Furness Reading Room closing
Study space moving over break to Van Pelt
By Rose Berman
The Furness Reading Room will be closed for the duration of December, including the holidays. All students are urged to take advantage of the Reading Room facilities during this period.

The room is being made available to students for all students. According to Library Administrators, the Reading Room was closed last month after a flood caused carpeting and ceiling damage. According to Van Pelt Business Administrator Adam Kagan, the room will be closed for the next two weeks.

Grocery shopping students spur Escort debate
By Greg Stone
Students carrying groceries from the Thriftway store on the east side of campus have been spotted by students carrying bags of groceries. According to the Thriftway store in Van Pelt, the students were carrying bags of groceries.

Some students have complained about the practice, saying that it is unfair. According to the Thriftway store, most of the students carrying bags of groceries were students carrying bags of groceries from the Thriftway store.

First Step postpones Farrakhan decision
By Jerry Nazz
First Step will not proceed until January a deadline in order to ensure that students report to the university on time.

The group was originally scheduled to meet on January 15, but the decision was postponed due to a lack of student participation. The group has not made any decisions on the Farrakhan issue.

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Neill's expert will be the first investment report since the entire Board of Trustees met in late October.

The Trustees will also vote on a proposal to allocate $1 million to the Federal Mortgage Assistance Program, and will decide whether to increase student fees to cover the increased costs.

The project was supposed to be completed last summer at a cost of $5 million, but now an additional $400,000 is needed to cover construction costs.

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  Reading Room
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The forum will be held on Friday, 2-5 p.m. in the auditorium of the University Center. The symposium will begin with a slide show and will be followed by a panel discussion. 

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By Tina Goldberg

Milestoned, Brazil's Bento Belencho, 59, has led several groups since 1969 to investigate bladder disease. Brazil has the highest bladder cancer rates in the world, with 450,000 women like her suffering from interstitial cystitis, a painful bladder disorder. Bento Belencho, an interstitial cystitis sufferer and Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania research specialist, has been awarded an $80,000 grant by the National Institute of Health to investigate the cause of the condition and possible treatments.

Symptoms of interstitial cystitis include burning pain and an inability to control bladder function, and 90 percent of those afflicted are women. Doctors now treat interstitial cystitis patients with antidepressants, and some patients have been treated with a new drug, Elvan, which may cause pain.

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Women's Center finds familiar issues

By Kim Holt

On April 5, 1973, nearly 200 members gathered at the Women's Center to celebrate the role of the Jolly Old Soul in holiday cheer. The theme of the event was "Boxing in their tradition of helping others," by running a one-

The Jolly Old Soul is a modern-day Santa who acts on his conscience, blowing up bridges at lining the camp for the Philadelphia University women's basketball team. He practices blowing up bridges at lining the camp for the Philadelphia University women's basketball team. He practices his role of the Jolly Old Soul when it comes to helping others. But even if most women do not take advantage of the Women's Center, the Center's continuing goal is to help them in their way of thinking. "It's not in the same ilk of a 'Don't rock the boat' attitude," Delaida said. "It's more of a 'Why not?' and 'Why not?'" Delaida said.

The Conference on the issue of sexual assault at the Center is in its early days, when the Center's success is not highly visible. "Because of the origins, safety and security have always been concerns of the Center," Delaida said. "Why is it that we change the Center's name?"

The majority of the women also said that they cannot think of an issue that would cause them to seek help from the Center. But even of most women do not take advantage of the Center, Delaida said, "You can't help but feel good about helping others."

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The Significance of Debate

A journalist legend died last week. Dick Young never uncovered another scoop, but his name is forever etched in to the annals of journalism.

The 40-year-old tradition of the Pulitzer Prizes is held in high esteem in the halls of the Daily Pennsylvanian. The newspaper that to the present day is still solely owned and run by students and the students who are subsidized by the school, is the source of the 40-year-old tradition of the Pulitzer Prizes.

Dick Young, who was the editor of the Daily Pennsylvanian for more than 30 years, is best known for his Pulitzer Prize-winning series of articles on the Korean conflict.

In a statement, the Daily Pennsylvanian said, "We are heartbroken by the news of Dick Young's passing. He was a colleague, a mentor and a friend to many of us."

Young was a Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist who covered the Korean conflict during the 1950s. He later became editor of the Daily Pennsylvanian, the student newspaper at the University of Pennsylvania.

In a 2006 interview, Young said, "I was lucky enough to have had a great career, to have worked with some of the greatest journalists in the world."

Young was known for his quick wit and his ability to get to the heart of a story. He was also known for his love of animals, particularly dogs.

Young is survived by his wife, Mae, and their two children, John and Jane. A memorial service will be held at the Daily Pennsylvanian on Saturday, December 17.

The Daily Pennsylvanian, which is published by the students of the University of Pennsylvania, will continue to publish in his memory. The newspaper will also be accepting contributions for a fund to be established in his memory.

Letters to the Editor

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**The Summit yields few surprises**

WASHINGTON — President Reagan and Soviet leader Mikhail S. Gorbachev, who were expected to announce several major new agreements here today, did not do so today at the summit. Instead, they announced that they will hold another summit in July, ending the first summit without any new bilateral agreements.

"For the most part, it's been a great moment in the history of the superpowers," Reagan said today as he wished Gorbachev a "successful return" to Moscow.

"We're convinced then that we can have an opportunity to make the world a safer place," he said.

**Trade defect grows, dollar plummets**

WASHINGTON — President Reagan today [37] asked Congress to vote on a measure to reduce the deficit, which currently stands at $74 billion.

Reagan's call for action comes as the dollar has slumped to a record low of $1.43 per pound of oil.

"I am asking Congress to vote on a $70 billion deficit reduction plan that will reverse the slide in the dollar," Reagan said.

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January
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It was cold. Students returned from winter break and wondered if there was any news from the south of Philadelphia.

Many of the city's homeless population crowded the University City subway station, hoping for something - anything - to warm them up against the frigid winter winds. For some, it was a relief to be outside for a change, breathing in the cold air and reaching out for the company of others.

The University was working on a plan to house the homeless in a new center in the spring, and many were hopeful that it would not be long before they could find shelter.

February
By Kim Holt
February was the month of administrative decisions.

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The Year in Review

Summer

By Joe Brundal and Randall Law

The 1985-86 academic year was marked by the opening of a number of new bars on campus, as well as the re-opening of several existing ones. The most notable among these was the newly expanded campus recreation center, which included a new student union building.

