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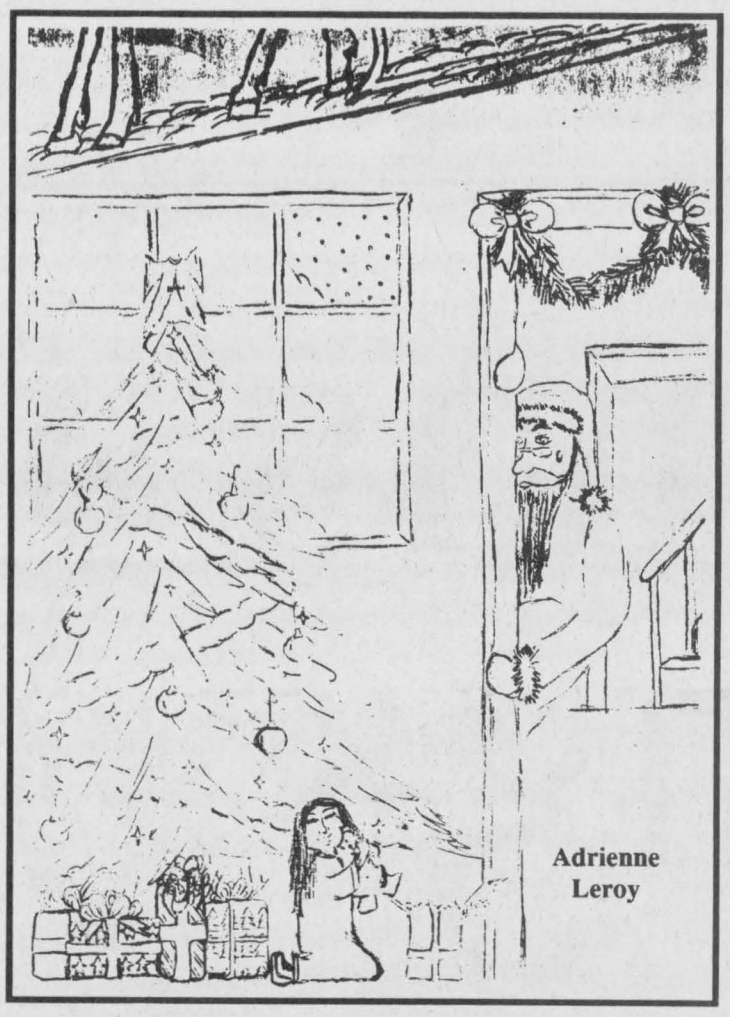

Adrienne Leroy



Victorian Celebration

Penny Strader has things decked in Victorian splendor for the Christmas Season. She opened her home to the public as part of the South Dundas Christmas Tour. The staircase, the tree and a variety of decorations created an enchanting seasonal atmosphere.

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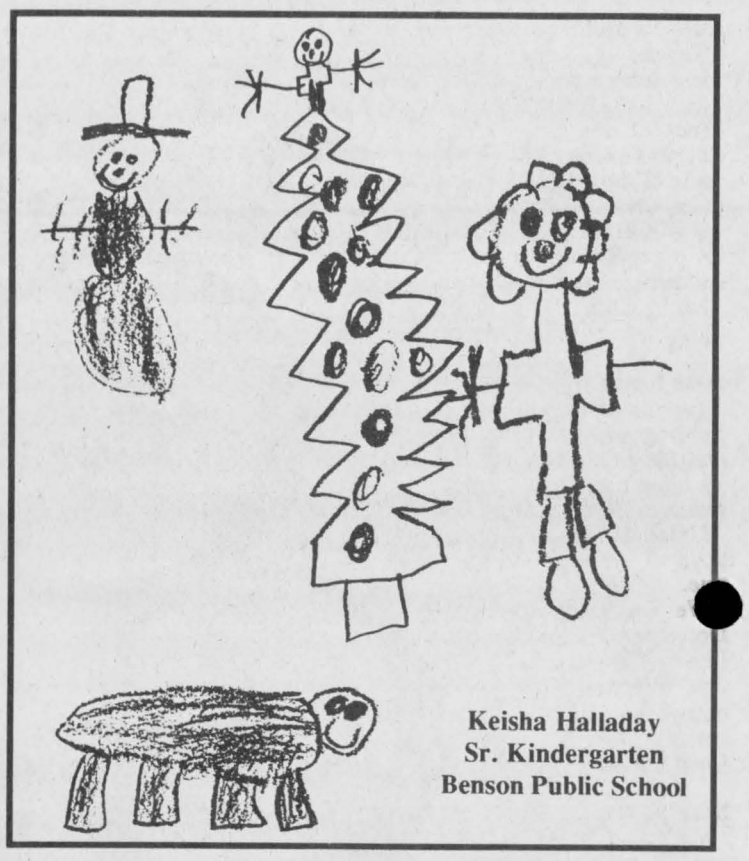

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Season's Greetings

South Dundas Chamber of Commerce wishes you and yours a safe, happy holidays and a very prosperous 2003.

Happy Holidays

Our hope is that this holiday season finds joy and happiness throughout your home and our community.

Best wishes from all of us!

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We really appreciate your filling our year with so much joy.

Merry Christmas, everyone!

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A time of fun, festive happiness and holiday joy

Christmas is a time of fun and feasting, happiness and holidays and it is almost impossible to imagine it other than the way we celebrate it today. The twelve days of Christmas mean decorating a tree, sending cards by the dozen, expecting Santa Claus loaded with presents, over-decorating the house with evergreens and tinsel, pulling crackers and eating turkey, sticky puddings, pumpkin, berry and apple pies, and iced cake by the pound. Yet, many of the features that characterize Christmas for us, that feel so traditional and so ancient, are actually quite new, having existed or just developed in the last 150 years.

It seems hard to imagine that before the reign of Queen Victoria, which was 1837-1901, there was little or no significance to Christmas. In fact, it was hardly celebrated and regarded by enlarge as little more than a half-forgotten festival. We have the Victorians to thank for bringing new life to it and transforming it into one of the most exciting times of the year. Of course, they did not invent Christmas, but took the mess it was and turned it into a wondrous, fun-filled family celebration. It became a time of closeness with family and friends, for goodwill towards all and generosity towards the less fortunate.

A Victorian Christmas is, for many people, the way Christmas ought to be. It is so easy to imagine a log fire blazing in the hearth, cards adorning the mantle, carol singers at the door and family and friends meeting and greeting one another. We can see children filled with excitement admiring a tree glistening with lights and surrounded with presents gaily wrapped, a house filled with beautiful decorations and a table groaning with food and drink. Some even wish for snow to add that crowning touch.

Too often today, though, Christmas is an expensive, commercial affair, too long in coming and too soon over. The emphasis seems to be more and more on promoting and marketing Christmas and many people feel that much is being lost in the process. Every year, we wish it was something different and something better. recapturing the magical spirit of Christmas past, celebrating the occasion with innocent fun like the Victorians did.

Celebrating Christmas should be a personal and meaningful experience.



May Your Days Be Filled With Light & Laughter

Wishing You Joy At Christmas And After!

Thank you for brightening our year with your kind patronage. We look forward to serving you through the holidays and beyond.

Happy holidays to all of our friends across the region.

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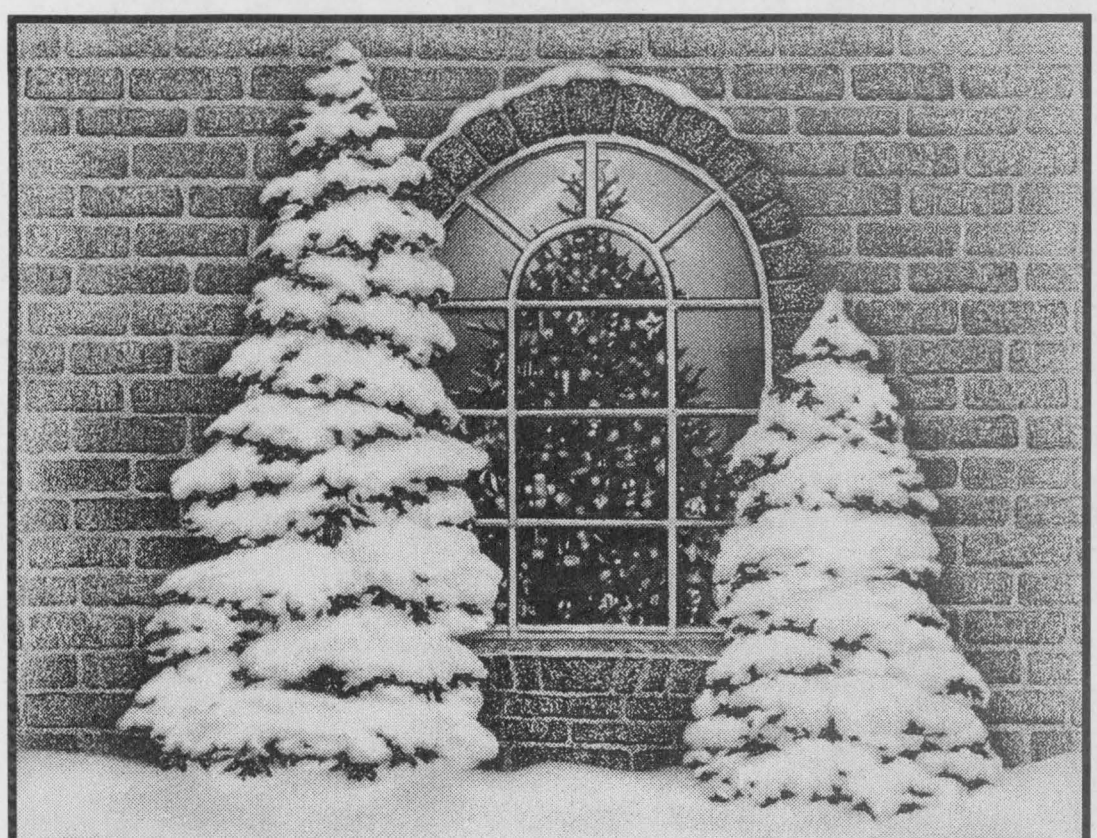

Welcome the Season

Welcome Christmas into your home
By gathering friends from wherever they roam;
Welcome Christmas into your heart
By sharing the faith and doing your part;
Welcome Christmas by honoring others
Fathers, mothers, sisters, brothers;
Welcome the season in your own special way,
And enjoy all the blessings of Christmas Day!

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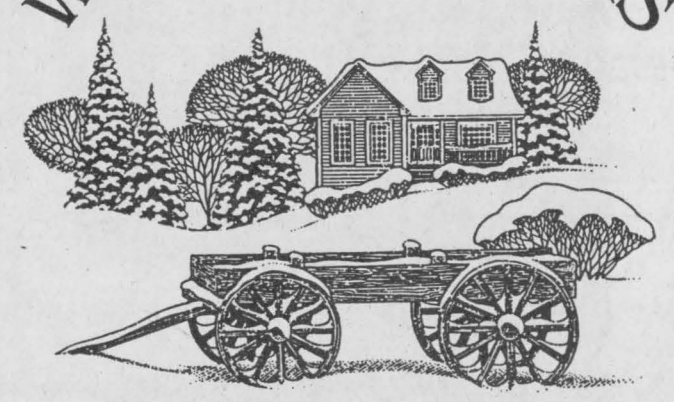

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To Santa With Love



Just in the "Nick" of time, we're pleased to present these heartwarming letters from our area's kids to their favorite holiday hero.

Editor's Note:
Thanks to Santa for sharing these letters with us. Our "Hot Line" to the North Pole comes in handy at this time of the year. Enjoy and remember we have left some of the errors in spelling the youngsters make in their letters to the jolly elf at the North Pole just so parents can see how their children get their message across.
Merry Christmas one and all!
S.L.J.

Dear Santa
Are the elves working hard at painting and wrapping the presents for girls and boys?
I hope that I get to go to my grammas on Christmas.
I would like every girls and boys to get their dreams come true.
We are going to a play on December, Wednesday 18, 2002. I know Christmas is for spending time with your family and sallabrating the day the Christ was born.
Love Olivia

Dear Santa,
My name is Kaitlyn Merkley and I have a brother named Derek Merkley. My mother's name is Karen and my father's name is Donald.
I am 8 years old. My birthday is July 4. I would like for Christmas...30 piece diaper bag and accessories set, Winnie the Pooh, 7-in-2 just like Mom's set, 40 piece love my kitchen set, popsensation Barbie, sorry, Mary Kate Ashley movie, the Grinch with bonus, Le Clic single use camera-new at Sears! Dance maker, new clothes, CD case, hair things, skates (size 5), CD tower, Perfection, toe socks.

Dear Santa,
How are you? Are the reindeer feeling well? May I please have a X Box and A Razer punk bike please and that is all. Thank you!
Love Bryghton

Dear Santa,
Santa how are you doing? Who is your favorite reindeer? My name is Lesley-Ann and I live in Iroquois. I am seven years old. Can I please have two Harry Potter things, some play food and two Barbie toys. Thank you Santa for reading this letter.
Love Lesley-Ann

Dear Santa,
How are you? How is Rudolph and the other reindeer? I live on Saver Road. I really would like a digital watch and Merry Christmas Santa!
Love Maggie

Dear Santa,
How are things going at the North Pole?
For Christmas I would like a walkie-talkie and a game boy, please and some games for it and a Bio Up Blues Clues Chair and a Blues Clues dog like the one in the movie please.
Ho, Ho, Love Larissa.

Dear Santa,
Did you have a good summer? I had a fun summer. I learned to swim and I got a new brother, Alex. I've been a good girl and Alex has been a good boy. For Christmas I would like the loving family hotel or a cash register. I also like little girl videos. Alex could use some new bibs and socks. He also would like a spinning tune activity table. We will leave you some snacks.
Love Kaitlyn and Alex Stewart
xoxo
P.S. Mom likes a cotton candy machine.

Dear Santa Claus,
I have been a good kid this year, well at least that's what I think. I don't really want a lot of stuff. All that me and my brother want is a Playstation or Playstation 2 and the game Yugi-Oh for it. I will leave you some cookies and milk. Hope you have time to read it. Have a good night.
Sincerely,
Dane Levere.

Dear Santa,
I think I've been a good boy for the year and I've made a lot of friends this year. And also I've done pretty good in school. I got 1A, 2A- and a lot of Bs and 1 C+. For Christmas I would really like a Playstation and the game Yugio.
Sincerely Drake Levere.

Dear Santa,
I am excited for Christmas. How are things going in the North Pole? Things are going good at my house. I am so glad it is Christmas! I am looking forward to Christmas. Are the elves working hard for Christmas? I hope I receive some good things at Christmas. Christmas is about spending time with your family.
Love Breanne xoxoxo.

Dear Santa,
Hi Santa Claus, I have been a very good boy this year Santa Claus.
My name is Derek Merkley and I'm 11 years old, I will be turning 12 on July 25 and that is coming up, Yippee!
I have a sister who is in grade 3 and she is 8 years old and her name is Kaitlyn. My dad's name is Donald and my mom's name is Karen. By the way I am in grade 6.
My best friends names are Josh P., Isaac and Tyler.
For Christmas this year I would like K'nex, 20 model building set, radio control vehicles-Chevy Silverado, 9.6 battery pack, rechargeable battery pack, radio control sea doo, 20 CD stackable wooden tower, Panasonic SLSW 660 with portable CD player, double down system, basketball net, walkie-talkie set, walkie-talkie tow sets, new clothes, Avril Lieve new CD.

Dear Santa,
Hi Santa, How are you doing at the North Pole?
Are you getting ready to come to our houses for Christmas?
I hope my family has a good Christmas. I have a calendar that has chocolate in it and counts until Christmas.
I love Christmas because I get to see all my family.
I hope there is snow when you come Santa.
Love Jessica Earl.

Dear Santa,
How are things at the North Pole? Are the reindeer getting ready for the flight this year? I'm really looking forward to getting together with my family, like my cousin and all my other members of my family. But all I want is for my dad to get better and for all my friends to get their wishes for them to have good dreams and for them to get pretty things and I hope Madison gets a new gluestick.
Love Mackenzie Lee Arsenault.

Dear Santa,
Santa, are the elves working hard on the toys?
Is Rudolph ready for Christmas?
I heard on TV there is going to be some snow. I hope I get some presents.
Love Eric.

Dear Santa,
How are things going at the North Pole? Are you setting up your tree?
I want a Scooby Doo pillow and a paching reciler that talks. May I have a XBox and a Sony Playstation Two please and a preastick tent and more boots?
Love Jeffrey

Dear Santa,
Is there any trouble at the North Pole?
Is Rudolph coming with you?
Please, may I have a key board and some dolls and a doll house and a toy cat and a toy dog and some new clothes and a new hat?
Love Abby Dumbrille

Dear Santa,
I want to give the homeless people a home, santa, but I don't want to give them my house, I just want them to have a home, that's all. And I want them to have clothes to wear so they don't get a first bite like our Amora who died.
Love Terran Hall

Dear Santa,
I might get a footboard.
How is it at the North Pole?
Are the elves doing their jobs? How are you doing at the North Pole? I will leave you some cookies and milk and the reindeer sugar.
From Travis.

Dear Santa,
How are you doing in the North Pole?
How are your helpers doing?
Are the elves working hard on the presents?
Love Tiffany

Dear Santa,
How are things going at the North Pole?
Are the elves doing good?
Love Tyler B.

Dear Santa,
How are you?
I hope you are not sick. Lots of people in my class are getting sick. Today Taylor is sick and Brent too.
For Christmas I want a Freddy Crooger claw and suspenders and two cowboy guns on a belt and also Freddy Crooger One and Four.
How are your elves doing? You probably make 10000 toys a year. I wish you luck. I hope you can deliver lots of toys.
From Tyler M.

Dear Santa
How is rudolph?
Are the elves working good? How is blishing? I only want to be with my family on Christmas.
From Casey.

Dear Santa,
I hope that the elves are working because all the children are going to want toys like yo-yos and trucks. They do know that they are at the stores, but they didn't have mine. They know that you are real, so please give them some. Make toys for them that would be nice.
Love Johnathan.

Dear Santa,
Are the elves working hard? I hope things are going good here and I am starting to get along with other people and I hope I was good for the year and I wish I can get presents and I hope my friends get presents too.
From Daniel Davidson

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Love Jessica Earl.

Dear Santa,
How is Rudolph doing Santa?
You are going to put him in the front. Is his nose still red? I am looking forward to seeing you. I wish that I get a caryoky for Chritmis. My family does not have a tree up, but we are going to get it up.
Love Melanie

Dear Santa,
Are the elves working harder at making toys for kids around the world?
I hope every kid gets toys.
Santa, please get everybody on the planet toys from the North Pole. I hope you have fun passing them out.
Love Shaina Lewis.

Dear Santa,
How are things going at the North Pole?
I will be in New Brunswick with my family for Christmas.
I would like a Polly Pocket and a big Kelly Doll.
I hope you have a good ride. Say "Hi" to Rudolph for me.
Merry Christmas.
Love Cheyanne.

