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Holy Ghost Students Dwell on Christmas

Every year about this time I reveal to anybody interested just what I'd like to see in the upcoming year. Last year, my requests had mixed results.

For instance, Spiro Agnew didn't join the Trappists but he would have been better off if he had ... most television football games still present those halftime band shows but a few are becoming more innovative, inserting news broadcasts Henry Aaron didn't break the home run record but wait till next year ... Johnny Carson, didn't get lost on the freeway but Jack Paar did ... and although baddie Martin Borman was unable to contact the Courier-Journal some, very nice people did, such as Maria von Trapp, Alistair Cooke, Lillian Gish, Gene Barry, Eugene Carson Blake, Ralph Fasanella.

Some things, however, didn't even come close to fruition. President Nixon didn't become a Democrat (and are they glad!) . . . baseball didn't name a black manager even though it is coming ever closer to the 20th century . . . John Canepa tried but just

couldn't put on any weight. Well, anyway, if I have may way next year

 Catholic newspapers across the nation will be strengthened. they were never more needed Anna Nicoletti will have a great year religious vocations will climb more Catholics will acknowledge the great good women already perform for the Church and the potential they offer for greater responsibility liberals and conservatives will drop their knives and return to what they really are — people we all will be more concerned about Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (crib deaths) and more compassionate toward the parents involved.

THE SLOT MAN

Carmen Viglucci

The big shot Washington lawyer who called a U.S. senator a "little Jap" will be sentenced to Hiroshima Father Greeley will develop a tougher skin more people will write poetry with the humor of Florence Catherine Young Hatch and Elaine Costello anti-smokers will practice more tolerance towards the afflicted Barbara Moynehan will find a home ditto Henry Kissinger Earl Caldwell will write a book about the New York Times, the FBI, and tapped telephones Kodak's Jim Albright will turn out to be as kind and able as his predecessor Jery Engel every copy reader in the world will be as picky as Joe Klasen of the Democrat and Chronicle or Peg Connolly of the Courier. Crash Hetherly won't regionalism will be a success Al jobson will return Mary Lu Walker's songs will catch on.

And your and yours will have a happy year and we all work to offer the gift of peace to the Prince of Peace.

Students attending Holy Ghost School acted out and discussed old and new Christmas customs for their parents who attended the Home and School sponsored program Dec. 11.

The folk group, under the direction of Mary Risewick, began the program with Christmas Carols. Each grade then acted out some part of Christmas.

Home-made Christmas cards were displayed by the kindergarten class as they explained how giving cards began. The first grade showed Christmas stars, relating how they fit into the season.

Second graders showed a Nativity scene and acted out a mini play called "The Shepherds." Those in the third grade spoke of plants and such evergreens as holly.

Grade four told of the involvement of animals at Christmas, such as sheep and oxen. Fifth graders described and showed ornaments while sixthgraders listed Christmas customs during a candle light ceremony.

Those in the seventh grade discussed foods with a Christmas flavor and distributed samples which they made themselves to the audience.

The finale of the night was provided by the eighth graders who sang Christmas carols and narrated their origin.

Merry Christmas



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Brookwood Closed Christmas Eve

The Brookwood Science Information Center will be closed on December 24 as well as December 25. However, it will be open Sunday, December 23, from 10 A.M. to 4 P.M. as usual. It will reopen its doors on Wednesday and Thursday immediately following Christmas from 10 A.M. to 4 P.M.

Why not take advantage of those two days and have the children visit Brookwood during their holiday vacation? Cousins and friends in town for the holidays will also enjoy seeing the Center. It's a fascinating way to learn the story of electricity. And you might get some insight into the current energy situation.

Brookwood is located on Lake Road, 16 miles east of Rochester in Ontario, N.Y. parking is free and there is no charge for admission.





The Birthday of the Saviour is here, and we are once again reminded that Christmas is a family day ... a day of reunions and feasting, and a day of joyous gifting. But let us not forget, as we fill the stockings and surround the tree with packages, the most important gifts of all . . . the gifts that bear neither price tags nor gay wrappings, yet are of infinite value. These are the gifts of kindness, tolerance, consideration and compassion. Let us hope that this Christmas will revive the true spirit of giving that began with the Birth of a Holy Child . . . to bring peace and good will to all.

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paper will get a rabbit's foot.

North Region Group Plans Feb. Assembly

The North Region Steering Committee at a Nov. 29 meeting discussed reports of the human development, education, youth and family life committees, and reviewed plans for the Feb. 7 General Assembly to be held at the Church of the Annunciation. The elections committee composed of Father Frank Lioi, Annunciation, Donald Trott, St. Andrew's and Paul Mura of St. Cecilia's is gathering names of four voting delegates from each parish and institution.

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In addition, each parish is designating one of their delegates as a candidate for a regional office. The committee hopes to have these names by Dec. 31 sothe information can be distributed to all delegates in advance of the voting to be done at the General Assembly. The Steering Committee's next meeting is scheduled for Jan. 17 at St. Salome's

Carmel, Mary, Vera Josephine and Father Reinhart add their sentiments to these messages from all over the mission world to say thank you at Christmas time.

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