In addition to the opening of new bars, the University also experienced a number of crises. One such crisis involved the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity, which was forced to close its doors after an investigation revealed evidence of hazing.

The Phi Kappa Psi investigation brought to light a number of other issues, including the fact that the University had failed to adequately address the problem of hazing in the past. This failure led to a number of protests and rallies, as well as a number of local and national media reports.

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Freedom of the press was challenged this summer when, following the recommendation of an outside security study, the University banned all student publications from the campus. This ban was lifted in September, and the University has since been working to implement its new policies and procedures.

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Hill House commissary to tighten security procedures after theft

By Carol Vincunce

Following this weekend’s theft at approximately 5:00PM from the Hill House commissary, more managers have spoken out about the necessity of improving the police presence in the area.

A Yale University employee was the victim of the theft, which took place just as she began to move a drop safe from one location to another. According to sources, the employee had been haciendo the ft on the same day as the theft, and it is believed that theft occurred while she was gone.

The employee, who is a member of the Yale Workers Union, said that she was surprised by the brazen nature of the theft, given the high security measures in place. She added that the theft had a significant impact on her ability to do her job, as she was forced to take extra precautions to ensure the safety of the cash register and other valuable items.

The commissary, a popular dining spot for Yale students and faculty, has been the subject of several recent thefts, including one that occurred in October. According to sources, the police presence in the area has been increased in an effort to prevent repeat offenses.

Yale, union talks deadlock

Representatives meeting only twice per week

By R. Paul Herman

Yale University and the Yale Workers Union are meeting only twice per week, despite a desire to make progress in negotiations.

The union is seeking a new contract that would include a salary increase of 2 percent and an improvement in benefits, while the university is offering a 1 percent increase and no changes in benefits.

Peter Lempert, the university’s vice president for human resources, said that the university is committed to making a deal, but that the union needs to be more flexible.

The union’s response to the university’s offer was negative, with a spokesperson saying that the university is not being reasonable and that the union will continue to demand a fair contract.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 16, but it is unclear whether progress will be made in the negotiations.

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Canney said the dining halls are no longer able to give away as much food to UCHC, but still distribute it to the homeless in several locations. The dining halls, in addition, occasionally donate the excess of perishable food that is left over.

In the past, Dining Services have donated turkey on Thanksgiving and Christmas, and the total more than 200 pounds of fresh chicken from the "Pride Free" held at the Civic Center were donated.

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Sororities begin making plans for largest rush in years

Continued from front page

College senior, sal last night that the way that it is going to be.

"Everybody feels that there are advantages and disadvantages to having a pledge class," Attias said. "Nobody sees it as a definite disadvantage. We are just dealing with it because that is what it is as a national policy."

The Panhellenic has been working lo make sure that interested women know about the new chapters, and the sororities have been working to attract new members. They have advertised in local newspapers and on campus websites. The rush is divided into four rounds, with each round lasting two days.

In order to facilitate the rush, the Panhellenic has organized a series of events for interested women. These events include introduction parties, where rushers are introduced to the sisters of the various sororities, and preference parties, where rushers can meet with the sisters of a specific sorority.

The rush is divided into four rounds, with each round lasting two days. Each sorority is allowed to have a set number of girls, which will be decided by the Panhellenic. The sororities are invited to compete with each other in order to attract new members.

In order to participate in the rush, interested women must attend one of the orientations, which are held each day of the rush. During these orientations, rushers are introduced to the sisters of the various sororities and are given the opportunity to ask questions and learn more about the sororities.

After the orientations, rushers are invited to attend the preference parties. These parties are held at the sororities' houses and are open to all interested women. During these parties, rushers are given the opportunity to meet with the sisters of the various sororities and to learn more about them.

In order to be invited to attend the preference parties, rushers must have attended the orientations and must have submitted an application to the sororities. The sororities are allowed to choose from among the rushers who have attended the orientations.

After the preference parties, rushers are invited to attend the third round, which is a set of parties. During this round, sororities will divide the number of women who have attended the preference parties into the number of sororities, and the sororities will select the top three sororities.

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Students caught cheating are faced with consequences

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A student who forged transcripts or used a fake ID to get a job, to pass classes or even for other reasons is likely to come under severe punishment. The University of Pennsylvania is making every effort to ensure that students who cheat will be punished.

Students who are caught cheating are often expelled or suspended, according to the University's student handbook. However, there are also less severe consequences for students who cheat.

"Students need to learn to take responsibility for their actions," said one University official. "We need to understand that this actions affect the entire community." Students who cheat are often expelled or suspended, and may also be subject to formal sanctions and penalties.

"We are very, very strict with our students," said the University official. "We do not tolerate cheating or plagiarism in any form."

Each year, the University of Pennsylvania's Office of Student Conduct receives hundreds of reports of cheating and plagiarism. The office investigates each report and determines the appropriate consequences for the student.

"We are very concerned about cheating and plagiarism," said the University official. "We want to ensure that our students understand the importance of academic integrity."
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Hawks' Black wastes no time in wasting Quakers

**Adth dept. may help to finance streamers**

By Jon Wilner

Senior Athletic Director Carolyn Schlie said the athletic department will help the cheerleaders pay for basketball streamers if they cannot raise the necessary funds on their own.

"In the past, cheerleaders used an annual raffle to finance the streamers, such as a phone-a-stranger or phone-in program," said Schlie.

"We'd say we're about 70% off the mark. If the cheerleaders fall short, then we will cover," she added.

Assistant Athletic Director Jeff Oates also reminded the cheerleaders that their priorities are," he said. "I've played it all my life, so I've always had to dribble a lot. And the older she gets, the more she gets away with it."

Franklin lead paces St. Joe's

The revamped lineup included the Owls' offensive production, as the first time this season — a player other than Rashad Penn was leading scorer. Van Yeats poured the Quakers with 23 points, 12 of which came on five 3-pointers.

But despite the Owls running on the scoreboard, Penn was still the game's high scorer. With 31 seconds on the clock, Penn sank a foul shot and passed the ball to teammate Simon who buried the basket and completed the Owls' 84-62 demolition of St. Joseph's.

"The Owls have had a reality check," said Coach Jim Boyle. "It was a welcome sight."

Despite Penn's 6-4, 4.2 Reb. finals, Evans reminded everyone that he can still play a key role in the rotation. Evans teammate Ron Butler said, "He's the best player in our team I've ever seen and the best Philadelphia player I've ever seen."

