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Season's Greetings



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Christmas Cheer



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From your friends at the Waseca Co. Historical Society! We are so grateful for New Richland community-wide support—from the City, the Township Board, and many Members, Donors, Volunteers & Visitors. Please extend your support for the New Richland Historical Society, too!

Visions of Sugar Plums exhibit on through December 27, Tues-Fri, 9-5.

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May the sights and sounds of Christmas bring joy and peace to your heart. We wish you and yours the best Christmas ever.

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Twelve Days of Christmas

"On the Twelfth Day of Christmas My true love gave to me..."

The verses are among the most popular of the season. They date back to 567 A.D., when the church proclaimed the period of twelve days, between Nativity and Epiphany, a period of celebration. It goes from St. Stephen's Day (or Boxing Day), Dec. 26, to the day before Epiphany, Jan. 6.

Twelfth Night

The night of this day, or Twelfth Night, was a special celebration frequently accompanied by a big banquet, immortalized by

Shakespeare in his play of the same name. It is in fact the big holiday of the year in most Christian countries.

In the Middle Ages, a minstrel had to be a talented fellow. One of these, in listing his accomplishments, after noting the many instruments he can play, says: "I can sing a song well and make tales and fables. I can tell a story against any man, I can make love verses to please young ladies, and can play the gallant to them if necessary. Then I can throw knives into the air and catch them without cutting my fingers. I can do dodges with a string most extraordinary and amusing. I can balance

chairs and make tables dance. I can throw a somersault and walk on my head."

This English minstrel had his counterpart in Europe, where the twelve days were celebrated too, with feasting, pageantry, and song.

In England some of the "pretty devices" preceding the banquets in the big halls of the Twelfth Night are unbelievable - sounding confectories which included castles with cannons and shops with guns which, at the proper moment, were fired against each other in resemblance of a rousing battle.

The song

The song probably had its

origin in an 18th Century French child's game. The goal of the game was to add each item onto the song without forgetting the items that preceded it. Rewards included candy, and losers forfeited either a sweet or a kiss.

What do the "gifts" symbolize?

My true love represents God.

The **partridge** is Jesus.

Two turtle doves are the two Testaments of the Bible.

Three French hens refers either to Paul's theological triad of faith, hope and love, or to the Trinity.

Four calling birds (or colly birds, blackbirds) are

the four Gospels.

Five golden rings symbolize the Pentateuch (the first five books of the Bible).

Six geese-a-laying are the six days of creation.

Seven swans a-swimming are the seven sacraments.

Eight maids a-milking represent the eight beatitudes.

Nine ladies dancing refers to the fruits of the Spirit.

10 lords a-leaping are the Ten Commandments.

11 pipers playing are the 11 faithful apostles.

And the **12 drummers drumming** are the 12 points of the Apostle's Creed.

Rejoice

Imagine the joy the shepherds felt, on hearing the glad tidings! We wish that joy to you and yours.

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Season's Greetings!
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Merry Christmas, one and all!

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We Know You've Been **GOOD!**

We're making a list of all the people we want to acknowledge and your name is on it! Thank you for being so good to us this year.

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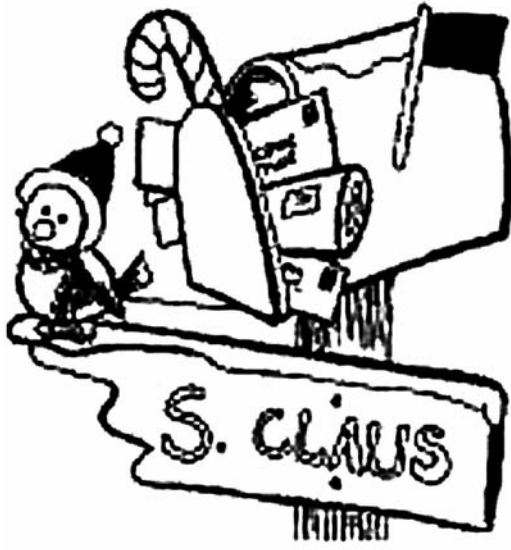
May you and your loved ones draw strength and inspiration from the miracle that is Christmas, and its message of faith, goodwill and peace on earth. Noel.

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Happy Holidays

Thank you for your business in 2013, and your continued business in the new year.

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LETTERS

What do you want from Santa this year? Second grade students at NRHEG Elementary school speak out in their letters to the Jolly Old Guy.

2nd Grade - Mrs. Dutton

Dear Santa,
Hello! How are you doing? Is Rudolph the red nose reindeer real? I hope you have a pair of iceskates for me. I hope you do not have coal for me. I have been good this year.
Your friend,
Annabelle P.

Dear Santa,
Hi! What I really, really want for Christmas is a kindle fire HD. Is Rudolph real? How are the reindeer? I am going to make cookies and hot cocoa. I also want a Jumbo Tummy Stuffer.
Merry Christmas!
Love,
Erin P.

Dear Santa,
Hello! How is Jack Frost? Is he being good or bad? Do you know what? Please bring me the new Barbie house, the new Barbie princess castle, and an iPhone please Merry Christmas.
Love,
Kia B.

Dear Santa,
Hello! How are you? I hope you have matchbox cars. I want a farm set for Christmas. I want a happy Christmas. I have been a good boy. How is Mrs. Claus? I hope you do not have coal for me.
Love,
Carter D.

Dear Santa,
Hello! How are you? What is your favorite cookie? Can I please have an iPad for Christmas?
From,
Garrett D.

Dear Santa,
Hi! How are the 8 reindeer? How is Mrs. Claus and the elves? Santa, I don't care what you get me for Christmas. I'm hoping you will not break our door for the chimney this year. Could you tell everyone I like them?
Love,
Kiyah M.

Dear Santa,
How are the elves doing? Is Rudolph real? Please may I have a phone, a tablet, an iPad, a toy car, a remote helicopter, a magic ball, a flower, and a toy elephant for Christmas.
Love,
Dacoda M.

Dear Santa,
Hi! How is Cornit? My dog's name is Cornit! My favorite reindeer is Cornit! Do you have a favorite reindeer? What is your favorite cookie? I like sugar cookies. For Christmas I just want a few things: iPad, Mini, an iPad Mini case, and coast guard lego set.
Your friend,
Graden K.

Dear Santa,
Hello! I want an iPad and my family, friends, class, brothers and God to have a good Christmas. I want a good Christmas too. Are your elves OK?
Love,
Payden L.

Dear Santa,
Hi! How is Rudolph and how are your elves? Can I please get an iPad 2 for Christmas? What is your favorite reindeer?
Love,
Daltyn H.

Dear Santa,
Hello! How are you? I am doing great! How is Rudolph doing? What is your favorite cookie? My favorite toy I want is a DSi with ten games. How many reindeer do you have? How can the reindeer fly? My favorite toy I want is a Barbie top. My best favorite toy I want is an iPad and an iPad too.
Love,
Haylie G.

Dear Santa,
Hi! How is Rudolph? For Christmas I want a Barbie horse and a snow globe maker please! I will leave cookies and milk.
Love,
Payton B.

Dear Santa,
Hello! How are you? For Christmas I want a Monopoly Cars 2 game for Christmas. I want a bike too. Merry Christmas!
Love,
Samuel H.

Dear Santa,
Hello! How is it in the North pole? All I want for Christmas is to be with my family and play with my brother.
Love,
Devin M.

Dear Santa,
Do you have a dog? How is Rudolph and the reindeer? I want to have a good time with my new baby sister for Christmas.
Love,
Jaden B.

Dear Santa,
Hi! How are you and the elves? I want an iPad, Bratz, and her horse, and please a toy called Honey the baby pony for Christmas. How many toys do you have to make in one Christmas? How many elves do you have?
Love,
Sydney L.

Dear Santa,
Hello! This Christmas I want the game Run Your self Ragged, a girls Bow and arrow, Disney infinity, and Skylanders Swap Force. How do the Reindeer fly? How do the elves make toys? Are you doing good at the North Pole?
Love,
Elsie S.

Dear Santa,
How are you and the elves? I would like some fashion boots with fuzzy inside of them. I also want a horse with a cowgirl hat and some cowgirl boots. I want a lot of skylander giants, a DS, iPad, and... an... American girl doll school clothes, and really, I mean really cute clothes.
Love,
Khara P.

