons or companies interested in donating coats and hats: INRD is not equipped to accept clothing, but all cash donations will go directly to the purchase of clothing that will be distributed from the Santa Train. Checks can be made out to Indiana Rail Road (put “Santa Train” on the memo line) and mailed to INRD, Attn.: Nancy Herman, 8888 Keystone Crossing, Suite 1600, Indianapolis, IN 46240.

The Indiana Rail Road Company is a privately-held, 500-mile railroad based in Indianapolis. The company hauls the equivalent of more than 800,000 truckloads of consumer, industrial and energy products each year. For more information, visit the Indiana Rail Road online at [www.inrd.com](http://www.inrd.com) or on Twitter and Facebook.

### The 24th Annual Indiana Rail Road Santa Train Schedule (All times local; free admission!):

Station/Location	Arriving	Line for Santa Closes
<b>Friday, December 6</b>		
Bargersville, Ind./Town Hall	3 p.m.	5 p.m.
Morgantown, Ind./Fire Station, 269 Highland St.	6:30 p.m.	7:30 p.m.
Helmsburg, Ind./Helmsburg Road	8:30 p.m.	9:30 p.m.
<b>Saturday, December 7</b>		
Solsberry, Ind./Yoho Store at State Rd. 43	8:30 a.m.	10 a.m.
Bloomfield, Ind./Seminary Street	11 a.m.	Noon
Linton, Ind./S.E. C Street	1:30 p.m.	3 p.m.
Dugger, Ind./Main Street	4 p.m.	5 p.m.
Jasonville, Ind./City Park	6 p.m.	7 p.m.
<b>Sunday, December 8 (New times for 2013!)</b>		
Newton, Ill./South Van Buren St.	9 a.m.	10 a.m.
Oblong, Ill./South Range St.	11:15 a.m.	12:15 p.m.
Palestine, Ill./Lincoln St.	1 p.m.	2 p.m.
Sullivan, Ind./South Main St. and Judy Lane	4 p.m.	4:30 p.m.

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