

# CHRISTMAS





# CORSICA HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

Corsica, South Dakota

December 22, 1969

## Teen-Center Sponsors FETE

By Gary Van Roekel

A large number of kids turned out for the caroling hayride, Saturday night. Everyone piled in a wagon, and off they went. The carols traveled up and down the streets of Corsica spreading Christmas cheer.

After caroling, hot chocolate and cookies were served in the teen-center. Everyone agreed it was a lot of fun, even though they were covered with straw.

The group would like to take this opportunity to thank Menning Imp. for the use of their tractor, Ernie Denning for driving, and John Van Roekel for the wagon.

## ANNUAL STAFF MEETS

By Jolene Plooster

Decisions, decisions, and more decisions were made by the annual staff on Tuesday when they met with Jack Kralick, the company annual advisor.

The ready and ever ready annual staff decided an end sheets, type, and cover color style. This reporter thought the number of questions asked belied the genius the staff is supposed to have. But with a little imagination and a lot of hard work and advice, this annual should really shape up well.

Students should be reminded of the contest information published in the last issue of Highlights. Remember, the deadline is January 7.

## MUSIC DEPARTMENT PRESENTS HOLIDAY CONCERT

The music department presented a holiday concert, Thursday night, Dec. 18. The concert chorus, brass sextet, and concert band performed for an appreciative audience of about 250. Both the band and the choir used a variety of sacred and secular music.

The sounds of the choir ranged from an alleluia of traditional nature, to contemporary folk-numbers, and included Bach's full rich sound of "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring."

The brass sextet presented a selection written by Bach entitled "Aria & Bagpipe Chorus." As in every activity, experience is the key to excellent performance. We can look forward to our small groups maturing and developing musically.

Variety describes the band performance as well as the choral. Instrumentals varied from an overture, to tone poems, to the utilization of Latin American rhythms, and drums in "Cha Cha for Band," and then to traditional sounds of Christmas Carols.

Many people expressed their views on the concert. Most of them said they had noticed definite improvements in the performance of both the band and the choir. They said they enjoyed the concert very much.

It is our aim to continue these improvements and to present better performances as the year progresses.

## LIBRARY EQUIPMENT ARRIVES TO MAKE STUDYING EASIER

There is plenty of room in the library for sitting since our new equipment has arrived. All of the furniture is in sherry wood. The library has received twenty-four chairs and four tables. A new desk arrived for the librarian. For the studious type, there are six individual study carrels. Other pieces of furniture are a book truck, magazine rack, newspaper rack, atlas stand, and dictionary stand.

## NEW RULE TAKES OVER JANUARY 5

Beginning on January 5 when classes resume, a new rule will be in effect concerning the morning study period.

The music students will continue with their 8:30 schedule, but the rest of the students will be required to be in the home rooms for roll call and a study period beginning at 8:45.

## PREPARE TO SMILE FOR PICTURES STUDENTS OF CHS!!

Attention, all students! Group pictures for the annual will be taken on January 16.

# EDITORIAL PAGE...

## CORSICA HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

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# KEEP SAFETY IN MIND...

By Mr. Droppers

The holiday season is here again and the traffic on our highways will be greatly increased.

Suppose we stop for a while and do a little good old common sense thinking.

Christmas means different things to different people. To some; it is the hustle and bustle in the stores, and the other excitement that goes with shopping. To others it is the singing of Christmas Carols, the time for giving and a time to count their many blessings.

Yes, it is a season of joy but too often this is blackened by a traffic accident that has caused death of serious injury to a loved one.

During the holiday season, many of us will pack our beautifully wrapped gifts into our cars and hit the road, some on long trips and others on short spins.

Be a good holiday traveler and keep "safety" in mind. Don't be another highway statistic.

## Keep Christmas Merry!!

"The snow has fallen, streets are getting icy. Now the fun has begun," is what a lot of kids here in school are saying. They just can't wait for the snow on the streets to get hard so they can go sliding around in their cars. I also agree that it is a lot of fun, but it can be very dangerous and this is what some people do not realize. You can wreck your car with one false move and you really have a bill to pay after that. You also risk your life when you go tearing down the street trying to show off a little. I don't think this kind of fun is worth the risk of losing your car and maybe even someone's life.