**At Courtside: Ira Apfel**

Black does run that drill but only if, in reality, her lack of height limits her from playing defense. "I've always been very small," she said. "But I had no other choice but to play point guard. I've played it all my life, so I've always had to dribble a lot. And the older she gets the more she gets away with it."

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**Quakers' head for California**

Penn to face UCLA. Irvine

By Dan Bollerman

For Jerry Simon, the Penn men's basketball team's trip to California this weekend is not only a road trip, but a family trip.

As the Quakers head into tonight's contest with Cal-Berkeley (Berkeley, 9:30 p.m., ESPN-2), the sight of Simon sitting on the Athenians' bench instead of on the three-word "point guard" is not a reality. However, this sight could have been a reality as Simon sat out for the first time in his career.

Instead, Simon brought his skills to Penn (1-2), where he made an impact last year as the runner-up for the Ivy League's title. In his first start last Saturday, Simon had a big hand in the Quakers' 161-86 win over St. Louis, averaging with Kaminsky everywhere, and holding Explorers' long-range threats Tim Langlois to 10 points.

Cal-Berkeley will pose a different problem for Simon and the Quakers, as the Athenians' -- led by star point guard Tom Ham; 2004-05 Ivy League title winner -- will try to push the ball up the floor, and forward Marko Pavlovic will give the Quakers more problems than the opportunity appears. More importantly, the Athenians can make the most of 5-foot-10 guard shooting 37.8% (17-45) from three-point range.

With a 3-colon-orientated starting five featuring head coach Cookie Schroeder. They will use their height advantage and speed to their benefit. As usual, they'll take it from anywhere from 16 to 20 shots per game. They have pace, they have size, they have speed, and they have attack. They're different in that they like to take the first jump ball and then be the tallest person on the floor. "They fast break as much as possible," Simon said. "We will need to contain the ropes, and even them from fast-breaking."
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Philadelphia celebrates the Nutcracker tradition with performances by the Pennsylvania Ballet and an exhibit of Maurice Sendak’s art. See next page.

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Of Mice and Men: The Nutcracker In Philadelphia

BY EILEEN CHANG

Christmas heralds in feelings of warmth and excitement for practically everyone, feelings that stir when we think of the first snowfall, hear the sweet tunes of holiday carols, of the legendary ballet. It is synonymous with the holiday spirit more than The Nutcracker has practically become the festive ballet. The Nutcracker has grown to life-size and has come to life.

Not only has the Nutcracker changed, but her brother's toy soldiers have also come to life, and huge mice, led by a ferocious Mouse King, suddenly appear in the room. Consequently a battle ensues between the Mouse King and Clara, wanting to help her sister, takes Clara on a Journey to the Land of the Sweets. It was not until The Nutcracker was put on stage that the character was given the name Clara, the one most famous today.

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Hoffman's original work was actually two stories, one told within the framework of the other. The journey of Clara and the Nutcracker prince takes place within a second story, "The Story of the Hard Nut," which explains how the Prince first became a Nutcracker.

"The Story of the Hard Nut" is about Princess Pirlipat, who as a beautiful infant was bitten by the wicked Mouse King while the Nutcracker kills him.

After this scene, Clara returns home and awakens to find herself in her living room once again.

This holiday season, Philadelphians can participate in the Nutcracker tradition in two ways, as the ballet will be performed at the Academy of Music by the Pennsylvania Ballet and a local museum features an exhibit of Maurice Sendak's set designs for the ballet.

The Nutcracker Ballet, with its famous musical score composed by Peter Ilyiich Tchaikovsky, was first performed at the Maryinsky Theatre in St. Petersburg, Russia in December, 1892. Although the exquisite dancing is the main attraction of this Christmas production, it is the underlying story of dreams, magic and holiday spirit which makes the Nutcracker Ballet a classic.

This holiday, Philadelphia"s Nutcracker version of the Nutcracker Ballet at the Rosenbach Museum and Library at 2010 Delancey Place in Center City. These drawings, in pen, pencil, ink and watercolor, reflect a successful interpretation of the original text.

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Sendak's version of the Nutcracker Ballet is a classic. His drawings are fantasies set in the end of the 19th century. This is different from the more familiar version by Dumas, whose style is more Victorian.

"It is a terrific Christmas exhibition. The reception so far has been really excellent," she added.

The Sendak exhibit is a special accompaniment to the Pennsylvania Ballet's annual production of The Nutcracker. Please turn to page 17.
The Year of the Bear

BY MICHELLE GREEN

The Chinese calendar proclaims 1987 the Year of the Hare. The calendar has it wrong. As a trip to any area shopping mall makes clear, this season concludes the Year of the Bear.

Not only children will get bears for Christmas this year. Many stores are offering bears of every shape and size at low, low prices for the Christmas season. And anyone who makes sufficient purchases at most department stores is eligible to receive, for a nominal charge, a furry friend.

For example, a shopper at Warnemaker's who spends at least $50 is eligible to adopt a big white Rudolph Bear for the incredibly low price of 10 bucks. Rudolph Bears wear red and green hats and scarves, and sell for $25 alone. At B. Altman, customers can get authentic Theodore Roosevelt Teddy Bears for $15 when they spend $35 or open a charge account.

But shoppers don't have to spend large sums of money in retail establishments to get bears. At A & S in Willow Grove, customers with $50 in receipts can purchase not only a 14-inch Bearham bear, but also a 9-inch Straus mouse, for the low price of $15. In Strawbridge and Clothier's Clover division, $8.99 with a $15 purchase will allow you to bring home a Luckybear. At K-Mart, Christmas bears clad in red or green hats and scarves cost $10 after initial purchases of only $35. Locally, at CVS, white bears with hats, scarves and smiles are available for just $15.

Bears are still popular this year. As during the rest of the year, Benetton offers bears in a range of sizes and prices. They come complete with festive Benetton outfits, and no purchase is required to get one. At Strawbridge and Clothier, J.C. Penney and the University Bookstore, similar bears are available at various costs.

Ikea is selling really big bears for a mere $75, while the Biggest Bear of All is available in Houston Hall Cards and Gifts for $80. And for people who open accounts with Fidelity Bank and deposit at least $1000, the bank offers one free 14-inch bear plus additional bears for $15 apiece.
But that’s not all. Even fast food establishments are getting in on the craze. At Roy Rogers, $2.49 will get you a Ted E. Bear or Friend, while at Wendy’s, $1.99 purchases a Furskin with any order. Earlier this month at McDonalds, kids’ Happy Meals were accompanied by members of the Berenstein Bears family.

So, you ask, why is this the Year of the Bear?

