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Indiana Rail Road's Annual Santa Train Returns to Traditional Format

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind.— Santa Claus will once again be coming to town by train in a more familiar format that local communities have enjoyed in the past. Children living in communities in southern Indiana and eastern Illinois served by The Indiana Rail Road Company (INRD) will get a chance to see Santa and Mrs. Claus on December 2, 3, and 4.

The Santa Train will make 12 stops over three busy days, and INRD invites families to the festively decorated train to see Santa and Mrs. Claus. Guests are once again invited to come aboard the stationary, bedecked passenger cars to visit with Santa and Mrs. Claus and be entertained by a full cast of costumed characters, brought to life by volunteers that include railroaders and their families. The event is free and open to children and adults of all ages. Santa's helpers will also be giving away coats, hats, and gloves to help children in need prepare for winter weather.

As Indiana and its communities grow and change, INRD's Santa Train adapts and conforms to the shifts by adjusting stop timing, locations, and more. This year, INRD will bring Bargersville's Santa to town by train where he will visit with guests at their town hall. No guests will board the train at Bargersville; instead they will be able to enjoy the festivities of the town and visit with Santa at the town hall at their leisure.

The Santa Train originated in 1989 as a volunteer project of Indiana Rail Road Company employees. In 2020, the employees, families, and volunteers who bring this cherished tradition to more than 7,000 people during its three-day tour were heartbroken over the cancellation of the festivities. Much hard work and dedication was poured into reviving the Santa Train for 2021 in a modified form. For 2022, Santa Train returns to its full glory to enchant and spread cheer to the communities in which the railroad operates.

“Volunteers and guests alike are looking forward to a more traditional format of Santa Train,” says Dewayne Swindall, president and CEO of The Indiana Rail Road Company. “Giving back to the communities in which we operate in such a unique way brings a distinctive joy to our team during the holiday season.”

The Indiana Rail Road Company is a privately held, 500-mile railroad that serves central and southwest Indiana, and eastern Illinois. INRD connects to the entire North American rail network via strategic gateways at Chicago, Indianapolis and Newton, Ill. For more information on the railroad and its community involvement, visit www.inrd.com or find us on Twitter (@IndianaRailRoad), Facebook (The Indiana Rail Road Company) and Instagram (indianarailroad).

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(Full 2022 Santa Train schedule attached)



| Station/Location | Arrive | Depart |
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| Friday, December 2nd | | |
| Bargersville, IN, Town Hall | 4:30 PM | 5:00 PM |

| Station/Location | Arrive | Depart |
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| Friday, December 2nd | | |
| Morgantown, IN, Fire Station | 5:45 PM | 7:15 PM |
| Helmsburg, IN, Helmsburg Rd. | 8:15 PM | 9:15 PM |
| Saturday, December 3rd | | |
| Solsberry, IN, Yoho Store | 8:30 AM | 10:00 AM |
| Bloomfield, IN, Seminary St. | 11:00 AM | 12:15 PM |
| Linton, IN, SE C St. | 1:15 PM | 2:45 PM |
| Dugger, IN, Main St. | 3:30 PM | 4:45 PM |
| Jasonville, IN, City Park | 6:00 PM | 7:15 PM |
| Sunday, December 4th | | |
| Newton, IL, High School/ W. Decatur St. | 8:30 AM | 10:00 AM |
| Oblong, IL, S. Range St. | 10:45 AM | 12:15 PM |
| Palestine, IL, Lincoln St. | 1:15 PM | 2:30 PM |
| Sullivan, IN, Main St. & Judy Ln. | 4:15 PM | 5:45 PM |