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Edition of the LJHS Circuit  
Rider*



# Editor's Page

Editor (Violet Loeffler)- Merry Christmas LJHS students! Check out page 13 for cute festive drawings!

Assistant Editor (Deanna Vincent)- Merry Christmas! This issue is filled with winter, Christmas activities and events. I hope you have a safe and fun holiday season.

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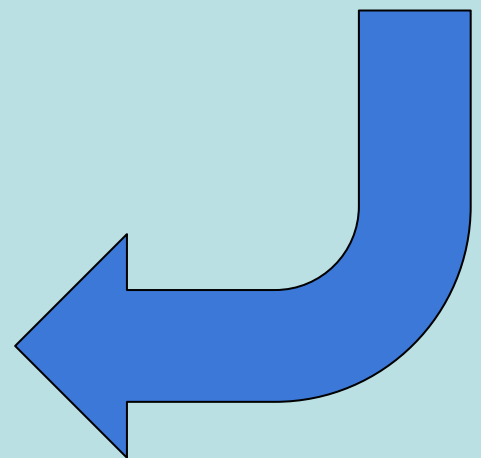
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# Find the Santa Hats!

For this month's Circuit Rider, find the Santa hat! It's the same as last month; after you count them all, go to Mrs. Workman, room 314 with your answers!

This one not included!!



# Staff Birthdays



## Deanna Vincent

**December 2nd was a very special day for Deanna Vincent. She turned 14 on Friday. Make sure we all wish her a very Happy Birthday!**

**Deanna is an honor student and excels in class. She has many hobbies which include cheer, volleyball, and hanging out with friends. Once again, wish Deanna a Happy Birthday!**



# Book/Movie Review

## How The Grinch Stole Christmas

I rate the Grinch movie a 10/10. The original Grinch movie is amazing. The new movie is kind of boring, but I'll rate the new one a 6/10.



*Angeli Johnson*







# Christmas Songs

*Santa Claus is Comin' to Town*

*Last Christmas*

*Feliz Navidad*

*White Christmas*

*Christmas Eve*

*All I Want for Christmas Is You*

*Christmas Time Is Here*

*Jingle Bell Rock*

*Jingle Bell (one horse open sleigh)*

*Holly Jolly Christmas*

*It's Beginning to Look a Lot Like Christmas*

*The Christmas Song (Merry Christmas To You)*

*Anaëli Johnson*

# Why Do We Celebrate Christmas?

We celebrate Christmas for many reasons, one main reason is that Jesus was born on that day, December 25th. A Roman Emperor basically invented the holiday, saying Jesus was born on December 25th. So Romans were the first people to celebrate Christmas and then everyone started to celebrate it.

Another reason why we celebrate Christmas is because we can get together as a family, but some people don't celebrate Christmas for multiple reasons.

# Word Scramble

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# Christmas Jokes

1. What do you call a scary reindeer?  
A: A cari-boo.
2. What does the queen call her Christmas Broadcast? A: The One Snow!
3. Why is it getting hard to buy Advent calendars? A: Their days are numbered.
4. What do you call a broke Santa? A: Saint Nickel-less.
5. What does the gingerbread man put on his bed? A: Cookie Sheets!
6. What comes at the end of Christmas Day? A: The letter "Y"

# Word Search



## MERRY CHRISTMAS

K	F	A	M	I	L	Y	T	R	N	K	B	J	L	H
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Y	U	P	L	R	C	A	R	O	L	S	I	Y	I	F
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X	N	L	R	J	F	Z	C	D	N	D	E	X	X	V
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|------------|--------|------------|-----------|
| BOW        | FAMILY | NORTH POLE | SNOW      |
| CANDY CANE | GIVING | PRESENTS   | STAR      |
| CAROLS     | JINGLE | REINDEER   | STOCKINGS |
| CHRISTMAS  | JOY    | SANTA      | TREES     |
| ELF        | LIGHTS | SLEIGH     |           |

# Famous Paintings Pt. 1

Below, and continuing onto the next page, is a collection of famous paintings from artists known around the world. All of the paintings show how beautiful winter can be! Take a look and admire the beautiful art!