Dear Santa,
How are things going at the North Pole?
I hope your elves are working good.
Christmas is about spending time with your family.
For Christmas, I would like a paint ball gun and some army men and a bablyed, please.
Love Cole.

Dear Santa
I hope Rudolph's nose is still glowing.
Are the reindeer feeling well?
I am Andre W. Kohnen. I live in Iroquois. I'm seven years old.
May I have a toy wooden Tomas the Tank engine set please?
Have a Merry Christmas.
Love Andre W.

Dear Santa,
How are you? Are the reindeer doing fine? I hope Rudolph's nose is still glowing. I am from Iroquois Public School. I have been a good girl. Do you remember me as a baby? Do you remember my mom and dad? Please can I have a T.V. Barbie. Thankyou Santa for the toys. Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.
Love Brittany

Dear Santa,
How are you and Mrs. Claus? I hope this letter finds you well. My name is Meghan. I am in Grade w. I live in Iroquois, For Christmas I would like a Mouse Trap Game abd some cheese. Thank you Santa. Have a safe journey.
Love Meghan Robinson

Dear Santa,
Are you feeling well? Are the reindeer feeling well? How is Mrs Claus doing? Can I please have a mini t.v. for Christmas. Can I please have a girl and boy dog for Christmas. May I please have a glass doll for Christmas. Merry Christmas Santa.
Love Kaitlynn

Dear Santa,
What is your favorite colour? My favorite colours are red and blue. My name is Damon. Please make it snow because I want to go crazy carpeting. Could you please bring me a remote control set that build things. Have a very Merry Christmas. **Love Damon**

Dear Santa,
How are your reindeer? Can I please have a robot, computer, x-ray machine, some books and an air hockey game. Have a Merry Christmas Santa.
Love Monika Carlsson

Dear Santa,
Is Rudollph doing good? I hope so. So if not he wouldn't get a cookie. Santa may I please have a Beybi Super Shock Dirt Bike, Lite Brite, Cubeoina a Bionicle. Thank you Santa.
Love Nicholas Lalonde

Dear Santa,
How are you? I am six years old. I would like a food maker for Christmas. Thank you Santa. Have a Merry Christmas.
Love Chelsea

Dear Santa,
How are you? How are the reindeer? Please can I have some new toys. Have a Merry Christmas!
Lots of Love Lucas

Season's Greetings



May your holiday spirits climb as the anticipation and excitement of the season mounts.

We hope you enjoy your holidays, and thank you all very kindly for your loyal support.

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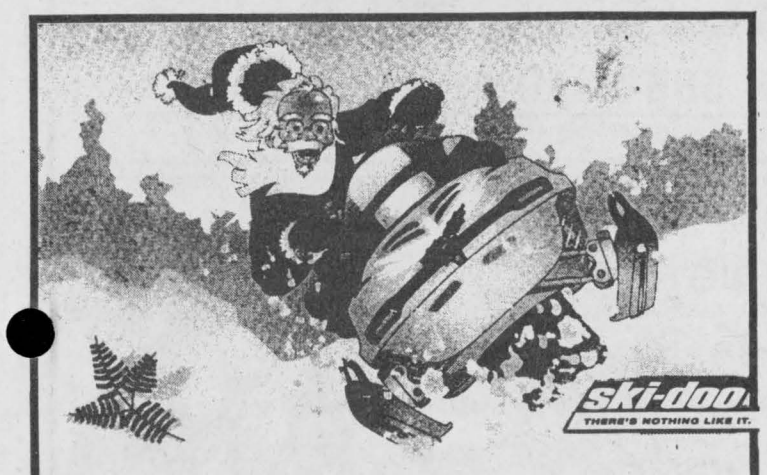

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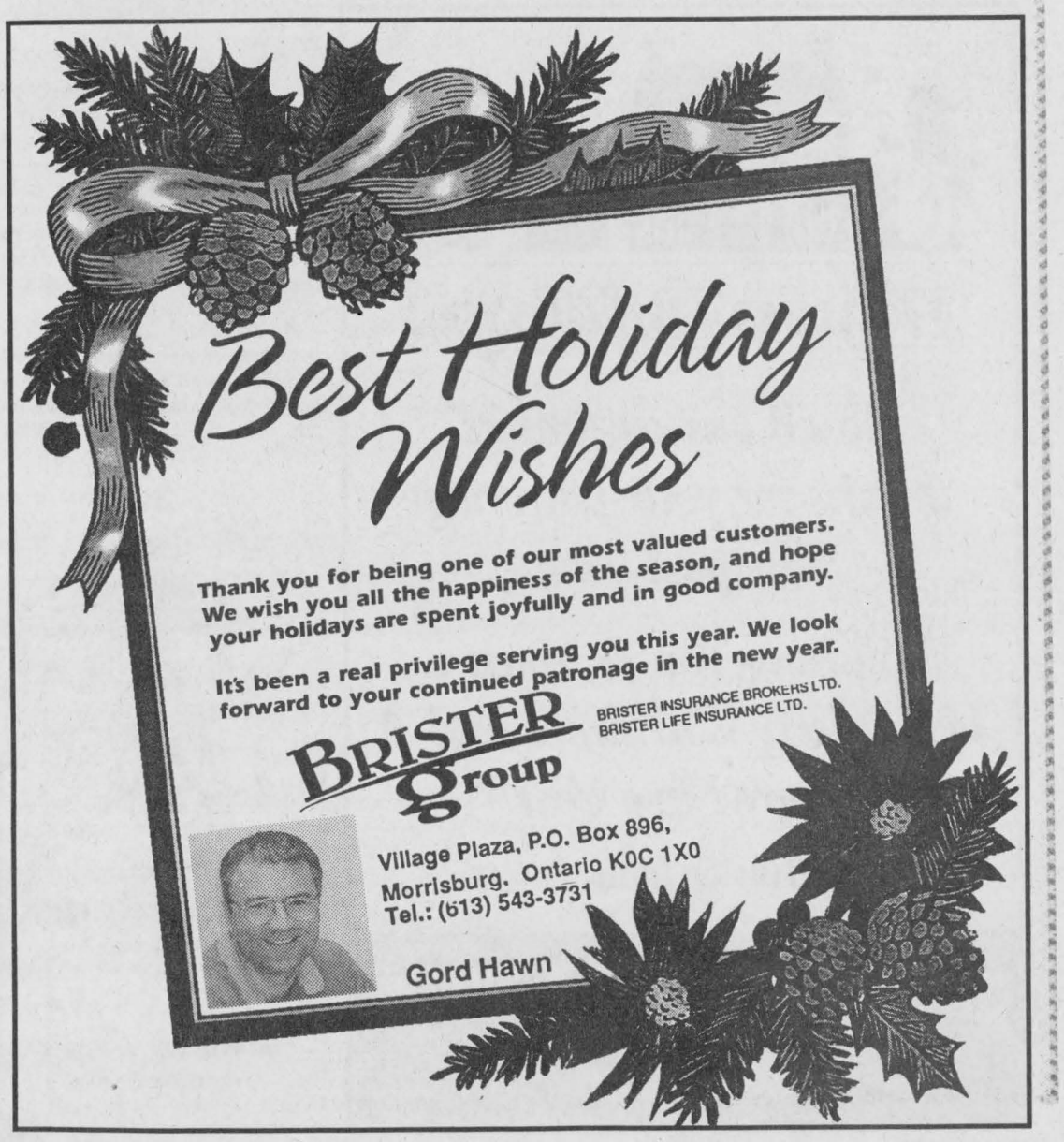

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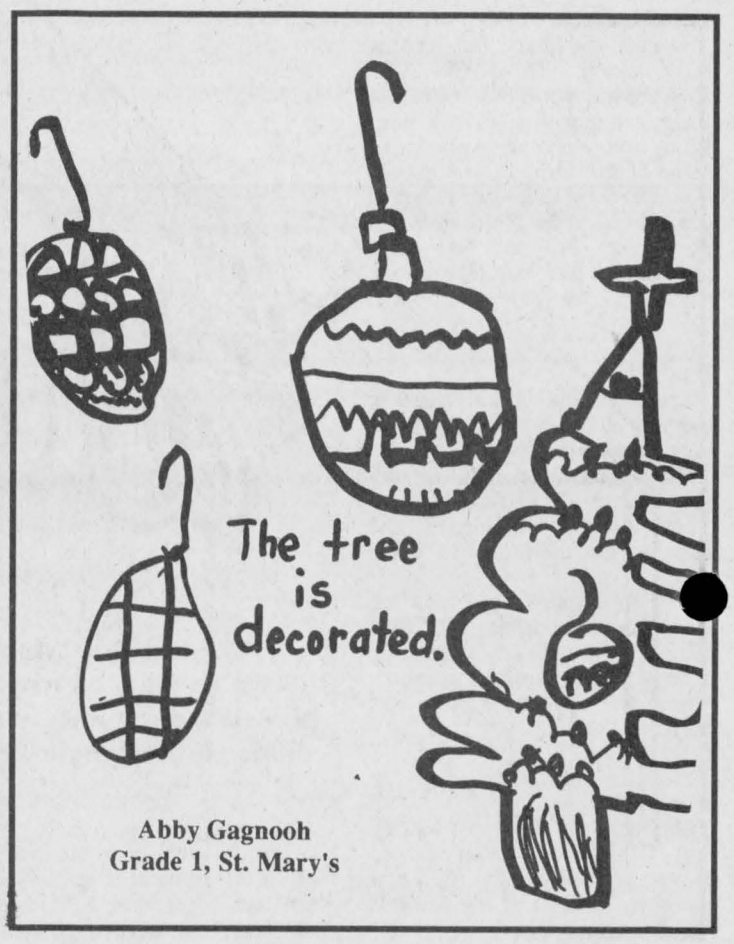
Spindle Santas
Creative ideas abound as staircase spindles are turned magically into Santas. This lady from the South Mountain area was at The Carman House earlier this year. They are great!
Chieftain Photo by S.L. Johnston



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Meal ideas from the Heart & Stroke

'Tis the season to indulge a little, and enjoy festive meals. For those other winter days when it seems too busy to cook, the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Canada's Health Check program has compiled a list of ingredients for simple nutritious meals. With these items in the kitchen, it's easy to turn out stir-fry dinners, pasta dishes, casseroles, soups, salads, and other creations in no time. Stock up on:

- a selection of pastas with an emphasis on whole grains, and Asian varieties such as rice noodles;
- a selection of rice, including brown, and a box of couscous;
- lentils, chickpeas and other legumes (canned is faster to prepare, just rinse before using);
- canned tomatoes and tomato sauce (reduced sodium);
- vegetable, chicken and beef stock (frozen homemade is ideal, low sodium is the next best thing);
- fresh and frozen fruits;
- a variety of sliced and washed fresh vegetables;
- lettuce or baby spinach (bagged salads save time) and salad makers such as soy nuts or canned mandarin oranges;
- frozen vegetables, such as chopped onions to save time;
- breads such as tortilla wraps and whole wheat crusty rolls;
- lower fat milk, yogurt, cheese;
- water-packed white tuna and canned salmon;
- plain frozen fish fillets such as sole, salmon, cod, halibut and haddock;
- plain chicken, pork or lean beef, which can be sliced into bite-size strips before storing in the freezer;
- favourite flavours such as herbs, lemon juice, salsa, bottled chopped garlic, fresh ginger, wine vinegar and olive oil; and
- eggs as a good protein source. They Ære simple to make and inexpensive.

"These are versatile foods that can be combined in a variety of ways," suggests Heart and Stroke Foundation nutritionist Carol Dombrow. Here are some other great ideas:

- Make homemade soup from stock, herbs and any vegetables in the fridge, and keeps a big pot on hand to heat up in the microwave on hectic nights.
- Another easy combination is lentils and rice. Stir sautI ed chopped onion and a little green pepper with a can of rinsed lentils and an equal amount of cooked rice. Heat to serve.
- Wraps are great to go. Start with a flour tortilla and add chicken or lean sliced meat, low fat cheese, cucumbers, and lettuce. Leave the meat behind for a great veggie sandwich.
- Try to build some meals around your favourite vegetables. Look for interesting and simple new ways to season and cook them, such as roasting.
- A new generation has discovered the value of the slow cooker. It is energy efficient, and ideal for making less expensive cuts of meat deliciously tender. It is also an excellent way to retain vegetables in their own juices. Take 15 minutes to chop in the morning, and come home to meals full of flavour.

Have a 'quick' section in your recipe binder or box for filing easy ideas. For everyday recipes using many of the above ingredients, Dombrow recommends Anne Lindsay's revised edition of Lighthearted Everyday Cooking, Fabulous Recipes for a Healthy Heart. It has the latest information on foods that help keep blood cholesterol at healthy levels, the background on fat and how to reduce it, how to snack and eat out with nutrition in mind, and tips for heart healthy shopping at the grocery store. And in the tradition of every Anne Lindsay cookbook, this edition has more delicious recipes for healthy eating. Here is one that is quicker than take-out.

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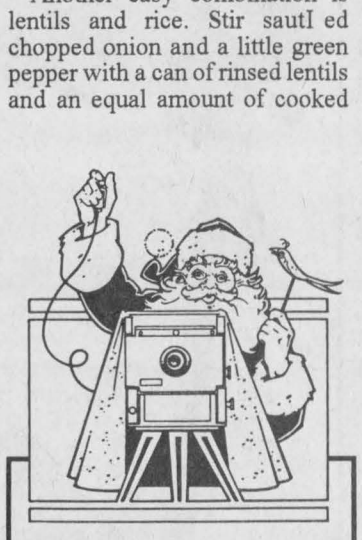

Smile... It's Christmas!
Wishing you a season filled with bright moments that develop into fond memories. We appreciate your support.
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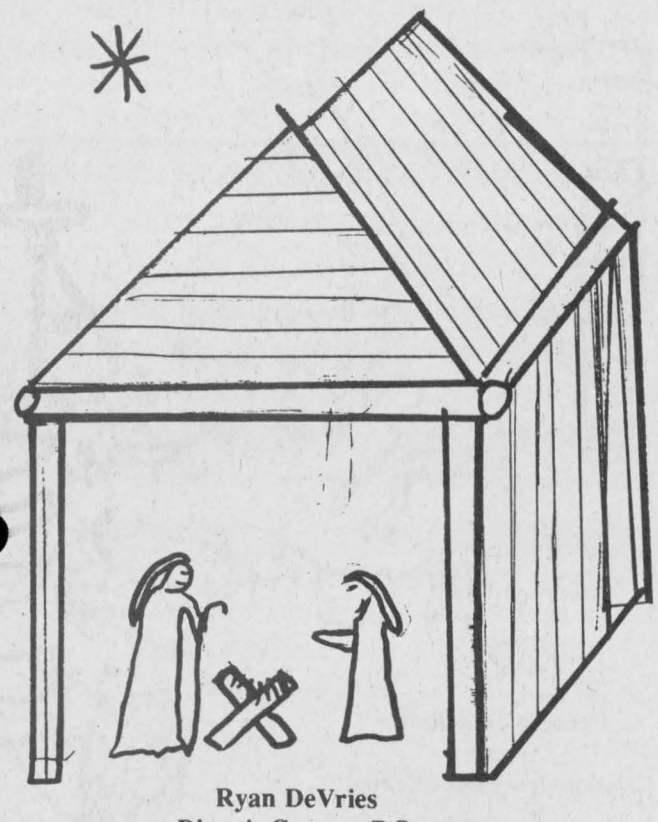

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Helping Out

Even Santa was willing to help the South Dundas Christmas Exchange this year. We caught him at the Bank of Montreal choosing some Angels from the tree...very few remain. A very Merry Christmas for youngsters not expecting much!



Terri Sypes
Grade 11

Christmas Pet-Proofing

As the holiday season gets off to a busy start, remember to keep your pets safe when decorating the house and Christmas tree. The International Fund for Animal Welfare provides the following tips for pet-proofing your holiday home.

Decorations

Many holiday plants such as mistletoe, poinsettias and holly are poisonous, so keep them out of reach. Holiday decorations such as angel hair (made from spun glass), artificial snow, ornament hooks and tinsel can cause serious internal injuries if swallowed. Even eating Scotch tape, pine needles, wrapping paper, ribbons and bows (which often have staples holding them together) can have serious ramifications.

Keep lit candles on a high surface away from pets. Candles also pose a special danger to birds!

The Christmas Tree

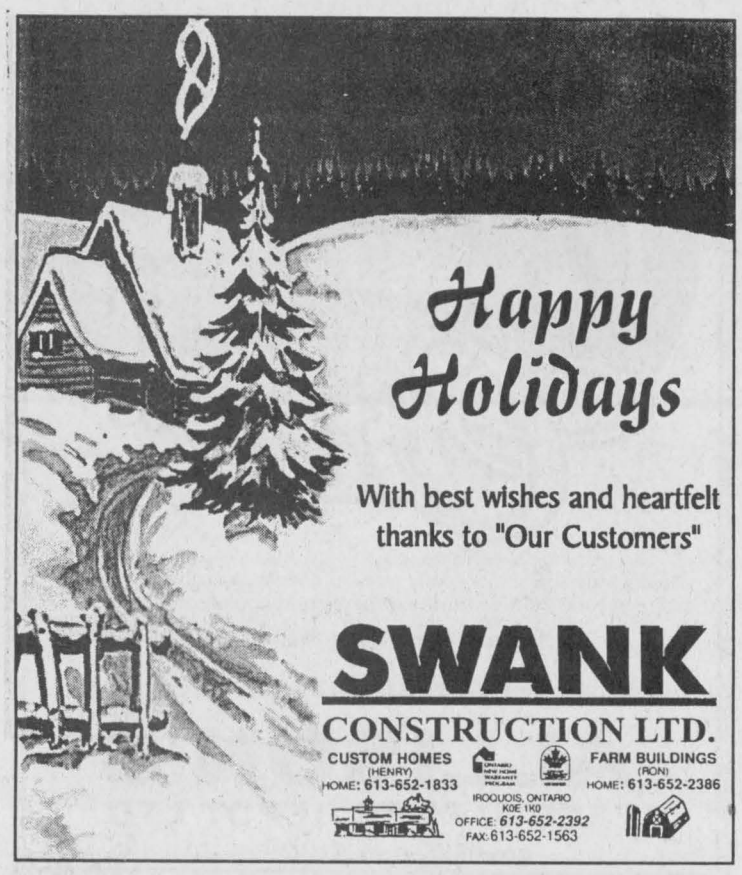
If you're not sure how your pet will react to a tree in the house, set it up undecorated and leave it for a day for curious animals to investigate. If they can't keep their paws off, place the tree in a room where a door can be closed. Alternatively, your tree can be anchored to the wall or ceiling.

Make sore animals don't drink the water under the tree as it may contain fertilizers, and can become a stagnant breeding ground for bacteria.

Keep all decorations high on the tree so animals won't be tempted to play with them. Try not to use any glass ornaments that could fall off, break, and result in glass shards in the paws! Keep any electric cords covered so they won't be chewed.