Now with Christmas coming up, things are supposed to look beautiful and be fun, so let's not spoil it by having a bloody wreck. *by Tom Gerlach*

# Is Patriotism Dead???

By Jolene Flooster

Patriotism. Is it dead? I don't believe so and yet, with all the other things going on, it seems patriotism has been pushed in a corner.

Just today it was brought to my attention that during the "Star Spangled Banner", our own national anthem, very few people believe it fitting to place their hand over their heart. I know I am as much to blame as anyone and I sometimes wonder how we can be so ungrateful. Many times the fans at a ballgame are so busy talking or laughing, they don't realize the national anthem is being played until its half over. We live in the greatest country in the world and it's our right to salute our flag and sing the national anthem. It's a right, we are not told or commanded to do so.

So come on kids! Let's make a real effort to salute our flag and thereby show all those people whose attention is focused on us, that we do care about and are grateful to be living in the United States of America, where the Stars and Stripes will fly forever!

## STUDENTS ENJOY CANDY

By Jolene Flooster

A candy sale, which showed the baking abilities of Teen Center members, was held Thursday, Dec. 18.

When this reporter arrived, the scene was one of hungered masses fighting for tastes of the sweet morsels. Undoubtedly this candy sale was a big success.

All the profits will be put toward the Teen Center.

# SENIORS OF "70" GIVE INSIGHT TO YOU

## CAROL VANDEN HOEK

By Lola Mae Bye

On February 5, 1952, in Armour, S.D., Mr. and Mrs. A.C. Vanden Hoek became the proud parents of a bouncing baby girl whom they named Carol Ann Vanden Hoek.

This brown-eyed brunette has now reached the height of 5'3" and says she can't tell us her weight. She names her favorite teacher and subject as Mrs. Hughes and Journalism. Elvis Presley, Doris Day, Glen Campbell, Swiss steak, and Pepsi are her favorite actor, actress, singer, food, and drink.

Carol names her favorite pastime as being with a guy in a 64 black Chevy, but if he isn't around she may be found listening to the radio or stereo, sewing, or doing fancy work. She may also be found groovin' to her favorite song, "Tracy."

Carol is active in girls chorus, mixed chorus, and is a reporter on the newspaper staff.

Carol's pet peeve is people who think they're better than somebody else, and her opinion of CHS is, "It's an O.K. school, but it could stand a lot of improvement in the field of manners and respect for other students." She also says, "We have the greatest school spirit around."

Her future plans are undecided but she plans either to get a job or go to Vo-Tech.

## WHAT IS A HIPPIE?

A hippie is a person who looks like Tarzan, dresses like Jane, and smells like Cheetah.

Experience is the best teacher.

## GARY VAN ROEKEL

By Sandy Bamberg

Its a bird! Its a plane!- No, it's super-mimeographer, Gary Van Roekel!

Yes, this fine chap has done a great deal to make the CHS Highlights a better publication. Gary, who works with the mimeographing machine, does an excellent job of running off the paper.

This news nut "fooled" his parents by appearing for the first time in history, April 1, 1952, at the Methodist Hospital in Mitchell. Mr. and Mrs. John Van Roekel are the proud parents of this green-eyed, brown haired, 5'9" senior.

When paper printing becomes "pressing," Gary takes a moment to enjoy a hamburger, shoes, coke, and the sound of "Leaving on a Jet Plane." Gary's evenings are spent watching "The Mod Squad" on TV or attending a movie starring Jack Lord and Suzanne Fleshette. Tom Jones' singing starts Gary's ears ringing.

Gary figures that if you "do your best in everything you do, you will succeed." You can tell he practices this philosophy just by observing him in his everyday routing.

He's an easy-going guy with a bubbling sense of humor, but when he meets up with two-faced people, he can be heard to exclaim, "Oh boy!"

Gary, being a news pursuer, selects journalism, taught by Mrs. Hughes as his No. 1 subject.

