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MARK TWAIN SCHOOL

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FROM THE STAFF OF THE MARVY MARK TWAIN TIMES

Due to the paper shortage, the Marvey Mark Twain Times was not published in November. We hope to be able to have at least one issue every other month. We are sorry that we could not include every article that was turned in but there just wasn't enough space.

Thank you for all the great articles this month. The next issue will be the February Issue. Have an enjoyable holiday season!

PARENTS SPEAK! By Tim Sherman - Vivian Neibauer - Anna Rogers - Grade 6

These questions were asked of parents and guests at Mark Twain School during American Education Week. Space did not allow all answers to be included.

1. "How long should children stay up on week nights?"

Mr. Reinheimer - "About 9 o'clock."

Mrs. Hurst - "About 9 o'clock."

2. "Do you have any complaints about the school?"

Mr. Gonce - "None."

Almost everyone else thought the same thing.

3. "What grade do you think homework should start to be given out?"

Mrs. Clark - "3rd Grade."

4. "How many hours should a child watch T.V. in a row?"

Mrs. Martin - "With homework - none, without homework three hours."

5. "Do you like the ideal of the newspaper?"

Mrs. Johnson - "Yes, very much."

6. "Should children take a foreign language in grade school?"

Mrs. Lubker - "Yes."

Mrs. Ford - "Yes, but in grades 4, 5, and 6."

7. "What do you think could be added to schools?"

Mrs. Casanova - "More parent-student involvement."

8. "What do you think of the safety patrol?"

Mrs. Lubker - "I think it's doing a great job."

9. "What do you think of the P.T.A.?"

Mrs. Lubker - "More parents should come."

10. "What do you think about the report card?"

Mrs. Parmenter - "I liked the old ones better."

Mrs. Keller - "I like them. They tell more."

SAFETY PATROL NEWS

The Mark Twain Safety Patrol would like you to know that the patrols are on the winter schedule. We will be on our posts from 8:10 to 8:20. For children who cross at the lights on Derhake, the patrol will be on duty until 8:25. Also, the patrol has elected some new officers. Their names and new offices are Tim Sherman, Captain; Jeff Jaromack, Lieutenant; Jeff Gierer, Chris Bouquet and Greg David, Sergeants.

Mark Russell - Grade 6

THE SIXTH GRADE BOOKWORM

All three of the sixth grade classes are being invaded by bookworms. All of the sixth grade reading classes have a bookworm. We want to build a bookworm so we can join them from Miss Wilkerson's to Mr. Krekel's and to Miss Grawunder's room. To build the bookworm, you must make a book report. You write down the title and your name on a segment of the worm. So all of you sixth graders, start reading!! The race is on. Who will have the longest bookworm?

by Michelle Fenger - Grade 6



THE THANKSGIVING PICTURE CONTEST

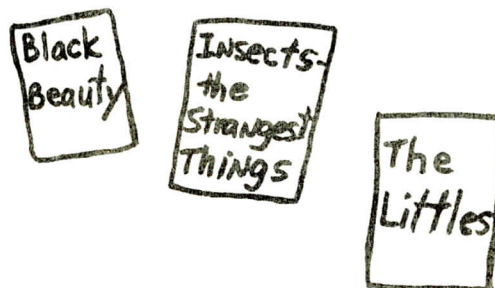
In the library there was a contest to see who had the best Thanksgiving pictures. The winners got a blue ribbon. The winners were: Level Two, Kathy Gorzel; Level Three, Chris Johnson; Level Four, Debbie Manley; Level Five, Kerry Henning; Level Six, Stacy Henning and Laura Ford. The judges who chose the pictures were Mrs. Robertson, Mrs. Hansell and Mr. Schultze.

by Beth Rackley - Grade 6

THE WINNERS

November 28, 1973 was a good day because the library selected the winning book jackets for Mrs. Basch's class. The winning book jackets were picked from many that Mrs. Basch's class made for the contest. The winners are: Black Beauty by Anna Collins, Insects - The Strangest Things by Susan McGinnis, and The Littles by Theresa Itterly.

by Jeanna Huett - Grade 6



CHRISTMAS FUN

Christmas is coming with lots of "Music" for your enjoyment. The band will perform in December for the school.