Dear Santa,
Hello! How are you and your wife? Can I please have an iPad and a iPod, and a pair of slippers, and an NFL football game for Christmas this year. Thanks.
Love,
Zander F.

TO SANTA



These letters are from the second grade students of Mrs. Dutton, Mrs. Ihrke, Mrs. Radtke, and Mr. Beynon.

2nd Grade - Mrs. Ihrke

Dear Santa,
How are you this year? I think you might want to see my Christmas tree. How are the reindeer? I would like a hamster and a Xbox 360 for Christmas. What is your favorite reindeer? Can I also have an iPad? Merry Christmas!

Your friends,
Hunter

Dear Santa Claus,
Please Santa I want a iPad for Christmas. Flaps, a pet rabbit and a pet squirrel. How is Rudolph, is Rudolph good? I hope he didn't get hurt.
Have a Merry Christmas!

Love
Eage H.

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas! What kind of cookies do you want? I have been a good girl this year. How are Rudolph and Mrs. Claus? Please bring me Orbeez and an American Girl doll. How are the elves? I hope I can make cookies for you. Please give me some candy.

Love,
Kyrac.

Dear Santa,
Are you happy about Christmas? What do you want for Christmas? Have I been good this year? Can you please bring me an Xbox 360 and an Infinity. I will put cookies, milk, and carrots out for you and your reindeer.

Love,
Daxter L.

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas! How are you doing? Are the elves working hard this time of year? How do you deliver all the presents all in 24 hours? Sorry I have so many questions for Christmas I want Ivy the American Girl doll and all the accessories please.

Love,
Tayler S.

Dear Santa,
How are you? My name is Brian. How is Rudolph? Do you have any pets? How is Mrs. Claus? What do you like to do for fun? I have been a good boy this year. What time of the year is your birthday? What kind of cookies do you like? I would like a new helicopter for Christmas. I would like a marker maker. Have a Merry Christmas!

Love,
Brian

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. What kind of cookies do you like to eat? Please put a Xbox 360, bike, and a remote control helicopter in your bag for me. By the way, I don't have a chimney. Do you have any animals? I almost forgot, can you make snow? I wish you a Merry Christmas!

From,
Levin K.

Dear Santa Claus,
How are your elves? I have so many questions to ask you. Lets get started. By the way, my name is Gracie. Would you like a cookie or two for Christmas? I would like a Bells Dog and an Easy Bake oven. Mia blew up the other one! I want a desk top, please please please! I'm going to make a craft for you on Christmas. Merry Christmas Santa! Please get my family something nice.

Love,
Gracie

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you? You might want an extra coat because it's cold here. Are your reindeer being good? What is your favorite cookie? Can I please have a Xbox 1, a remote control car, and a hamster with the food please? Have a Merry Christmas!

Your friend,
Reese R.

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you? I'm doing great! What kind of cookies should I give you? My name is Madison. How is Rudolph? How is Mrs. Claus? My tree is not decorated on the bottom because my dog Drake grabs the ornaments and chews them up. I would like a Monster High High School, a PS game and a big screen TV for Christmas.

Love,
Madison M.

Dear Santa Claus,
Merry Christmas! How are you? My name is Clay. I have been a good boy. How are your reindeer? What do you do for fun? What are your favorite cookies? Is it fun up in the North Pole? I'm doing fine. For my Mom please give her flowers. For my dad please give him new boots. For presents I want a Xbox.

Love,
Clay R.

Dear Santa,
My name is Natas. What do you like to do for fun? I like to play video games. I have been a good boy all year. Please put a PS3 and the Wii U game called Super Mario 3D World in your bag for me. Have a Merry Christmas!

From,
Natas D.

Dear Santa Claus,
Merry Christmas! I have been a good girl this year. Guess how much presents I have under my tree. Would you like me to leave milk and cookies for you, or would you like to lay off them at my house? Ok, now let's get to business. For Christmas I would love a Furby Boom and a basketball in your bag for me please.

Sincerely,
Hallie S.

Dear Santa,
My name is Kaeden. I'm doing good. How are the reindeer? I just want to spend Christmas with my family. What do you want for Christmas? Please put a PS3 under the tree for me.

Love,
Kaeden

Dear Santa Claus,
How is Rudolph? What do you want for Christmas? Is Prancer still dancing? Do you want another reindeer? How many cousins do you have? Do you still like your elves? I would like an iPad and a remote control car. What is your favorite cookie? Tell Mrs. Claus Merry Christmas. How are all of your reindeer? I have been a good girl this year!

Sincerely,
Emilee D.

Dear Santa,
How are you? I'm doing great! Should I leave bubblegum for Rudolph? I have been a good girl this year. I want a puppy if you can. That is all. I really want it! Thanks!

Love,
Isabel S.

Dear Santa,
How are you? Do you wear glasses? Why do you wear a red and white suit and black boots? I'm 8 years old and I'm a triplet. My sisters names are Faith and Hope. Can I have a basketball, a sled, or a sleigh bell? Thank you!

Love,
Preslie
P.S what's your real name?

Dear Santa,
How do you get to every house in one night? Why are your Elf's so small? Are you Magic? How do you get through the chimney if the fireplace is on or Will it burn your tush? I want a giant pink fluffy bear. My favorite color is pink. I am 8 years old and I'm a triplet.

Love,
Faith

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl. I want a American Girl doll for Christmas. What kind of cookies would you like. Why is your beard so fluffy? Why do you wear red? Why do your elfs wear green? Why are your elfs small? I'm a triplet. My sisters names are Faith and Preslie.

Love,
Hope N.

Dear SANTA,
HOW IS Rudolph? MY name is Coody. HOW are your reindeer? I would like a BB Gun, My Two Front teeth, a Xbox 360, a Rock crawler, and a mid truck. HOW IS Mrs. Claus? Have a Merry Christmas!

LOVE,
Coody P.

MORE

LETTERS

2nd Grade - Mrs. Radtke

Dear Santa,
I hope you are excited for your big trip. I hope you will have fun. What I want for Christmas is an AC Ford F150 and a 5. Pack of HotWheels and a car charger for my iPhone. Happy trails.
Love,
Jackson C.

Dear Santa,
I believe in you. For Christmas I would like a Vert Rebel Bow and Arrow, Flutter fly fairy, and a fat head cheer leader. Thank you Santa!
Love,
Addison L.

Dear Santa,
I hope you are excited. For Christmas I would like 444 dollars, a baby bunny, and a kitten. Hope you have a good time.
Love,
Ned B.

Dear Santa,
I hope you are safe. For Christmas I would like an Ipad, iPhone, a farm game. Also a dirtbike and Under Armour. Merry Christmas!
Love,
Dylan R

Dear Santa,
I hope you are really ready for Christmas. For Christmas I would like a big stuffed elephant, a bunny, a snowmobile, and a blanket. If you go to my Grandma she will have cookies for you. Merry Christmas!
Love,
Grace B.

Dear Santa,
Christmas is my favorite holiday. For Christmas I would like a cat and a dog for my dog named Jasmine to have a friend. I will leave some cookies for you on the counter. Merry Christmas!
Love,
Meha H.

Dear Santa,
My elf is fun and funny! I like him. I want a glow in the dark Monster set, spy set, Star Wars set, and an I pad. Hope you have a good flight.
Love,
Parker B.

Dear Santa,
I hope you have a safe trip Santa. I want a black cat for Christmas with fluffy fur and it likes people. Merry Christmas!
Love,
Aubri D.

Dear Santa,
I hope you are excited for your big trip. I was good. I want a Barbie doll and an Ipad for Christmas.
Love,
Kyli J.

Dear Santa,
How are your reindeer? How is the weather? I want an iPhone 4 for Christmas and a spy drone. Have a very Merry Christmas!
Love,
William T.

Dear Santa,
I hope you are ready for Christmas. Make sure you feed your reindeer for me. Can you make me an air soft gun and an I pad and an X box 360 for Christmas. Merry Christmas.
Love,
Sam O.

Dear Santa,
Whats it like when a new reindeer is born? I bet cute! Plus how do you make 2000000 stops in 1 night? For Christmas I would like a tummy stuffer, vert Rebel bow and arrow, trampoline, and lots of white paper to draw on. Oh I almost forgot...and a cute puppy for my 2 dogs, my family and me. I'll leave out cookies for you. Merry Christmas!
Love,
Keira L.

