

## 2016 Carpenter Elementary School Christmas Party

The Kiwanis Club of Midland held a Christmas Party for 58 first grade children from Carpenter Elementary School on December 14, 2016. The event was held in the school gymnasium.

They were greeted by Kiwanis Club members who helped them feel welcome in their holiday decorated facility. Once all of the students were seated they were served hamburgers from McDonald's with white or chocolate milk and ice cream cups for dessert.

After lunch, they sang Christmas carols while awaiting the entrance of Santa Claus. Santa arrived with a "ho, ho, ho" and handed out gifts of clothing to each child with the help of Kiwanis Club members. The gifts were opened simultaneously with joyful voices and happy smiles.

Several children rushed to thank Santa before he departed wishing all a very "Merry Christmas"!

One could hear excited voices filled with "Thank You's" and "Merry Christmas" as they left the gym with bright smiles. They walked and skipped down the hall to their classrooms.

### Youth Services Committee

Chairperson: Cathy Devendorf

Participating Kiwanians & Guests: Donna Jo Aiken, John Anderson, Roger Briggs, Cathy Devendorf, Carl Edmunds, Cal Goeders, Gil Harter, Kerri Huizar, Chris Owen, Kathy Peters, Tom Madden, Earl Soules, Ed Yonkers



Santa Claus giving a present to a student.

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**Children walking and skipping back to their classrooms**