Selections will include "Jingle Bells" and "Old Saint Nick" performed by the beginning band. Other selections by the concert band are "Suite of Carols," "Hark the Herald" and "Bells of Winter." Come and enjoy yourself. Parents are welcome too!

The band wishes everyone a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

by Miss Evans, Garry Meier, Marty Meier.



EDITORIALS

POLLUTION

ANOTHER WORD FOR POLLUTION IS MURDER. POLLUTION KILLS BIRDS, FISH AND OTHER SMALL ANIMALS. IF PEOPLE MAKE POLLUTION THEY CAN STOP IT. THEY THINK THE PROBLEM OF POLLUTION IS TOO BIG TO SOLVE SO THEY GO ON LITTERING. IF PEOPLE DON'T STOP LITTERING THEY WILL KILL THEMSELVES AND OTHERS.

by Susan Venturella - Grade 3

OIL SHORTAGE

WE SHOULD CUT DOWN ON OIL, SO WE WILL HAVE ENOUGH. CUT DOWN ON OIL AND DON'T TAKE LONG TRIPS. THE AIRPLANES SHOULD CUT DOWN ON FLIGHTS.

by Mike Amrein - Grade 4

NO SMOKING PLEASE

STOP SMOKING BEFORE IT STOPS YOU. FOR YOUR SAKE AND MINE, STOP AND HAVE A GOOD LIFE.

by Ed Morris - Grade 4

GAS SHORTAGE

PLEASE TURN MOST OF YOUR LIGHTS OUT. HELP US SAVE GAS AND POWER. SAVE ENERGY.

by Ed Morris - Grade 4

STORIES AND POEMS - YOURS, MINE AND OURS



THE SECRET TREE

Once upon a time a Christmas tree was all alone. Then one day a little boy came. The little boy liked the Christmas tree very much. So he took it home. It looked very nice, and the little boy had a happy Christmas.

by Carol Kenesey - Continuing Primary™

I LIKED THANKSGIVING

I liked Thanksgiving because we had turkey, vegetables and other things.

by Tony Sansone - Grade 3

OUR DOG

Our dog had nine puppies. We sold eight of them. We have one puppy left. We call him Wooley Bear. We have one left to sell. He is a \$ 100 dog!

by Mike Henning - Grade 2

THE RABBIT

A rabbit hops and his ears flop when he runs about. His feet go flippity flop.

BY LAURA NAGEL -2

KINDERGARTEN

I like to watch films and do art work like tents and Indians. I enjoy talking about the Calendar. I like to play games like "Duck, Duck, Goose" at recess. I like to cut and paste.

When we made popcorn we learned to use our five senses to hear it pop, to feel it, taste it, see it, and smell it too. Boy was it good! I like making decorations in school.

by Karey Stiefer-
P.M. Kindergarten

THANKSGIVING

We went to see our friends on Thanksgiving. We ate turkey, sweet potatoes, cranberry sauce, Pepsi and cake, but I didn't like sweet potatoes very well! After we ate we listened to records and played games like tag in the basement. The stairs were base. We made things with playdough. I was thankful for all the friends I have, my cousins and my mom's sister.

by Barbara Stafford-
P.M. Kindergarten

WHY I LIKE KINDERGARTEN

I like kindergarten because we always have recess everyday and also because we learn lots of things from our teachers. We have listening lessons to learn the sounds of the letters and we have stories to help us remember.

