Dear Ms. Learned,

The little boy and girl next door go to Umatilla Elementary. Both came over the other night asking if I would buy a CD produced by the school.

Since I support schools, Boy and Girl Scouts and animals, I bought one, not expecting much.

To my surprise, I enjoyed it tremendously, not for the great choral singing, but for the joy and happiness I heard in the children's voices. I also appreciated the careful musicianship of the instrumentalists seeking to guide and highlight the children, the art work of the CD envelope and especially the songs.

Some stand out, "Lunch" by the Kindergarten, "Hippo In My Locker" and "From The Inside Out", but I appreciated all of them and the hard work done by all involved.

This is a poor area with little wealth and there is little for children to do. This endeavor allowed these children to work together, cooperate and produce something to make them proud.

Please thank all involved. Congratulations to all.

Sincerely,