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# CHRISTMAS UPDATE!

BY: FLAWSOME

Ho ho ho! Christmas is upon us! As snow peppers the ground, jolly smiles are evident on every player, along with the atmosphere buzzing with excitement! It's the most wonderful time of the year, and do you know why? Well of course, it's because Santa has paid a visit to Mineplex and sprinkled it with Christmas cheer! So what has he brought with him this year? Well...

## Christmas Lobby

Celebrating the festive season, the lobby has been dazzled up to get players right into the Christmas spirit. Candy canes sprawled around, the bright twinkle of various ornaments decorated the lobby, and snow has coated the ground making it truly feel like a Winter Wonderland, indeed. Additionally, exclusive to our Bedrock players, it seems like a cuddly penguin named Pen Pen has waddled its way to Mineplex! Make sure to give him lots of presents and hugs before he returns to the North Pole with Santa.

We oblige you to marvel at the beauty of the lobby before the winter chill gives way to a warm new year, we're sure you won't regret it!

## The Return of Christmas Chaos II

Santa needs your help! It seems that someone is out to ruin Christmas on Mineplex by stealing all of the presents. Squad up with friends and scavenge through an intense and adventure-packed journey to retrieve all the presents scattered across the map by completing various tasks set up by an evil foe, and to ultimately save Christmas! This rendition of the community's favourite classic holiday game will surely leave you booming with excitement, along with some fun prizes from Santa as well.

## Christmas Goodies

Get ready to spend all of your shards this holiday with the launch of 10 brand new cosmetic items! Ranging from a dashing cosmetic set to an adorable snowman mount to keep you company all year round, most of these items can be found in the chilling Frozen Treasure Chests for 25,000 shards or \$2.99 on the shop!

However, since it is the season of giving, Mineplex has also included the Legacy Treasure Chest for any player out there who is feeling a bit nostalgic or has been missing out on previous cosmetic items they've been waiting to get their hands on. So what are you waiting for? Purchase this chest now for 15,000 shards or \$1.99 on the Mineplex shop!

# NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS!

BY: FLAWSOME

As we depart from the adventures of 2018 and lock them securely in our memories, we welcome 2019 as a new chapter in our lives that is ours to write. After all, they do say “new year, new me”, don’t they? For many of us, we’re enthusiastic to embark on new goals and adventures to undertake throughout the year, and the following community members are no different!

## Coralines:

Mmh.. I would say I have lots of things in my mind for 2019, basically plans over plans. First of all, I’m looking forward to finishing university and applying for a job right after, possibly abroad, and of course lots of traveling. As far as Mineplex is concerned, I’m not really sure where I’ll be in 2019, but I’ll try my best to stay as for as long as I can and actively participate in every team I am in.

## A\_Vocaloid\_Nerd:

For 2019, my resolution is to hopefully apply for trainee and QAT (the latter if possible). I also want to continue helping on the Game Insights team and hope to recruit more possible candidates. Unrelated to Minecraft however, I’d like more involved in the Splatoon 2 community and wish to get into the competitive aspect.

## EmmaLie:

This might sound lame but my new years’ resolution this year is to try new things and be more adventurous. I pretty much do the same things every day so I want to change things up and discover new interests this year. I’m really looking forward to more updates centered around what our players want and having more of a variety of events. There’s also Avengers in April which will definitely be a highlight of 2019.

## Zipppo:

I’ve never been good with thinking of and sticking to new year resolutions but I’d say that for 2019 mine would be to fix my sleeping schedule. It’s probably the main thing that I should improve in my life as the next school year is pretty important. I’m looking forward to new opportunities - it should be a really exciting year, and I’m definitely excited to see where it brings me both on the staff team and in real life.

A massive thank you from the Newsletter team to everyone who shared their goals in this article. Here’s to hoping that everyone doesn’t give up halfway through the year! Sound off in the comments, we’d love to know what you’re looking forward to in 2019!