During the spring months, Gary participates in track. When fall arrives, he turns his attention to his favorite spectator sport, foot-

## RALPH STARKENBURG

By Mark Van Zee

A boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. John Starkenburg on December 18, 1951, at Armour, South Dakota.

This blond, curly-haired, blue-eyed baby was named Ralph Starkenburg.

Some of the favorites of this 6' and 140 pound person are chislic and Coke while watching his favorite show, Bullit.

His favorite actress is Raquel Welch and his favorite actor is Steve McQueen. Ralph's favorite subject is Human Anatomy and he has no favorite teachers. He says "They're all a pretty good bunch."

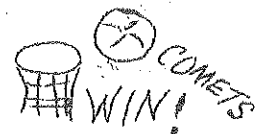
Ralph's favorite singers are the First Edition and his favorite song is "Rueben James." Ralph's opinion of CHS is, "It's a Great place." His pet peeve is conceited people. Ralph's future plans after high school are to go to College.

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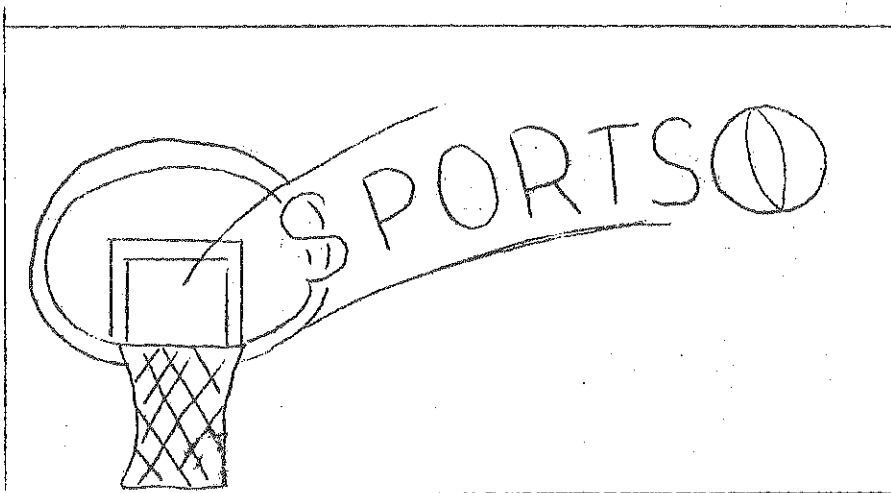
After graduation from CHS, Gary says his future plans are undecided. The Highlights staff salutes you, Gary. Keep up the good work.

GO, FIGHT  
WIN  
TEAM!!



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### DCHS CADETS MARCH OVER CHS COMETS

The Dakota Christian Cadets took a decisive victory over the Corsica Comets here Friday night, by a score of 76 to 60.

The Cadets, playing before a packed auditorium, put five players in double figures. Leading in total points was Ken Hasseler with 19. Hasseler also shot a 71% from the field. Other players in double figures were Steve DeHaan, Jay VanderWerff, Wilbur Mars, and Darrel DeLange with 16, 14, 13, and 12 points respectively. The Cadets also shot a respectable 53% from the fi

The Corsica Comets were led by Joe Maunders with 18 points. The only other player in double figures was Alan Zwart with 12 points. The Comets shot a 41% average for the night, and a 45% at the free throw line.

The Comets took the preliminary contest by a score of 38-31.

You Can Do  
It If You  
Try, V-I-C-T-O-R-Y  
Victory  
Comets,  
Victory!!

### COMETS PACKAGE PACKERS

The Corsica Comets romped over the Armour Packers 69-53 here, last Tuesday, December 16.

The Comets took an early lead in the first quarter to stay ahead the remainder of the game. Joe Maunders led with 19 rebounds and 28 points for the winners. Other players in double figures were Alan Zwart, Mark Van Zee, and Brent De Boer with 12, 11, 11 points respectively. Alan Zwart shot the best average from the field as he shot a respectable 55 per cent.

Jim Thompson led the Packers as he tossed in 23 points. Joe Tishler, another Packer with a hot hand, shot in 17 points.