Dear Santa,
I want to know is Rudolph feeling good? I want a Indian, Cowboy, Soy, and Military Jet, a St. Bernard, a Laptop, an XBOX Live, and a Minecraft video game.
P.S. Did you really come to my dad's house early?
Love,
Wgat M.

Dear Santa,
How are you and your reindeer? Are you ready? I would like an X Box One and a remote control police car from Smash car fleet, and a 3DS and Hand cuffs and a Black remote control spy Drone with a camera and iPhone 5 in white and a dog.
Love,
Riley

Dear Santa,
I hope you are ready for the big day Santa. I would like an American Girl Doll, some accessories for it and a dog for it. I will leave a note for you. I hope you have a good trip.
Love,
Kaydance S.

Dear Santa,
I hope you have a fun time and check if you have your 8 reindeer. I would like a hot wheels floor mat. A note from me is coming to you.
Love,
Trey

Dear Santa,
How are you? Please bring coal for me, real coal. You be good please. Bring three Hot Wheels please. I want a Nabi for Christmas. Happy Holidays!
Love,
Rose R

Dear Santa,
How are the reindeer? For Christmas I would like some new wrestlers, some lego sets, and I would like a new bike. Merry Christmas!
Love,
Jayden

Dear Santa,
I hope your elves are working hard on your toys. Please make me a remote control gun, two toy knives, one toy of Santa and a toy of a house. Merry Christmas!
Love,
Ethan

TO SANTA



2nd Grade - Mr. Beynon

Dear Santa
Am I on the naughty list or the nice list? For Christmas, I want a American girl doll, 3DS Taylor Swift ornament, disney infinity and Xbox 360. I will see you on Christmas Eve.
Love,
Julia

Dear Santa,
Am I on the noty or nice list? For Christmas, I want a Elf on the shelf, X-box, Wii-u and a hen. Fly safe.
Love, George

Dear Santa,
Am I on the naughty or nice list? For Christmas, I want the movie stomp out loads, a neckles from Washington DC, a Amarken girl doll, Amarken girl doll horse, Amarken girl doll close, and shoes. Have a very safe trip, Santa.
Senserly, Evelyn

Dear Santa,
How old are you? I'm I on the noty list? For Christmas, I want a beyblade game, X box, 360, Skylander swat force game. I hope you don't eat a poison cookie.
love
Dominic

Dear Santa,
How much Elfs do you have? For Christmas I want American girl doll, Art stuff, lego friends, close for my American girl doll, Kindel fire. See you on Christmas Eve.
Love Anna

Dear Santa,
How old are you? For Christmas, I want a toy Monster truck, and Nascar. I hope you don't fall off you're slay.
Love Jason,

Dear Santa, How are you? I am I on the noty list. A moken, chad car, and a kindie, a sharul, a fake bonaro.
Love Jordan

Dear Santa,
How do you make toys? For Christmas, I want a Ipad, all the Clementine books, DS, All the Judy Moody books, All the Laura Ingalls Wilder books, and a new head for my doll, and a Golden Retriever. I hope the reindeer listen to you.
Your friend
Brenna

Dear Santa,
How are the reindeer doing? For Christmas, I want a x box three sixty, Skylanders, a quarter, a pennie, a dime, a nickel, a doalber, a box, a daller coin. I hope you fall off your slay.
Love cole

Dear Santa,
How do you make toys? For Crstmas I want the most pretwest, Barbies, tablet, a pet cheetah, xipad, and the cutest stuffed animals. I hope you be safe.
Love Jordis

Dear Santa,
How many jingle bells do you have? For Christmas I want a ipad please, and I want a i ipd please, and a kindle please. I hope you stay warm.
Love Malonna

Dear Santa,
How much toys have you made this year? For Christmas, I want a DVD player, Elf on the Shelf, two balls so my rats can crawl on the floor in them, the cat Monster Hi doll, a globe, and a Clementine book. Make sure nobody sees you.
Your friend Debra

Dear Santa,
How are you and miss clause doing? For Christmas, I want a wii game, I want a toy dog. See you on Christmas Eve.
Love
Kattlin

Dear Santa, am I on the nice list this year? For Christmas I want is, some new pants and some new shoes plaes, and a new tooth brush, and some tooth past, and a phone, with a new phone case. See you on Christmas eve.
Searsarly Gracie

Dear Santa,
Can Rodoph talk?
For Christmas I want, Minecraft, a x box, Elf on the shelf, never let elf on the shelf get out of his package. your friend Hunter Middy ett

Dear Santa,
How are you and Miss. Clause doing? For Christmas, I want a kindle fire, American girl doll travel bag, lego friends, and Mike and Ikes. See you on Christmas.
Love Mchore

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? For Christmas, I want a Monster Hi dolls and a barbie. See you on Christmas.
Love
Kyra

Dear Santa, am I on the nice list? and how Mrs. Misscls? For Christmas, I want ADS, and a Kindle. Oh ap no win ses. Love
Love Drake

Dear Santa,
Are you 99,000 years old?
For Christmas, I want Skylander, Swat force, Halo Lagos, XBOX 1, and XBOX 1 video games. I don't fall down the chimney.
Love Gavin

Happy Holidays!

Your kindness & generosity have made doing business in this community a real joy for us!

Front row: Bruce Adams, Mariann Holst, Dennis Helin.
Back row: Kevin Sprecher, Jim Seitz, Scott Arnold, Chris Adams.
Not pictured: Jeff Fields

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Tuesday, December 24 at noon
Wednesday, December 25
Wednesday, January 1

Merry Christmas

Thursday, December 19, 2013

DESIDERATA

Go placidly amid the noise and haste, and remember what peace there may be in silence.

As far as possible, without surrender, be on good terms with all persons. Speak your truth quietly and clearly; and listen to others, even to the dull and the ignorant, they too have their story. Avoid loud and aggressive persons, they are vexations to the spirit.

If you compare yourself with others, you may become vain and bitter; for always there will be greater and lesser persons than yourself. Enjoy your achievements as well as your plans. Keep interested in your own career, however humble; it is a real possession in the changing fortunes of time.

Exercise caution in your business affairs, for the world is full of trickery. But let this not blind you to what virtue there is; many persons strive for high ideals, and everywhere life is full of heroism. Be yourself. Especially, do not feign affection. Neither be cynical about love, for in the face of all aridity and disenchantment it is perennial as the grass.

Take kindly to the counsel of the years, gracefully surrendering the things of youth. Nurture strength of spirit to shield you in sudden misfortune. But do not distress yourself with imaginings. Many fears are born of fatigue and loneliness.

Beyond a wholesome discipline, be gentle with yourself. You are a child of the universe, no less than the trees and the stars; you have a right to be here. And whether or not it is clear to you, no doubt the universe is unfolding as it should.

Therefore be at peace with God, whatever you conceive Him to be, and whatever your labors and aspirations, in the noisy confusion of life, keep peace in your soul.

With all its sham, drudgery and broken dreams, it is still a beautiful world.

Be cheerful. Strive to be happy.

Max Ehrmann

Max Ehrmann's inspirational poem - Desiderata

The common myth is that the Desiderata poem was found in a Baltimore church in 1692 and is centuries old, of unknown origin. Desiderata was in fact written around 1920 (although some say as early as 1906), and certainly copyrighted in 1927, by lawyer Max Ehrmann (1872-1945) based in Terre Haute, Indiana. The Desiderata myth began after Reverend Frederick Kates reproduced the Desiderata poem in a collection of inspirational works for his congregation in 1959 on church notepaper, headed: 'The Old St Paul's Church, Baltimore, AD 1692' (the year the church was founded). Copies of the Desiderata page were circulated among friends, and the myth grew, accelerated particularly when a copy of the erroneously attributed Desiderata was found at the bedside of deceased Democratic politician Adlai Stevenson in 1965.

Whatever the history of Desiderata, Ehrmann's prose is inspirational, and offers a simple positive credo for life.

Desiderata myth and trivia

- Max Ehrmann was born in Terre Haute, Indiana, on September 16, 1872. His parents were German immigrants. Ehrmann graduated from DePauw University in Greencastle in 1894, after which he studied law and philosophy at Harvard University.
- Ehrmann returned to Terre Haute to practice law, following which (early 1900's) he began writing, apparently obsessively. Max Ehrmann was known as the 'Poet Laureate' of Terre Haute.
- Ehrmann wrote many poems, although none became well known until after his death. Aside from Desiderata his most famous poem is A Prayer, written in 1906.
- Max Ehrmann originally copyrighted Desiderata in 1927 as 'Go Placidly Amid The Noise And Haste'. The copyright number was

962402, dated 3rd January.

