

Fa La La La La, La La La La



“We Wish You A Merry Christmas,” rang out across Damar’s main campus on Saturday, Dec. 13 as **Southport Middle School** returned for their fourth year to spread some holiday cheer.

“We look forward to this every year,” said school representative **Kathy Riesenmey**, who organizes the activity.

Every fall, the Southport Middle School requests the holiday wish lists of Damar’s 125 residents and creates a giving tree from which students and staff choose names, purchase and wrap the gifts. A select group of staff and families come to Damar to spread joy to the clients by giving gifts, singing holiday carols and playing

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the hand bells. “The singing was really good,” said **Renee**, a Damar resident. “It was really nice of them to bring presents and sing to us. They all seemed so nice.”

In recognition of Damar’s selection as the school’s Charity of the Month in November, they also presented Damar staff with a \$248 check raised through a student Jeans Day fundraiser.

A woman was walking along a beach filled with starfish. As she walked, she would stoop down, pick one up at random, and throw it back into the ocean. A man came upon her and asked why she was bothering with throwing some back when there were so many- how could it possibly make a difference? She picked up another starfish, threw it back into the ocean, and said, “It made a difference to that one.” – Author Unknown

