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VES Students Caring for the Community

In keeping with the **Character Pillar (Caring)** for the month of **December**, students and staff of **Vienna Elementary School** donated mittens, gloves, and scarfs to the **Salvation Army** in an effort to help others be prepared for the coming winter months. Donations were accepted from **December 1–19** and were placed on the “**Mitten Tree**” in the foyer of the school building. In no time at all, the once bare tree was covered with winter accessories as the donations, many of which were handmade, began pouring in. “We wanted to help other children have mittens, gloves, and scarves this winter,” the students stated.

Then on **December 15**, the students and staff boarded buses and traveled to **Mallard Bay and Genesis Chesapeake Woods Nursing Centers** to spread holiday cheer to the residents of those two facilities. Under the direction of music teacher, **Rich White**, students and staff sang traditional and modern Christmas carols with residents and staff. The day culminated with a performance to a packed house at **Sailwinds Hall** for their annual **Senior Christmas Dinner**.