- Ehrmann included Desiderata in a Christmas message to his friends in 1933, and significantly never added any copyright notice, a factor which featured strongly in legal considerations in the 1970s about Desiderata copyright (more below).

- U.S. Army psychiatrist Merill Moore wrote in 1942 to Ehrmann that he used the Desiderata poem in his therapy work, and also wrote to Ehrmann in 1944 suggesting that the poem should be bottled and sold as 'Dr Ehrmann's Magic Soul Medicine.' Communications between Moore and Ehrmann featured strongly in legal considerations in the 1970s about Desiderata copyright.

- Max married Bertha three months before his death in 1945. Bertha Scott King Ehrmann was from New York; she graduated from Smith College, wrote, taught, and published a book called *The Worth of a Girl*. Three months after Max Ehrmann's death, Bertha published four of his books.

- Max Ehrmann's widow Bertha published the Desiderata poem with some other of his work in 1948, in a collection titled *The Poems Of Max Ehrmann*. She renewed the Desiderata copyright in 1948 and 1954.

- Bertha Ehrmann died in 1962, upon which the copyright ownership passed to her nephew Richmond Wight. Wight later sold the copyright for an undisclosed amount to Crescendo Publishing Company in 1975.

- Seemingly in 1959 (some say 1957) Reverend Frederick Kates produced around just 200 copies of his inspirational works collection featuring Desiderata, which sparked the confusion and myth that endures today. By the late 1970s Old St Paul's Church was receiving 40 enquiries a week as to the origins of the Desiderata poem.

- A copy of the Desiderata poem (a version linked to 1692 and The

Old St Paul's Church) was found on Democratic politician Adlai Stevenson's bedside table after his death in 1965 - supposedly Stevenson was intending to use what he believed to be the ancient poem in his Christmas cards, and this much publicised discovery did much to increase the fame and myth of Desiderata.

- Star Trek creator Gene Roddenberry kept a copy of Desiderata in his office.

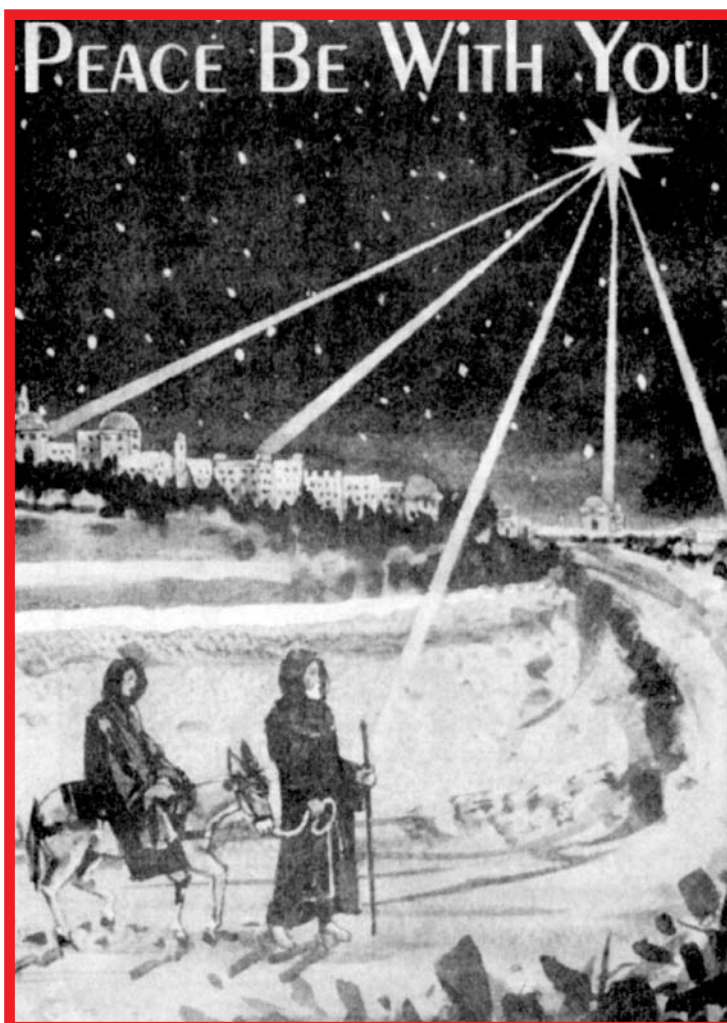
- The Desiderata verse was a big selling Athena poster during the late 1900s.

- Desiderata is Latin and means 'things that are yearned for,' which in the context of the poem more closely means 'essential things.'

- Inspired by an Athena or similar poster, singer Les Crane used the Desiderata words in his 1971 hit pop record, for which he received a Grammy award for the best spoken word recording. Supposedly Les Crane saw the Desiderata verse on a poster and believed the words to be in the public domain, but then (so the story goes) had to share his royalties with the then Desiderata copyright owners.

- Amazingly there is some doubt today as to whether Ehrmann's final line of Desiderata began 'Be careful...', or 'Be cheerful.' Most modern interpretations, including the one here, use the latter.

- In August 1971 the poem was published in *Success Unlimited* magazine, again without authorization from Ehrmann's family. In a 1976 lawsuit against the magazine's publisher, Combined Registry Company, the court ruled (and subsequently the 7th Circuit Court of Appeals upheld) that copyright had been forfeited because the poem had been authorized for publication without a copyright notice in the 1940s - and that the poem is therefore in the public domain.



May faith be your guide and may His good graces follow you wherever you go during this season of enlightenment.

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Is the chance to give our thanks to all!

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Origins of popular Christmas symbols revealed

Christmas is a holiday steeped in customs. Year in and year out, you decorate a Christmas tree, sip eggnog, and enjoy a candy cane beneath the mistletoe. But do you have any idea how these customs came about? To fully appreciate a holiday, you should understand its roots. This guide will help you get to the bottom of this festive and sacred holiday.

Advent calendars: The first calendar counting down to Christmas dates back to the 19th century. People counted down 24 or 25 days until Christmas (with the last day being Christmas Eve or Christmas Day), by using chalk lines to mark off the days. Later on the tradition of lighting a candle each night was born. Today, Advent calendars vary. Some have drawers or doors that are opened every day to reveal a religious icon, piece of candy or you may even find ones with cartoon characters like Mickey Mouse.



Candles: The first use of candles at Christmas was in the Roman festival of Saturnalia where tall tapers of wax were

given as gifts to guests and as an offering to Saturn as a symbol of his light. As Christianity spread, candles were placed in the front window of homes to guide the Christ Child as he went from house to house on Christmas Eve.



Candy canes: According to the National Confectioners Association, in the 17th century, the choirmaster at the Cologne Cathedral in Germany gave his young singers sugar sticks to keep them quiet during ceremonies. In honor of the occasion, he had the candies bent into shepherds' crooks. In 1847, a German-Swedish immigrant decorated a small blue spruce with paper ornaments and candy canes. By the 1900s, the candy cane got its red and white stripes and peppermint flavors. They were mass produced by the 1950s, eliminating the

laborious task of making the treat, and their popularity spread.

Christmas tree: Germans would decorate fir trees, inside and out, with roses, apples and colored paper. The tradition hit England and America via the German immigrants in Pennsylvania in the 1800s. Of course, a Christmas tree isn't complete without ornaments. Decorating trees dates back to the Victorian times. Woolworths department store sold the first manufactured Christmas tree, and the trend spread.



Mistletoe: The Scandinavians thought of mistletoe as a peaceful and harmonious plant. And they linked Frigg, their goddess of love, with mistletoe. The combination of these two schools of thought brought about the custom of kissing under the mistletoe. Those who kissed beneath the mistletoe were thought to have happiness and good luck the next year.

Poinsettias: America's first ambassador to Mexico, Joel Poinsett, is the namesake for this native Mexican plant which he brought to



America in 1828. The plant was likely used by Mexican Franciscans in their 17th century Christmas celebrations. Mexicans thought the plants symbolized the Star of Bethlehem, leading to its association with Christmas.