The Comets took the preliminary game by a score of 47-27.



## Comets Scalp Raiders

The Corsica Comets rolled to a big first half lead and coasted to a 70-35 win over Wagner here Friday night.

Mark Van Zee pumped in 15 points for top honors while Joe Maunders and Roy Beukelman added 12 and 11 points respectively.

Don Slaba was the only Red Raider to net double figures as he scored 10.

Van Zee with 22 rebounds and Beukelman added 10 to pace the comets off the boards while Slaba looked good for Wagner.

The Comets made it a clean sweep as they also won the 'B' game 49-45.

### CAST PRESENTS CHRISTMAS PLAY

Home for Christmas and Twas the Night Before Christmas will be presented Monday, Dec. 22 in the high school gym.

Home for Christmas is a story of a typical midwestern family, probably a little poorer than average, who scatter after growing up. Then mother has a heart condition and this will be her last Christmas. So Nan organizes a Christmas gathering without telling anyone of her mother's heart. There is a good deal of trouble, but mother's last Christmas is a happy one.

Twas the Night Before Christmas is a short play with two characters who are very poor. They still manage to give each other expensive gifts, and they turn out to be the same thing.

The play casts wish everyone the merriest of Christmas and may the New Year bring everyone much joy and happiness.

# WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF...

1. Geri wouldn't sail down the stair rail while Mr. Droppers waits at the bottom.
2. The senior girls didn't giggle in Psychology class?
3. Mel could stand upright on his own two feet for ONE WHOLE DAY?
4. Avis and Greg didn't eat all the junior's concession profits?
5. Sophomore guys didn't laugh at "B team cheerleaders"?
6. Dale didn't tease Vicki all the time?
7. Brent wouldn't pick on Jolene all the time?
8. Sandi and Doug wouldn't study their Spanish so hard at 11:15-12?
9. Mixed Chorus wouldn't wear dark clothes for concert?
10. We had journalism five times a week so we could get the paper ready?
11. Music periods followed the written schedule.
12. Renee wouldn't write Jim and then throw the letter in the waste basket?
13. "Running Bear" and Mel weren't one in the same?
14. Psychology teachers weren't heartless?
15. Junior High wouldn't erase Vicki and Cheryle's artwork.
16. Annual Staff didn't disrupt Journalism class?
17. Markie didn't need a hair cut.
18. Lola Mae wasn't such a pool shark?
19. Krull wouldn't make fun of Sandi in Spanish class?

*Go, Fight, Win.*

*Holiday*

*Tournaments*



## An Excedrin Headache Is???

Mr. Droppers' white socks!!

Mr. Weins' studyhall.

Cindy's laugh!!

Doing my shorthand.

When you expect your boyfriend to come at 8:00 and he comes at 6:30.

A girl who tries to take your guy away from you.

Going to school every day.

Physics class!!

Falling in love?

Love sick athletes.

Having your boyfriend not pick you up for a date, when your're all ready.

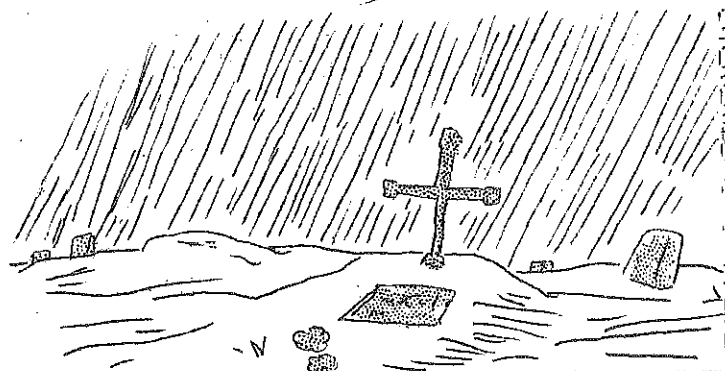
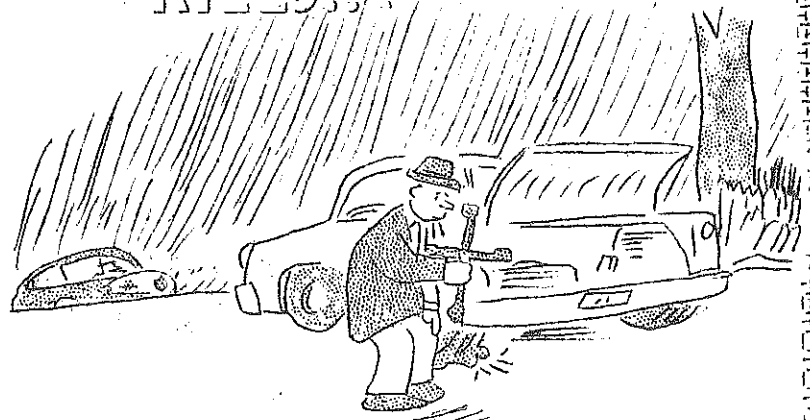