Edible gifts for your friends and family shouldn't be kept under the tree. This may provide too much temptation for animals that may become ill by nibbling too many treats or inappropriate food.

A little bit of planning will make it a safe and enjoyable holiday season for all. Happy holidays from the International Fund for Animal Welfare!



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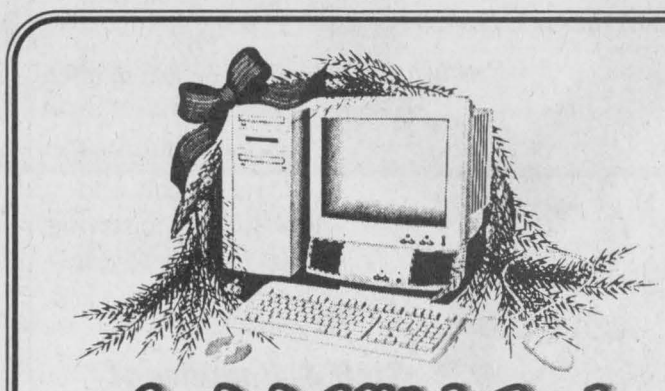

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Merry Christmas

May you experience the season, and all the joy, warmth and happiness it holds in store. Our warmest thoughts are with you on this holiday occasion, along with our thanks for your valued business.

Season's Greetings from the staff at
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To All Of You

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Greetings to All

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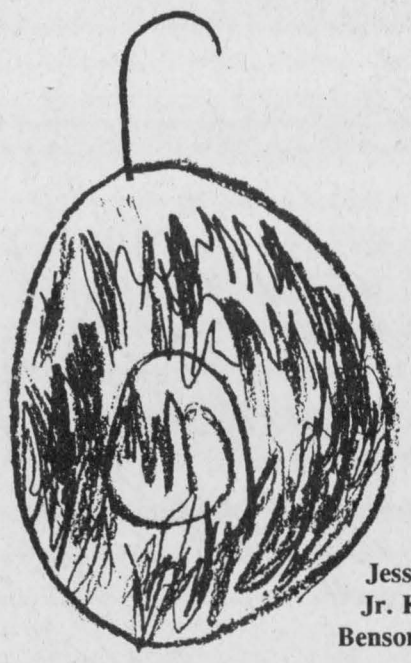


Jessie McKenna
Jr. Kindergarten
Benson Public School

CHRISTMAS PROSE

Chopping a Christmas Tree

One year my family chopped down a Christmas tree from an orchard. We had to tie it to the top of the van and we drove it home. We got home and noticed that the tree would not go through the door. My dad had to chop it down on the bottom, but it still would not fit in the door. When it finally fit in the door we used a stand to hold it up. The next day we started putting on decorations. When we finished putting on decorations we went to bed happy.

On Christmas day we opened our presents and played with then for about 2 hours. Then we noticed that there were little toys in the tree, a Buss Lightyear and Zurg, we were so surprised. We had some breakfast and we ate very fast because we wanted to play with our toys some more. We had lunch and I watched T.V. We had a very fancy Christmas dinner and after that we went to bed. It was a very special time.

Eric Kohnen
Grade 4
St. Mary

Jolly Holly

Here comes Santa Claus jolly
When he is under holly.
Coming down the chimney with a bag.
Downstairs the kids are playing tag.
The kids yell hurray and yay
Just to find out the presents are hay.

Nick Tupper
Grade 5
Iroquois P.S.

Elves

Elves make lots of toys
that they enjoy.
Some that are blue
Some made with glue.
Some are red
Some made in bed.
Some are yellow,
Some made with a fellow.
I like elves because they make toys, I don't care if they are blue, red, yellow, made with glue, in bed or with a fellow.
It's that they enjoy.

Emma Hanson.
Grade 5,
Iroquois P.S.

Favorite Christmas Memories

Hi, my name is Shenelle. These are my favorite Christmas memories. Let's start making decorations with flour and water. Take the dough out of the bowl and roll it. If the dough is too soft add more flour. If the dough is hard add more water. Put the ornaments in the oven to bake. Once they are baked decorate them with sparkles. Hang them on your tree.

I went to the store to buy my sister a Pooh Bear. She loves it. I am so happy she likes her Pooh Bear. I bought my mom a Christmas cup. I'm happy she likes it. She uses it for coffee. I bought my dad a box full of cookies. He ate them all. I'm so happy that dad likes his cookies./ I bought my uncle a happy face cup and the cup was 25 cents/ I bought more cups. He loves them. I bought my two cats a fake rat. They played with it, they loved it.

On Christmas Day my mon loves to cook. My dog loves to play in the snow at christmas. I love to play with my cats and puppies at Christmas.

Shanelle Liberty
Grade 4
St. Mary

The Biggest Present Ever!

Mom tonight is Christmas Eve. Tonight Santa Claus is coming. Taylor and I couldn't wait. You better go to bed early tonight kids said Mom. Yes I guess so said Brittany and Taylor. I love Christmas said everyone. Yes I like Angels, Santa Claus and his reindeers and when Mrs. Claus makes lots of cookies for Santa said Brittany and Taylor. Okay it is bed time kids you too Mom and Dad because you have to go asleep. Santa can't come until everyone's asleep. Night, night.

Mom can we go open our presents downstairs. Yes I think Santa must of came by now. Yes look at that BIG PRESENT. I can't wait to open it up, it is for both of us. I always wanted a Karyoki machine. Now I can learn the songs in no time for choir. My sister and I were so happy.

Brittany Barkley
Grade 5
Iroquois P.S.

The Snowman

Once upon a time there was a girl named Jane. She loved playing in the snow. The snow was packy. So she decided to make a snowman, that was taller than her. She went inside, and looked out the window and she thought of a name for it. She decided to call it Jack Frost because her dad post away and his name was Jack. So he is in heaven Jane was very sad that night so when the snowman was done she put warm clothes on it and she went to bed. When she woke up the snowman was alive, it was her dad's spirit coming out in the snowman. He stayed with her until Spring. She was kind of sad but one thing she remembered was that she will make Jack Frost next year.

Rebecca Ault
Grade 5
Iroquois P.S.

Dog Disaster

It was Christmas night and all through the house it was quiet except for one little dog. This dog was a wiener dog. The dog heard a click, click and a thump, thump. It was Santa Claus and he was sunging "Here comes Santa Claus, Here comes Santa Clause right down Santa Claus Lane." The dog went to investigate what that sound was. Meanwhile, Santa Claus was coming down the chimney and he squashed the little dog. Santa Claus gave the family a new dog and Santa was more careful from then on.

Nick Tupper
Grade 5
Iroquois P.S.

Mrs Claus's Cookies

Mrs. Claus was busy at work she had to bake cookies for Santa he had not had cookies for 1 day now. He forgot what cookies had tasted like. It was Christmas Eve and Santa was just going to leave when he had one of Mrs Claus's cookies he said that these are best that she had ever made. He asked how to make more before he got home.

Emma Hanson
Grade 5
Iroquois P.S.

Christmas Time

I can smell the cookies baking now.
I can hear the sound of Dad's snowplow.
The church bells ring on Christmas Eve.
Santa is ready to deliver presents and it is time for him to to leave.
I get together with my family on Christmas Day,
and everybody gets ready to say Merry Christmas and have a great day.

Sarah Speer
Grade 5
Iroquois P.S.

Christmas

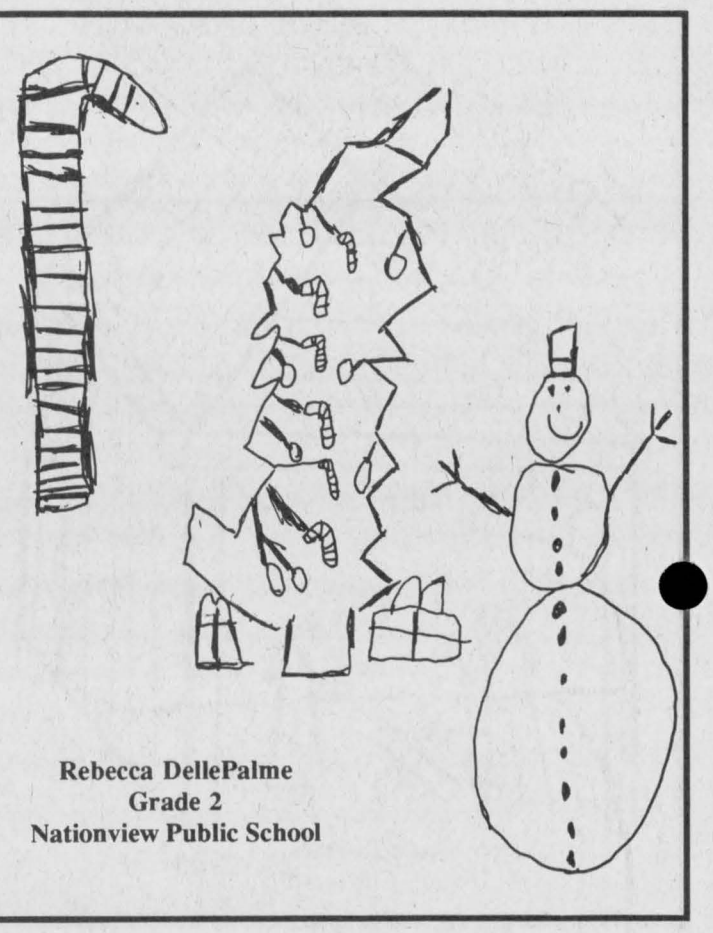
Christmas is the time of year when people get together and share their wonderful care. Christmas is when your family get together and pray for God's wonderful peace and love.
Christmas is the time of year when people celebrate Jesus' wonderful birth.

Melissa Tschoumy
Grade 5
Iroquois P.S.

My Memory

My mom and aunt take turns for Christmas brunch. My cousin comes from the United States and we play upstairs and then we come down to get some food. We watch the movie "Scrooge" and then we open presents. On Christmas morning my mom videotapes us opening presents. Then I play with my new toys. And my family comes to my Aunt's for Christmas. We watch the movie the Grinch. I like watching movies with my family. If we watch a movie we have popcorn.

Hanna VanMoorsel
Grade 3
St. Mary



Rebecca DellePalme
Grade 2
Nationview Public School

Christmas Greetings



As you gather with loved ones during the holidays, we wish you the best that the season has to offer.

We appreciate your loyal support, and look forward to serving you in the new year.

From
Staff & Families of
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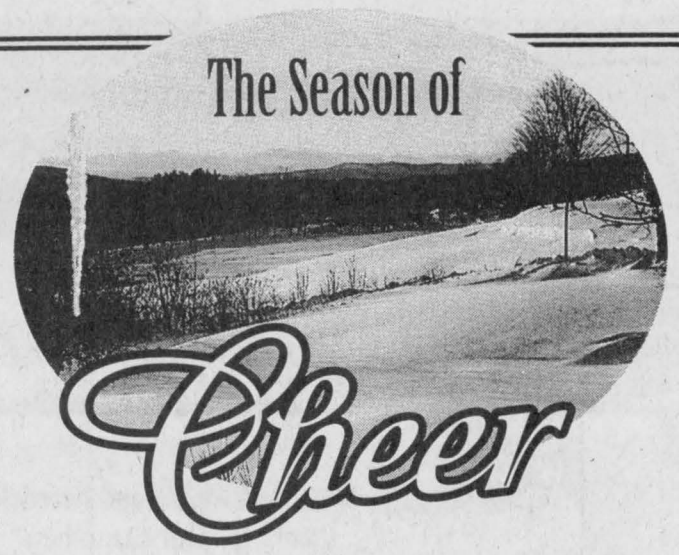

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When winter spreads its gentle mantle of white over the countryside, everyone warms with the spirit of this happiest of seasons.

Happy holidays to all!

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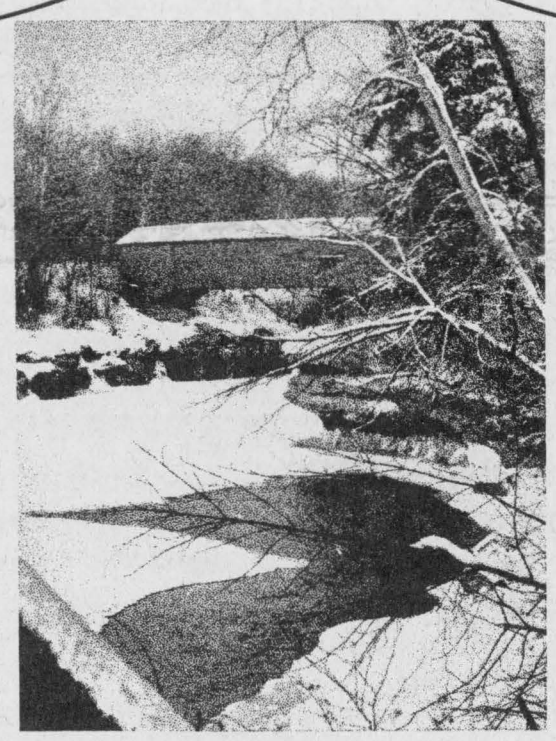

The holiday blossoms with good tidings.
May you know peace throughout the year.
Many thanks.

from the President and members of the Iroquois Royal Canadian Legion Branch 370



With Warm Holiday Greetings

May the cherished moments of this special time provide treasured memories for years to come.

From our staff,
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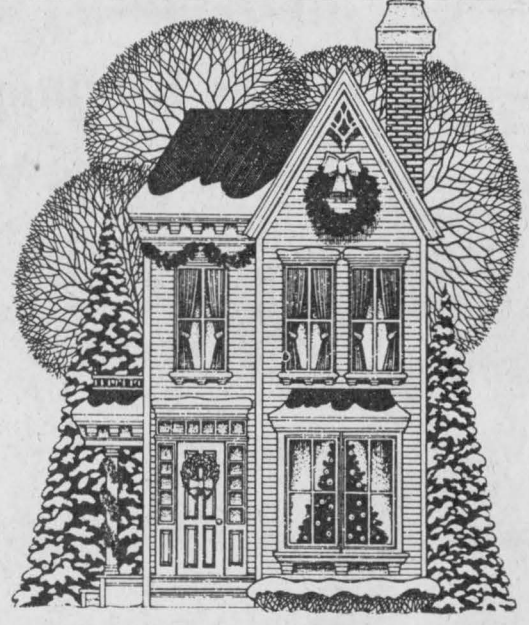

Wherever you may wander,
Wherever you may roam ...
When it comes to celebrating Christmas,
There's just no place like home!

Friends like you are always welcome. Thank you for visiting us this past year.

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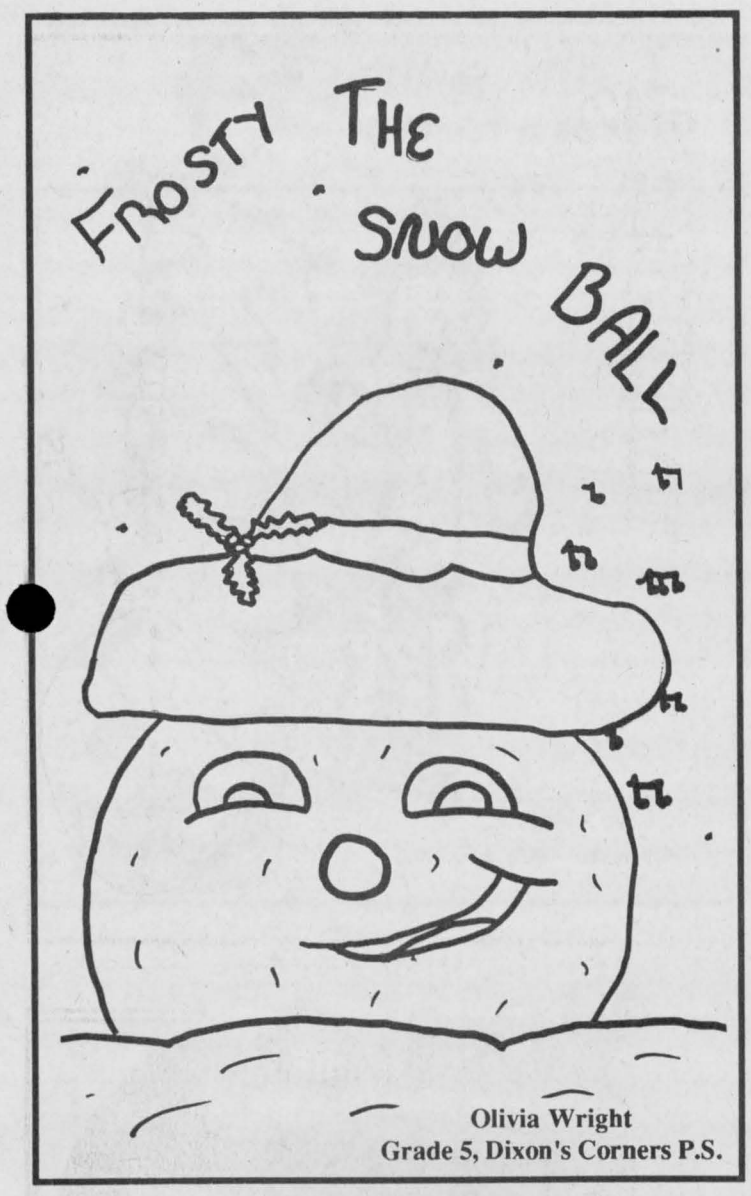

Olivia Wright
Grade 5, Dixon's Corners P.S.



Workers putting Santa on Tourist Booth
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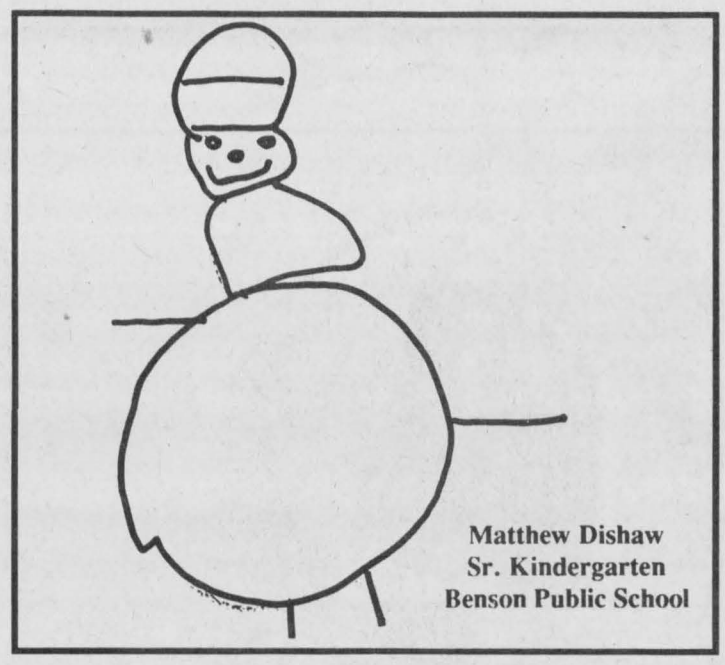

Matthew Dishaw
Sr. Kindergarten
Benson Public School

CHRISTMAS PROSE

Santa Claus's Cheeks
There's Elvis and Shania and Garth, but do you recall the most famous person of all Santa Claus the red cheeked person and if you ever saw them you would say they glow like Rudolph's nose.
Josh Tetley
Grade 5
Iroquois P.S.

