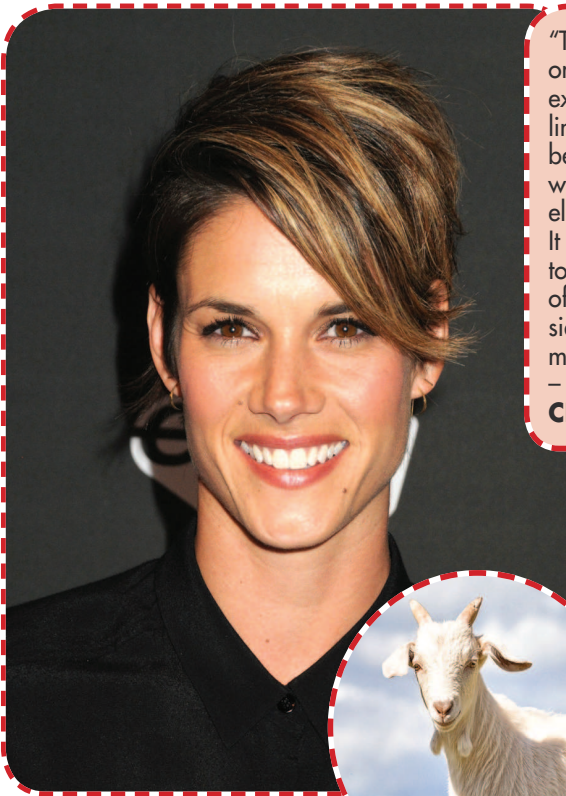


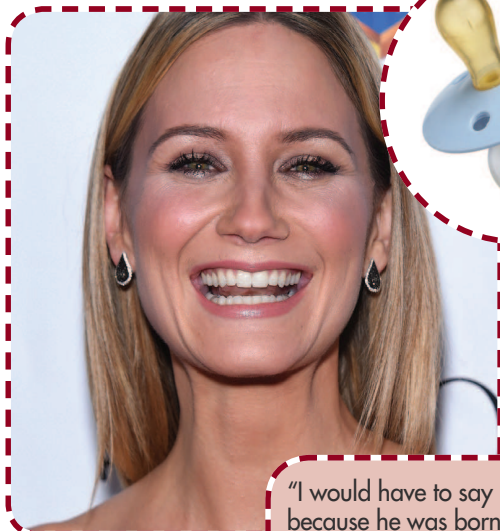
All they wanted for Christmas was ... Celebs unwrap stories of their favorite gifts from Yuletide past



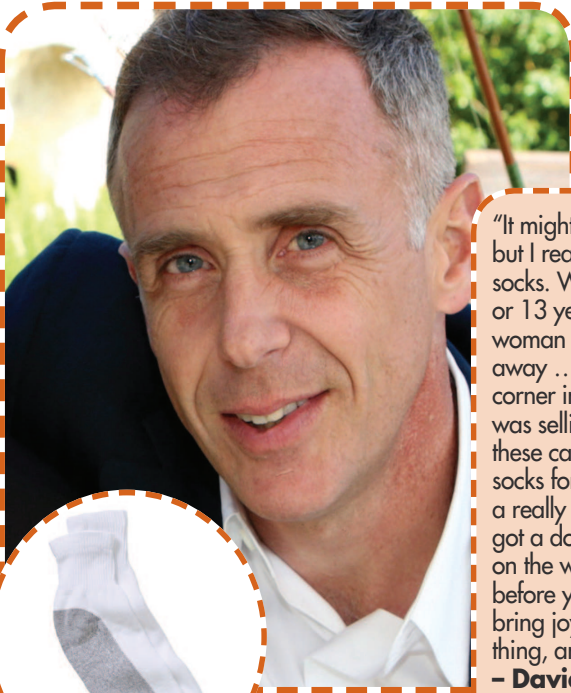
"The only thing that comes to mind is that one year, we decided we weren't going to do expensive gifts for each other, and we had a \$20 limit. My sister had donated the money on our behalf, so I bought a goat for a family. And that was my gift, that I bought a goat for somebody else, and that was probably my favorite Christmas. It really stripped everything down to us just being together, and it wasn't about the frantic behavior of trying to get great gifts. It removed one whole side of it that I thought we would miss, and I didn't miss it at all. It actually was a richer experience."
 – Missy Peregrym of "Hawaii Five-0" on CBS



"It's been like a trip somewhere with all of us – to Rome. We went to Rome. So something with traveling and being together, I like that."
 – Talia Balsam of "Divorce" on HBO



"I would have to say my son, because he was born on Dec. 6, and that's close enough."
 – Jennifer Nettles, seen recently on NBC's "Dolly Parton's Christmas of Many Colors: Circle of Love"



"It might not make sense to anybody, but I really like a fresh pair of clean socks. When I was struggling for 12 or 13 years as an actor, there was a woman in my life who's since passed away ... and you could go to a corner in New York City where a guy was selling T-shirts and socks out of these carts. You could buy a pair of socks for a dollar, and when I'd have a really tough day, she'd say, 'I've got a dollar. Go buy a pair of socks on the way home, and put them on before you go to bed.' And it would bring joy to me. Just the simplest thing, and it never has left me."
 – David Eigenberg of "Chicago Fire" on NBC



"I remember being a young kid, probably no more than eight years old, and I got new skateboard wheels – right when we had gone from clay wheels to polyurethane. We called them 'Cadillac wheels' back in the day, and I remember being so happy about that. It was one of the most joyous times in my life. I didn't realize, of course, that we got sort of the low-end version and the generic ripoffs ... but I didn't care. That was something I really, really wanted."
 – Dean Cain, seen recently on "Broadcasting Christmas" on Hallmark Channel

