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Dear Mr. Osvald,

As the year comes to an end, the staff and families at The Early Childhood Education Center would like to once again express our deep appreciation to the Elfun Seniors for all that they have done. We recently received a wonderful supply of switch adapted toys that were put into immediate use by the classrooms. The Spin-Art was especially timely as the children were preparing Christmas crafts to bring homes to their moms and dads!

This year we also received a supply of jar-top switches and adapted "mice" that were sorely needed. In addition to the switch toys, we have an extensive computer curriculum that relies on switch access to activate each program. Without these switches, many of our children would not only be unable to participate with their peers in these activities, but would not have that greatly needed sense of independence! Many of our teachers and therapists are itinerant and are able to share these with families, enabling play and learning in environments outside of the classroom and therapy settings.

And so, once again, we salute you and your staff for providing us with toys and equipment that, particularly in today's economic climate, far exceed our financial capabilities.

We wish you all a very Happy New Year!
Susan Nevins
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