"The Magpie" by Claude Monet



"The Sea of Ice" by Caspar David Friedrich



"Snow at Argenteuil" by Claude Monet

# Famous Paintings Pt. 2



“Snow Storm: Hannibal and His Army Crossing the Alps” by J.M.W. Turner



“The Census at Bethlehem” by Pieter Bruegel the Elder

# Calendar of Events

Dec. 1, Boys basketball at home

Dec. 5, Boys basketball at Athens

Dec. 6, LJHS Band & Choir concert  
6:30 PM

Dec. 7, 1:45 dismissal

Dec. 7, Wrestling meet at home

Dec. 8, Wrestling meet at  
Beardstown

Dec. 9, Spirit day

Dec. 10, LJHS shootout at home

Dec. 12, Wrestling at home

Dec. 14, Boys basketball at IC

Dec. 14, Wrestling at home



# Calendar of Events

Dec. 15, Wrestling at Auburn

Dec. 15, Boys basketball at home

Dec. 16, 1:45 dismissal

Dec. 16, End of nine weeks

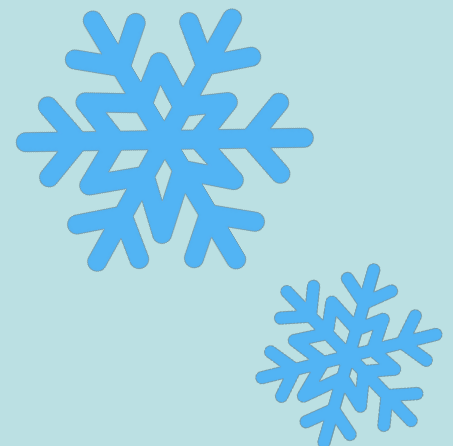
# Festive Drawings



♥ Merry Christmas! ♥

# Christmas Parade 2022

Occurring on December 1st, 2022, was the annual Logan County Christmas Parade, which commenced at 6:30! Friends and families alike joined in on the wonderful festivities and viewed the beautiful light displays! People also grabbed nice, warm cups of hot chocolate from the local Guesthouse coffee shop downtown!



# *Famous Christmas Stores*

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- ❖ Bronner's CHRISTmas Wonderland
    - Frankenmuth, Michigan
  - ❖ House of Holiday
    - Queens, New York
  - ❖ Robert's Christmas Wonderland
    - Clearwater, Florida
  - ❖ The Incredible Christmas Palace
    - Pigeon Forge, Tennessee
  - ❖ Santa Claus Christmas Store
    - Santa Claus, Indiana

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# The Reason Why Santa Claus Brings Everyone Presents

## The Legend of St. Nicholas: The Real Santa Claus

The legend of Santa Claus can be traced back hundreds of years to a monk named St. Nicholas. It is believed that Nicholas was born sometime around 280 A.D. in Patara, near Myra in modern-day Turkey. Much admired for his piety and kindness, St. Nicholas became the subject of many legends. It is said that he gave away all of his inherited wealth and traveled the countryside helping the poor and sick. One of the best-known St. Nicholas stories is the time he saved three poor sisters from being sold into slavery or prostitution by their father by providing them with a dowry so that they could be married.

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Over the course of many years, Nicholas's popularity spread and he became known as the protector of children and sailors. His feast day is celebrated on the anniversary of his death, December 6. This was traditionally considered a lucky day to make large purchases or to get married. By the Renaissance, St. Nicholas was the most popular saint in Europe. Even after the Protestant Reformation, when the veneration of saints began to be discouraged, St. Nicholas maintained a positive reputation, especially in Holland.

# Favorite Christmas Traditions

Pt. 1

From the Staff

Violet Loeffler - Making  
Christmas cookies

Deanna Vincent - Decorating the  
tree

Luci Stoltzenburg - watching  
Christmas Vacation

Angeli Johnson - putting star on  
tree

Miley Hurley - Decorating the  
tree

# Favorite Christmas Traditions

Pt. 2

From the Staff

Isabella Dea - spending time  
with family

Arianna Falcon - opening  
presents.





# Popular Christmas Movies

1. The Polar Express
2. Home Alone
3. Elf
4. The Nightmare Before Christmas
5. The Christmas Chronicles
6. Klaus
7. A boy called Christmas
8. Arthur Christmas
9. The Grinch
10. Noelle
11. 8-bit Christmas
12. The Nutcracker

## *Who is Santa Claus?*

Also known as St. Nick, Santa Claus has been part of the Christmas tradition since 280 A.D.. Santa Claus is a legendary figure who is part of the Christmas tradition in the United States and other countries, bringing gifts to children.

