

CHRISTMAS EDITION

Raider Review

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Christmas Is Very Special

Christmas is the day on which Christians celebrate the birthday of Jesus Christ. No one knows exactly when Jesus was born, but most Christians observe Christmas on December 25.

Today people really don't recognize the real meaning of Christmas.

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CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

City of Eagle Lake

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Many Tokens Are Still Free

(By Daryl Behler)

This article is to inform the public of the very special gifts which you probably receive during Christmas but don't actually realize.

You may receive your presents in a box, or tube, or even out in the front yard, but what about the ones you don't receive in this manner? These are some of the more special gifts for a human being to receive; even some are passed on to you.

These holidays are going to be very tense for quite a lot of people and if you are one of those traveling this Christmas, be careful and watch out for your Christmas and do enjoy it.

These gifts or gestures are not diamond rings you receive, or the car, or maybe just a new set of clothes. The most valuable gift is love. Even though you can appreciate this all year long, you can appreciate this especially at this time of the year. The other gifts which are very important to receive are kindness, trust, care, joy, and not to forget, smiles. Remember this and give someone else a gift this year. "If you see someone without a smile, give them one of yours."

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Calories Not Counted at Xmas

Christmas goodies are traditional favorites at this time of year.

Even weight watchers sneak a bite or two, excusing themselves with the comment: "Christmas comes but once a year."

Many of us will be enjoying a piece of chocolate log cake or perhaps a bite of candied fruit cake. It's just a teeny piece as said, we might indulge in a fruit or peanut butter shaped cookie. Cheese balls and popcorn balls with red and green cherries accent any festive table. The Yule log, fudge and divinity weaken anyone with a "sweet tooth."

After this seasonal highlight, most of us agree, we need to resolve the problem of gaining excess weight. Holding the priority among our resolutions is to start counting calories again.

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English. Students, at this time, don't mind waiting their turn in the office with its seasonal greetings.

Season's Greetings

May you be so very gay on this happiest of Happy Holidays!

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Appreciate Your Christmas Holidays

(By Daryl Behler)

Christmas holidays are approaching very rapidly for students and the faculty at Rice. There are many different ways that the students and faculty will celebrate this occasion.

Some of the students at Rice are going to stay at home and celebrate this occasion, whereas some of the others will be traveling during the holidays. They will be visiting relatives or just taking a relaxing vacation. Some of the faculty will be traveling out of town also. Since the year season has come upon us there will be some of those people out early Christmas morning waiting for that big buck.

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Flowers Unified With Colors

(By Mark Hoover)

The most popular Christmas decoration is probably known as the "Euphorbia poliochrysa," or simply as the poinsettia.

The poinsettia is widely used as a Christmas decoration and is named for the American diplomat Joel Roberts Poinsett who introduced it into the United States.

The poinsettia grows from 2 to 10 feet tall, has dark green lower leaves and clusters of small greenish or yellowish flowers. The poinsettia grows well in warm climates and is found in southern California and throughout much of tropical America.

The main colors of the poinsettia are red and green which are, of course, a symbol of Christmas colors.

The red and green colors which are associated with Christmas are partly Christian, partly pagan in origin. Red, which is the color of rubies, indicates moral or immoral passion. In his good sense it is a symbol of love, Divine energy, and the creative power of the Holy Spirit. Emerald green is the symbol of hope and growth. To the Muslims, green is considered as a sacred color which symbolizes immortality.

Young Ladies Go Carolling

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Greetings Are World-Wide

(By Clark Peterson)

People all around the world have different greetings for the people they meet on the street or the ones they see in the mornings at school or work.

In China, a person would ask you, "Have you had your rice?" but in Egypt, someone might ask you, "How do you perspire?" The Hollanders greet you with "How do you greet?" and in all, they greet you with "May your shadow never grow less." In Spain you would hear "How are you passing it?" and in Turkey, you would probably hear "God give you His blessing."

