



# HAPPY Holiday



As Christmas rolls around this year,  
The Jorgensens are still right here.  
Moberly, Missouri, is still our home  
Although since Thanksgiving it looks more like Nome.

Winter came early this year, with a blast.  
Eleven inches of snow, only two were forecast.  
Snow is real fun when everyone's ready,  
But so much so early is really quite "sweaty".

We live on a hill. Our driveway is steep!  
To get to the top is a feat for a Jeep.  
A wee bit of snow can leave us quite stranded,  
So when there's a foot, Viking effort's demanded.

We charge up our hill a "lickity split",  
Fly round our circle (almost in orbit)  
Then "gunning" the engine to a furious pace,  
We slide on back down. It's quite a disgrace!

The weather forecasters say this is for starts  
Of the worst kind of winter we'll see in these parts.  
But with Christmas 'a coming, it nearly is here,  
We're ready to enjoy it without any fear.

The boys have concluded, like most of the rest  
That Christmas is the season they really like best.  
Sure, it's the gifts they expect to receive  
But now that the're older they've begun to believe,

That Christmas and presents and trees are tradition.  
But Christmas is really because of the mission  
Of Jesus the Christ, those long years ago  
And it's He and His message that we really must know.

There has been progress in Seventy-Four  
And we see no reason to not hope for more.  
While country and state have problems quite heavy  
Our blessings continue to come in a bevey.

Now we don't suggest that our problems were few  
Cause we may have had as many as you.  
But solutions keep coming, tho some at great length  
And a problem once solved, leaves nothing but strength.

To keep you informed of what we have done,  
Here's a brief history about everyone.  
The stories are true so don't mind the rhyme  
To get it down perfect takes too much time.

Matt's now a gentle-man of three,  
About as nice as he can be.  
He's all that Mom has home anymore  
So he gets more attention than us other four.

He seems very quiet and small by his brothers  
And he is all of that when compared to the others.  
But don't try to cross him or take one of his toys  
Cause then he's the loudest and "baddest" of boys.

He'll yell "Look here, Buster, I know we should share,  
But now it's your turn to furnish your ware."  
And if you are physical and ask for a fight,  
He'll reduce you to nothing with one well placed bite.

He loves to sing and knows lots of songs.  
In fact one performance and we've forgotten his "wrongs".  
He is very blonde and his eyes remain blue  
Just as his Mother has wanted them to.

Matt gives the idea that he's gentle and precious  
But his brothers respect him and they call him "Vicious".  
His sense of fair play is beyond his years,  
In social encounters he stands out from his peers.

Scott Lee continues to amaze and astound  
Both family and friends for miles around.  
He commands and controls a world of his own  
And acts like a person who is already grown.

In school he's meticulous, careful, and neat.  
Intellectually nothing for him is a feat,  
But as is his practice, regardless of place  
He insists that it's he who will set the pace.

He still has his office where he writes lots of checks.  
To date he's the only son asking questions about sex.  
He minds only when threatened with bodily harm,  
But still is the master of Cherubic charm.

At six you would think that he'd be done with tricks,  
Like cutting up bedspreads and defacing "pic's".  
Last week he turned a family portrait to trash,  
By drawing on his face a big blue moustache.

Mom and Dad are working to get close to Scott  
Because they can see that changing, he's not.  
He is his own man, but continues to be  
An important and loving part of our family.



Bradford P. remains a "right jolly old elf".  
And continues successful in spite of himself.  
Was third in State in broadjump and races,  
As an athlete has muscles in all the right places.

In school he's above average by every description,  
Although his writing looks like ancient Egyptian.  
He's a leader among both his friends and his foes,  
And he's still very persnickecty about all of his clothes.

He just turned eleven so now he's a Scout.  
It will be interesting to see how this will turn out.  
Brad's not much for rules and "dumb" regulations.  
That Scoutmaster will hear many new explanations.

For his birthday he got a new 10-speed bike.  
This will hold him for a year or the like.  
But it's only an interim step we've been told -  
It's a mini-bike that he hopes his future will hold.

Brad is still large for most kids of his age,  
But his outlook on life shows remarkable sage.  
In work he's still quite slow with his part  
But of all of our boys, he has the most heart.

Gregory John, our first born and also our leader  
Still runs his life like a finely tuned meter.  
Though still only twelve he's now a Star Scout,  
He'll have his Life rank before next year's out.

In organized football he had his first year.  
His team finished first so there was much to cheer.  
He played Quarterback when they had the ball,  
But was best on defense, he could tackle them all.

He still plays piano, builds models and such.  
In Jr. High he misses his chorus which he liked very much.  
He's involved as a member of Ecology Club  
You'd be surprised at the projects he makes in our tub.

He now holds the Priesthood. His office is deacon.  
He's in the Sunday School and does lots of speak'in.  
He's a leader in Church, in Scouts, and in school,  
And with the ladies he continues quite cool.

If parents could choose with which child to begin,  
We couldn't have selected one better than him.  
He isn't quite perfect, but does seem to possess  
The skills of big-brother, and also finess.



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Jackie finished term number two  
As P.T.A. president. She's glad to be through.  
She's still involved and wears many a hat -  
She does many things for this club and that.

The family and home remain her forte  
And that's really enough to fill out her day.  
Matthew remains close to help and assist.  
His entertainment is a top of her list.

In Church the assignments are nearly the same,  
When there are so few, we're all in the game.  
Jackie is still the Relief Society President.  
In this position she is a permanent resident.

John still juggles his time between the big three.  
The Church, his work, and the family.  
Between the assignments his hair is going grey -  
That is the portion that is not going away.

For Jackie and John, their vacation came late this Fall.  
They visited Quebec, Canada, and had a ball.  
The weather was rainy and foggy and cold,  
But it enhanced the City, so quaint and so old.

We're now getting ready for the Yuletide Season.  
And we're grateful now to have a reason  
To send to you our best season greeting,  
We only wish that we could be meeting.

There's so much more that we could say  
To convey our feelings for the Holiday,  
But let us just conclude by saying  
Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

## THE JORGENSENS

*John C.*  
*Jackie P.*

*Greg J.*      *Brad P.*

*Scott L.*      *Al P.*