Stockings: A man was so sad over the death of his wife that he spent all his money. Unfortunately, this habit left his three daughters without money for wedding dowries. St. Nicholas wanted to help the poor girls' cause, so he anonymously threw three small pouches of gold coins down the chimney of their home. The coins landed in the stockings of the women who had hung them by the fireplace to dry.



Solution to Christmas Crossword

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What does the Bible say about Christmas?

Test your Bible knowledge with these questions about Jesus's birth

1. Which Gospel(s) speak of the events surrounding Christ's birth?

- Mark and John
- Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John
- Luke only
- Matthew and Luke

2. How many magi visit Christ after his birth, according to the Bible?

- Three
- An undisclosed number
- One
- None

3. Where is Christ when the magi come to visit Him?

- In the womb
- In the manger
- In a house
- In the temple

4. The magi ask Herod where Christ is to be born. Herod summons his priests and scribes, who know the location of the birth because of the prophecy of this man.

- Micah
- Amos
- Jonah
- Joel

5. In a dream, an angel tells Joseph to name his child Jesus, for it was prophesied that a virgin would give birth and call her son Immanuel. What does Immanuel mean?

- Jesus saves
- God with us
- God in flesh
- God is born

6. Herod's slaughter of the children two and under, according to Matthew, fulfills a prophecy uttered by what man?

- Micah
- Jeremiah
- Jonah
- Joel

7. How much younger was Jesus than his cousin John the Baptist?

- One year
- Twelve days
- Two years
- Six months

8. Who speaks words to the pregnant Mary that have become a part of the Catholic Church's "Hail Mary"?

- Anna
- Elizabeth
- Simeon
- Zechariah

9. Where do we find "the magnificat"?

- Matthew
- Luke
- Mark
- John

10. Why was Jesus born in Bethlehem, according to the Gospel of Luke?

- His earthly father went to Bethlehem for a census
- That's where both his parents lived
- His mother went to visit Elizabeth
- He wasn't; he was born in Nazareth

11. Christ was laid in a manger. What is a manger?

- A barn
- A cave
- A type of inn
- A feeding trough

12. The Bible tells us Christ was born in December.

- True
- False

13. How do the shepherds learn of Christ's birth?

- They see a new star in the sky
- There are no shepherds in the Biblical account
- The magi tell them
- An angel appears to them

14. When was Christ circumcised?

- At eight days old
- At 13 years old
- At birth
- He wasn't

15. Who prophesied to Mary that Christ was "destined for the fall and rising of many" and that "a sword" would "pierce" her "own soul also"?

- Anna
- Simeon
- Elizabeth
- Gabriel

ANSWERS

1. Matthew and Luke. (See Luke 2:1-6.)

2. An undisclosed number. Christian tradition has numbered the magi at three, probably because three gifts were given (gold, frankincense, and myrrh.) Tradition has even given names to the wise men--Melchior, Kaspar, and Baltazar. However, the Bible itself does not disclose the number of magi who visited Christ.

3. In a house. Though our traditional manger scenes usually place the magi at the manger, they did not, in fact, visit Christ until he was a "young child" and came to him in a house. (See Matthew 2:11.)

4. Micah. See Micah 5:2 and Matthew 2:6.

5. God with us. See Matthew 1:23.

6. Jeremiah. See Jeremiah 31:15.

7. Six months. See Luke 1:36. John's mother was Elizabeth, whom Mary visited while she was pregnant with Christ.

8. Elizabeth. When Elizabeth sees Mary, she says, "Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb!" (Luke 1:42.) Part of the Hail Mary also comes from Gabriel's greeting to Mary: "Hail, thou that art highly favored; the Lord is with thee!" (Luke 1:28.)

9. Luke. This is the name given to Mary's spontaneous praise, which begins, "My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit has rejoiced in God my Savior." (See Luke 1:46-55.)

10. His earthly father went to Bethlehem for a census. See Luke 2:1-6.

11. A feeding trough. Many non-biblical traditions have Christ being born in a cave, perhaps because animals may have been kept safe in a covering hewn out from rock. Animals may also have, in many cases, been kept on the first floor of a house. A manger is a feeding trough for animals, which Mary used as a cradle.

12. False. The December 25th nativity date was set for the holiday in the 4th century by the Catholic Church.

13. An angel appears to them. See Luke 2:8-9.

14. At eight days old. Isaac was the first to be circumcised at eight days old, which became the customary time for the circumcision. The "Feast of the Circumcision" falls on January 1st (eight days after the traditional nativity date).

15. Simeon. See Luke 2:25-35.

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Christmas is a time for joy all around the world

Christmas customs are as varied as the many cultures that encircle our globe, ranging from parades in the Philippines to love offerings in the Congo.

In the Congo, Christmas Day begins with groups of carolers going about the villages. Later, a worship service is held, during which a love offering is made by each worshiper to the Infant Jesus. However humble, no person would dream of attending Christmas services without bringing a birthday gift to Jesus.

In Austria, emphasis is placed on Jesus as the light of the world in a beautiful ceremony held in the home. On Christmas Eve, three large wax candles are prepared. As the family gathers around, singing hymns, the father lights the first candle. On Christmas Day, the second candle is lit and the third candle is lit on New Year's Day.

In this country, children receive their gifts from Knecht Ruprecht, a Santa-like figure who rewards good behavior.

Christmas is the occasion for a parade in South Korea. Christians in this country hold parades on Christmas Eve, during which they carry paper lanterns decorated with red crosses. "These paper lanterns also adorn Christian homes on Christmas Eve." As they march, they sing Christmas carols. Later, they attend church services, which are followed by a late-night supper. Gift-giving is an important part of the festivities here.

French Canadians begin their Christmas with a midnight mass on Christmas Eve, after which the Reveillon, an



elaborate dinner, is held in the home. Here, the holiday season does not end until the 6th of January, feast of the Epiphany. It is a time of merriment, in contrast to the religious aspect of Christmas itself.

In the Philippine Islands, children wear colorful wreaths and chains made of tropical flowers as they parade and sing after services on Christmas Day. Here, homes are decorated with flags, bunting, palms, flowers and candles. Family dinners follow the parade, with dancing and music adding to the festivities.

Down under, in Australia, the warm December days are the reason for that uniquely Australian custom, the Christmas Day picnic. Another tradition on this continent is the big community sing, when huge crowds gather outdoors to sing carols from nightfall to midnight, by the light of torches and candles.

In Italy, children eagerly await the coming, not of Santa Claus, but of La Befana, a witch who rides her broomstick from house to house, leaving pre-sents of coal for any misdeeds. Every home in south Italy has its presepio, or creche, while in the north, Christmas trees are central to holiday celebrations.

On Christmas Eve, Italian children traditionally write a "Christmas Letter," wishing their parents a happy holiday and promising to be good.

As one would expect, singing is an important part of Christmas in Wales. This is reflected in the Eisteddfoddes, where townspeople and caroling choirs gather in the marketplace to sing carols. Contests are held during the Eisteddfoddes, with the winning song performed by the winner's choral group. Plum puddings and mince pies, and Christmas stockings hung at the foot of the bed are the other Welsh traditions at Christmas.

Although customs may differ from land to land, throughout the world the spirit of Christmas is ever the same -- one of joy and goodwill to all!