There are also some different greetings here at Rice. Most of the teachers greet each other and the students with "Good morning" or "How are you this morning?" Many of the students have other greetings, such as "What's happening?" "What's been going on?" "How's it going?" or some may start off the morning with a simple "Hello" or just plain "Morning." There are some students that just start talking about what happened in them yesterday. Whoever the person is, you can usually tell what mood the person is in by the greeting he gives.

Joy to all

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"MESSIAH"

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ceiv" is followed by the joyful aria, "O thou that teldest good tidings to Zion." The chorus joins in the familiar melody to emphasize the joyous quality of Handel's music.

"For behold, darkness shall cover the earth," continues the narrative in a bass recitative, and the air, "The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light." Now the chorus sings in jubilation, "For unto us a Child is born, with majestic emphasis on the words, "wonderful, counselor, the mighty God, the everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace!" Thrilling words, equaled by Handel's thrilling music.

Do Songs Have Christmas Spirit?

(By Mark Hoover)

Have you decked your halls with boughs of jolly yet? Have you wished for a white Christmas? Will you see three ships on Christmas morning?

Christmas songs range from love stories to the meat of the matter with Santa Claus coming to town. In Christmas being commercialized? Any one would wonder with songs like "I Saw My Mother Kiss Santa Claus," "Santa Claus Rides a Snow White Pony" and "Jingle Bell Bossa Nova."

There are 1,200 different songs all copyrighted under the title "Jingle Bells," such as "Jingle Bell Mambo," "Jingle Bell Rock," "Jingle Bell Fantasy" and "Jingle Bell Calypso."

There are some 100 different songs which are titled with the words "Santa Claus," not to mention the 1,000 more written about Jolly Saint Nick.

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On Looking Natural

(This satirical essay was composed by Ellana Johnson as part of her English IV assignment.)

To be a popular and beautiful girl in today's society, a girl merely needs to follow that age-old, motherly advice: "Be like the natural look."

A perfect example of the natural look is Miss Merian. She has a deep, shiny hair, her beautiful shiny hair has also received many admiring glances from her friends and acquaintances. No one knows that it is actually a drab shade of mouse brown, for Miss Merian faithfully treats it every month with Clairol's "Born Blonde." She always keeps it beautifully in place by spraying her hair with approximately one-half can of White Rain hair-spray, because it never leaves her head to get that "wind-blown effect." Through a perpetual diet of celery and yogurt, Miss Merian has also kept her girlish figure, for she has not gained an ounce since the age of thirteen and a half.

A few beauty aids keep All's face glowing with natural beauty and health. Every night she puts on her mud pack beauty treatment, and once a week she gives herself a herbal steam. Each month Miss Merian goes to the beauty salon to get some new individual false eyelashes to replace the old ones that have fallen out. Although this is very expensive, All points out that she is actually economizing, for the false eyelashes are so beautiful that they save her a great deal of money.

Each morning All gets up two hours before time for school to apply her makeup. She wears very little, for the main idea is, of course, the "natural look." After cleansing cream, scrubbing particles and anti-bacterial soap, Miss Merian applies a moisturizer to her skin to keep it from getting dry, and an oil control gel to keep it from getting oily. Next she applies her eye shadow. She usually wears three shades. A light shade under the brow, a darker shade at the crease and a third shade on the eyelid itself. Taking a small brush, Miss Merian also puts a line of shadow just under her eye to bring out the color. When all this is completed, All takes a Kleenex and carefully wipes it over her face and eyes to remove most of her makeup, and blend the remaining in, for the idea is, of course, to keep herself looking natural.

Yes, the price of looking natural is rather high, but if Miss Merian is any example, then it is very much worth it, for she is continually out on dates or at parties. It should also be remembered that no one ever calls Miss Merian to go anywhere less than two hours before time to go, even if it is just to town and back, for she must have ample time to get ready.

Can Shorthand Be Helpful?

(By Judy Fay Spates)

Housewives, what would you do if your husband took ill and was laid off from work? How would you help? Maybe if you had taken shorthand or typing in high school, you could apply for a secretarial job. Well, you may hear a lot of students griping about how hard shorthand is, but if you will notice they are still struggling to maintain a passing grade. Students know that someday this subject will help them but fail to see the importance of shorthand at the moment.