When I had the mumps, I missed making popcorn with my class, but I did help to make applesauce and was that good! Yum, yum! Music is fun and so is gym because we play lots of games.

by Teri Ames
A.M. Kindergarten

WHAT I LIKED ABOUT THANKSGIVING

I liked Thanksgiving because we went to my Grandmother's house and ate supper there. We had a good supper and my Mom made a Turkey Cake that we ate there. Have you ever seen a turkey cake? It's a regular cake shaped like a turkey and it had all colors of icing on it. I was glad to have such a good Thanksgiving with my family.

by Missy Bailey
A.M. Kindergarten





A LETTER FROM SANTA CLAUS, NORTH POLE

Dearest Little Friend,

Well-Christmas is coming and
all through my shop,
Not a brownie is idle, they dare
not to stop.
The toys they are making
are planned with great care
For all my good children
who live everywhere.
And when I arrive on
next Christmas Eve
I'll have much to do
before I leave.
So be sure I find you
asleep in your bed.
Letting sweet dreams creep
into your head.
Then I'll drop down
your chimney as quick as a flash-
I'll leave all your presents,
then away in a dash,
And before you know it,
I'll be out of sight,
For there's many a stop on
my long list tonight.
So goodbye for now-
may your dreams come true;
And a Merry Merry
Christmas always to you.

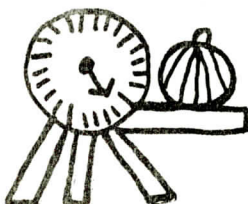
Your Friend,
Santa Claus

by Jodi Usai - Grade 5

OUR PUMPKIN

We had a pumpkin and we weighed it.
It weighed about eleven pounds. We
cut it open and we cleaned the inside
of it. Then we cooked it and ate it.
We had fun with it.

by Kim Harry - Grade 2



CHRISTMAS POEM

Christmas is a fun time,
Especially when you open
the presents.
I think that is fun!

by Laurie Toerper - Grade 3

SANTA CLAUS

Santa Claus is a friendly chap,
He lets you sit on his lap.
If you're bad
Don't be sad
He might forget it! That's a fact!!!

by Bob Balassi - Grade 4

THE LOST SUIT

One year Santa Claus lost his suit and
could not go to give children their toys
that year. Then a month later Santa
found his suit. He decided to go to the
store so the children would come and
sit on his lap. Mrs. Claus fixed him
some lunch. Then Santa went to the
store and all the boys and girls came
to the store to meet Santa. He gave
out some candy canes and some toys
for the boys and girls. They all lived
happily ever after.

by Laura Mackin - 4 Grade

CHRISTMAS POEM

As the bells ring,
Santa brings,
Toys for tomorrow,
So kids won't feel sorrow.

by Danny Clark - Grade 4



CHRISTMAS TIME

Christmas is a time of cheer,
Too bad it's only once a year
Let's make it last the whole year through
By doing all the nice things we can do.

by Jackie Jansen - Grade 4

A STORY WITH A HAPPY ENDING!

There once was a family that was always sad. They didn't like anything or anyone and no one liked them either. When Christmas came the family did not get any presents. The children began to cry. Their grandfather said, "Please don't cry. Once when I was small, I hardly had any presents either. I just sent presents to other people. When the people got them they sent me some back. And every Christmas until now I always send presents and also get presents." So the family started sending presents and had some in return. So forever and ever the family was happy.

by Mary Kaminski - Grade 3

SANTA CLAUS

Santa Claus is a man with a suit.
On Christmas he gave my brother a train that went toot!
We put out cookies and milk.
He gave my sister a gown made of silk.
Santa Claus came on a sled.
He gave my brother a bear named Ted.

