



SEASONS GREETINGS FROM DON AND VI AT WAVE CREST



Each year at this time I encounter, in the people and places around me, feelings about Christmas which range from hype to humbug. Some elate at the prospect of retail significance, some listen to extraneous music, some become depressed or avoid the notion altogether, others become happy and kind whereas normally, they are not. No matter where you might find yourself in this spectrum, there seems always to be a common thread of understanding that connects the whole complicated process. Christmas for most of us embodies at least some form of tradition.

In a time and place where few things remain constant, Christmas can generate a multitude of faces and events that are fond and familiar. Tradition, in this sense, is a good

thing. One tradition that has historically made this time of year significant is the Wave Crest Christmas party. Uncovering a brightly colored card or invitation from Don and Vi Thompson, the event hosts, always triggered expectations of friends, food, spirits, music and laughter. These things are what make Christmas appealing to me.

Each year, for many Christmas seasons, Don and Vi Thompson made their own holiday greeting card. The cards were always hand drawn and often reflected events or endeavors that were currently underway at the Wave Crest. Surrounding are many of Vi's favorite cards. For some of you, they may dredge up a smile or two.



MERRY CHRISTMAS • DON & VI

Northwest Performing Arts of Seaside Presents:

"The Best Christmas Pageant Ever"

A Family Comedy for the Holidays

By Barbara Robinson

Directed by Mary Davies Fridays and Saturdays 8pm

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Dear Santa,

We here on the edge have been good this year; well, as good as usual. And we would like to wake up Christmas morning and find under the tree the following:

A big fat check so we can finally pay our writers and artists something near what they are worth

A new printer for the computer (laser quality), and maybe a new computer

A copy machine so we can keep our costs down

A fax machine for Uncle Mike so he can make the deadlines.

An old YW so we can get the paper to the printer and back -- and go to more book sales!

A bunch of new advertisers and subscribers so we can go to 20 pages and 7,000 copies next year

And most important, please bring us the patience we need to not despise those who are ignorantly destroying the planet and themselves, but to teach them compassion and understanding.

Merry Christmas, The Upper Left Edge

Trouble is a sieve through which we sift our acquaintances. Those too big to pass through are our friends.

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