Santa Claus
John was awakened by his dog,
And he screamed because
Santa did not drink his eggnog.
Then he was awakened by his dog, and found out it was a dream and Santa drank his eggnog.
Brandon McIntosh
Grade 5
Iroquois P.S.

Santa or Not
Santa Claus is here
He's standing right in my house
wait, it's just a mouse.
The Fired Elf
Santa fired the elf
Who broke Rudolph's hind leg
So he took his jet
Emergency
Santa's beard's on fire
He's running, running gone
Please call 9-1-1
Daryon Brown
Grade 5
Iroquois P.S.

Blessings
One blessing is to be loved
Two is to have a family
Three is to have friends
Four is to be here
And I can thank God for that.
Merry Christmas
Michelle Murphy
Grade 5
Iroquois P.S.

Riding My Sled
Riding on my sled
But not until after lunch
Hitting all the jumps
Now my back is full of bumps.
Jordan McCaslin
Grade 5
Iroquois P.S.

Sundblom Santa

Haddin Sundblom died in 1976 but the Company continues to display his Santa images in its holiday advertising and packaging.

"The Sundblom Santa is remarkable for several reasons, most notably because of the way Haddon Sundblom captured the essence of St. Nicholas," said Phil Mooney, archivist, "Sundblom created an enduring symbol, the spirit of Christmas which Coca-Cola shares with the world through its packaging and advertising."

Santa Claus, easily one of the world's most popular characters, also is one of the most mysterious.

We know he lives at the North Pole with Mrs. Claus and we know he and his elves load the sleigh each Christmas Eve for a marathon trip around the world, but little else is known about his past.

Some historians believe the legend started in the fourth century, when Nicholas, the first Bishop of Myra in Asia Minor (Turkey) became known for his kindness to children and for his help to the needy.

As recently as 65 years ago, Santa Claus literally was a character of many dimensions. In numerous artistic renditions, Santa has been depicted as everything from a pixie to a leprechaun, sometimes even a frightening gnome.

But, thanks in part to the Coca-Cola Company, the jolly fellow has an image that is well known and enduring around the world today...plump man in a red suit and white beard who travels by reindeer and slips into homes through the chimney each Christmas Eve.

It was in 1931 that the worldwide Company commissioned American artist Haddon Sundblom to transform Santa Claus into a totally human, merry gentleman with rosy, red cheeks and a handsome, white beard.

Popularly known as the "Sundblom Santas" the series of Santa Claus oil paintings were used for a number of special Christmas advertisements for Coca-Cola beginning in 1931 and carrying through the next six decades.



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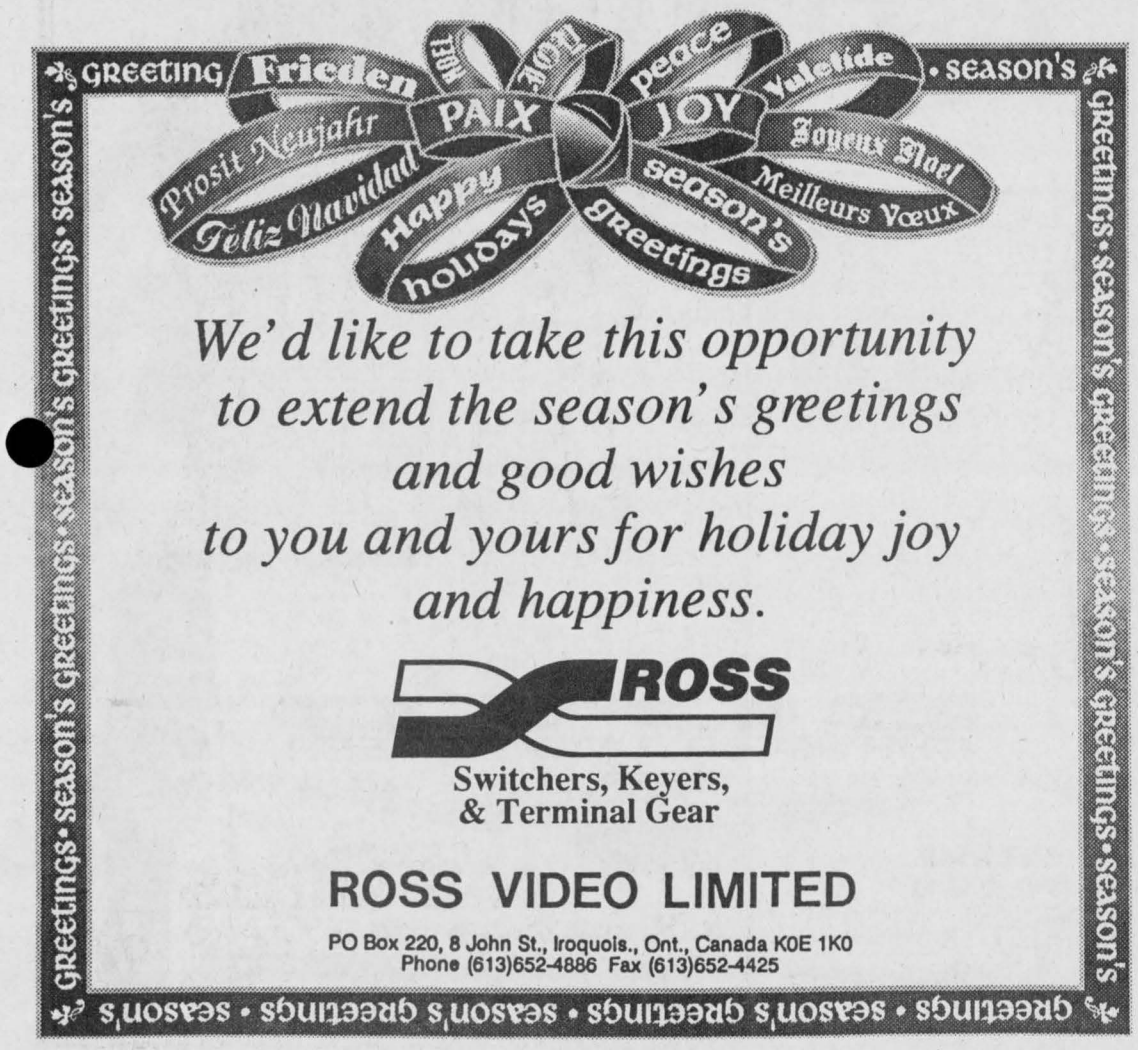

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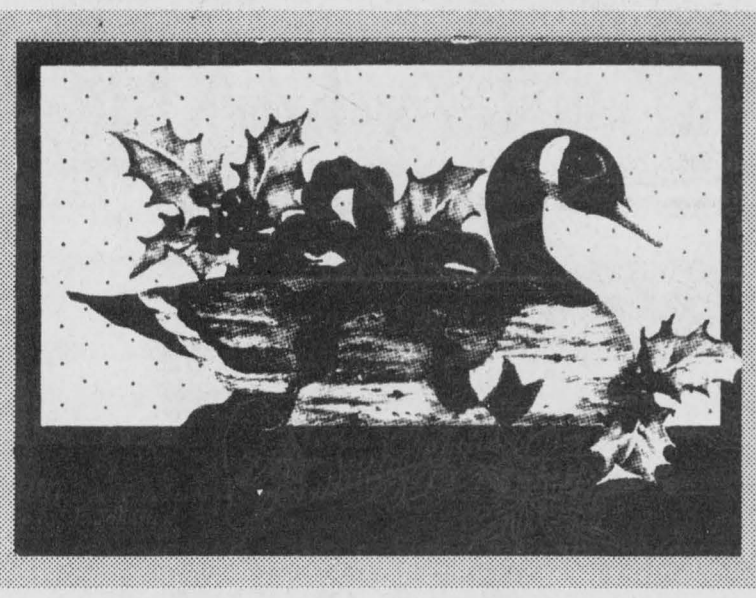

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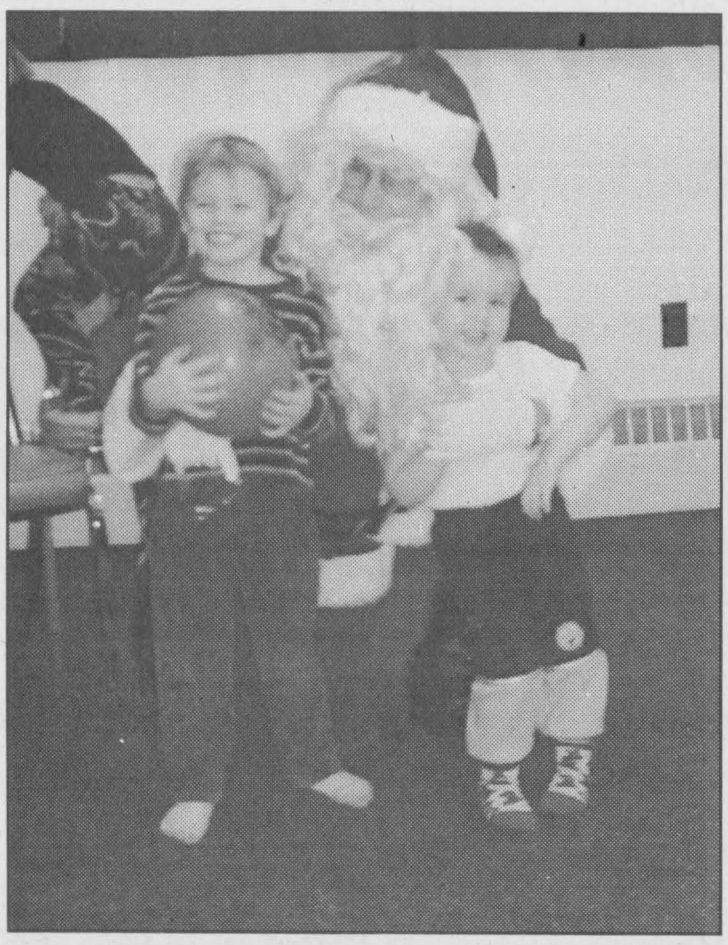


Santa in Cardinal

Tanner Toupin and Kyle Massey enjoyed meeting Santa. The jolly elf came out to listen to the youngsters after the Cardinal Girl Guides hosted a delicious breakfast at the Legion. Always popular, Santa was much anticipated!.

Chieftain Photo by S.L. Johnston

CHRISTMAS POEMS

Christmas
Santa Claus
On a special night
Santa took a flight
Santa has a fat cat
That lays on a fat mat

My Dog
I woke up at two
I cooked some stew
I saw a Christmas dog
Sitting on a log.

Rice
I made some rice
With mice
I saw Saint Nick
Doing a trick

Brittany Barkley
Grade 5
Iroquois P.S.

Mrs. Clause
Mrs. Clause is very nice
She makes cookies with sugar and spice,
Mrs. Clause sits in her old rocking chair,
Whenever Santa's in trouble she's always there.
Mrs. Clause is always happy
She makes cookies that are ginger snappy,
She read thechildren's letters,
She hopes they're not big betters.

Elyse Fournier
Grade 5
Iroquois P.S.



Elves
The elves made toys
For special girls and boys
Put the toys in a bag
That was not a rag.
One that was in the bag was a doll
It looked like she had been glued to a wall
She is very cute and tall
That she bought presents from the mall

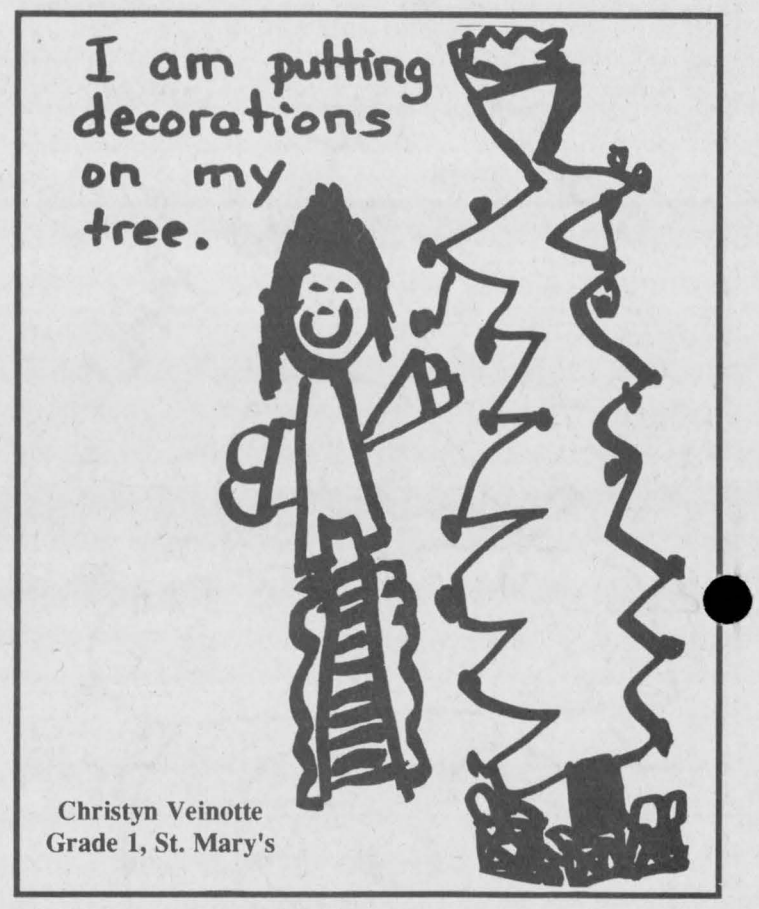
Rebecca Ault
Grade 5
Iroquois P.S.

Winter
Snowflakes are falling
Winter is coming soon
Bears and chipmunks run to hide, But dogs and wolves like to play. For now it is winter.
Children go and play,
But bears and chipmunks hide in trees and caves.
Winter is cold and wet, and summer is hot and fun.

Sloane Jarvis
Grade 5
Iroquois P.S.

Santa Claus
Snowflakes falling down
Santas tip toeing arond.
Girls you should be lying down
I don't want the other lids to hear all this sound.
I'll be coming back down
So don't give me a frown
It's now time tolay down.

Maisie Menges
Grade 5
Iroquois P.S.



Christyn Veinotte
Grade 1, St. Mary's

Lights at Christmas time

Lights have been a part of Christmas tradition for a very long time. For a thousand years, people in Europe lit candles in their churches and their homes to welcome the Christ child, the light of the World. Candles are still a popular decoration of the season, for mantel pieces, chandeliers, table centrepieces and they are used in many churches at evening services.

It is thought that Martin Luther was the first to decorate a tree with candles. According to legend, Luther was walking in the woods when he saw the stars in the sky twinkling between branches of the fir trees. he found the sight to be so beautiful that he wanted to recreate it for his children. He placed small lighted tapers on a tree and a tradition was born.

The danger of fire prompted the invention of electric Christmas lights just three years after Thomas Edison invented the light bulb in 1882. The original bulbs for christmas were simply smaller v versions of household light bulbs. Before 1920 they were ball-shaped and coloured. A tree lights became less expensive, they became more common and they took on many shapes and forms. In the 1920s lights in the shape of birds, flowers and fruit were popular. in the 1930s, miniature bulbs and bulbs that flashed became fashionable.

Then came bubble light! From the mid 1940s right through the 1950s, bubble lights gained popularity unprecedented in the history of Christmas lighting. Noma Electric of New York marketed these lights in 1945 and within a few years there were nearly 30 different types of bubble lights on the market. For those who do not know what bubble lights are...they have three parts, (1) a light bulb at the base (2) a sealed glass vial partially filled with methylene chloride sitting over the bulb and (3) an unbreakable plastic base housing the bulb. The heat from the bulb causes the methylene chloride to boil, producing bubbling action. Some bubble lights are still manufactured today, but they really can't compete with those of yesteryear.

Now the nod goes to icicle lights that can be hung and draped along eaves troughs and garage doors, and the rope lights that are used to outline features of the home are a great way to easily decorate the yard.

While many families today create small competitions among themselves to see who on a block can outdo the neighbours as far as colours or design of display are concerned. Whole neighbourhoods hold decorating parties where entire families get together with neighbours to string lights, hang wreaths and set up creches. In the evening they all turn on their lights at the same time.

Christmas comes but once a year

For many of us of the christian faith, no holiday throughout the year is anticipated with more joy and delight than Christmas. There is a wealth of customs and traditions associated with the Christmas season, but above all, it is a time to appreciate the love of family and friends. It is a time to give and receive, a time of inspiration and hope, of peace on earth and good will towards men.

There are two things about this season that seem steadfast: the first being no matter how early you begin to prepare, there are always last minute things to do and you get the feeling that there is never enough time. The second is the time and effort you put into buying gifts, trimming the tree and all the other activities associated with this time of celebration are worth every minute because these are what precious memories are made of.



Merry Christmas from
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Best Wishes at Holiday Time

'Tis the time of year,
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To spend with those dear,
To be of good cheer,
And express our appreciation,
Before starting the celebration!

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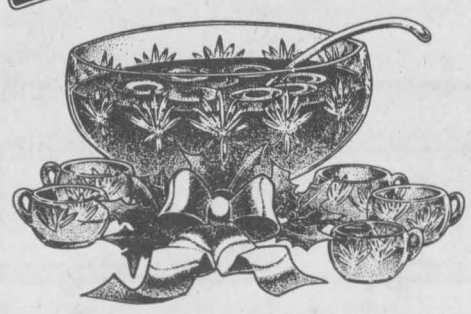
Yuletide Cheer



Here's to a sparkling holdiay with family and friends!
You've given us so much to celebrate this year.
Merry Christmas & A Happy New Year
from Jeff Dukelow & Staff
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LET IT SNOW...!
LET IT SNOW...!
LET IT SNOW...!

Hope you receive a blizzard of happiness and a pile-up of good cheer this holiday season.