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According to a survey, there is now an acute shortage in Washington D.C. of qualified applicants with good secretarial skills. Because of the shortage, applicants with acceptable typing and shorthand skills are virtually guaranteed to be hired. If you are going to apply for this job as secretary, you will be expected to type 50 words a minute and take shorthand at 80 words a minute. The starting salaries range from \$8,500 to \$9,000. The Office of Placement and Office Management currently lists 100 available jobs for secretaries and 50

Raiders Defeat Cards For Title

(By Mike Armstrong)

Led by a fine all-around effort, the Rice Raiders swept three games to take home first place in the Columbus tournament. The Raiders beat five teams from Giddings, Brazos and Columbus in the way to championship, and for winning the tournament for the third time, the Raiders received the revolving trophy and the championship trophy.

Turning in fine shooting and leadership for the Raiders were Darrell Dancy and Ronal Glover who were named to the all-tournament team. The Raiders will be playing in their zone competition after the Christmas holidays and they hope their fine play will continue until the end of the season.

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DAR Good Citizen



Miss D'Ann Davison, Rice High School's DAR Good Citizen for 1975, receives a certificate from counselor Bill Carpenter.

D'ANN DAVISON NAMED RICE'S DAR GOOD CITIZEN

(By Bob Morgan)

Miss D'Ann Davison, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Davison of Eagle Lake, has been chosen as the 1975-76 Rice High School Daughter of the American Revolution (DAR) Good Citizen.

The DAR award is presented annually to an outstanding girl or boy in the senior class who possesses the qualities of dependability, service, leadership, and patriotism.

D'Ann will be presented with a Good Citizen pin and a certificate at a tea in her honor. The award at Rice High School is sponsored by the John Everett Chapter of the DAR of Columbus.

Girls Team Attends Third Tourney

(By Denise Wiese)

On December 11-13, the varsity basketball team attended the second "Tourament of the Court" tournament in Victoria, Texas. This tournament is a combined effort of Victoria High School and Stroman High School.

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Noticia En Espanol

(By Bob Morgan)

Las clases de español del señor Jesus Gonzalez estan estudiando canciones de Navidad en español.

Son canciones tradicionales de Navidad, ya sea, "Noche de Paz" (Silent Night), "Cancion de los Pastores" (The Shepherds' Song), "Cancion de los Reyes" (The Kings' Song), etc. Hay algunos temas en ingles, y esto es para que todos puedan entenderlos.

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FTA Gives Gifts To Rice Winners

(By Judy Fay Spates)

One project for the Rice High School Future Teachers of America has been a Christmas project for the teachers and employees of Rice High School.

The FTA members made cookies, cupcakes, and brownies as a gift for the teachers and employees of Rice High School.

The running and conditioning helps to make the players stronger and quicker. Once the season starts up again, the conditioning pays off for the athletes as well as the scoreboard.

Silent Night

pray that His blessing may abide with you at Christmas and in the days to come.

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S.C. Has Second Xmas Banquet

(By Judy Spates)

On Tuesday, December 16, in the Rice High School Commons at 6:30 p.m. pictures were taken of class representatives and council officers for the 1975-76 school year.

Immediately after the pictures were taken, the program began for the banquet. First on the agenda was the opening by the president, Beryl Shorter, with the invocation by Donald Perry and welcome by the president also. Then a skit that was written by Daryl Behler and Donald Perry was presented by some of the council members. Next, everyone enjoyed a turkey dinner with all the trimmings. Continuing on with the program, all the guests were recognized by Brenda Kallina and all the officers were recognized by Laurel Anderson. Next, on the agenda, was a presentation by Judy Spates, which was a gift to Ronel Roberts, who was and still is a very big help to the Student Council. Proceeding on with the agenda was the reading of the history by Phyllis Korunk. The last thing on the agenda before the program was adjourned was a special presentation to the sponsor, Joe Wendel. Lastly, the program was adjourned with a song called "Silent Night."

This was one of the council projects for the year.

A Very Merry Christmas to All!

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