# SOCIAL MEDIA OVERVIEW!

BY: AVROVULCAN

Social Media is a senior moderator team here at Mineplex (led by the one and only BlueBeetleHD), and we were lucky enough to grab hold of them for a quick interview! For those that don't know, Social Media members are the folks in charge of the majority of the content that goes on to the Mineplex official social media platforms, such as Twitter and our forums. There were some new Social Media promotions in the past month, so make sure to give a big congratulations to the new Social Media recruits if you see them around!

**What first sparked your interest in the social media team?**

**Crumplex:** I joined Social Media when it first became a Sr.Mod team. I was already a part of the Media team and was interested in helping with the media related side of the team.

**xMini:** I have always been interested in social media! I'm always on different types of media apps looking at what's popular and what really catches the viewers eye. It was the team that I felt most connected to and felt like it would be well suited for me. I'm also going into university majoring in marketing and felt as if being apart of social media and learning about different aspects of marketing before going into university would be great!

**What is the most interesting thing that has happened to you whilst in social media?**

**Crumplex:** I was chosen to manage our twitter replies for a long time. It was lots of fun and great experience for the future.

**xMini:** I would say the most interesting thing that happened to me would be different holiday events. During different events we split the team up into different responsibilities and ideas to work on. We always help each other out too!! Seeing a huge project come together with everyone's ideas that perfectly represent a different idea or holiday makes me super happy

**What does social media entail? What are some of the things you do?**

**Crumplex:** We mostly come up with posts and other marketing strategies for new content, as well as for promoting old content. We usually come up with posts on our own and work together to improve them afterwards.

**xMini:** Being apart of Social Media, we create twitter posts, different videos and gifs, and focus on marketing and promoting Mineplex. On a daily basis I try to create and come up with different post ideas to work on. When an idea is created or given, I then make a creative post with an image or video attached. This then gets shared with other members to spark feedback and ultimately ends up getting posted on twitter or the Mineplex website!

# SOCIAL MEDIA OVERVIEW!

BY: AVROVULCAN

**What do you like most about being on the social media team?**

**Crumplex:** I like how creativity is promoted and no idea is left unnoticed. You get to see your work out in the open, and it's a great resume builder too.

**xMini:** The team has a very friendly vibe to it. I love being apart of it and I always feel included. With new members coming in, we create a very homey and safe environment that allows everyone to feel able to talk to one another and ask for feedback. Also BlueBeetleHD is a fantastic leader.

**What would you say to anyone aspiring to join SM?**

**Crumplex:** Stay inspired, show that you are interested and active. We work together all the time!

**xMini:** If you love to advertise and create posts with your imagination and personality, the team is for you! I'm proud to call my fellow social media members family and we really do get to know so much about each other. The team is great and I encourage everyone to look into joining it in the future!

Thank you to all the Social Media members who work their very hardest to publicise and highlight the content we offer at Mineplex. If you see any of them around game (when they're not busy coming up with creative ways to display the various platforms we offer) feel free to say hi and have a chat with them. Once again, congratulations to all the new Social Media members, and if you wish to keep up Mineplex's pages you can find them here:

<https://www.facebook.com/MineplexGames>

<https://twitter.com/Mineplex>

# YT SPOTLIGHT OF THE MONTH!

BY: ENUNCIATED

An old article comes back to this Newsletter as we reintroduce another content creator on the network - **DivinePegasi**! A shining star in the community, she decided to become YT to give back to the community. With 3,000 subs and still growing, we recently sat down with DivinePegasi to learn more about her YT experience.

## What do you love most about Mineplex?

I love everything about Mineplex, but if I had to pick, it would probably be the people in the community. Everyone I've talked to is so friendly and welcoming. Throughout my time of being YT (and even before that), I've been able to meet so many more amazing people/subscribers on the server that have eventually become some of my very good friends and I'm very thankful for them! Mineplex has become like a second home to me, and I know how cliché that sounds, but it's true. I'm very thankful for the server <3

## What made you want to become a YT?

When I was younger and first joined Mineplex, I instantly noticed that there were YouTubers and streamers on the server. In the summer, I would watch many streams and videos from creators on the server and since then, I've had a dream of wanting to follow in their footsteps on the server and acquiring "fans". Not only that, but I had always liked that Mineplex is a great place for viewer/player interaction with the help of MPS servers. Had MPS' never been implemented, I probably would not be where I am today since I gained my following mainly from streaming.