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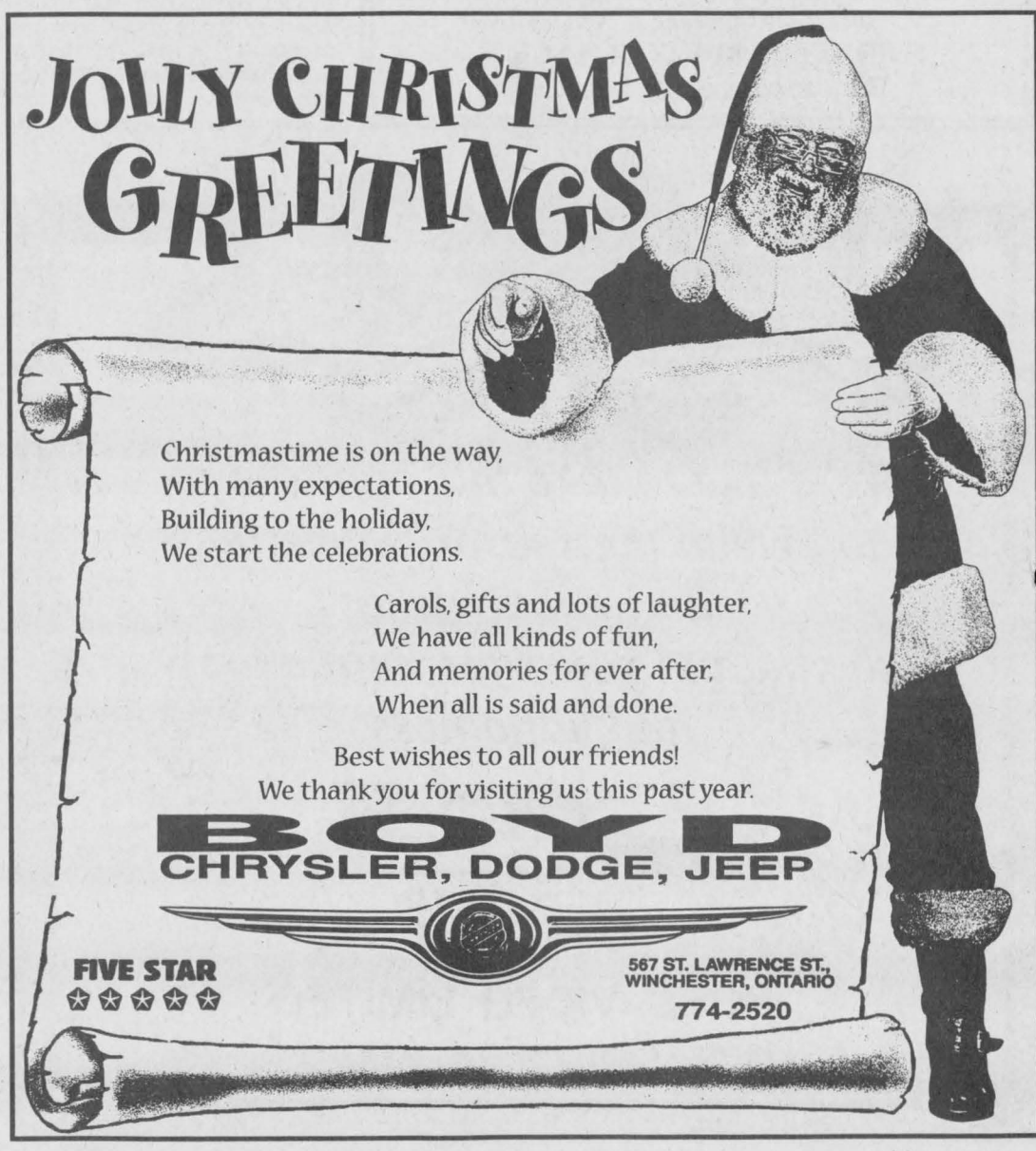

Christmastime is on the way,
With many expectations,
Building to the holiday,
We start the celebrations.

Carols, gifts and lots of laughter,
We have all kinds of fun,
And memories for ever after,
When all is said and done.

Best wishes to all our friends!
We thank you for visiting us this past year.

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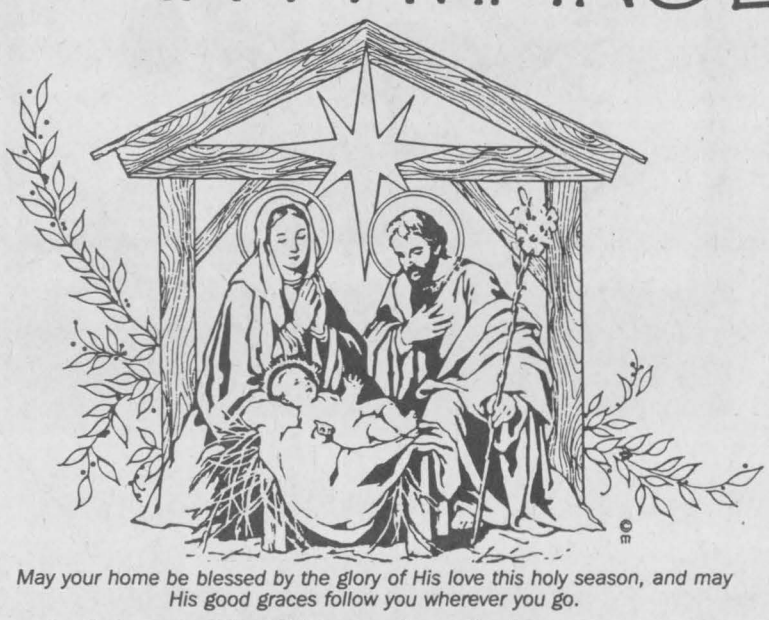

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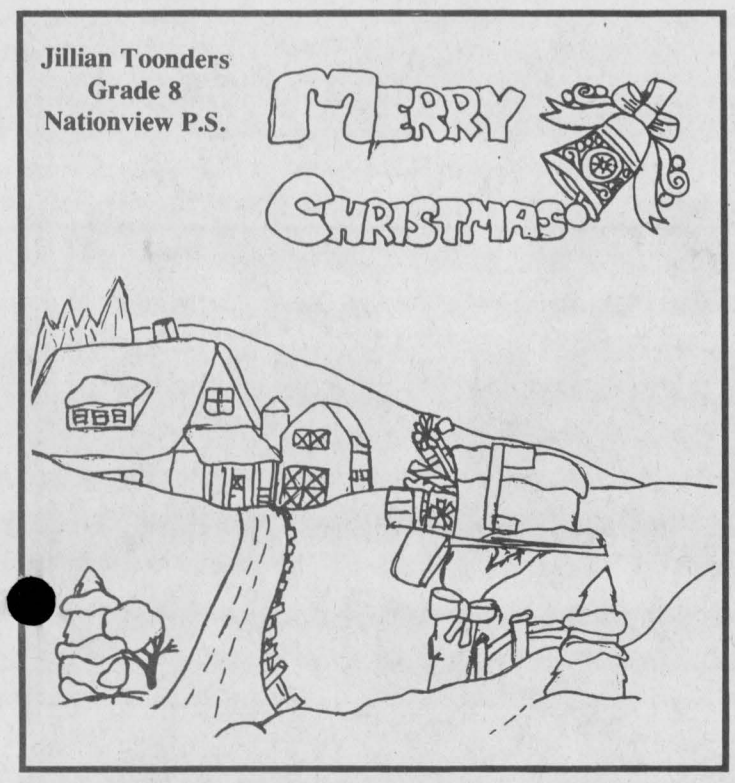


Advent countdown

The fourth Sunday before Christmas marks the beginning of Advent. For most families, this is the beginning of the Christmas season.

In some families the season actually starts the Sunday before Advent on what is referred to as "Stir-Up" Sunday. This was the days set asisde for making the mincemeat and the Christmas puddings and cake. The name stir-up comes from the collect for that day in the Anglican Church Book of Common Prayer: "Stir-Up, we beseech thee, O Lord, the wills of thy faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may of thee be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord."

On this weekend, as these foods are being prepared, every person who came into the house would stir each pot three times, once each in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost. It was a quaint old practice with practical home pleasures. A tradition well worth passing to your children and keeping alive.

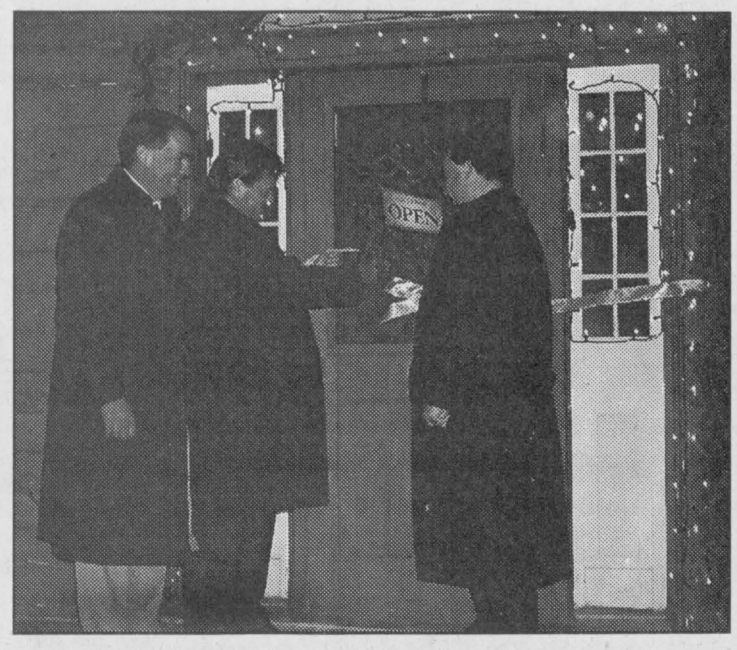
During the four weeks of Advent, the first period of preparation for Christ's coming, many celebrate with services and devotions at church and at home. There are a number of traditions at Advent time that have come from Europe to North America.

The circular shape of an Advent wreath symbolizes God's eternal love and the candles symbolize Christ as the light of the world. The traditional wreath has five candles: four are purple denoting royalty and one, the Christ candle which is lit December 24 is white signifying purity. In Europe, Advent wreaths were suspended from ceilings and candles were lit one by one on each of the four Sundays before Christmas. The Advent wreath brought to North America by early settlers is still popular but usually is laid flat on a table or mantle.

The Advent Calendar, a German custom, takes many forms. Sometimes it is a picture of a Christmas scene with numbered windows; one is opened each day to reveal a smaller scene or a line of scripture or a special treat. Popular with youngsters the ones with a delicious piece of chocolate or a tiny gift hidden behind each window. Some people create their own Advent Calendars with a special item behind each window that means something to the child who opens it each day.

The first day of Advent is always a cause for celebration and an excuse for a special meal. Some families create their own traditions and this is a great one.-..each person gets to choose something for the meal that they especially want. This makes a strange but delightful for each person meal.

For those who take their dessert seriously, you may recall the rule about cleaning up your dinner plate before ever being allowed to dig into the dessert portion of the meal...a very persuasive method getting youngsters to eat their veggies!



Alight at Night

Fresh baked bread is available at UCV this winter as "Alight at Night" returns for 2002/03. Here the Ministry of Tourism and Recreation Frank Klees cuts the ribbon to officially open things. Gord Brown, Chair of the Parks of The St. Lawrence helps.

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Peace On Earth

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Greens rich in History

Decorating with fresh greens is one of the easiest ways to bring a bit of Christmas season indoors. The fragrant scent of evergreen boughs or a herb wreath, the simple beauty of a mantle topped with several sprays of pine tied with a festive tartan plaid ribbon, or the striking contrast of colors when holly garnishes a bowl of bright oranges and apples, are natural complements to virtually every holiday decorating style.

Houses have been decorated with holly for centuries. According to pagan lore, plants that retained their leaves all year had magical properties. Consequently, these greens were displayed to ward off evil spirits.

The Christians, however, believed that holly had sprung up under Jesus' footsteps as he preached in the Holy Land, and in the bright red holly berries, they found a symbol of Christ's blood and suffering.

In medieval England, where holly and ivy came to be known as Christmas greens, it was said that the first person to bring holly into the house would rule the home in the coming year. Evergreens were considered a symbol of eternal life, and pine and fir boughs were thought to bring good luck and fertility.

In Victorian homes, 'welcome rings'-- wreaths of holly, pine cones and ribbon-- were often hung on the front door. The combination of the holly, which was associated with masculinity and ivy, representing femininity, was a means of evoking fertility for the whole household.

The Victorians also instituted the holiday tradition of mistletoe kissing balls, which were based on an ancient Roman custom: When opposing warriors met beneath mistletoe, they put down their arms, kissed, and declared a truce for the rest of the day.

In American homes, garlands of pine intertwined along banisters, draped around doorways and chandeliers, and perched atop mantles, were a part of holiday decorating long before Christmas trees were a standard feature of the season.



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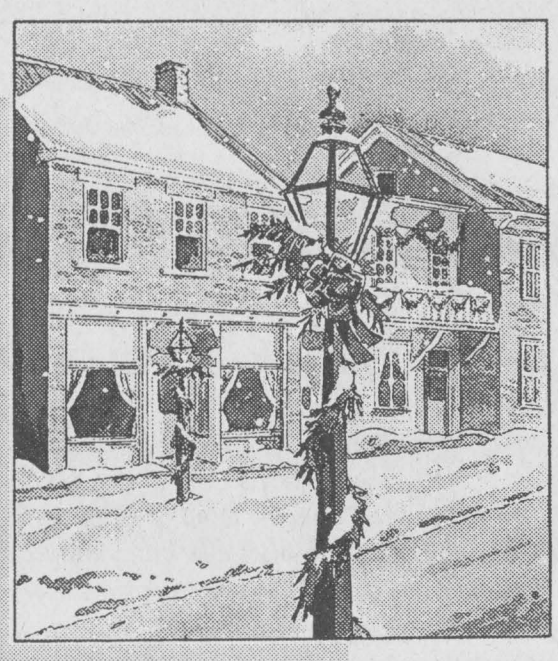

Our warmest holiday wishes go out to you and yours during this special time of year.

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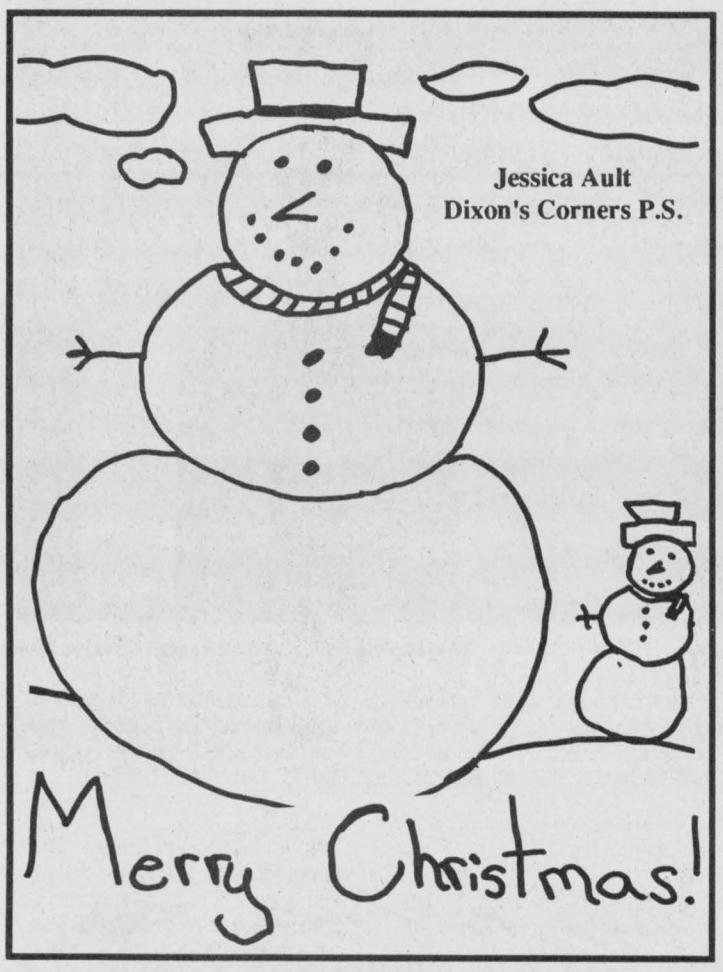

CREATIVE CHRISTMAS

Dear Santa,
How are you? Are the reindeer feeling well? I hope Rudolph's nose is still glowing! We are Grade 1-2 from Iroquois Public School. We have been good students. Could we have some new computer games,pencils, glue-sticks and more books to read? Mrs Mac needs a new chalk-holder and some new fairy-dust for her wand, it's running low! Thank-you and Merry Christmas Santa.

Love Grade 1-2

Santa Clause
He yelled, "Santa Clause."
No autographs please
He yelled "I am cool."
Mike McKee
Grade 5
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The Christmas Tree
Travis yelled "Yippee!"
And we had a huge green tree
He yelled, "That is coal."
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You opened this present
And it was for you.
You didn't see anything
But it was my love from me to you
Kyle Barkley
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Santa Claus came threw the roof
And I heard the reindeer's hoof.
He said it hurts
I said do you want any desserts?
He replied no
I said good night ho ho.
Cody L.
Grade 5
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Christmas Day!
On the twenty fifth
I got a lot of presents
It was very fun!
Christmas Eve
On a special night
I saw a man named Santa
He gave me presents
Hanukkah
On Hanukkah I
had fun with mom and dad
It was cool to play!
Kierra Bellinger
Grade 5
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On December 25 Santa came to town to bring me toys to share all around. I sometimes share with me brothers and sometimes I share with others, depending on what the gift may be I might just keep the gift for me.
Randy Froats
Grade 5
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Santa is coming to town
He is bringing a clown.
the elves are loading Santa's bag, and Santa hurt his leg.
Alex McLaughlin
Grade 5
Iroquois P.S.

Jesus
One year at Christmas time a special baby was born. Baby Jesus was the name, the Son of God. Jesus was kind and generous and healed those whom need healing. Jesus was known to many people but he also had enemies. Those enemies did not want him on earth so they nailed him to a cross with two robbers. Once he had died they put him in a cave and put a rock by the door. But when they went to check it Jesus was gone! So Jesus lived forever.
Samantha Wilson,
Grade 5
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Christmas Skiing
Riding on skis, hitting trees
Choking through the frosty air
Hitting Santa Claus here and there.
Then after me Santa Claus on one ski
He said hope you hit a tree,
Going down the hill I turned
Then the big guy got burned.
Then I went off a jump, so did the guy on fire,
Then he ran into a big black tire.
Kyle Saunders
Grade 5
Iroquois P.S.

Christmas Tree
That Christmas tree
Belongs to me
I can't believe
It belongs to me.
My Cat
I woke up at three
What did I see?
I saw my cat
Wearing a Christmas hat.
Amber Ault
Grade 5
Iroquois P.S.

Let It Snow!