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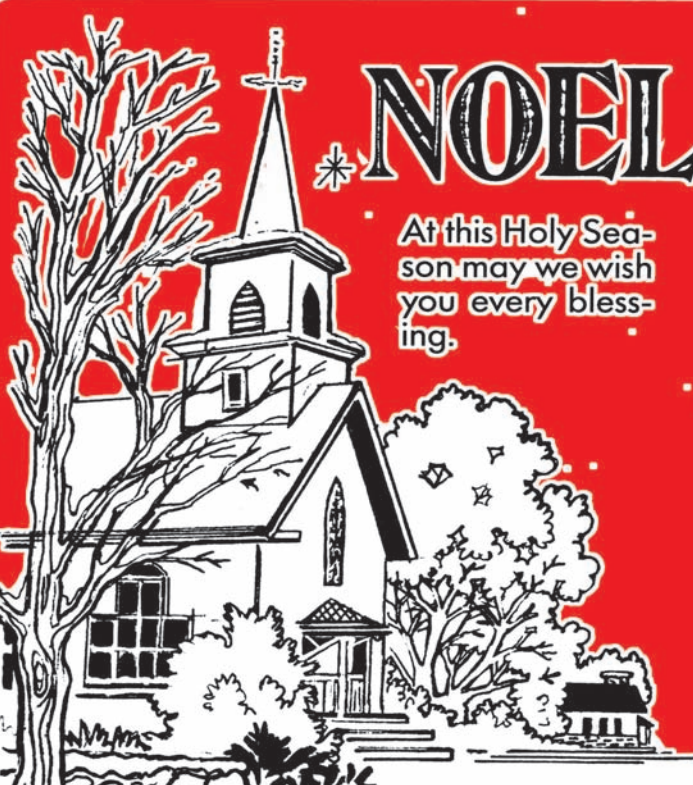
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- Across**
- Holiday pie
 - Santa's load
 - With 'the', syndrome causing missed putts
 - Key or corner
 - "Holiday In Harlem" singer
 - Young land?
 - Paper money
 - It may be found in 25 down
 - Blue-collar name?
 - Creche figures
 - Longest division of geological time (var.)
 - No ice
 - Dot's follower, often
 - Homeless ones
 - Panorama
 - West Point, i.e. (abbr.)
 - Big ___ (Cal.)
 - Lots
 - Holiday decoration
 - Holdups
 - Rangers' org.
 - Dam's opposite
 - Wipe out
 - Time before life
 - Indian bread
 - Organic compound
 - Anthem opener
 - Holiday song, "Oh, little..."
 - Go over a manuscript
 - Big name in detergent
 - Mountain ridge
 - Penny ___
 - Tech. grad.
 - Girders
 - One who ogles
 - Negatives
 - Fills
- Down**
- Attention getter
 - Engrave
 - Heart
 - With 53 down, singer from Chicago
 - Sibling's son
 - Element found in photocells
 - Succulent plant
 - Performers with a lot of makeup
 - "Dawson Creek" actor, Holmes
 - Holiday seasons
 - Detail
 - Coat
 - Tibia locale
 - Good natured teasing sessions
 - Enjoy
 - Place for 18 across
 - Earthy color
 - West Side Story gal
 - ___ Kafka
 - Killed
 - Aquarium fish
 - Very pale
 - Objector
 - Wise-looking (like Harry Potter, perhaps)
 - Office worker
 - Quick drinks
 - White elephant, for instance
 - Chunnel town
 - Many times
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 - Distant prefix
 - See 4 down
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 - Slight advantage
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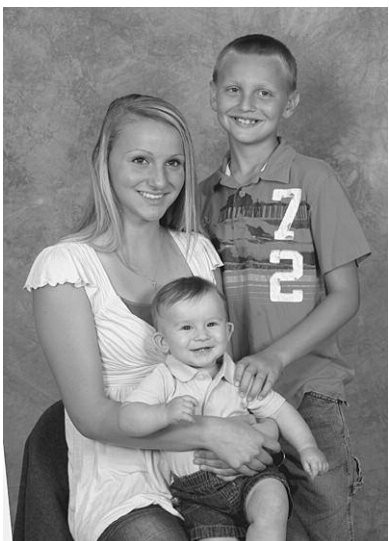
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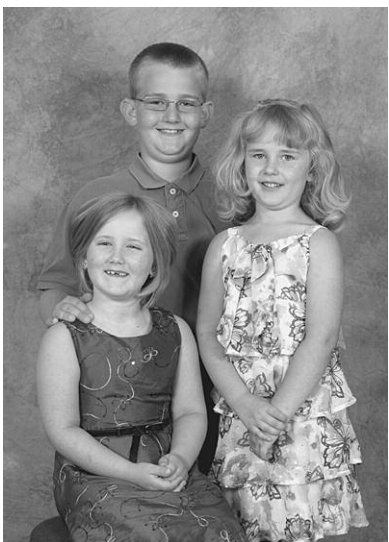


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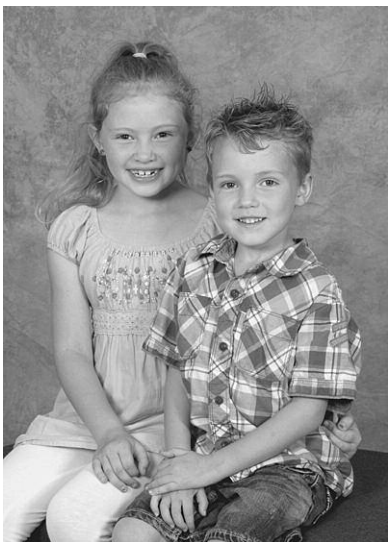
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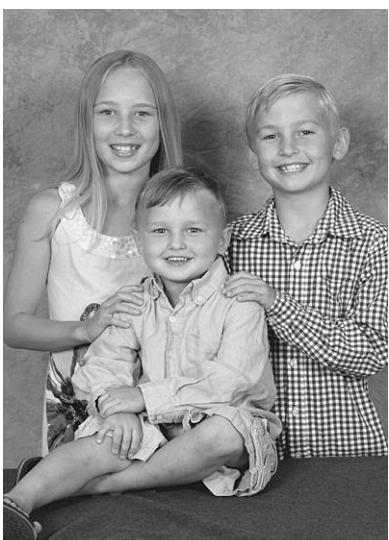
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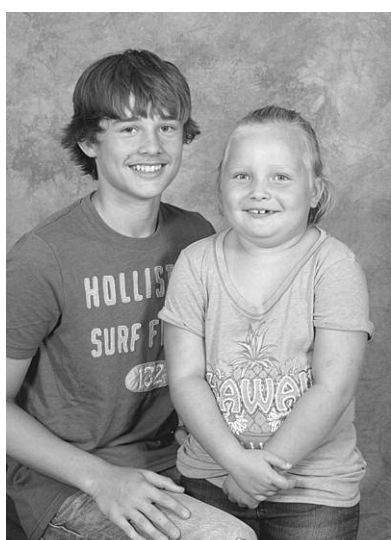
Dylan (10), Addison (7), and Alexis (6) Loken, children of Dallas and Nicole Loken.



Taylor (7) and Brendan (4) Schmidt, children of Dan and Tina Schmidt.



Cambria (10), Charlie (8), and Calvin (3 ½) Nissen, children of Ryan and Holly Nissen.



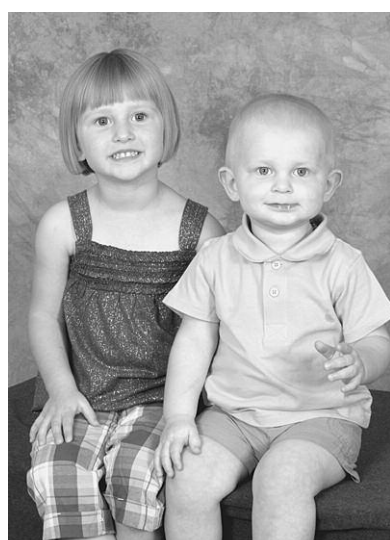
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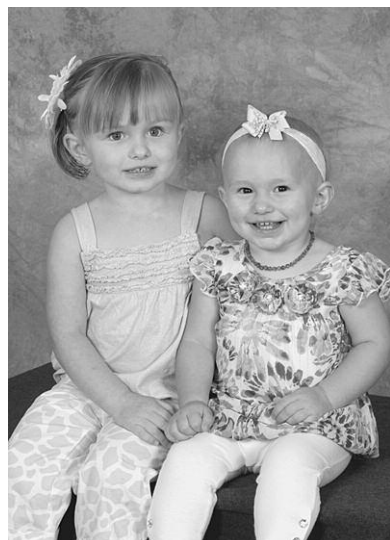
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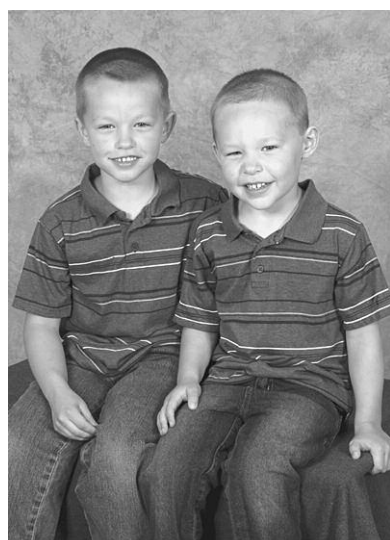
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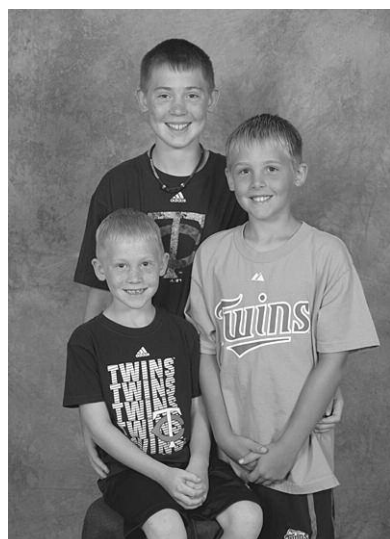
Ellie (3) and Dakota (1) Clark, children of Eric and Jennifer Clark.