Partly, it seems, just because this is a big year for toys. Aside from bears, talking dolls and electronic gadgets have been popular items. For those who prefer their bears high tech, the Talking Teddy Ruxpin is available for only $39.88 at K-Mart, and at BEST, the Bearphone costs only $99.

Bob, who works at the K-Mart on Torresdale Avenue in the Northeast, says that for K-Mart the bear craze is nothing new. “We had [bears] last year,” he said. “It’s a pretty good deal. People love them.”

Wanamaker’s agrees. “We sort of started the whole thing with Rudi,” said a mail-order clerk who asked not to be identified. Though Wanamakers was bought out by the Washington, D.C.-based Woodward and Lothrop chain last year, they still have the bears. And now the Woodies stores are offering big white Kringle Bears, “happy little bears from the Great North,” which look just like Rudi down to the scarf and hat, for the same mere $10.

“I got three bears, one for each of my kids,” said Jeanne DePaul, a shopper at Wanamaker’s. “They’re just the cutest things.”

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HOT TOYS

BY PAMELA SCHULMAN

University students often wonder what they will be doing fifteen years from now. They dream of making lots of money, experiencing great success and enjoying life to the fullest extent.

These wishes may all come true. But when December 2002 rolls around, most graduates’ concerns will be somewhat more down to earth. Like millions of other parents, foremost in their mind will be selecting the right Christmas or Hannukah present for their child. Often, they will become obsessed with arriving at a toy store before The Ultimate Gift sells out.

For the present, most students do not have to worry about locating the item which every child must have this holiday, except in the case of an occasional niece or nephew. However, there are many parents out in the “real world” who tonight will not have pleasant dreams of dancing sugar plum fairies but nightmares about Toys R Us running out of Barbie’s Ice Cream Shoppe before they get a chance to buy one.

During each of the past few years, there was one big-selling toy that every child had to have. A couple of years ago it was a Cabbage Patch doll, variations on which still remain popular today. Last year, Transformers were “the hot toy.”

This year, however, it would seem that no one item attracts the same frenzy as other gifts have in previous years. But toy store business is already extremely brisk, with several toys that have great popularity this holiday season.

Rosemarie Rawling, a mother of boys ranging in age from 7 to 11 years old, commented on this apparent lack of a front-running toy this year while shopping in the Kay-Bee Toy and Hobby Shop located in the Gallery Two.

Cabbage Patch Kids are not hot.
"There isn't any one big thing this year," Rawling said, adding that her children have suggested that "for boys, it's hockey stuff."

Dwayne Hawkins, a stock and sales clerk at Kay-Bee, concurred with this estimation of the situation. He listed the numerous items that are already selling particularly well this season, ranging from board games to Couch Potatoes.

"Most of the stuff in the store sells well," he said. "The day after Thanksgiving we stayed busy all day."

Hawkins' statement and comments by others seem to negate the fears of many that setbacks in the stock market and concerns about the economy would drastically reduce retail sales this Christmas season. John Cherrier, who works at Kiddie City at 10 and Market Streets, also stressed how well sales are going. "Everything has just been going quick," he said.

The crowds at Kiddie City last Wednesday evening further exemplifies the strength of holiday sales. The lines were all extremely long, particularly at the service counter where people were getting rain checks for sale items or picking up the perfect toy which they had put on lay away.

Despite the overall strong sales, a few toys are running out faster than anything else. One item mentioned at several toy stores in Philadelphia is the relatively new Couch Potato, a soft-sculpture vegetable with a comical face. "The hottest thing is them ugly Couch Potatoes," Hawkins said.

Evidence of the Couch Potatoes' impressive sales comes from the fact that last Wednesday night these stuffed items were unavailable in both Kay-Bee and Kiddie City. According to Hawkins, three boxes of them sold out in Kay-Bee in less than a day. This popularity comes despite their lack of aesthetic value; one Kiddie City shopper's response to the item was a "Oh, it's horrible!"

Chevrier compared the Potatoes to Cabbage Patch dolls, which although they are funny-looking continue to sell well this year.

"I do not know why [shoppers] are interested in them," Cherrier wondered. "They look so ugly."

This season shows the revival and updating of two long-popular toys - Barbie and G.I. Joe. Barbie's newest and much-requested accessory this year is the Barbie Ice Cream Shoppe, while young Rambos are asking for the G.I. Joe Battle Game.

Thomas, a 12-year-old hanging out in Stern's Toy Department, concurred that this particular G.I. Joe package is the ultimate present this Christmas. When asked what he wanted, he ran and picked it up from the store's shelves without a moment's hesitation.

Stephanie Grims, an assistant manager at Stern's, said the continuing video craze supported the number-one selling item at her store this season. "It is definitely Captain Power," Grims said of the video game. "We have a lot of Captain Power [video playing]."

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Playing Santa on a Student Budget

BY MICHELLE GREEN

There are a lot of great gift ideas starring out at shoppers from every store window in the city. Unfortunately, for students with small incomes or for those who are limited to a spend only a certain amount for a secret Santa gift, these ideas don’t make shopping much easier. But creative shoppers can usually find a way to come up with presents even without cash.

* Stocking Stuffers, about $2: They’re cute, they’re compact and they’re cheap. For students, pencils with funny animals at the end (usually about $1), pens ($5 cents for a Flair marker) and rulers (about $2) always come in handy. Also appreciated would be common items that people often forget to buy for themselves, such as socks, sewing kits and scissors.

Local fast food restaurants also offer suggestions for stocking stuffer ideas. At McDonald’s, free Cinderella mice come with a $5 book of gift certificates. At Burger King, stuffed reindeer cost $2 with a purchase; at Roy Rogers and Wendy’s, stuffed bears cost about the same. And Domino’s will deliver a free Noid with any large pizza, a gift no one should be without.

* In the $5 range: This is a prime stuffed animal spending range. Little Opuses (Op?) cost about $7; small dinosaurs cost anywhere from $5 to $10. You can get bears with party hats, mice with Christmas costumes and sheep made out of pom-poms for about $6 at most drug stores.

Most mass market paperbacks also run about $5, as do many “bargain books” at Encore. Stephen King’s It just came out in paperback, as did Tom Clancy’s Red Storm Rising. Many students have a secret penchant for reading children’s books, often under $4. And if all else fails, try Matt Groening’s School Is Hell. Standard items in this range are little bottles of perfume and after shave, makeup and hair accessories. Many scents come gift boxed with little stuffed animals; many makeup come with trial sizes of others attached. Good hairbrushes are vital necessities that can be found in local drugstores.