## SAFETY SAVES...

*adapted from Alcoholism*



## CARELESSNESS KILLS...



# CLUES FOR CROSSWORD



## ACROSS

1. -----Claus
3. Same as 3 down
4. Santa's method of travel
6. A Christmas decoration
8. Is decorated with balls and tinsel
9. Christmas to many people means merely -----
14. A welcome sight at Christmas
16. A drink commonly served during the holiday season.
17. The mother of Jesus
18. On Christmas, children receive many -----
20. "Silent -----"
21. Happy ----- Year!
23. Stubby tree with prickly, shiny leaves and red berries.
24. Proclaimed Jesus' birth
25. Songs sung during this season
27. Colored electrical illumination
29. Santa's famed saying
30. "Hark the ----- Angels Sing"
31. Earthly father of Jesus
32. "The First -----"

## DOWN

1. Men who tended large numbers of sheep
2. Abbr. for tree trimmings
3. -----was born on Christmas Day
4. That which guided people to ----- birthplace
5. Mary and Joseph found that there was no room in the -----.
6. Christ came into the world to save all -----.
7. The angel said, "-----" and behold born to you this day in the city of David is a child who is Christ the Lord.
8. Little boys may wish their Christmas gift to be a -----.
10. Same as 1 across
11. Jesus is the ----- of God
12. Same as 7 down
13. Dec. 24 is known as Christmas -----
14. Mary and Joseph were forced to stay here.
15. People who traveled a long way to worship to Christ Child
17. Jesus' dad
19. Sing the ----- carol
22. Same as 13 down
26. A star ---- the shepherds to Bethlehem
28. Same as 11 down

## MATCH COUNTRY WITH CUSTOM

1. Austria \_\_\_\_\_ Candles in windows and door left ajar
2. Belgium \_\_\_\_\_ Tannenbaum
33. Denmark \_\_\_\_\_ Children leave tidbits in their shoes for Santa then hang up their stocking.
4. England \_\_\_\_\_ "Father Christmas" dressed as a girl
5. Finland \_\_\_\_\_ The Yule Log
6. France \_\_\_\_\_ Remembrance of the birds
7. Germany \_\_\_\_\_ Children stuff their clean wooden shoes with hay and carrots and put them on the window sill for St. Nick's white horse.
8. Holland \_\_\_\_\_ The "pinata"
9. Ireland \_\_\_\_\_ Three candles: 1st lit Christmas Eve; 2nd lit Christmas Day; 3rd lit on New Year's Day.
10. Mexico \_\_\_\_\_ The "creche" --small nativity scene
11. Norway \_\_\_\_\_ St. Lucia
12. Sweden \_\_\_\_\_ 5 O'Clock Christmas Eve--all Church bells ring for the 5 o'clock church service.

## CHRISTMAS VOCABULARY

1. alder
2. angel
3. towel
4. oil
5. blood
6. nibbles
7. nativity
8. boy
9. carol
10. candle
11. star
12. manger
13. yuletide
14. stocking
15. snicker
16. rump
17. ring
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19. dance
20. presents

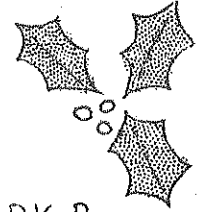
Unscrupulous who robbers to make words appropriate to the Christmas season.

