

Elf Frank Myrrh: Hello again from the North Pole News Desk, I'm Elf Frank Myrrh of North Pole Radio News. Just as Elf Crash Murphy predicted the other day, Santa has said Thanksgiving plans at the North Pole would not be canceled this year despite the poor weather forecast and the urgent situation in Santa's Workshop. Joining me from Santa's workshop is Elf Crash again to give us a reaction to that news from there. Crash, what are they saying over there?

Elf Crash: Frank, there's still a very strong feeling here to work over Thanksgiving in Santa's workshop and that's not coming from the management team. It's totally organic. Elves just feel duty-bound to keep working.

Elf Frank: They might feel that way, Crash, but would Santa allow them to keep working?

Elf Crash: I did talk to Elf Bernard about it and he feels that they can, Frank. He told me he's developing a plan for a volunteer workforce that day that would work a reduced schedule but still allow elves to at least be home with their families for important events. He just needs to get Santa to sign-off on it.

Elf Frank: Just between you and me, Crash, do you think Santa will agree with it?

Elf Crash: I do. I think everyone can be happy in this situation. You know, Thanksgiving always ends in Santa's workshop, Frank. There's a ceremony, as you know, after the Christmas light walkabout led by Santa, that ends in the atrium at Santa's workshop, and he makes a declaration opening the final phase of Operation Merry Christmas. For the world, that's a countdown event that opens the delivery phase, or what we call the fun phase of Operation Merry Christmas. For elves, and not just in Santa's workshop, it means something a whole lot more. It's a signal, Frank. Like dropping a flag for race cars to begin a race or shooting off a starting pistol, that midnight ceremony is telling elves to step on the gas and the symbolism of that taking place in Santa's workshop is very important to elves. Santa knows all this and I think he will work with Bernard to come up with a solution that keeps the workshop moving.

Elf Frank: Does this mean we will see you in the Thanksgiving Day Elf Parade riding on Bubba again?

Elf Crash: It does, Frank. There's no way I wouldn't ride my trike in that parade. I've got new tires and I'm anxious to see how it's going to go in the parade.

Elf Frank: Ok, Crash. Keep us posted on whatever news comes from there later today or tomorrow. Let's turn now to Elf Westover with his daily things for Tracker Elves to Know Report.

Elf Westover: Trackers around the world! There are 32 days until Santa's launch. A blizzard is dashing through the sky as planned to arrive next week. This event finally kicks off the delivery phase of Operation Merry Christmas. This is Elf Westover wishing you a Merry Christmas and remember, stay jolly!

Elf Frank: Thank you Elf Westover. From the North Pole, where we like blizzards, turkeys and elf parades for Thanksgiving, I'm Elf Frank Myrrh reporting for SantaUpdate.com on the Kringle Radio Network.