* In the $10 range: Records and cassettes, which have been on sale for dirt since the CD exploded on the scene, always go over big, especially if you know the tastes of the people you’re buying for. If you don’t, seasonal music is a popular alternative: everyone from Kiri Te Kanawa to Perry Como to Mannheim Steamroller has a Christmas album out. You might try George Winston’s December; it’s proved popular with people of diverse musical preferences. If you’re absolutely clueless, Hallmark stores and Sam Goody offer tapes containing everyone’s favorite Christmas tunes for a mere $3.

Otherwise, clothes are a safe bet. Everything is on sale at this time of year; you can get sweats at the Gap for about $10, silk ties at Wanamaker’s for as little as $9.95. Sweaters and purse accessories at Strawbridge’s beginning at $7 and turtlenecks at a variety of stores for about $10.

Philadelphia is also big gift certificate country. Record and book chains offer certificates redeemable in any of their stores, so you can buy one at Tower Records on South Street which can be used at the Tower in Greenwich Village, or Tokyo. Certificates to rent videotapes – and VCR’s – will also be appreciated.
When Santa Claus Meets the Sunbelt

BY BETH REINHARD

It's December, but outside the temperature is a sunny 75 degrees. Children in shorts and T-shirts sit on Santa's lap, asking for trains, dolls and compact disc players. Sea shells, among more traditional ornaments, hang from the Christmas tree. White bears wearing sunglasses, pink flamingos, and mannequins in bathing suits and Santa hats decorate the shopping mall.

While holiday decorations may vary depending on the climate, shoppers in warm places will still find the typical crowds, red ribbons and lights. But when a "White Christmas" means white sand and tennis shorts, many people feel they are missing something special about holidays in the north.

"When you think of Christmas, you think of snow," said Steve Mesthos, who was shopping at John Wanamaker's last week with his 3-year-old son on his shoulders. "We've lived in Florida and it's not the same seeing Santa Claus sweating under a palm tree."

"You can't do your Christmas shopping without snow or at least some good cold weather," said Carol Colazzi, another Wanamaker shopper who paused to watch the colorful light show. "I wouldn't want to be somewhere warm."

An abundance of northern holiday spirit is evident during Christmas time at John Wanamaker's. The window displays are breathtaking - white bears playing in glistening snow with bright red balls, dapper penguins in a reindeer-pulled sleigh and children dressed in black velvet dresses and red bow-ties posing among pine trees. Huge white bears in red and green sweaters are in every corner of the store, famous for its ornate interior of massive white columns and elaborate artwork.

"It's really a spectacular store," said the store's floral designer Carol Ann Liefield. "The atmosphere is very classy and traditional."

"We get a lot of tourists and they're very impressed," she continued. "Wanamaker's has a flavor that you wouldn't get in the south."

But shops within a city such as Miami, Florida can also evoke a warm, festive spirit in shoppers - a warmth not only provided by the sun. Holiday songs are heard in every store, snowmen and candy canes adorn the street lamps and neighborhoods are illuminated by strings of colored lights.

Of course the selection of holiday presents within the stores may be slightly different. While a polo shirt for dad and a bathing suit for sister would be a perfectly acceptable purchase in Burdine's, a department store with many branches in the south, up north a wool scarf for Dad and a Benetton sweater for sister would be more appropriate.

Janice Guise, a clerk in Burdine's department store in Miami, said the mall creates a "Floridian Christmas," integrating southern elements into traditional Christmas decorations. But even she added that shopping in Florida lacks something during the holidays.

"It's not like shopping up north," Guise said last week. "Down here, the only thing different about Christmas is the hustle and bustle. People up north are more into the holiday spirit."

Burdines shopper Judith Lamet agreed that holiday shopping in the north is more exciting.

"Up north they make Christmas more of a big deal," Lamet said. "The fact that it's not cold or snowing has a lot to do with it - it's a pretend Christmas."

But College sophomore Meredith Stiehm, who hails from Santa Monica, California, said her family takes advantage of the warm temperatures during the holidays.

"If you've grown up having Christmas at the beach you don't feel a loss," Stiehm said, explaining that every year her whole family spends part of Christmas Day in the sand and sun. She added that at a local mall, Santa Claus can be found sitting in a huge sand castle decorated with white lights.

"The only thing we're missing is the snow - it's still pretty festive," Stiehm said. "The stores are decked out with lights and music, and I don't think it's that much different from the north."

College sophomore Dana Levine, who has lived in New York and Florida, said the stores in the south try to create a wintry atmosphere, but just don't capture the spirit of a holiday personified by a North Pole senior citizen.

"They attempt to make it Christmassy, but it's a different feeling," Levine said. "I remember going to Bloomingdales in New York when I was little and being overwhelmed."

She added that "when you're driving down the street on a gorgeous sunny day in Miami and there are candy canes hanging - it just doesn't fit."
Bells for Charity's Sake

BY R. PAUL HERMAN

During the chilly days of December, jingle bells and sleighbells signal ongoing Yuletide preparations. Yet all the bells during the holiday season do not celebrate Christmas cheer. On many corners of cities throughout the nation, bells ring for those who lack many of the necessities of life.

In Center City Philadelphia, Salvation Army bands play outside crowded establishments and Christmas shoppers gather round to listen. A volunteer rings the standard hand-bell, change clanks into the red metal kettle, followed by an expression of thanks from the bell-ringer. Each transaction signifies a small transfer of wealth, all for charity's sake. And repeated many times over, they make a considerable difference for Philadelphia's needy.

The Salvation Army bell-ringers, a staple during the weeks before Christmas, are out in full force once again this year to help those less fortunate during this holiday season.

The Army is a Protestant welfare organization which aids the homeless, poor, and hungry each day in 96 nations across the world. The group, which relies on assistance from private individuals and the United Way, distributes donations of food, money, and clothes to the unfortunate in a variety of ways.

A substantial portion of the Army's funds are raised by appealing to the generosity of holiday shoppers through the annual bell-ringers. Close to $450,000 was collected in last year's drive; this year's goal is $700,000. In Philadelphia alone, almost 100 volunteers and officers brave the cold to stand by that kettle and solicit donations for the organization.

Emily Planck, the Army's Director of Community Relations for Greater Philadelphia, says she has found many people are willing to volunteer. Among those, she adds, are a husband and wife team who contacted her and are spending 3 to 4 hours day a few days per week this season. Providing assistance during the holiday season is especially rewarding, she explains, because “when a needy child who’s never had a new toy receives one from us, the joy in his eyes and the happiness are indescribable and immeasurable.”