## How long have you been YT?

I've been YT since August 11th, 2017. However, you'll usually see me saying that it was the 12th only because that's when I officially "started playing" with the rank on the server.

## What do you enjoy most about being a YT?

This answer might sound narcissistic but I promise that's not my intention - I like that my rank stands out from the crowd as well as the helpful features it has to offer! The tag is my favorite color and I like being more "official" or easily known for what I do rather than just having a normal purchased rank. I worked very hard for it, so I might as well as show it off. It was a huge milestone for me and I'm extremely grateful for the rank. Not many people can say they have (or had) YT rank! Having the rank has given me many new experiences and has helped me with so much more than I can imagine!

Interested in viewing her content? Check out her channel here!

<https://www.youtube.com/user/DivinePegasi>



# MINEPLEX NOSTALGIA!

BY: SPOILER

As we approach the end of this year, we reflect back many years before on what has made Mineplex so great for us in the past. More recently, we've taken the time to ask our fellow players to share some of their most favorite Mineplex memories! Ranging from Bedrock to Clans, users have shown excitement about many things in the past. Some of these memories may be found in the following screenshots below!



October 28, 2016 by xSlowWifi - "Screenie with some staff + the old lobby"



April 1, 2017 by factionsBR - "This is a screenshot of a very old event, had a boat that players could take a screenshot, me and my friend after completing the hunt for pirates, we sent this photo to Twitter and we checked the @MineplexGamesPE. She even enjoyed this publication, good times."



# MINEPLEX NOSTALGIA!

BY: SPOILER



August 22, 2015 by Pokepat - “Morgan Freeman from the old Mineplex Lobby. Forever in our hearts.”



January 9, 2016 by \_H2O - “When you could glitch half of your body into the ground in Staff-2.”

# MINEPLEX NOSTALGIA!

BY: SPOILER



February 4, 2016 by mepman9 - "The end of Clans Alpha 0.19. Feels like yesterday, allies or not our whole server pretty much ganged up on one Clan, was one of the most fun times I've ever had on the network."



November 20, 2016 by Marzie - "This was a few days after Eternal rank was released, cant remember if it was a good or bad thing they were trying to do"

Thanks to everyone who had taken the time to share some of their favorite nostalgic screenshots with us! Feeling even more nostalgic? Feel free to check out the original thread here:  
<https://www.mineplex.com/threads/collecting-old-screenshots-of-mp.15214>