Karen McIntosh - Grade 3

CHRISTMAS TIME AND SANTA CLAUS

Christmas is fun,
Like when we get a gun.
Last Christmas I got a present
Everyone thinks it's pleasant.
Christmas is lots of joy
Like when we get a toy.
In the winter it is cold.
We will be happy when we find gold.
Christmas is in the winter,
From your tree we might get a splinter.
Santa Claus is really Chris Crinkle.
Have you ever seen Santa Claus when he
has that wrinkle.

by John Hasmer-Grade 4

CHRISTMAS POEM

Christmas is
very fun for at
least I
never know
what I'm
going to
get so I
wait!

by Terri Otto-Grade 2



POEM

ROSES ARE PURPLE
VIOLETS ARE RED
IF YOU BELIEVE THIS
EXAMINE YOUR HEAD
by Chris Tocco - Grade 3

CHRISTMAS IS ON ITS WAY

Christmas is here,
And it's bringing good cheer,
Santa is on his way.
The reindeer are ready,
To take to the air,
With Santa and his sleigh.

by Michelle Fenger - Grade 6

THE CAT

There was a cat.
He was very fat.
He sat in a hat.
With a mouse in his lap
Well what do you think of that.

by Buffy Weier - Grade 2

I LIKE CHRISTMAS

I like Christmas
I like the presents
I get on Christmas.
My sister said, "When is
Santa coming down the
chimney?"
I said. "He is coming
soon."

by Patty Poe - Grade 3

WHAT I LIKE ABOUT CHRISTMAS

The things I like about Christmas
are getting presents, having a Christmas
vacation, putting up decorations, putting
up the tree and playing Christmas
records.

by Cindy Woo - Grade 3

SNOW

When I see the snow
I get up and go
To watch the wind blow
I like the winter
And sometimes get a splinter
Riding my sled
After all that I go to bed.

by Mike Preuss - Grade 4

POEM

Roses are red
Violets are blue
Santa Claus is coming
With a present for you!!

by Laura Ford - Grade 6

ON CHRISTMAS

On Christmas we had fun
We didn't see the sun.
My sister and I had a snowball fight
What a sight!
On Christmas morning we got lots
of toys
The house was filled with noise
My stocking was filled with candy
My father was happy as dandy.

by Karen McIntosh - Grade 3



CHRISTMAS TIME

Christmas Christmas
Christmas we see,
We play
We ride on our sleigh
We get fun games
And it's so gay.
We get presents and pheasants
And all sorts of things
We seethem
We read them
On Christmas day.

by Leah Danforth - Grade 3

WINTER IS HERE

Autumn is over and winter is here,
This is the time of the year
When snow's on the ground
And trees are bare
With snow for hair
Winter is all around!

SNOW

Snow is white
Snow is bright
Snow is like a little speck
That comes down with a
little peck.

by Mike Skrein - Grade 4

SANTA'S WORKSHOP

Santa's elves are now getting ready
for the big day. Santa's workshop is
full of lots of toys for little boys and
girls. All of the children are most
likely excited. All houses are lighted.
All Christmas trees are up. On
Christmas everyone is out singing Christmas
carols.

Merry Christmas!!!!

by Ruth McGinnis - Grade 3

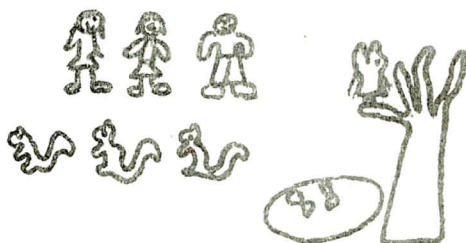
THE CHRISTMAS CAROLERS

Once there were five boys. They
wanted to make Christmas better.
So they went out on Christmas Eve
at night and they sang lots of songs.

by Tommy Stepanek - Grade 3

ANIMALS CAME TOO!!

Shall I tell you who came to Bethlehem
on Christmas morning? It was the owl
from the big black oak tree, three
squirrels from afar, and two fish from
the pond. Many, many children came
from all the lands. I heard that is who
came to Bethlehem.



WHY I LIKE CHRISTMAS

I like Christmas because you get lots
of presents. I like to put up our
Christmas tree, go Christmas
shopping and wrap gifts. That's why
I like Christmas.

by Debbie Bohannon - Grade 6

ON CHRISTMAS EVE

Christmas Eve is the night Santa
Claus comes. He brings you nice
things like toys, games, and clothes.