Happy Holidays

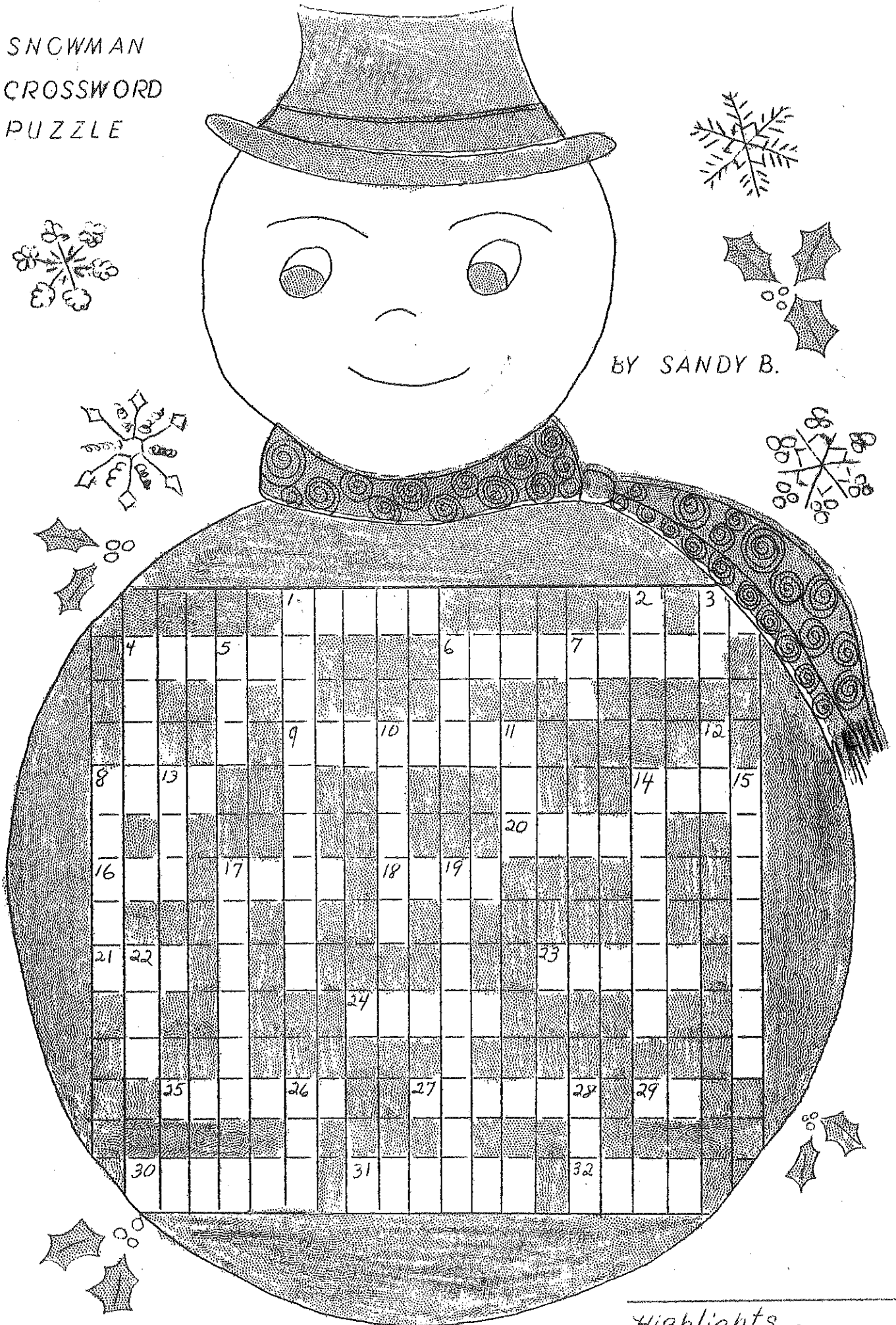
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SNOWMAN  
CROSSWORD  
PUZZLE

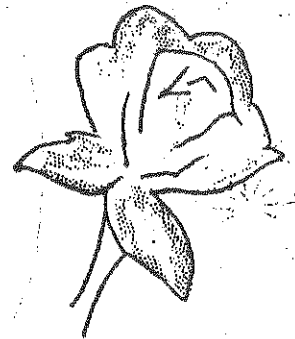


BY SANDY B.