Santa checks one of his decorative reindeer
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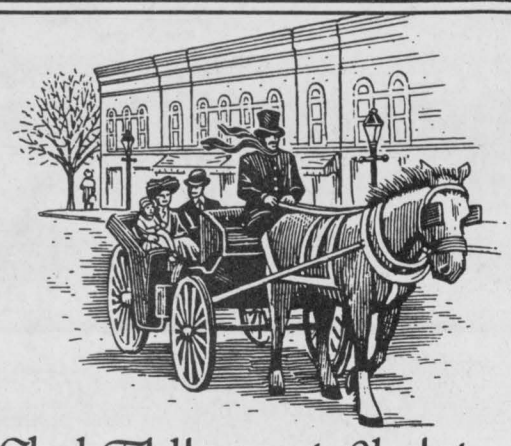

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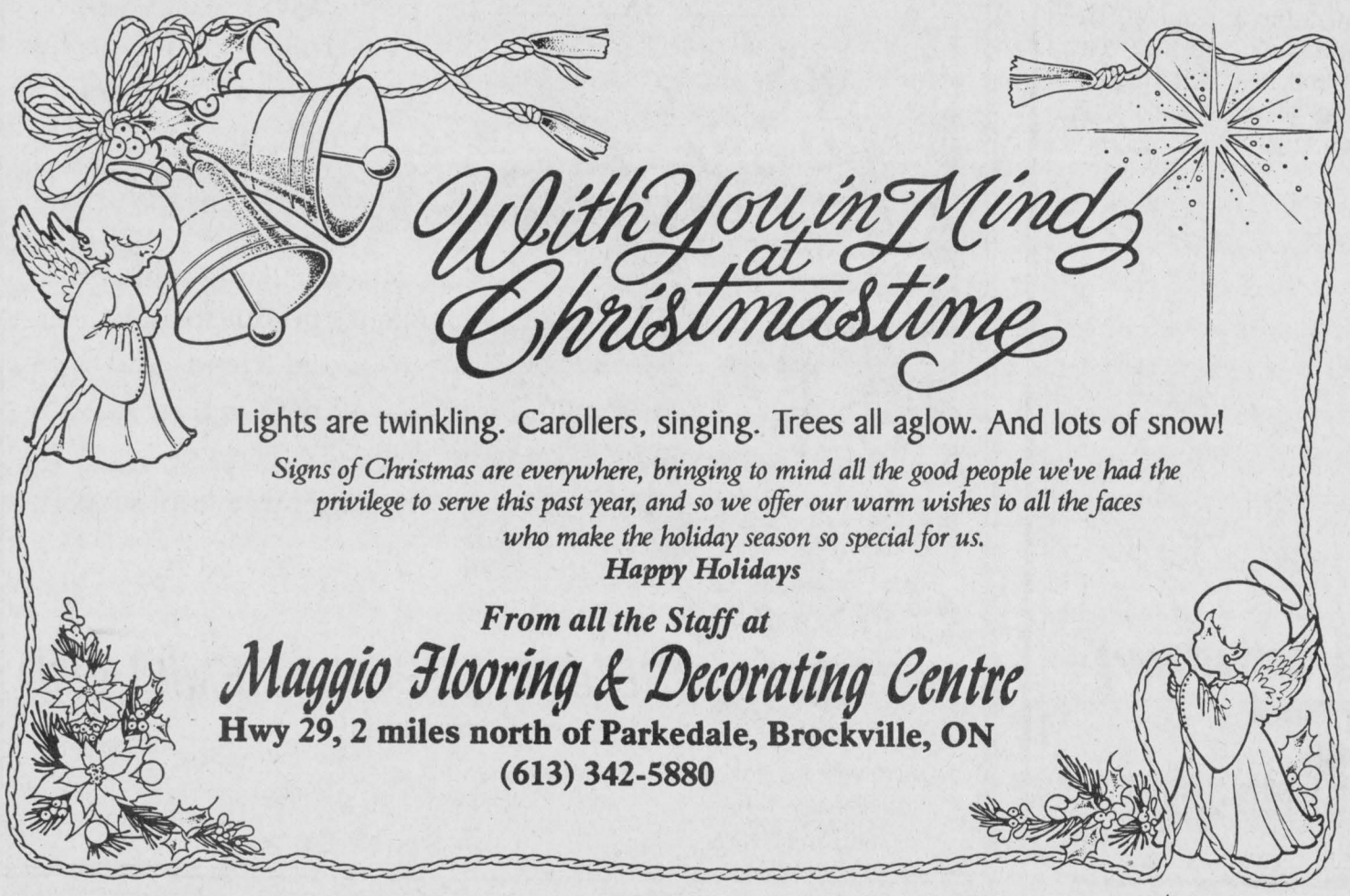

With You in Mind at Christmastime
Lights are twinkling. Carollers, singing. Trees all aglow. And lots of snow!
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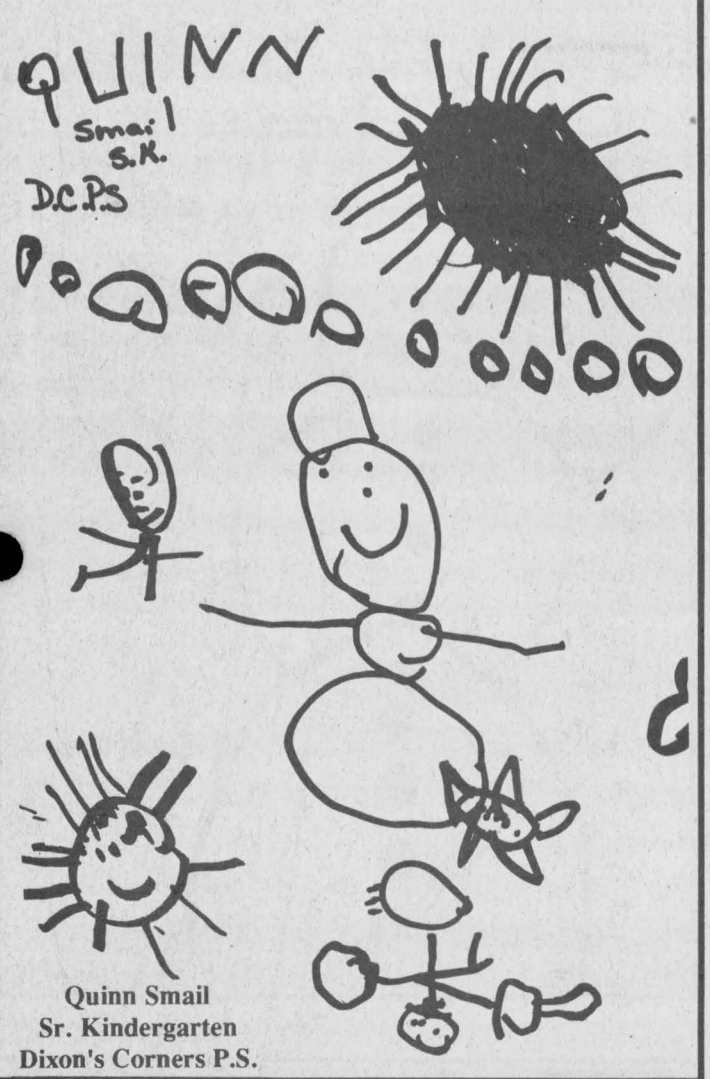

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Smart shopping tips for this special time of year!

Every December, Canadians head off to buy the perfect gifts for family and friends. The only problem-those so-called perfect gifts can sometimes stretch the budget. Finding a happy balance between overspending and enjoying the pleasure of buying presents for loved ones is critical to making it through the holiday season.

So how do you buy for everyone on your list and still have money left for New Year's Eve? The answer lies in developing a holiday budget and sticking to it. According to Walt Macnee president of MasterCard Canada, "When you're making your gift list, you should be drawing up a gift budget too. By making gift buying decisions before you go into the store, you can avoid impulse buys that may end up costing more that you want to spend."

To help you out with your holiday budget, MasterCard Canada offers these additional tips for shopping smart during the festive season.

1. Be sale savvy. Just because something is marked "on sale" doesn't necessarily mean you're getting a good price. Compare prices so you know whether you're truly getting a deal.
2. Read the fine print. Review special offers and delayed financing deals carefully. You may be committing to major obligations and high interest penalties down the road.
3. Be shopping smart. If you're buying online, make sure you're dealing with a reputable vendor before providing any credit card or personal information. Before buying confirm details such as gift wrapping costs, delivery deadlines, and whether you'll need to pay shipping costs if returning an item. Save your receipts and confirmations from online merchants until the merchandise has been received and checked thoroughly.
4. Use a credit card where appropriate. A credit card can be a valuable shopping tool during the holiday season to handle a variety of expenses, but only when you use it responsibly. Credit cards have built-in buyer protection and allow you to track your holiday spending to the penny. Try to pay off all outstanding balances on credit cards before you start your holiday shopping so that you don't add extra spending on top of existing obligations.
5. Warranties, exchanges and returns. Be sure to ask each store what their return/exchange policy and warranty is before making a purchase-and make sure you have both in writing. Customers should be able to exchange or return a gift within 30 days after Christmas, not 30 days from the day it was purchased. Credit cards also offer additional protection not available on purchases made with cash or cheque, and if you find an error on your credit card statement, you can withhold payment on the disputed charge until the matter is settled.
6. Pay regular bills early. Holiday season expenditures come on top of all our day-to-day obligations and bills. Pay household bills and other monthly expenses early so that you know how much you really have left for holiday season expenses.
7. Kris Kringle. Rather than buying individual gifts for family or friends, why not exchange names and set a limit on how much to spend? The pressure of buying for several people at once is eliminated and a lower price point means you can let your creative juices flow.
8. Group gifts. Found the perfect gift for that someone special on your list but painfully aware it's out of your price range? Why not pool money with other family members and turn a great gift idea into an affordable gift.
9. The perfect gift. Still stuck on what to buy that special someone? Why not consider buying a gift certificate to their favorite store or restaurant? Encourage them to enjoy a leisurely shopping trip or great meal out after the hustle and bustle of the holidays.
10. Keep your receipts. Always keep your sales receipts so you can monitor your spending and make sure it's in line with your holiday budget, and so you can compare it to your credit card statement. Ask for a gift receipt to be included with each purchase in case family or friends need to exchange your purchase.



Ghost of Christmas Present

Ebenezer Scrooge (John Weir), is shown victims of hunger and homelessness by the Ghost of Christmas Present (Sheldon Davis) in the U.C.P. presentation of the Dicken's tale..A Christmas Carol. An interesting mix of story and song, this was a seasonal success..

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Hope The Season's A Real Beauty!



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Decorations for the Yuletide Season

One of the loveliest Christmas decorations is the "Poinsettias"...this plant has tiny flowers surrounded by large flower-like upper leaves which turn brilliant red or less commonly pink or white in the winter months. With the striking contrast between red and green leaves, this rivals the holly as one of the most popular Christmas plants.

Native to Mexico, the Poinsettia was first brought to America ion 1828 by Joel Roberts Poinsettia, a botanist and the first American ambassador to Mexico. By the early 1830s, the Poinsettias were being grown in Charleston, North Carolina (Pionsett's home) and by other botanist friends in Philadelphia. By the early 1900s flower growers in California had developed the potted Christmas Poinsettia.

A lovely legend in Mexico tells of Pablo, a poor young Mexican boy who picked a branch of the plant to bring to Jesus at the shrine of the nativity. When Pablo placed the plant on the alter the leaves miraculously turned brilliant red and his gift was transformed into a beautiful flower.

At This Time Of Year...



Thoughts turn to loved ones, both past and present. Of happy childhood memories. Unwrapping toys, helping with the baking and licking the bowl. Remembering always their kindness and love. Sweet times gone by.

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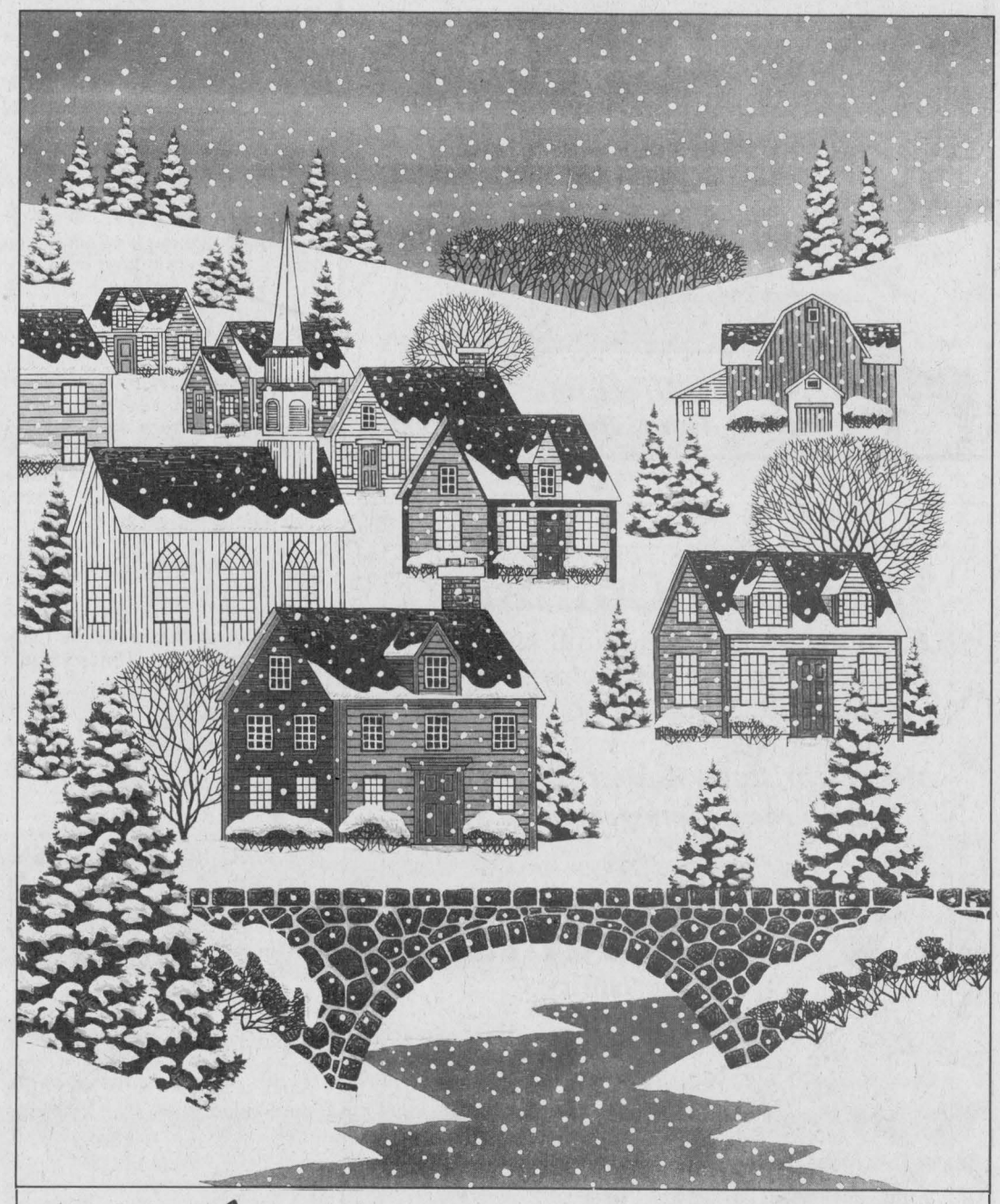

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It's Christmas everywhere!

Our heartfelt thanks to all our friends,
Whether far or near.
We wish you Merry Christmas,
And a wonderful new year!



An Antique French Sleigh From UCV

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CHRISTMAS RECIPES

Christmas Fruit Cake
2 cups dried pears
4 cups water
1 cup dried apricots
2 cups water
3 cups whole wheat pastry flour
1/2 tsp salt
1/4 cup soya oil
1 cup walnuts, roasted and chopped
1 tsp vanilla
Rind one orange
Orange juice

Preheat the oven to 350 F. and oil a 9x5 inch loaf pan. Place pears in 4 cups water in saucepan.. Cover, simmer for 30 minutes then puree. Place apricots and 2 cups water in a saucepan. Cover simmer for 30 minutes then chop. Combine flour and salt. Mix the oil into the flour by hand. Add the pear puree, chopped apricots, walnuts, vanilla and orange rind to the flour mixture and mix enough orange juice to make a moist batter. Pour into an oiled pan and bake for 2 - 2 1/2 hours. The cake will keep well in the refrigerator, or the freezer. Wrap in foil or plastic wrap.

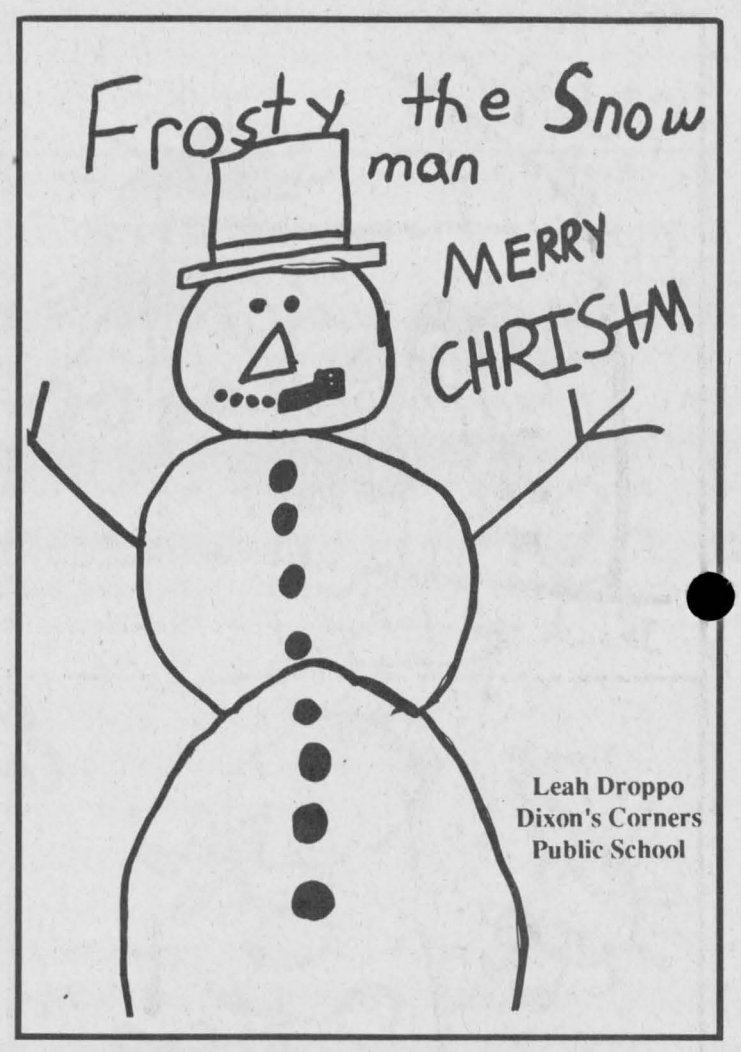
Hard Sauce for Plum Pudding
1/2 cup butter
3/4 cup brown sugar
3/4 cup icing sugar
1/3 cup whipping cream
1 tsp vanilla
2 tsp brandy (optional)

Cream the butter and gradually add the sugars, beating thoroughly. Slowly add cream and vanilla, beating constantly. Pile the sauce into a dish. Make a well in the centre, add the brandy, and let sit until brandy is soaked up. Chill before serving. Serve hot over plum pudding. Yield: 1 1/2 cups.