# GUESS THE LOCATION!

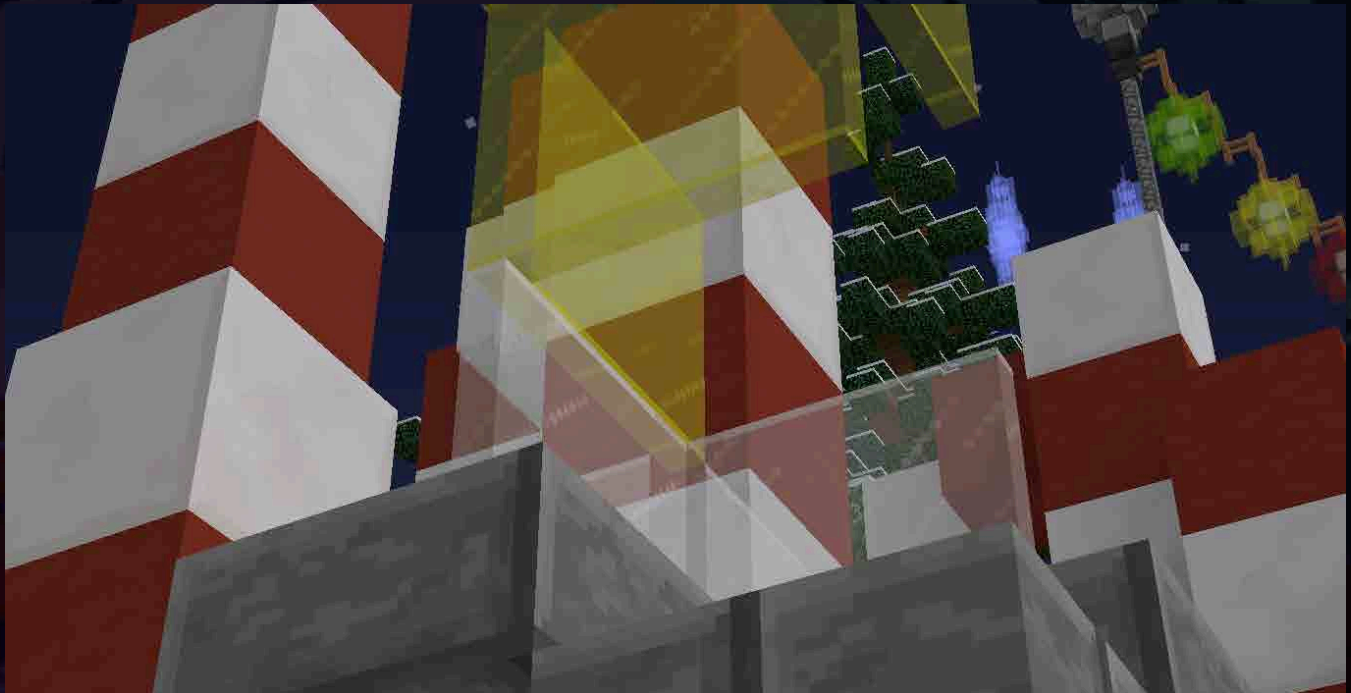
BY: SNOWYKITTY

We're back once again with everyone's favorite Newsletter monthly game: Guess the Location! First time playing? Here's a quick description on the basics:

As you can assume from the name, your job is to guess a location that we provide. Below this paragraph is a tricky screenshot captured from our Java hub. You must visit the link provided to submit a guess of where you think we captured our hidden location. However, it's all about description! No one is allowed to provide the coordinates to this top secret place. The more descriptive your submission is, the higher of chance you have of winning our prize.

Now what is the prize, you may be wondering? Out of all the correct submissions, three winners will be randomly picked to win two Mythical Treasures. These winners will be announced in the next edition of the newsletter.

Ready to guess the frosty surprise? Take a peak at this image!



Make sure to submit your guess here: <https://goo.gl/forms/8MAcZvDMg2BwllBw1>

Finally, congratulations to our previous winners!

GamerLizzy

Lukafin

TeaSpiller

You three will be receiving your Mythical Treasures soon.

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# CAPTION THE IMAGE!

BY: SNOWYKITTY

Are you going crazy from the finals you finished a few weeks ago? Has the break not been enough to sooth your mind? Don't worry! Caption the Image is always a great way to relax, so fear no more. To join in on the relaxing pleasure, all you must do is take a look at the image provided below. It is then your job to caption it in the best way possible. Whether it's something funny, serious, or random, we'll be taking any submission from the link provided in this article! Next month, you'll be able to view our favorite handpicked captions in the next Caption the Image article.

Ready to start cantioning? Here's your image!



Got a caption ready to blow off our socks? Submit them here!  
<https://goo.gl/forms/dTsFfacqHap48Vln2>

# PROMOTIONS/RESIGNATIONS

BY: HUSKIEALS

This month, we want to give a shout out to promoted and returning staff members as well as our thanks to those who have decided to resign.