If you are bad Santa Claus will bring
you a lot of black coal.

So don't forget to mail your Christmas
list early.

by Donna Goetz - Grade 6



CHRISTMAS

Christmas is coming up soon and
everybody will be hurrying in December
because it will soon be time. We are
all busy getting ready.

by Mark Yoder - Grade 4



AN INTERVIEW WITH SANTA CLAUS AND HIS ELVES

REPORTER: Santa, could you tell us why you are going to resign.

SANTA CLAUS: I feel that I have worked too hard.

ELVES: You've worked hard! What about us? We've been making toys for over 50 years.

REPORTER: Could you tell us please?

SANTA CLAUS: Yes, we all have worked very hard. They make toys and I deliver every year.

REPORTER: But what about all the boys and girls! They'll be so disappointed in you.

SANTA CLAUS: I know but I can't help it. We are all so very tired this year.

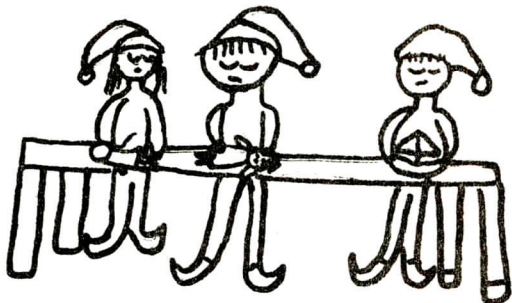
ELVES: That's true! We are all so tired. Day in and day out we sit making dolls, cars, and all sorts of toys.

SANTA CLAUS: I've made up my mind. I think I'll just deliver toys again to all boys and girls.

REPORTER: So now we conclude our story with a happy ending. Merry Christmas, everyone!!

ELVES: Oh Well! Here we go again - back to the old drawing board!

by Dana Usai - Grade 6





FEATURES - INTERVIEWS - SPORTS

NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS

The sixth grade thinks that these would be some good New Year Resolutions.

- 1- Not to fight on the playground.
- 2- Not to be noisy in the cafeteria.
- 3- To be cheerful, to work hard in all classes, to be nicer to everyone, try to make good grades - never to cheat.

We are all hoping everyone will try to do these things.

We are all looking forward to the New Year. We're also looking forward to the year book.. We are interested to see how the districts combining turns out.

Let's all do many of the things mentioned above and have a HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

by Vivian Neibauer

THREE KINGS DAY

Three Kings Day in Spain is interesting. The children in Spain celebrate Three Kings Day. They celebrate Christmas too. Three Kings Day is in the first week of January. The children put out one of their shoes and some water and grass for the camels. They only put out one shoe. If they put out two they won't get anything because that's being greedy.

by Janice Bowen - Grade 6

INTERVIEW WITH MRS. MILLES

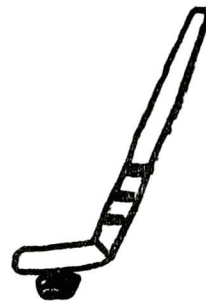
- Q. Do you like teaching music?
A. Yes, very much.
Q. How did you get interested in music?
A. I have always enjoyed music. Both my parents thought music was very important.
Q. Do you have trouble with Kindergarteners and their pitches?
A. Many children do not match pitches, but they can if they try.

- Q. Where did you learn about music?
A. Wichita, Kansas State University.
Q. Do you play in concerts or anything during the summer.
A. Yes, I sang in the Municipal Opera in Forest Park.

by Michele Riedisser and Pat Brandt-
Grade 6

THE BLUES ARE BACK:

The St. Louis Blues have been in last place and sixth place but now are tied for second place. The Blues made this comeback starting in Montreal when they beat the Canadians 5 to 0. The Blues have two good goalies - Wayne Stephenson and John Davidson. They also have a good defense with Don Aurey, Barclay Plager, and Steve Durbano. The Blues also have good forwards with Bob (Battleship) Kelly, Wayne Merrick, Lou Angoty, and Garry Unger and more. So the Blues have a pretty good team. By now they should be close to first place. by Martin Eckert - Grade 6



ENTERTAINMENT SECTION

JOKE

Rudolph in Russia?