Saturday Evening Post
December 29, 1866

Plum Pudding
1 cup soft bread crumbs
1 cup seedless raisins
1 cup currants
1 cup chopped dates
1/2 cup chopped citron peel
1/2 cup chopped walnuts
1 cup flour
1 tsp baking powder
1/4 tsp baking soda
1/2 tsp salt
1/2 tsp cinnamon
1/4 tsp nutmeg
1/4 tsp cloves
1/4 tsp allspice
1/2 cup butter
1/2 cup brown sugar
2 eggs
1/3 cup molasses
1 cup milk

Combine the bread crumbs, fruit and nuts with a small amount of flour. Stir the flour, baking powder, baking soda, salt and spices together. In a large bowl, cream the butter and sugar together well. Add the eggs one at a time, beating well after each. Blend in molasses. Add milk alternatively with the flour mixture, beginning and ending with flour. Fold in the fruit, nuts and bread crumbs. Pour batter in top a greased 1 1/2 quart pudding bowl or small individual molds filling about 2/3 full, and cover tightly. Steam about 3 hours for large mold or 1-2 hours for small molds.
Serve hot with sauce. A lovely way to serve plum pudding is as a wreath. Steam the pudding in a ring mold, and turn it out on a serving dish decorated with holly leaves or small pine branches. Add red and green cherries or candies citron to complete the Christmas wreath.
"Now is the season the season of the holly and the mistletoe; the days are come in which we hand our rooms with the sober green of December and feel it summer in our hearts."



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Have a Thrilling Holiday!

As we rush headlong into the hustle and bustle of the holidays, we hope you'll have ample time for lots of old-fashioned Christmas fun with family and friends.
With sincere thanks for contributing to our success this season.

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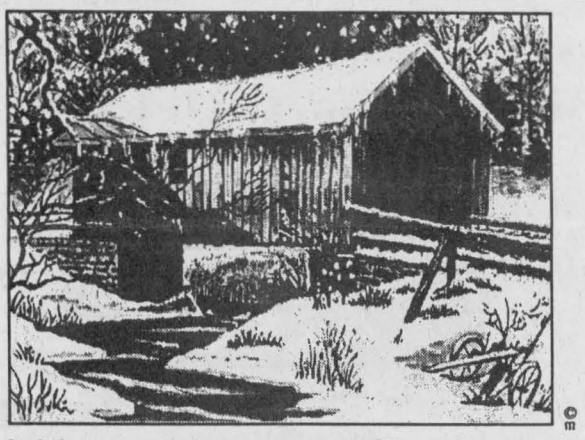

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What would YOU give to Santa

Answers:
from Grade 2 and 3 at St.Mary Separate School in Morrisburg

Nicole Toonders
Grade 3.
I would like to give Santa a Birthday Party because he never gets a party. I would also give him a book of cars.

Nick van Hoof,
Grade 2, Age 7.
I would like to give Santa a Skidoo so he could drive around his place. I would also give him my love because he gives me peace.

Parker Guite
Grade 2, Age 7.
I would like to give Santa a present and I would like to give Santa a Birthday Party.

Kristin Hamlaux
Grade2, Age 7.
I would like to give Santa a Birthday Party because he always gives us lots of toys. I would like to give Santa a big story book of Charlotte's Web so he could read it along with us.

Chelsea Hancock
Grade 3.
I would like to give Santa socks and a Charlotte's Web book.

Michell Miron
Grade 2, Age 7.
I would give Santa a birthday Party because he gives us lots of toys and we should repay him. I would also give him another Rudolph but his nose would be green. I would also give Santa a trip around the world so he can see who is bad or good.

Crystal Hancock
Grade 2, Age 7.
I would like to give Santa a new hat to keep him warm, I also want to wish him a Merry and a Happy Christmas.

Kaitlyn Merkley
Grade 3, Age 8
I would like to give Santa a candle so he can light it.

Amy
I would like to give Santa an Airplane so he can get to the homes faster. I would also like to give him a date with Mrs. Claus.

Jennifer Smith
Grade 3.
I would like to give Santa an airplane so he can fly quicker to our house. I would like to give Santa a Skidoo so he can drive the Skidoo.

Shawn
I would give Santa Charlotte's Web book so he can read it. I would like to give Santa a Skidoo so he can drive it.

Trevor McPherson
Grade 2, Age 7.
I would give Santa a big hug because he is special.

Andrew Morris
Grade 3, Age 8.
I would like to give Santa a pet to keep him company, some joy to keep him happy, a couch to relax and a deck of cards to play with.

William Green
Grade 2, Age 7.
I would like to give Santa a ticket to the Grey Cup because I think he likes football.

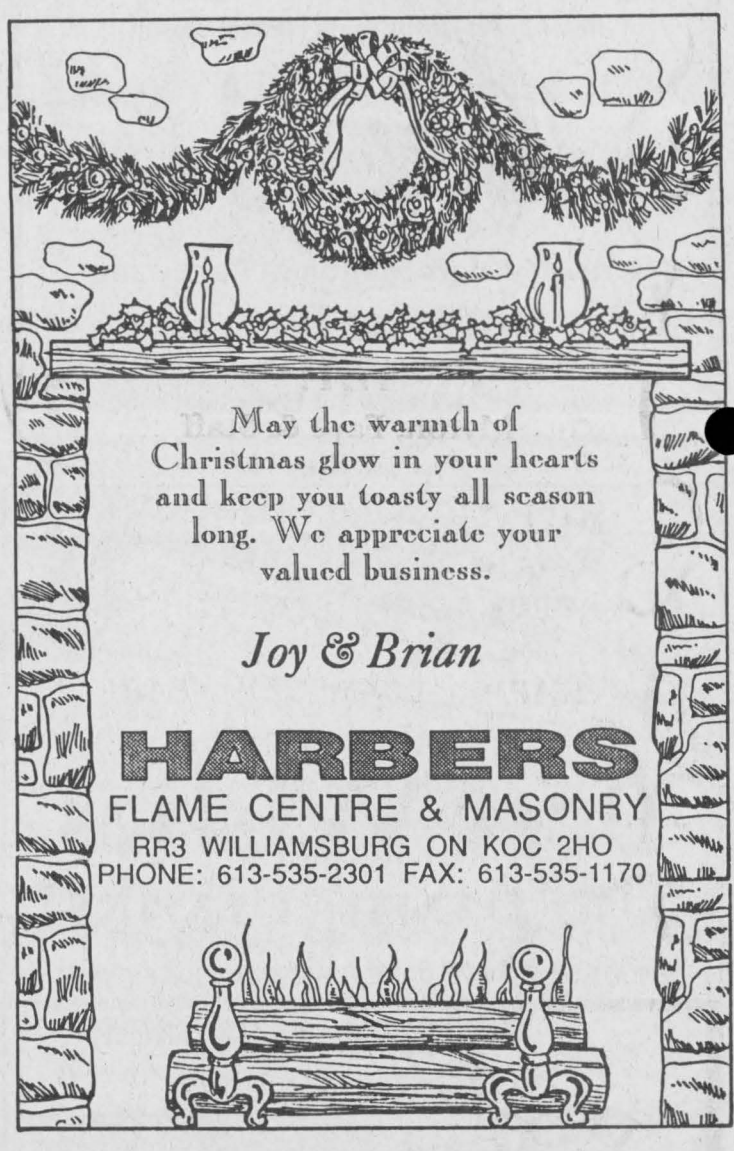
Kaitlyn Velnotte
Grade 2, Age 7.
I would like to give Santa two sets of mittens, some good books and a big hug.

Brendon Gallivan
Grade 3, Age 8.
I would give Santa soup, tickets to go to a WWF match and a big screen TV. Santa is nice because we love him and he loves us.

Zachary McMillan
Grade 2, Age 7.
I would give Santa a couch and TV so that he can lay on the couch and watch the TV. I would also like to give him a Skidoo so he can go snowmobiling.

Sydney Hass
Grade 2, Age 7.
I would give Santa a Skidoo so he can skidoo around his house.

Rudy Van Bellen
Grade 2.
I would like to give Santa tickets to an NHL game, so he could relax and eat popcorn. I would give him a trip to see me because I would let him stay over night.



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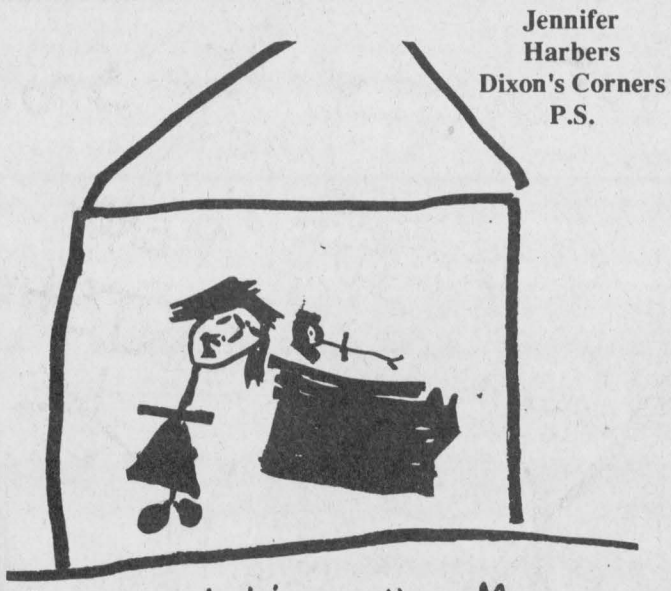

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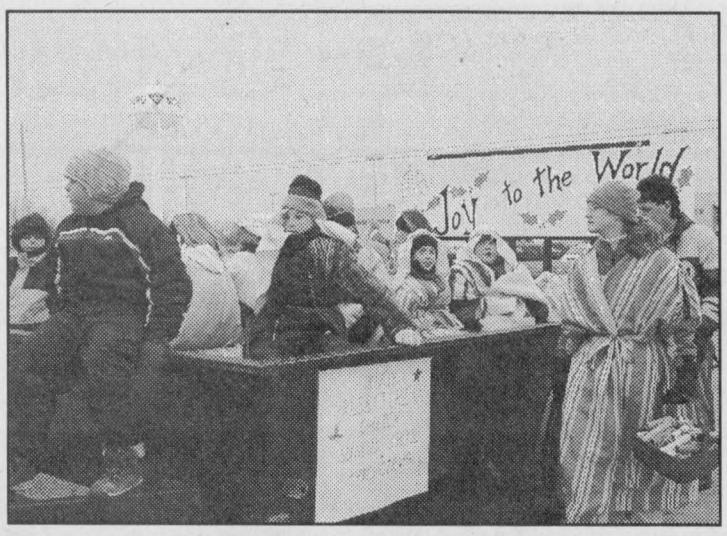
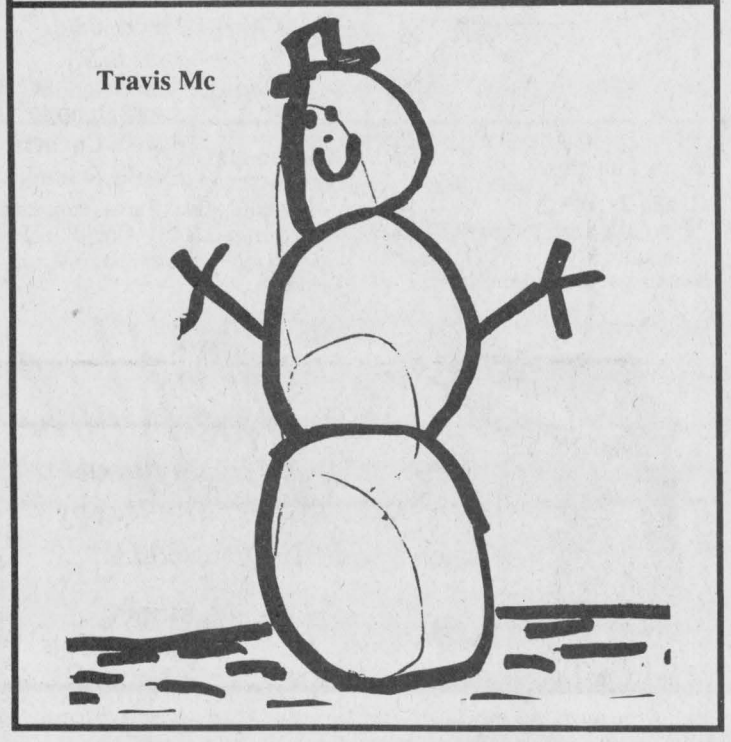
Jesus and his mother, Mary.



Reason for the Season At Knox Presbyterian S.S.



Melissa Tschoumy
Grade 5, Iroquois P.S.



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Customs of the season

Why do we send cards at Christmas time or put up a tree? There are many traditions we take for granted during the holiday season and it is interesting to learn how some of our customs originated.

The ancient Druids can be thanked for the custom of hanging mistletoe at Christmas. In the rituals of the Druids, mistletoe was cut down with a golden sickle in November. The mistletoe would be divided up among the people who took the plant home to hang over their doors. The Druids believed that the plant could work miracles of healing, protecting against witchcraft and make the land fertile. The origin of the custom of kissing under the mistletoe is not known, but it may have been inspired by the plant's supposed powers of fertility.

The Germans originated the custom of placing a tree in the home at Christmas time. There are several legends to explain this custom. One credits St. Boniface a missionary to Germany during the 18th century. According to the legend, one Christmas Eve the saint chopped down a sacred oak which had been used as a site for human sacrifices. As the oak fell, a fir tree miraculously appeared in its place. Another legend says that on the night Christ was born, all the trees in the forest bloomed and bore fruit, even though it was the middle of winter.

The custom of sending Christmas cards probably originated with an Englishman, Sir Henry Cole who commissioned John Horsley to design a card in 1843. The card featured a family celebrating the season with two smaller motifs depicting charitable acts: "Clothing the Naked" and "Feeding the Hungry." The card was lithographed and sold in 1846 and thus the Christmas card was born.

Whether originating in legend or real life, the customs of Christmas enrich the season for all of us.

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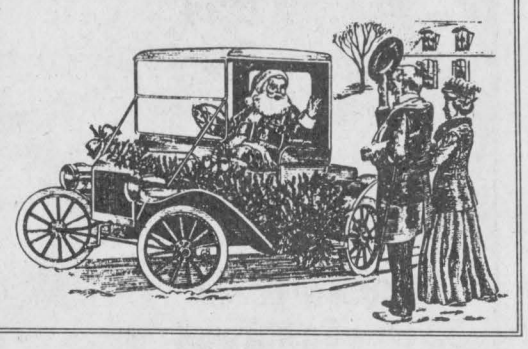

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Christmas
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Santa Claus
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Merry
Angels
Stocking

Tiffany VanDoodewaard
Grade 5
Iroquois P.S.

Christ
Holiday
Reindeer
Interesting
Santa
Treats
Merry
Angels
Saint

By Kate
Grade 5

Saint Nicholas
Santa
Angels
Intelligent
North
Treats

Nothing
Igloo
Clock
Kind
Orange
Love
Animals
Shoe

Reagan A. Hall
Grade 5
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Christ
Heaven
Reindeer
Inn
Santa
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Mary
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Shepherds

Victoria Howard
Grade 5
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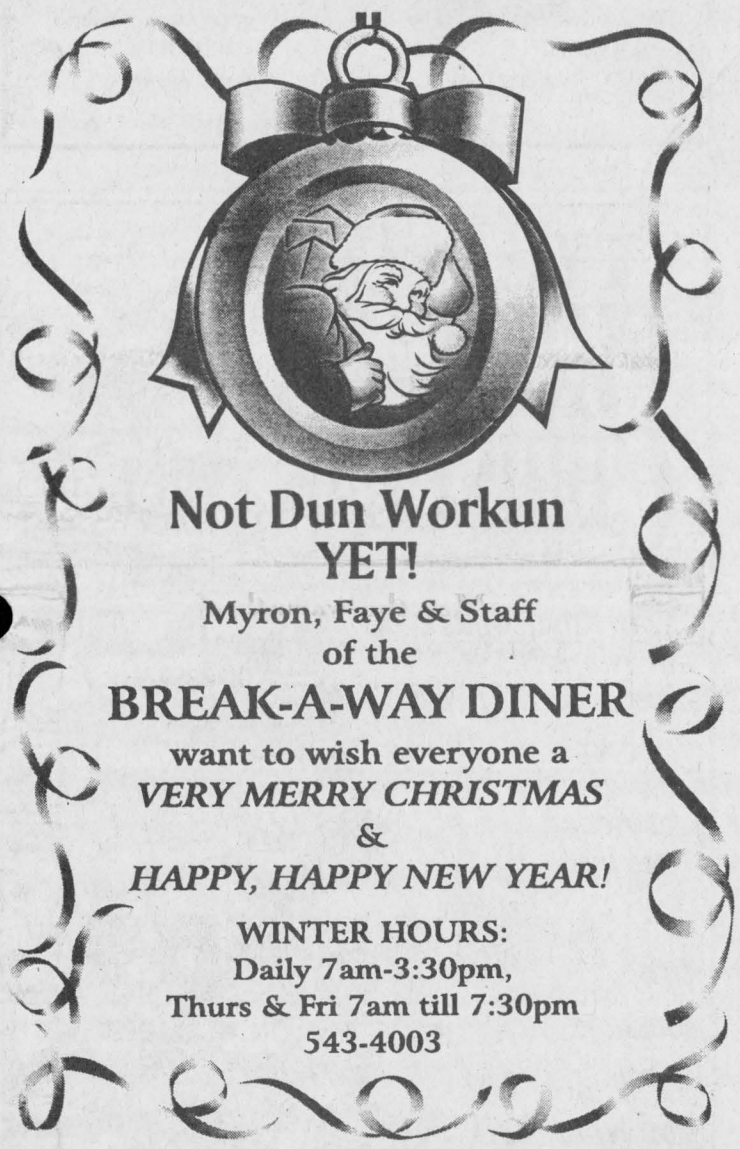

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Tradition

Some families host decorating bees whether inside or outside this is a marvellous way to get your lights up and share the spirit of the season with friends and family.

Another fun way to spread Christmas cheer is through cookie exchanges. We did this a few years ago and not only do you get numerous dozens of cookies, all different kinds and tastes, you make new friends as well. Early in December each person involved makes 10-12 dozen cookies or squares, all the same kind. On a Saturday or Sunday afternoon everyone brings their treats to a designated house where everyone shares hot cider or a cuppa tea and we trade cookies with those we want to enjoy, until everyone has as many dozen as they brought. This gives each one a wonderful and varied selection of Christmas treats to serve without having to spend hours in the kitchen.

Attaching copies of the recipes adds to the fun and allows us to make those which are a hit with our families.

EnviroTIP...