Yet donations of change don't always compensate the hours of standing on cold street corners for the less privileged. Lieutenant James Francis, Commanding Officer of the Army's Northeast Community Center, one of their five centers in Philadelphia, is worried about this year's collections to date. “Black Friday [the Friday after Thanksgiving] got off to a slow start. It appears there is slow fundraising at the kettles.”

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During this year's Christmas activities, which began just before Thanksgiving, the Army is delivering meal assistance to almost 9000 people in the Philadelphia area. Some of this aid will come in the form of money and vouchers for food, bags of groceries, and meal delivery to shut-ins. Additionally, 5000 underprivileged children will receive toys, compliments of the Army. Army workers will visit and bring gifts to 12,000 residents, shut-ins, and prisoners. The Army will also remember more than 500 homeless people in soup kitchens with "a warm gift" of a poncho, coat, gloves, or other clothing. And at the group's drug rehabilitation center, residents will be given useful goods and necessities such as toiletries, socks, and clothing.

"Doctor" Julius Erving, currently the Army's Philadelphia area chairman, kicked off the local organization's Christmas activities on November 24. The former 76er, whose involvement with the Army stems from his early childhood days of playing basketball for the South Hempstead (Long Island) Salvation Army basketball team, made a presentation for the group in Center City's Gallery mall.

The Northeast Community Center will be the focal point for a wide variety of activities during the holidays, according to Francis.

"Dinner and gifts will be provided for the community's needy children and their parents," he explains. "When including the daily services of the center of the 60 children in day-care center and 54 in the after-school program, we will be celebrating Christmas for almost 300 children."

The center receives support from local senior citizens who help in fundraising, making crafts, and assisting in collecting and purchasing clothing items for children. In addition to its work for children, volunteers from the center will also make their regular visits to nine different nursing homes bringing gifts and offering companionship.

The homeless will also not be neglected during this Yuletide, as the Army performs its continual outreach program. According to Planck, this year the Salvation Army has provided over 500,000 meals and over 75,000 nights lodging to the homeless. She adds that word-of-mouth has led to much awareness of their programs throughout the homeless community.

"Good news travels fast. They kind of come together during the season," she notes. Everyday during the year, the Army's four kitchens and the rehabilitation center house and feed more than 600 homeless. The emergency shelter is usually filled to its 100-occupant capacity each night. The Northeast soup kitchen, for example, feeds 80 to 100 people each day. About a fifth of these are street people and over half are people who just don't have enough money to make ends meet without the food service.

The Army also directs its aid to the special homes it runs for the retarded. They will bring goodwill to the 35 people who are under the group's care through special holiday parties and gifts. Special Army efforts will extend to Philadelphia International Airport, where the Salvation Army Red Shield Lounge will prepare for a Christmas rush and hold its annual Christmas Exodus celebration December 19 for the more than 1000 servicemen arriving from and returning to Fort Dix. The lounge is open year-round to give servicemen food, comfort, and attention.

At Strawbridge and Clothier, the Army has set up a "Tiny Tim Tree" in the Children's Department on the 4th floor of the downtown store. On the large Christmas tree hangs the names of needy children. Shoppers are encouraged to pick a name off the tree and buy a gift for the child, which the Army will wrap and present to the child.

Yet the Army's altruistic efforts do not end when the Christmas trees go down. Planck says that the local organization has stepped up its regular operations to assist as many people as possible before Christmas.

"But on December 26 it does not cease," says Planck of the group's mission. "It continues throughout the year."

The Salvation Army was started in London in 1865 by William Booth, a Methodist minister who was dismayed by the poverty, drug abuse and hunger faced by a large part of urban society. He structured his organization militarily as a means of control, requiring all paid "officers" to be ordained Protestant ministers. Yet volunteers contribute considerably to the Army's operations as well. Throughout its history, the Army has extended worldwide to support schools for the blind, homes for unwed mothers, and leper colonies.

The Army in all its doings, says Planck, assists those in need and tries to get them "back on the straight and narrow path. Until they get it together, we work closely with them - no money asked."

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Just as December brings finals and cold winds, it also brings festive holidays for many people. Goodwill is extended in a number of ways, including the exchange of gifts with friends and loved ones. We asked several campus personalities to share stories of the most memorable gifts which they have received.

— Compiled by Leslie Kerr.

**John Logan**
Director, Public Safety

Actually I never get that much of a kick out of what I get. The most vivid one that I remember would be last year when all my children returned to spend Christmas with me and my wife and our daughter who lives at home. I have five out of state so that was a real gift.

**Nicholas Constan**
Assistant to the President

An angel food cake that I mistook for a dart board. An angel food cake is supposed to be very high and fluffy and the center has to be hollow. This was made in a square brownie pan and it never got more than a half an inch high. I had gotten some darts the same year as a kid so I thought the cake was a dartboard. Thank God [the baker] wasn't there -- it was delivered and opened later. The strangest thing about this is that it's true.

**Ivar Berg**
Dean, College of Arts and Sciences

I had two that were equally memorable for similar reasons. The first was an announcement just before Christmas 1935 from my mother that she and I would be returning to the United States from Norway after a long separation from my father. We went to Norway soon after I was born, when I was still a tot during the Depression and I missed my father terribly. We got back in time for Christmas. The other was the announcement by Uncle Sam heading into Christmas in 1950 that those of us who had been recalled by the Marine Corps for the Korean War that we would not have to serve a total of more than two years. Since my college had been interrupted I was delighted to be getting out in two years.

**Chris Flynn**
Tailback, Penn Football

I guess it was kind of a toss-up. One was the time I got a trip to Florida. I went down with a friend.

The other was Rockem Sockem Robots. .. I was about 10. I remember about two days after Christmas. I figured Santa got everything. I told my mom that she could throw all the other things out, that all I wanted was the Rockem Sockem Robots. I guess she got a little upset, she was out spending all that money.

**Conrad Tillard**
Founder, Organization of Black Consciousness

I guess the most memorable one at this point would have to be about this time last year when I became involved with the woman I became engaged to and will eventually become married to. She [University graduate Michelle Griffith] was a senior and is now at Yale Medical School.

**Mike Jaffee**
Chairman, Undergraduate Assembly

The most memorable gift I ever got was a 45 horsepower racing red Gravely tractor. My parents got me this so that I might do all the chores around the farm. Our older one had broken down and they were going to get one anyway. They just used the holiday as an excuse. The bad part of that gift is that you no longer have an excuse if you don't do a chore.