Husband: I hope it doesn't rain on Christmas.

Wife: I'll call the Russian weather report.

Husband: Why the Russian weather report?

Wife: Because Rudolph the Red knows rain, dear.

by Joe Conger
5th Grade

Haystack

Once there were two men in a plane.
Unfortunately one man fell out.
Fortunately there was a haystack.
Unfortunately there was a pitchfork in the haystack.
Fortunately he missed the pitchfork.
Unfortunately he missed the haystack.

by Mike Brendel
5th Grade



What did the angel say when heaven caught on fire?

Answer Holy Smoke

by Cathy Manley
5th Grade

UNSCRAMBLE THE WORDS

by Cathy Droege
Grade 6

repsnet	_____
rtee	_____
ngael	_____
erwaht	_____
tasr	_____
stmenonra	_____
snioratdeco	_____
rgenam	_____
smascristh	_____
tnsaa cauls	_____

ornaments

wreath

star

manger

angel

Christmas

decorations

Santa Claus

tree

present

CHRISTMAS PUZZLE

by

Ann Collins - 4th Grade

S A N T A C L A U S C H
N L O O A H A N N Y A O
C I E Y O I H N E C R H
W L L D M M R M D V O O
I S I O I N N A E Y L H
P T B L S E L N G U E O
O H C L L Y S A I L R E
I E R T T U R G F E S S
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Words to Find

Santa Claus	Yuletide	Herring
Sled	Ho, Ho, Ho	Manger
Snow	Tree	Stockings
Doll	Tinsel	Candy Cane
Candy	Elves	Gift
Chimney	Holly	Shepherds
Noel	Poinsetta	
Toy	Mistletoe	
Carolers	Ornament	

CHRISTMAS WORD FIND

a b e l l s k t p l r e n m
n u s k g e s b e l t s d l
g t k l b e t o s t h t e t
c p p k s l p s w o w m t o
l t s d a o g k r p t n o y
s o l z n d e l s l o l y s
p m e s k n l s k e t k l l
t s p t a k p k l k b p p k
h t t r l n h a k p c c k b
l r f e p p t t l u o n s e
l s k e t t d a n r t c n l

angels sled
Santa toys
snow noel
tree bells

by
Tammy Neibauer
Grade 4

CHRISTMAS HUNT by Blake Williamson Grade 6

L B O O K S K S N O W S T U P
B D A F G G L I T T E R W X A
T W I N K L E A D F F K M N R
T W E N T Y F I F T H D P O T
D R M E S U A L C A T N A S Y
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E E I P Z C H R I S T M A S U
R R M C D F R O S T I L K J S

Noel	Twenty-Fifth	
Tree	New Year	
Lights	Hot Chocolate	
Carol	Ties	
Toy	Christmas	
Santa	Bows	
Package	Wrapping Paper	
Stocking	Green	Snow
Santa Claus	Red	Frost
Jesus	Reindeer	
Food	Glitter	
Books	Games	
Party	Twinkle	

JOKE

Harry: Hey! John come over here!

Look what I found!

John: I'm rushin', I'm rushin'.