Jaycie (3 ½) and Hadley (1 ½) Routh, daughters of Andrew Routh.



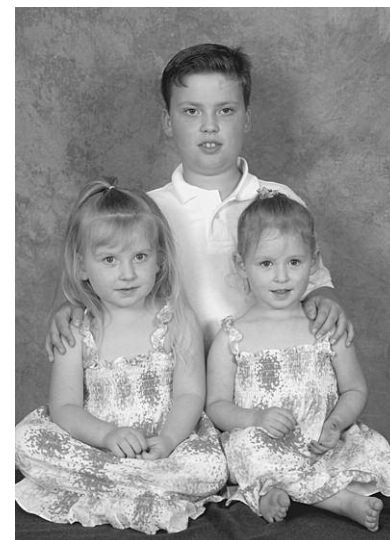
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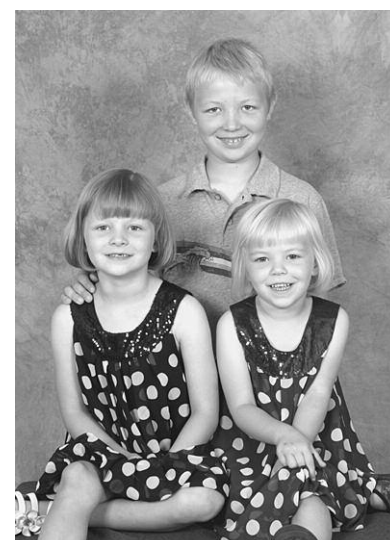
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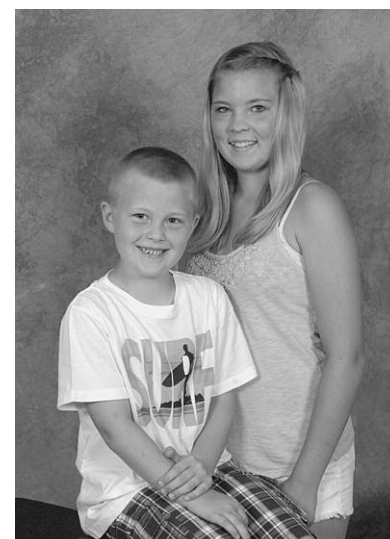
Samantha Erickson (1), daughter of Wade and Karen Erickson.



Wyatt (8), Mallory (3), and Alayna (2) Groskreutz, children of Adam and Jodi Groskreutz.



Clay (9 ½), Aspyn (6 ½), and Ciara (4) Stenzel, children of Douglas and Amy Stenzel.



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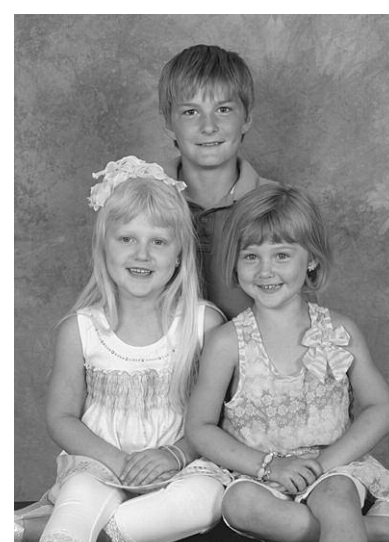
Tyler (13), Anna (11), and Erin (8) Jacobson, children of Erik and Heidi Jacobson.



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Eric Arvis (10), son of Christina Arvis.



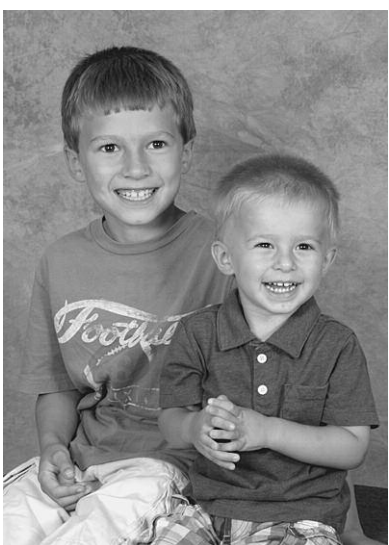
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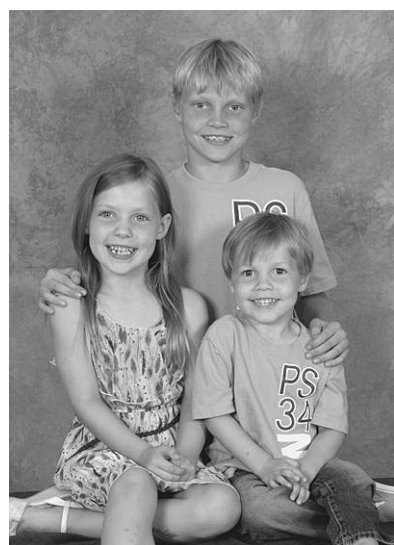
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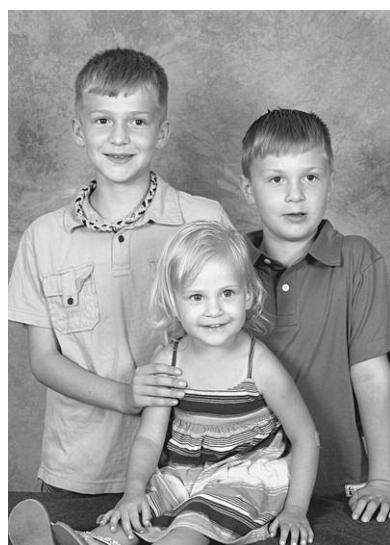
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Ashton Johnson (10), and Owen Schlaak (2), children of Tony and Cassie Schlaak.



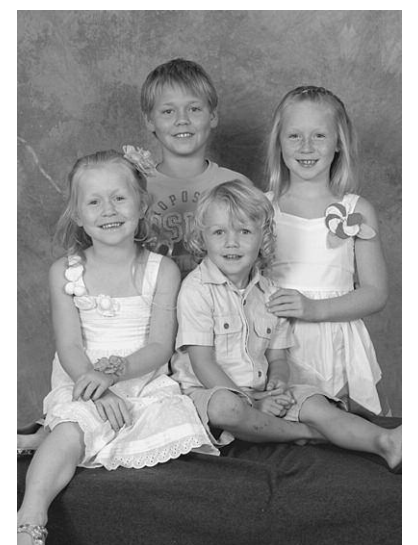
Kordell (10), Gabrielle (5), and Dakota (3) Schlaak, children of Justin and Kim Schlaak.



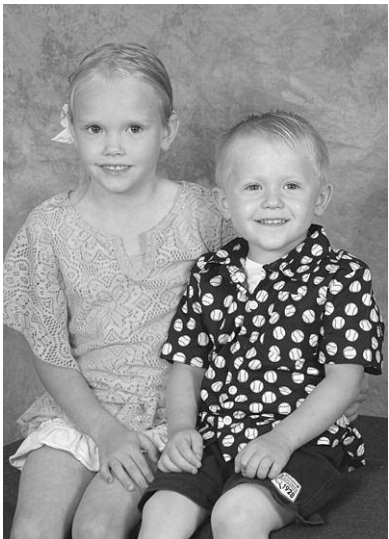
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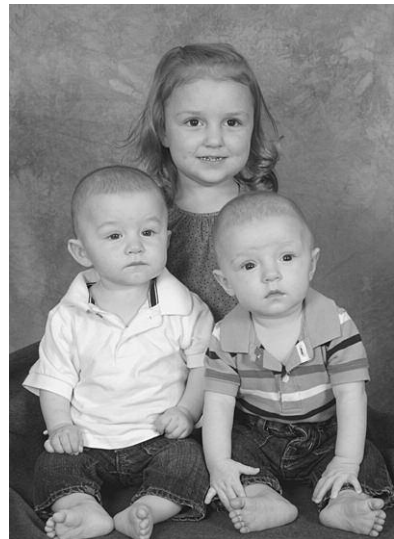
Alec (2) and Jade (6 mos.) Wyrum, children of Jens and Jennifer Wyrum.