## Promotions:

### Java Trainee

December 1 - AbsentAccount, messcat, z609  
December 8 - PeytonSam, \_\_Narwhal  
December 15 - Aledai, Lonkachu, SaucyStyle

### Java Mod

December 1 - wattywatty14

### Bedrock Mod

December 24 - WinteryOsprey38  
December 29 - Beelnc

### Java Senior Mod

December 13 - Breezeblockss, Dudeguy, SimplyBrandon (Social Media)  
December 15 - anuenue, Dva, KawaiiLovi (Recruitment)  
December 29 - 0113581321, Adriannaa, Busjack5, Chron (Clans Management)

### Bedrock Senior Mod

December 13 - FabianTuck (Social Media)

## Resignations:

December 8 - IvanProvorov  
December 9 - zoly  
December 10 - CodeAssault  
December 12 - BestPD  
December 19 - PeytonSam  
December 31 - Musclehead

# NEWSLETTER STAFF BIOS



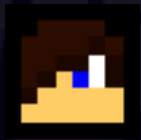
**Tortelett:** Hi I made the pdf this month. I never got why everyone is saying what their names are when it's going to be in orange to the left anyways.



**SnowyKitty:** Hey there! I'm SnowyKitty and most call me Snowy. I am a Java and Bedrock Sr. Moderator here on Mineplex and the manager of the Newsletter Program. I love to read and write fiction stories, from realistic to sci-fi! My favorite game is Draw My Thing, though I'll really play anything even though I'm not the best at PvP. If you see me somewhere, don't be afraid to shoot me a hello!



**ssnip:** Hey, I'm ssnip, and I'm a Community Manager here on Mineplex. I manage the Ideas Project, work as a member of the Feedback Team, host weekly events, and I'm a writer and editor for the newsletter!



**TheGrandmaster:** Hey! I'm the one and only grandmaster. I'm an Ex-Moderator, who was part of the staff team for over 15 months. I love to read and write, when I have the time, and (despite no longer being a moderator) I'm still happy to help anyone who needs it!



**Emiliee:** Hey, my name is Emilie! I'm a Mineplex Titan and a writer for the Newsletter. I'm also a previous Social Media Sr.Mod. Outside of Mineplex, I am a psychology major on a pre-med track. I am currently a research assistant researching new anxiety treatment methods as well! Hope you enjoy this issue!



**Geographies:** Hey, I'm Geographies. I'm an ex-moderator at Mineplex and worked on various subteams ranging from QAT to FM and so much more. I'm both an editor and writer for the newsletter and am also a Map Tester. I hope you enjoyed this months newsletter.



**HuskieALS:** Hey! I'm Huskie and am a Sr.Mod on Staff Management! I'm also also the Mentoring and Documents Manager for StM. In my free time I love watching ASMR and binge watching Netflix series. I'm usually hanging somewhere around the network, so feel free to poke me!



**AvroVulcan:** Hey! My name is AvroVulcan and I am currently a Mineplex Moderator, as well as a writer for the Newsletter! I've always enjoyed writing, and am lucky enough to be able to do it for something else I enjoy; Mineplex! I like to play SSM, and if you see me in game, feel free to say hi!



# NEWSLETTER STAFF BIOS



**Enunciated:** Hey! I'm Enunciated, a writer for the Newsletter. I'm currently a moderator who is on a variety of teams such as Newsletter. Outside of Mineplex, I enjoy biking, hanging out with friends, and swimming. I'm always up for meeting new people and love playing games in my free time, and can usually be found in Nano Games, so don't be afraid to say hello!



**flawsome:** Hi sisters, flawsome here, and welcome back to the Newsletter! I'm a proud writer for the Newsletter Program, and you may have even seen me around the forums doing Ideas work here and there. I absolutely love chatting about practically anything, so don't be afraid approach me if you ever see me around! Until the next one — bye, sisters!



**Spoiler:** Hi! I'm Spoiler, a writer and editor for Mineplex's newsletter program. Throughout my life, I've had a passion for linguistics & language learning, and in my free time I enjoy researching about it while browsing the internet. As a senior in high school, I'm also applying to colleges.