Harry: I thought you were German!

by Chris Tocco
Grade 3

FIND THE HIDDEN WORDS

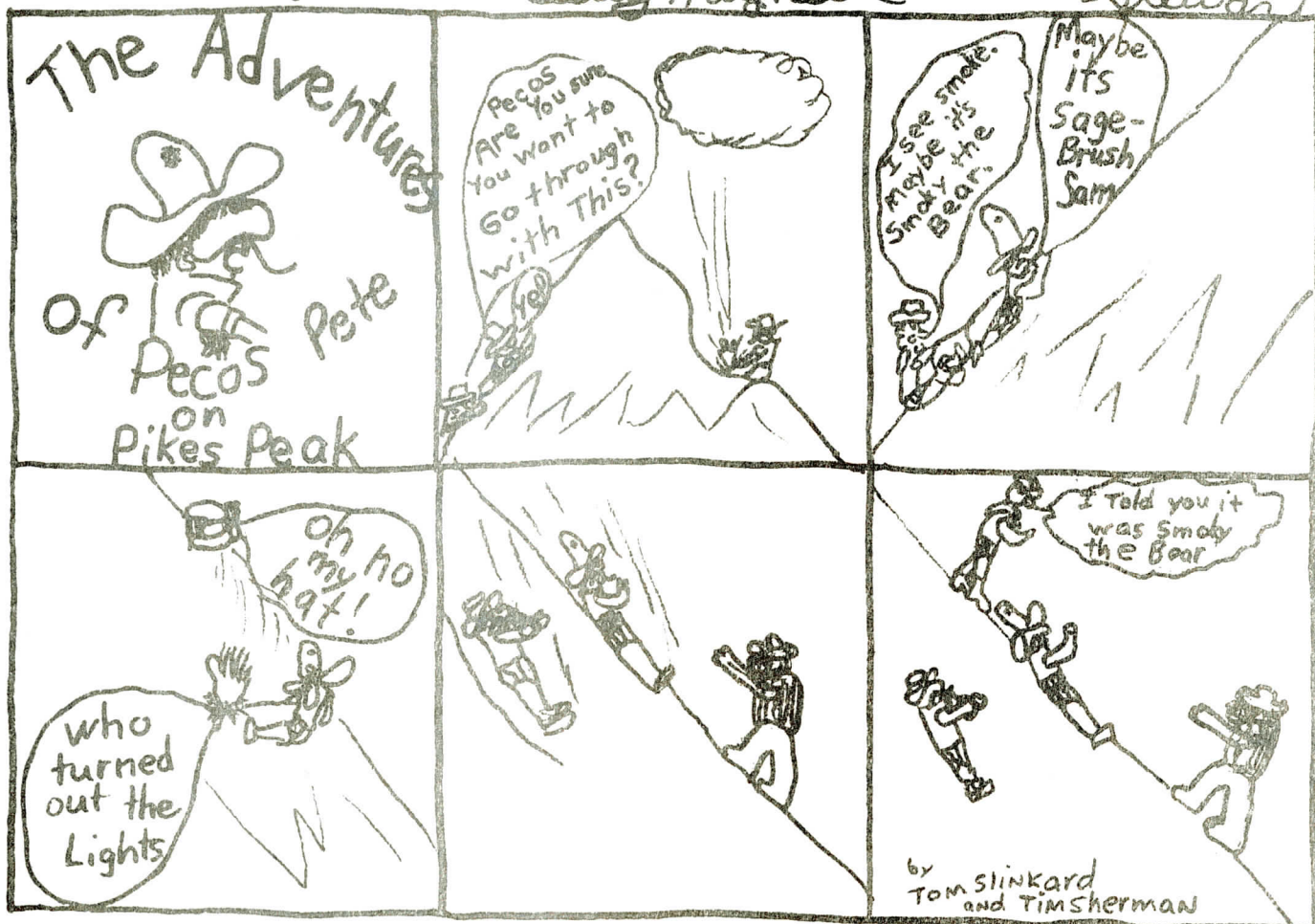
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p e t t p	mad
p p h a t	glad
y e r n l	stop
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e t e l u	hat
o o m a d	thee
e z g d s	three
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by Dana Godfrey
Grade 3