*Anaëli Johnson*

# What the Staff Wants for Christmas

Luci Stolzenburg- Frozen 3

Deanna Vincent- Clothes

Violet Loeffler- Clothes

Angeli Johnson- LED lights

Arianna Falcon- Food

Isabella Dea- nothing

Miley Hurley- drawing tablet

# Staff's Favorite Movies

Angeli Johnson - Home Alone(1,2, and 3)

Arianna Falcon - Home Alone (One and two)

Deanna Vincent - The Christmas Chronicles

Isabella Dea -The Christmas Chronicles 1 and 2

Luci Stolzenburg - The Christmas Chronicles 1 and 2.

Miley Hurley - National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation

Violet Loeffler -Home Alone 1



# Navidad en España

La mayoría de la gente en España va a la Misa de Medianoche o 'La Misa Del Gallo'. Se llama así porque se supone que un gallo coronó la noche en que nació Jesús. La Nochebuena es conocida como Nochebuena. En los días previos a la Nochebuena, los niños pueden participar en 'piden el aguinaldo' donde van y cantan villancicos con sus vecinos con la esperanza de conseguir algo de dinero.

Leer más [aquí](#)

The English version is on the slide below



# Christmas in Spain

Most people in Spain go to Midnight Mass or 'La Misa Del Gallo' (The Mass of the Rooster). It is called this because a rooster is supposed to have crowed the night that Jesus was born. Christmas Eve is known as Nochebuena. In the days before Nochebuena, children might take part in 'piden el aguinaldo' where they go and sing carols around their neighbors hoping to get some money!.....

Read more [here!!](#)

# Guest House Coffee

Guest House is the coffee shop of Lincoln; they serve coffee and pastries. If you ask me, I recommend the cookies and cream creme. The pastries are delicious too; they serve cookies, scones, cake, cupcakes, and other pastries that are really good. They have clothes and cups too. I recommend this place to coffee lovers and people with a sweet tooth.



guest house

— COFFEE AND PASTRIES —

Deanna Vincent

# History of the Nutcracker

The nutcracker originated in Germany in the late 17th century. The nutcracker is associated with Christmas because of the famous ballet "The Nutcracker," which is usually performed around Christmas. The nutcracker symbolizes strength and power. Also, in Germany they are supposed to protect you from evil. Nutcrackers make a great Christmas gifts.

Anaëli Johnson



# Festive Mint Cream Dessert

- Melt  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup of butter. Stir it with the cookie crumbs. Freeze for 30 minutes.
- Spread ice cream over crust; return to the freezer.
- In a large saucepan, combined chocolate chips, confectioners' sugar, milk and the remaining butter. Bring to boil and stir frequently. Cook and stir until thickened.
- Cool to room temperature; when cool, spread over ice cream. Return to freezer until firm.
- Spread whipped topping over ice cream. Cover and freeze for overnight.
- Remove from freezer 15-20 minutes before serving. Drizzle with chocolate syrup and top with sprinkles.

Ingredients:  $\frac{3}{4}$  cups of butter, 1 package of chocolate cream-filled sandwich cookies crushed, 8 cups of mint chocolate chip ice cream,  $1 \frac{1}{2}$  cups milk chocolate chips, 1 cup confectioners' sugar,  $\frac{3}{4}$  cup evaporated milk, 1 carton frozen whipped topping, Chocolate syrup and red and green sprinkle(optional)



## Perfect Hot Chocolate

- ★ Heat up a cup of chocolate milk in microwave for about 40 seconds or till warm.
- ★ Next put small marshmallows in it.
- ★ After you have enough marshmallows to cover the liquid then put some whipped cream over the marshmallows.
- ★ Next put some chocolate syrup and sprinkles on top.
- ★ Finally enjoy!

# Scully Park Skating Rink

The skating rink opened November 18 and ends on January 15. It is open on Fridays from 4-8 p.m. and Saturdays and Sundays from 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Skates are available to rent.

Go [here](#) for more information



# Word Scramble Answers

1. Autumn
2. Leaves
3. Thanksgiving
4. Pumpkin Pie
5. Parade
6. Pilgrims
7. Mayflower

# Last Month's Food Word Scramble Answers

1. mashed potatoes
2. gravy
3. ham
4. sweet potato casserole
5. stuffing
6. pie
7. green bean casserole
8. bread roll
9. turkey
10. corn
11. pumpkin bread
12. carrot jello salad

# Last month's Word Search Answers



## Thanksgiving

WORD SEARCH



CHILDREN

DINNER

FAMILY

GATHERING

GRATEFUL

HOLIDAY

HOME

JOYFUL

MEMORIES

OCCASION

PARENTS

RELATIVES

SEASON

VISITING

THANKFUL