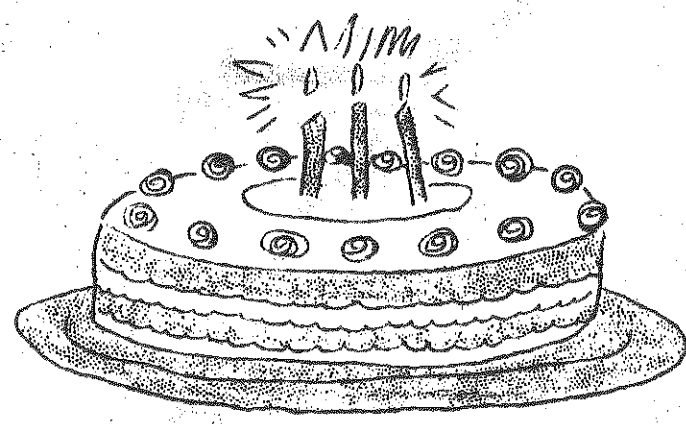


Happy



Birthday

Mrs. Hughes

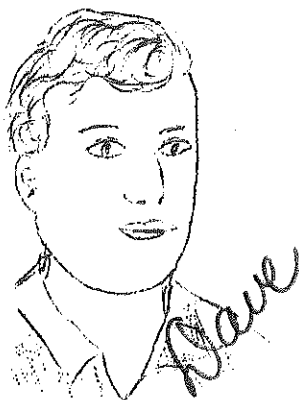
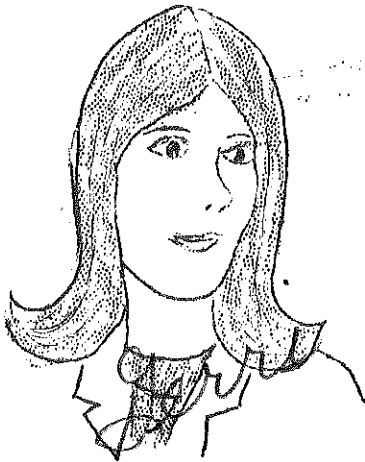
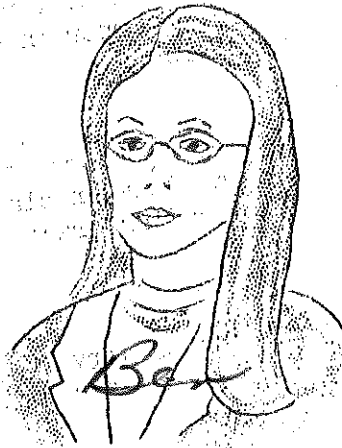
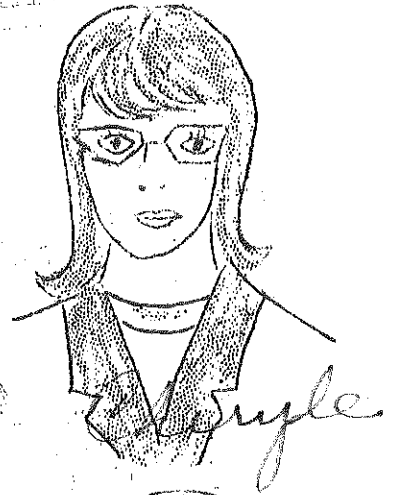


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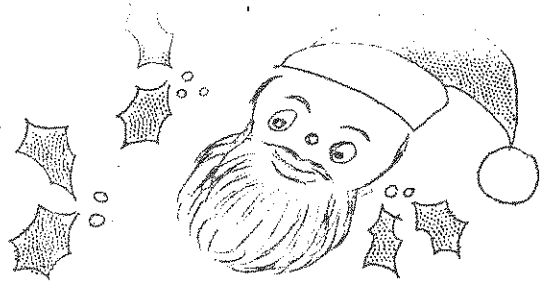
The Journalism Class

# SEASON'S GREETINGS TO YOU FROM THE JOURNALISM CLASS

(Portraits by Merlin De Boer)



# CHS STUDENTS WRITE LETTER TO SANTA...



Dear Santa,

As Christmas is very near, there are a few things some CHS students and teachers would like to find under their tree Christmas morning.