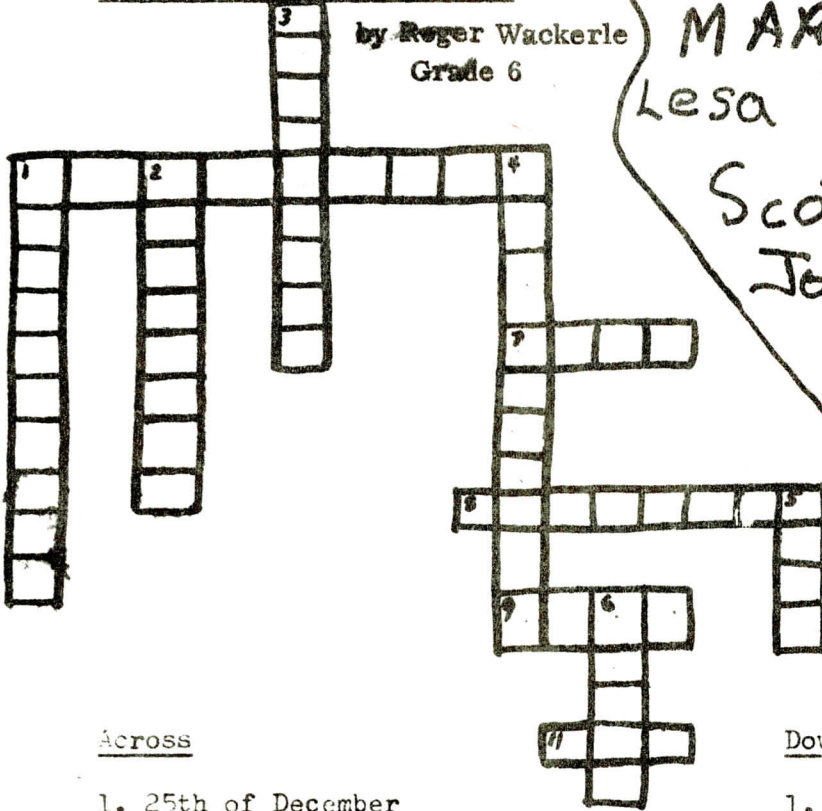
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from the 6th Grade.

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Robert Jennings	Steve Foulks		Colleen Mackin
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Karla Smith	Wivian Neubauer		Rick Stigall
Beth Rackley	Linda Belford		Ellen Knadricks
Tony Costa	Kathy Beck		Michelle Price
Anna Rogers	Betty Hughes		Heri Stewart



CHRISTMAS CROSSWORD PUZZLE

by Roger Wackerle
Grade 6



Across

1. 25th of December
7. You play with them
8. Presents under the tree
9. What Santa sits in
11. The abbreviation for December

Down

1. Striped candy
2. Some kind of deer
3. Christmas Trees
4. St. Nick
5. It's white and cold
6. St. Nick's helpers

SECRET CODE

A = J	G = 7	N = 0	T = 1
B = U	H = C	O = 8	U = 4
C = L	I = 2	P = 9	V = 5
D = 3	J = 6	Q = 7	W = 0
E = 0	K = 5	R = 4	X = 3
F = 1	L = 8	S = 2	Y = 6
	M = 9		Z = 7

Answer

What is the best thing to put in a
ple? Your TEETH

RIDDLE

What is green and rides on Silver?
The Lone Pickle

6th Grade Greetings (continued)

Sarah Marr Murgie McD.
Debbie Bohannon Michele Riedinger
MARK Russell

Lesia Keller Michael Woo
Loda Langley
SCOTT MAENDER

Joe Soro: CHRIS CONGER
R

Sammy Raftery

Greg Vail
Tim S. Herman
Tom Shankard
Fred Daniel

Darren Smith

Jeff Soro: Daniel Uscii
Tommy Clark
Donna Hetz

Can you figure out this message?

ששסס סחש זר שנה
רסרש שש דסרש
רסרש? שש. שסס

by Tony Costa
Grade 6

by Susan Venturella - Grade 3