**Terri White**
Director, Office of Student Life

It was a ceramic flower that was totally non-functional. My husband gave it to me. It was one of those years that we missed each other totally in terms of what we wanted. He gave me a flower because he likes ornamental things and I gave him a saw because I like functional things. So neither one of us appreciated the things.

**Traci Miller**
President, Black Student League

A Kawasaki motorcycle I got last Christmas, because it's way too big and way too heavy for me to ride it. I sold it. A neighbor gave it to me because he knows me and knows what I stand for is right.

**Elena Dilapi**
Director, Penn Women's Center

Getting a pool table. I must have been around 9 or 10-years-old. The pool table was in the basement and there was this sort of message at the tree that said "Come follow me" and there were these little animal footstools all over my house. I had to follow them and go down to the basement and there was this pool table. It was very exciting following then and finding it. Having my own pool table meant that I could practice and get better so that at the rec center I could play longer.
In the Mood With Holiday Music

BY CATHY MOSS

There is no doubt about it. The signs of Christmas are everywhere. This is the time when big department stores and small boutiques take out their tinsel, dress up their Santa, and entice eager holiday shoppers with low-low-prices-duing-their-only-12-more-days-'til-Christmas sales. However, as in all situations, music is a key element for getting into "the mood" during these Yuletide festivities.

You hear it in malls, on car radios, on airplanes, in doctors' offices, even in the credit department of Bloomingdale's. Christmas tunes ring through every nook and cranny. So if seasonal tunes aren't your style, too bad, at least until January. In the meantime, sit back and enjoy the annual seasonal variety with either Bing or Bruce - depending upon your taste.

While the Christmas season can be a nightmare for some, in the music retail business this is the time of the year when employee staffs are doubled, stock is increased, and owners of record stores "ho ho ho" all the way to the bank.

The hottest selling rock Christmas album for 1987 seems to be a "Very Special Christmas," a celeb group effort in the same vein as "Band-Aid" and "U.S.A. for Africa." This time, everyone from Whitney Houston to RUN-DMC to the Eurythmics is singing their hearts out of holiday tunes to raise money for Special Olympics. This item, which appeals mostly to a college-age audience, retails for $7.49 at Wall to Wall Sound and Video while Sam Goody's got it too -- for a whole lot more at $10.29.

Other music available to liven up that lackluster eggnog gathering are A Christmas Collection by the Chipmunks; Little Drummer Boy; A Charlie Brown Christmas by the Vince Guaraldi Trio, or December by pianist George Winston.

If, however, you've been saving up all your money to woo your Christmas hearthrob over to the couch -- perhaps you should shell out the cash for the more passionate holiday standards. These are guaranteed to get anyone into that "warm holiday giving mood." They include Christmas hits by Bing Crosby, Barbra Streisand, Memories of Christmas by the King - Elvis Presley, as well albums by the two most famous romantic crooners -- Nat King Cole and Johnny Mathis.

Classical music lovers also will find solace when seeking their holiday selections. Just as reliable as Santa sliding down your chimney are record bins filled with many versions of Handel's choral masterpiece The Messiah, The Nutcracker Suite, and An Ormandy Christmas Collection. Also popular are albums by the Vienna Boys Choir, Luciano Pavarotti, Placido Domingo and Kiri Tikanawa, who offers a Christmas collection featuring the standard holiday hits from a Broadway soignee -- quite a change from her last album of George Gershwin ballads.

Just as every major holiday has become inextricably linked to the money-making ventures in the retail world, music has remained an integral part in determining our mood during this hectic time. Department stores know that playing cheery Christmas tunes in the background will inspire shoppers to abandon all financial care and shop 'til they drop. As Sam Goody manager Joe Murray will confirm, "the music helps in creating an attitude of the buyer."

If Christmas music was played in June, July or August, the shock of the ill-timed holiday spirit could be refreshing for some mental relief of a hot summer in the city. However, as artists who have added Christmas songs to their repertoires will attest, music means more during the time of the year when snow might actually make it a "White Christmas." Lights sparkle in and out of stores, and a much deserved winter break from Penn is just around the corner.

Christmas music is unique in that it is played only a scant four or five weeks a year, and yet the songs endure for generations. Some people believe it accelerates all the hype and commercialization of the holiday. Yet others welcome the music as an exciting feature of the season - whistling and humming the tunes in elevators, lines, and dressing rooms. Either way, holiday music, in its various styles, allows everyone to get ready for this time of year in his or her own way. whether this involves playing "Grandma Got Run Over By A Reindeer" or "Silent Night." So slap a smile on your face, find some mistletoe and get in the mood of the holiday season with your loved one until the following year when it starts all over again.

Graphic by Frank Chester
It's Christmas-time in Center City

BY TRICIA OBESTER

In case you've been too busy studying for exams and writing papers since Thanksgiving, it's official. As the song goes, "It's Christmas-time in the city." And say what you want about Philadelphia's aesthetics -- with scaffolding still surrounding City Hall Tower -- but the city does know how to display holiday spirit. And spending a couple of hours walking around Center City (not alone, of course) early one evening will have you singing "It's Beginning to Look a Lot Like Christmas" in no time.

The following is a selective guide to the halls (and windows and streets) which have been decked for the season in Center City, based upon a late afternoon excursion by my roommates and I.

Our first stop was Strawbridge and Clothier, a huge department store at one end of the megalopolis they call the Gallery mall. Glancing into the store's large display windows on Market Street is like looking in on scenes from "Christmas of the Rich and Famous." Each is a different room, exquisitely and elaborately decorated in Victorian style -- with oriental rugs, antique furniture and flow-cred tablecloths -- and with a Christmas aura provided by the multitudes of foil-wrapped gifts with taffeta bows and Christmas trees in each scene. Also in each room are mannequins with stylish party clothes of velvet, silk and gold-lame. The rooms follow a time-line of events on Christmas Day -- in one a man in a plush robe is about to take a bath, another features a beautifully set table with crystal, silver and fine china, while in still another scene kids are playing with old toys in the attic. A particularly rich window features a party in a living room complete with grand piano and tree.

Next we moved inside, where the confines of the store were decorated as well, festooned with the standard greens with red bows and tiny white lights. Even the wild boar sculpture in the middle of the store wears a wreath of greens with red bows.