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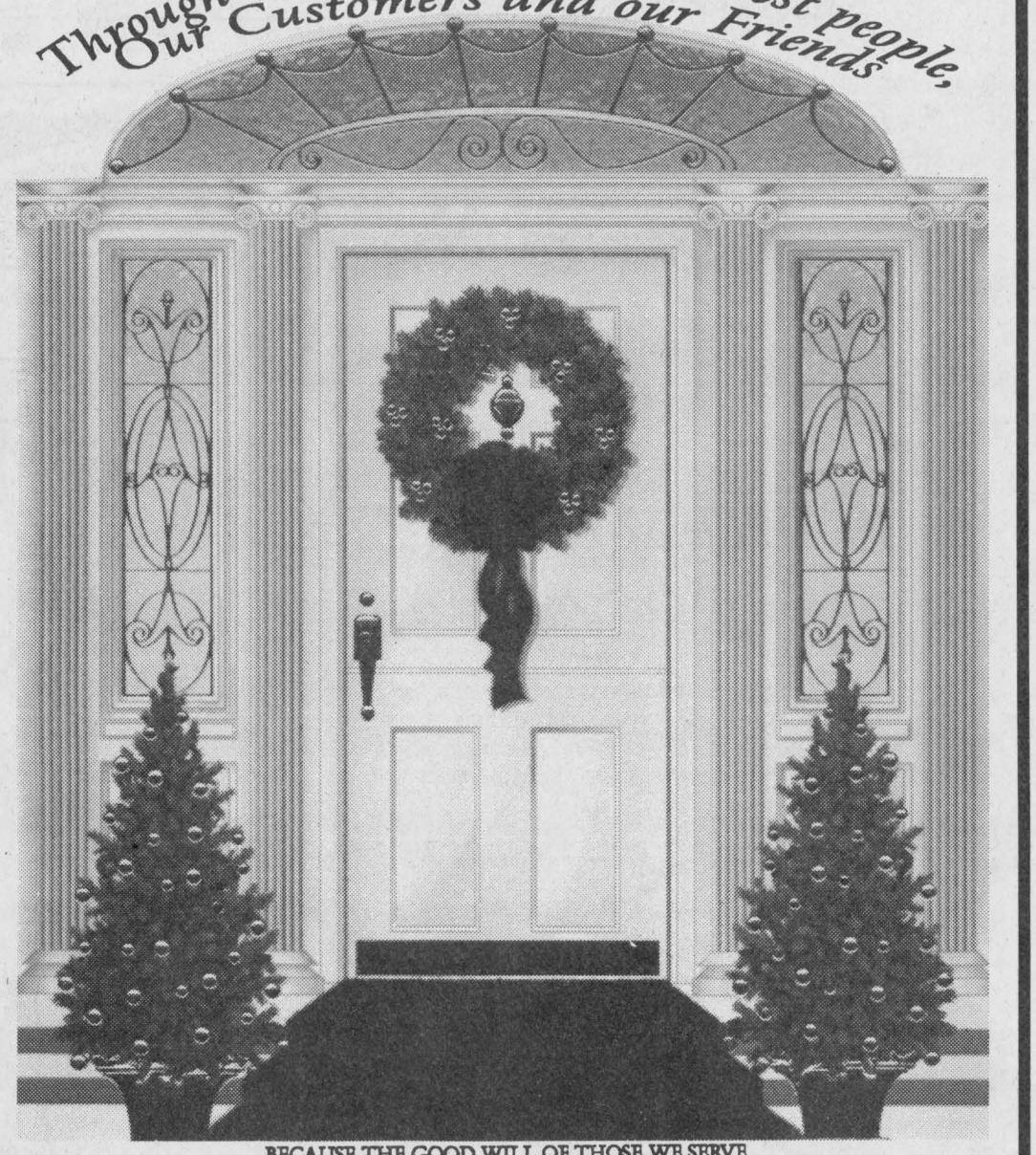

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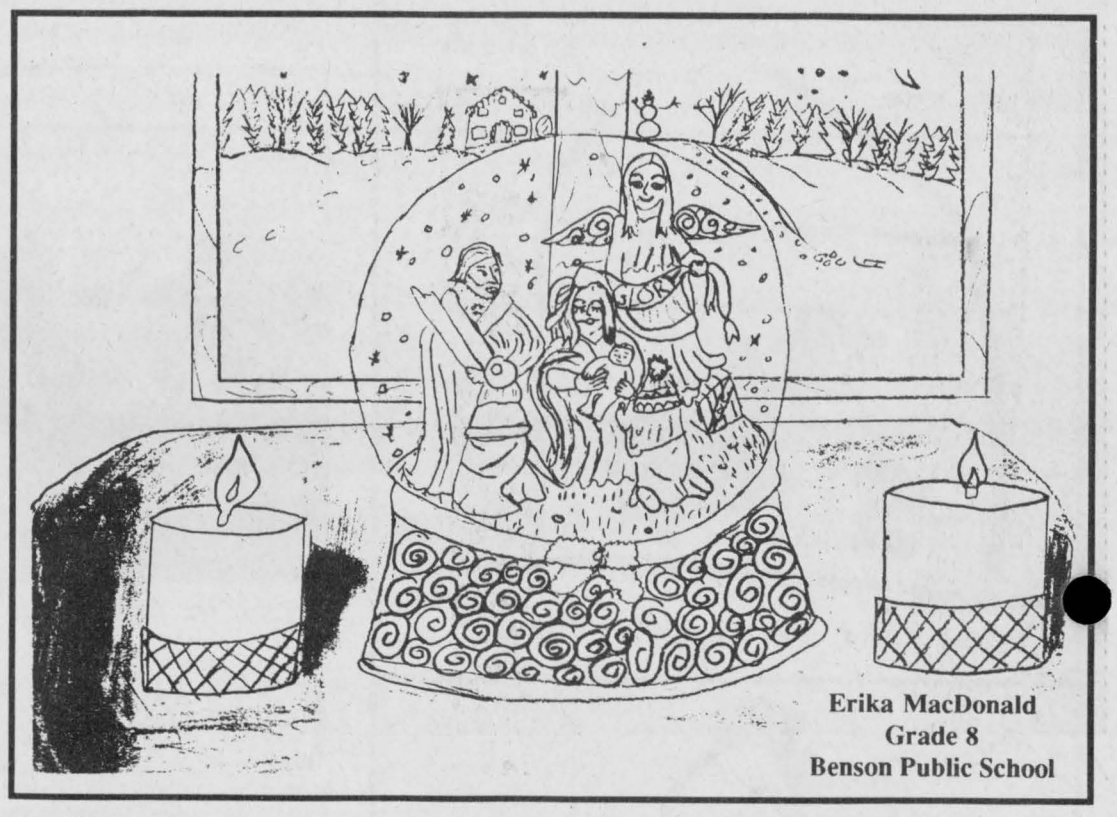

Erika MacDonald
Grade 8
Benson Public School

Merry Christmas
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Gift-Giving Ideas: kids can help grant a wish

With gift-giving, it is always the thought that counts. But in some cases, the thought is more effective if accompanied by an example.

Many of us have no idea, for instance, how many seriously ill children there are in Canada facing the harsh realities of a high risk, life-threatening illness. But if we were told - or if we told our kids - that as a family we could all help to put a smile back on a sick child's face, there may be no finer example this Christmas to the true meaning of giving.

Some families are deciding to give up one gift per person and then accumulate the dollars saved to send to The Children's Wish Foundation of Canada. Last year, the non-profit organization fulfilled as many as 600 wishes for children afflicted with a high risk, life- threatening illness, and each year the wish list grows.

Give as a family

The gesture of giving to an unknown child can be far more fun and meaningful if it is organized into a planned, family event. Perhaps on the day that letters are written to Santa Clause, the family can gather to discuss the meaning of the season, the importance of giving and not directly receiving, and which presents can be given up, so that as a family you can make a real difference.

"Each wish is an individual adventure, carefully structured to meet the needs of a particular child," says the Foundation's executive director, Laura Cole. "It may be arranging a trip to a far away destination, providing a customized computer for a child with special needs, tracking down a favourite sports celebrity, or finding just the right puppy. Wishes cannot alter the situation but contemplating all the possibilities is a wonderful distraction from the realities of coping with the illness. A family becomes involved in the discussion, the planning, and so the focus is shifted instead to the anticipation of an up-coming, happy experience."

Perhaps you have a child, or your family knows of a child who needs a dream like this to come true. All cases should first be referred to the Foundation and from there eligibility for the program is determined. Anyone looking to make a referral, or wishing to support The Children's Wish Foundation of Canada, can call toll-free, 1-800-267-9474, or visit their website at www.childrenswish.ca.

- News Canada

Ryan Lalonde
Grade 2, Age 7.

I would like to give Santa a Skidoo and two more reindeer so he can get around on them.

Megan Himes
Grade 2, Age 7.

I would give Santa happiness and a big kiss. I would like to give Santa a big screen TV and a a pet.

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Reagan Hall
Grade 5
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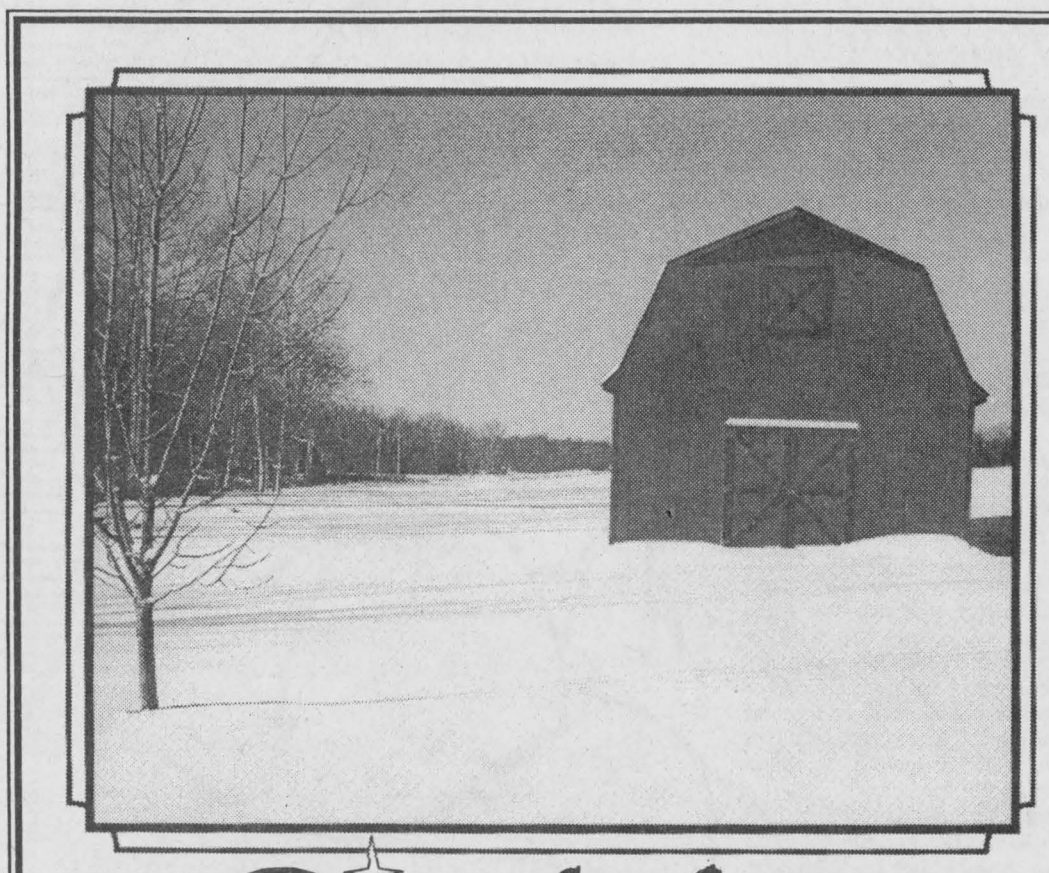

Best Wishes for the Season

Even though snow is blanketing the landscape, we're warmed by having such good friends and neighbors around us this season. We hope you have a joyful and festive holiday, and a very happy and healthy year ahead.

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Luke 2: 10-11

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A Carman House Christmas celebration was a seasonal treat.

Traditional Holiday window displays

As the holidays season approaches, a seemingly magical transformation takes place in department stores across the country. Santa and his helpers arrive, festive music fills the air and Christmas decorations abound.

On New York's Fifth Avenue, the elaborate window display at Lord and Taylor has a unique kind of magic: it is the only Christmas display in the country that is assembled below street level and raised into place at a special unveiling ceremony at the start of the holiday season.

The tradition began in 1914, when the store's hydraulic windows were installed in a newly-constructed building. In the past ten decades, the Lord and Taylor Christmas windows have recreated scenes featuring authentic buildings and landmarks in New York's history.

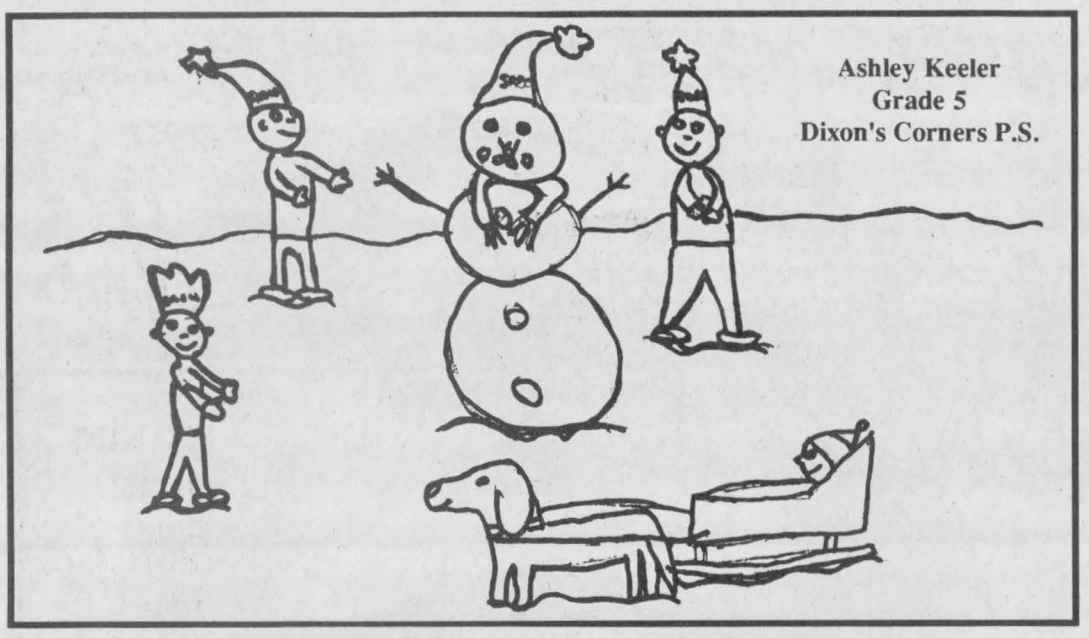
Window themes have chronicled periods from as far back as the 1600s, all the way up to modern-day sites, including the Roosevelt Island tramway and the New York City subway.

The 1988 windows, which depicted Radio City Music Hall, the Chrysler Building, the lobby of the Daily News Building and the Rainbow Room, each as they were in their 1930s splendour, won an award for Outstanding Evocation from the Art Deco Society of New York.

Creating the Christmas windows is a year-long process. The theme is discussed in January, design plans are started in February, the final drawings of each window are established by May and final research is undertaken to create a scene whose details are precise to the period and place depicted.

Since 1976, Lord and Taylor has enlisted the talents of Spaeth Design whose designers work closely with store representatives to weave the famous Fifth Avenue magic that has become a holiday tradition.

Construction of the sets begins at Spaeth during the early summer, setting off a busy season that designers compare to the activities at Santa's North Pole workshop. At the end of October, the four scenes are shipped to the Fifth Avenue store, where they are installed, decorated and finishing touches are added to each.



Ashley Keeler
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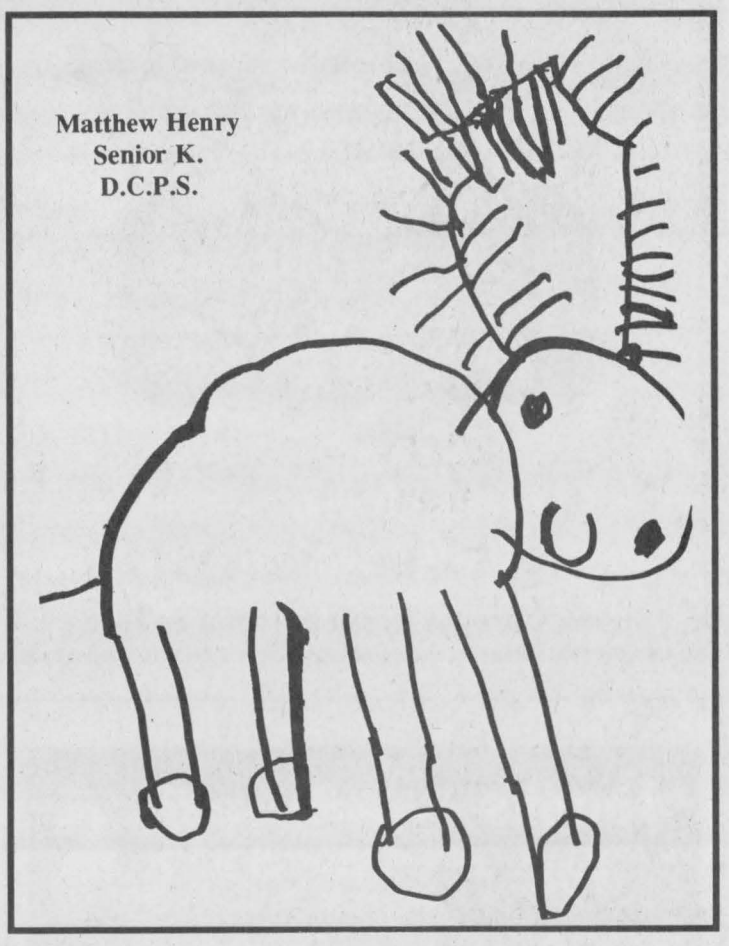

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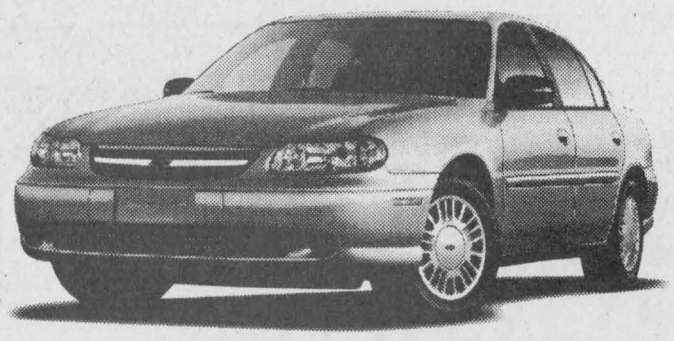

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Santa and "Whiskey" Murphy pose.

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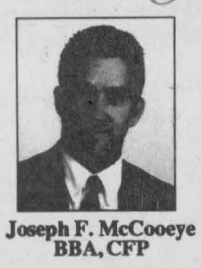

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Christmas Means

It's the little things in life that count,
The things of every day;
Just the simple things that we can do
The kind words we can say.

The little things like a friendly smile
For those who may be sad,
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To help make someone glad.
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