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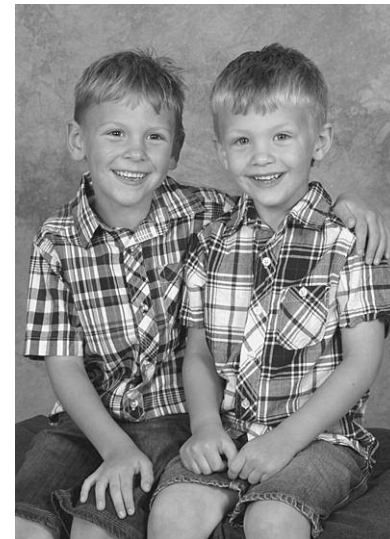
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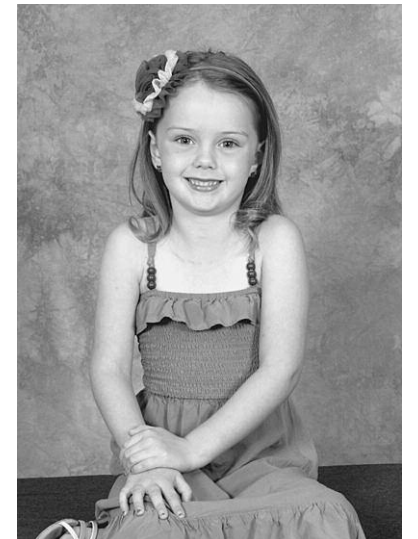
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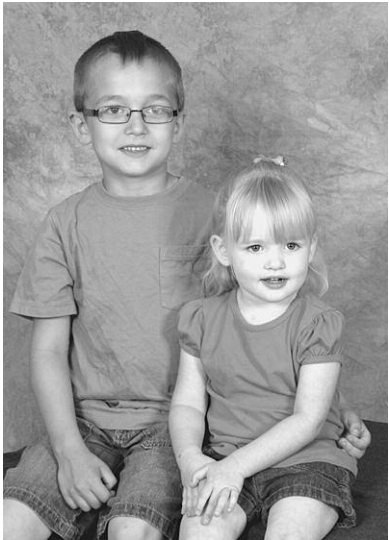
Levi (20), Dylan (16), Clay (7), and Aiden (3) Routh, children of Kim and Chan Routh.



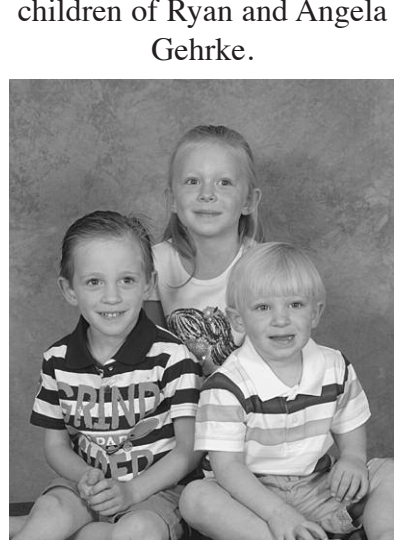
Aidan (6) and Ryan (4) Schlaak, children of Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Schlaak.



Kyera Eustice (5), daughter of Craig and Rachael Eustice.



Jason (7) and Julieann (2) Wobbrock, children of Kayla Wobbrock.



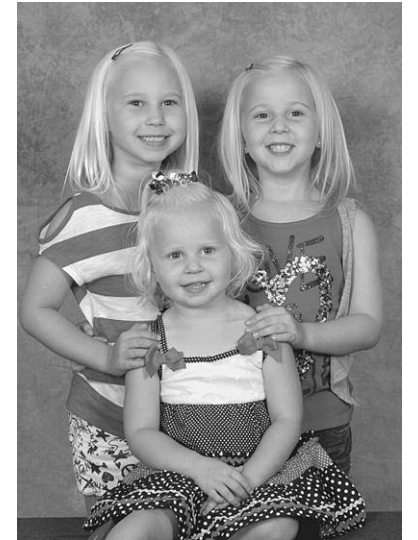
Alexia (5 1/2), Jackson (3 1/2), and Jonathan (2) McGannon, children of Angela McGannon.



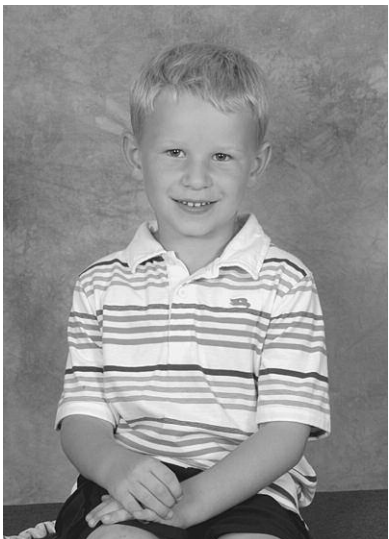
Desiree (13), Destiny (11), Cole (6), and Isaiah (4) Schutrop, children of Chad and Monica Schutrop.



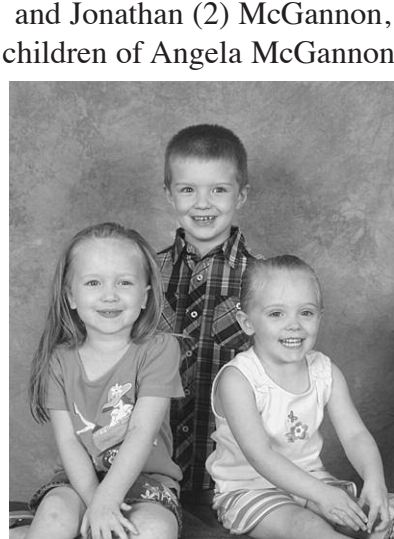
Holden Podratz (16), Brianna Podratz-Waters (15), Jacob Kohnert (14), Dakota Neste (10), and Samantha Kohnert (18-not pictured), children of Terry Kohnert and Christy Podratz.



Isabel (7), Adalyn (5), and Emilia (2) Stadheim, daughters of Darrin and Linda Stadheim.



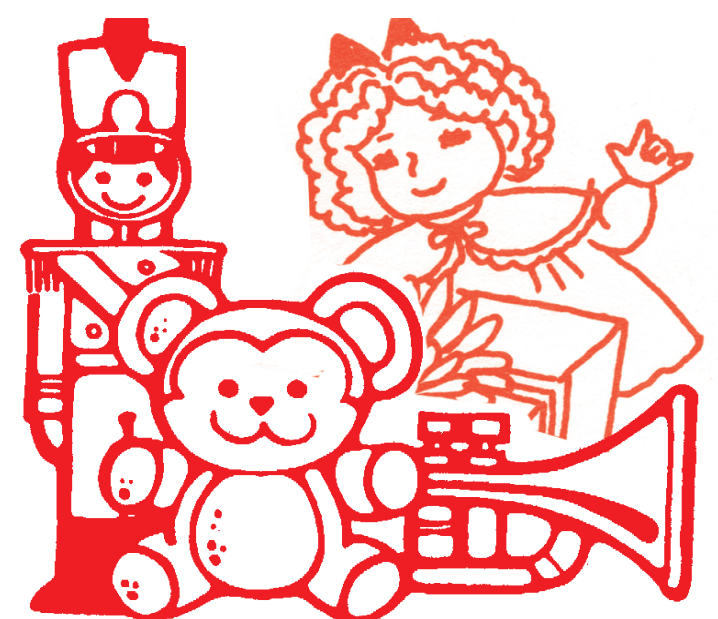
Brock Ziemke (6), son of Brian and Vanessa Ziemke.



Autumn Baseman (4), Aubrey Baseman (2), and Christian Cully (5), children of Karen and Brett Cully.



Lillian Muff (19 mos.), daughter of Larry and Michelle Muff.



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