We then traveled to Strawbridge's 4th floor to see the "A Christmas Carol" display, a re-creation of London in Charles Dickens' day with almost a hundred animated figures which act out the story of Ebenezer Scrooge. The walk-through display has cobblestone lanes with storefronts to peek in, and kid-sized scenes from the tale. Well-dressed, excluding Tiny Tim, that is, mechanical figures nod heads, clap, shake hands, and twirl on the dance floor. The little boys walking through with us thought the animated cat was the most fascinating, but I liked the Ghost of Christmas Past, decked out in a white cape a la James Brown with white go-go boots and shaking chains to the beat of a strobе light in front of a frightened Scrooge.

Costumed guides lead you around the exhibit, although some of the authenticity was lost when one London peeler's man had wild hair with a tail and another, an earring. But the 19th century guide at the end was a perky Temple student who wished us a Happy Holiday and seemed to be having the time of her life. "It's fun," she squealed about her job. "The real little kids -- 4 and 5-year-olds -- love the exhibit." And Rudy, 5, agreed, but added that "it wasn't scary enough." Liza, 4, also concurred, pleading, "I want to go through there again." as her parents led her to the escalator.

We then left to enter The Gallery itself, and true to form, the largest inner-city shopping mall is bustling with people running to pick up "Couch Potatoes" and compact discs. Strains of Christmas carols intermingle with a chorus of "Charge It!" We found Santa sitting in the middle of an attractive, red-trimmed gazebo-like structure situated in a fantasy-land setting. Green trees are strung with tiny white lights, glistening fake snow is on the ground, a castle-like structure with penguins and other animals rises over two stories high next to Santa and a brightly-colored hot-air balloon floats above the whole scene.

Elsewhere in the Gallery, a tall bell and clock tower with whimsical animals keeps shoppers aware of the time (but unfortunately not the money) they're spending. A giant wedding-cake-like structure further down the mall provides a space for carolers to appear.

We next travelled to The Bourne, the affluent small mall by Independence Hall. While the brick building itself is beautiful with its balconies, brass trim and high-priced shops, it's traditional holiday decorations of gold and red balls and small gold instruments on trees and garlands, and banners of red and gold conjure up an elegance of Christmases past. And for the younger set, the Eveready Battery Company Holiday Toy Town offers a place to play while the rest of the family shops.

For another taste of what Christmas is in the 19th century might have looked like, we wandered over to New Market, where the windows and doors of the brick establishments are attractively outlined with fresh greenery with the ubiquitous but always tasteful red bows and white lights. Another highlight of the New Market area is the window of Ridgwell's Caterers, stunningly decorated completely in white. A white model of the Philadelphia skyline (pre-Rouse) with more of those tiny white lights stands in back of a table decorated with white doves, china, miniature trains and fake snow.

Turning on to South Street, unimpressive red banners proclaim Season's Greetings. The holiday presence is evident here as well, although in a somewhat warped sense. For example, Skinz always a haven for "unique" items, features a quaint fireplace scene with both Christmas and Hanukkah decorations and the not-so-quaint addition of a Jason-esque creature coming out of the fireplace with a Santa hat and a hand with metal claws for fingers. Zipperhead's window is somewhat more sedate with a mannequin dressed in a way-short black dress with red netting and a dove in her hair, near a Christmas tree with a paper skull chain beneath it. Philadelphia's main shopping thoroughfare, Chestnut Street, has had its "Twelve Days of Christmas" outdoor decorations up since before Thanksgiving. Strolling down

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The Nutcracker Is Still a Popular Philly Tradition

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performed at the Academy of Music, starting on December 16. According to Pennsylvania Ballet publicist Jolene Sugarman, this year's production will be fresh renewal of the old presentation.

“We are doing a new version this year,” Sugarman said. “We've been doing the old show for the past ten years and it is time to do a new one.”

The company will be using all new sets and costumes this year. In addition, they will adopt a new story line taken from the version choreographed by the late George Balanchine for the New York City Ballet.

According to Sugarman, the difference between last year’s version and this year’s Nutcracker will turn into a prince, whereas last year he did not. They will also change the young girl’s name back to Marie, as in the original Hoffman story.

Sugarman added that the success of the Nutcracker Ballet each year is due to its widespread appeal, especially with young audiences. She explained that the dancing appeals to persons of all age groups, even to the youngest children who may or may not be able to understand the story line.

“The Nutcracker is a holiday story, and one of the few ballets that has mass family appeal,” Sugarman said. “That's what makes it fun. It's wonderful to see the children's happy faces when they come out of the Academy after seeing it.”

“The Nutcracker is action-packed and visually exciting,” she added. “The battle scene between the mice and the toy soldiers has everything that a Saturday morning cartoon has. But there is also the classic ballet included for the adults who understand what they are looking at.”

Thirteen-year-old Eve Greenspan, a student at the School of Pennsylvania Ballet who will be appearing as a mouse in the year’s Nutcracker production, summed up the meaning of the Nutcracker for just about everyone, whether ballerina or not.

“I always get really excited when Nutcracker season comes,” she said. “Even though I don’t do much, I feel a sense of warmth because of the holiday season.”

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and looking at the medallions and fake greens (and yes, white lights and red bows) is a great way to learn the words to the song and get a little exercise as well. We found it worth cutting over to Walnut Street just before 18th Street to look at the outside of Burberry’s, where tiny white lights on pine branches draped all around the outside make it look like a structure in a magical forest.

Our last retail stop was Wannemaker’s, whose windows found fame in the summer dog-of-a-movie ‘Mannequin.’ This season, the wonderful displays will put all in the holiday spirit. Each snowy scene has cute mechanical bears and penguins doing everything from collecting shiny red Christmas balls on an iceberg to decorating a tree. Little bears skiing, with one struggling after falling in the snow, and penguins popping out of holes are enough to provoke an ‘Oooh, that’s so cute’ from the Grinch himself. Inside, the regal-looking Wannemaker’s is elegantly decorated with greenery covered with white lights and red balls, too many huge white bears and the several-stories-tall wall set up for the annual Christmas Light Show.

Next we walked to the south side of City Hall from which looking down Broad Street you see one of the most stunning and certainly the largest displays of spirit in the city. Every other block, long strings of white lights are strung across the buildings on each side in the shape of enormous Christmas trees, many stories high and as wide as Broad Street.

Our holiday-spirit excursion ended in front of City Hall where the trees in the plaza in front are filled with more tiny white lights. A two-stories tall Christmas tree with colored lights stands in the middle, with a bright star placed on top--lopsided. Yet we have to admit that this doesn’t take away from the city’s well-intentioned presentation of an abundance of holiday spirit. After all, “tis the season to be jolly.”
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