First, please bring the Comets the tournament trophy. Also, the students would appreciate an easier way to get into the library.

As for the teacher's needs and wants: Mrs. Hughes would like to find patience for her journalism class wrapped in a green silk screen under her tree. Mr. Droppers would like a pair of green socks to keep in the Christmas spirit all year long. Mr. Wagner wants some of Tiny Tim's locks and a scissor to keep them trimmed neatly. A class that would respond to his queries is the hope of Mr. Selchert. Mr. Kulhavy's number one want is a Physics class that would understand what they were doing. Because he's afraid to leave his rats alone, Mr. Englehorn would appreciate a white rat baby-sitter.. Mr. Kruse would like two things: to get rid of his shorthand records over Christmas vacation and better bookkeeping grades.

Because the seniors are really great,  
They want the following  
Before it's too late:

Psychology class: Advance notice on tests.  
Vicki: A quieter study hall partner.  
Geri and Dale: Longer journalism classes for discussions.  
Lola Mae: A hot-line to 243-5142.  
Brent: Ability to keep cool in Spanish class.  
Mark: A hammer and chisel to cut the candy sale rice krispies.

The juniors stand next in line  
Bring them the following,  
They'll think you're fine:

Cheryle and Gary: Rush order on class rings.  
Brent and Roy: More annual staff meetings.  
Tom: Some fellow juniors in journalism.

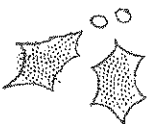
The silly sophomores must have their say,  
"Please, nice Santa, send us our wishes  
And we'll be good every single day:"

Vandel: Frosh-sophomore study halls.  
Rick: Ability to keep quiet at play practice and more questions about car upholstery.  
Peggy and Elwood: A darker corner in classes.  
Rod: Less light, more music and more mistletoe in Noteboom's basement.

Last, but not least, the frosh will plead  
For all the things they think they need:

Lonnie and Glen: More time between classes.  
Bev: More time for cheerleading practice.  
Renee: Stationery.  
Linda and Lois: A way out of English I.

And, Santa, we promise to be very good if we get what we want for Christmas.  
And if you are tired after your Christmas Eve stops,  
Just drop in at our Mistletoe Hop.

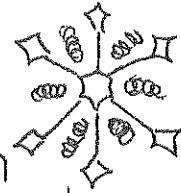


With visions of sugar-plums,  
The students and teachers of CHS.

# Snowdrop



## JANUARY



### flower of the month

SUN.	MON.	TUES.	WED.	THURS.	FRI.	SAT.
<p>6</p> <p>HAPPY NEW YEAR EVERYONE!!</p>		<p>7</p>	<p>11/11</p>	<p>1 New Year's Day</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p>
<p>4</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Back to CHS</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7 Happy Birthday</p> <p>Hreg Reswinkel</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p>
<p>11</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Jripp (Home)</p>	<p>14 Happy Birthday</p> <p>Walma Band plays for co-op Association</p>	<p>15</p>	<p>16</p> <p>End of semester</p>	<p>17</p>
<p>18</p> <p>Happy Birthday</p> <p>Martena Spaans</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20 Happy Birthday</p> <p>Plankinton</p> <p>a w a y</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Assembly program on telepathy</p> <p>Full Moon</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Bonesteel (Away)</p>	<p>24</p>
<p>25</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Ethan (away)</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p> <p>Band Boosters</p> <p>Happy Birthday Ben Mulder</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Hoddes (Home)</p>	<p>31</p> <p>Platte (away)</p>

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