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## CHRISTMAS ISSUE



### The Candy

**Cane** by David Hobbs,  
Donnie Rollins, Jacob Banda, and  
Kyle Daley, 8th

**T**he history of the candy

cane goes back about 350 years ago when candy makers were making hard sugar sticks. The very first candy cane was completely straight and white in color. It was white in color because it was made out of sugar. In the late 1600s the first candy cane was sold in stores in Europe during Christmas. The reason the Candy Cane has a hook shape at the end is credited to the choirmaster at Cologne Cathedral in Germany who in 1670 bent straight candy canes to represent a Shepherd's crook. They used the hooks for hanging them on the Christmas tree branches. The stripes are made similar in fashion to a barber's pole with the red stripes twisting around the white stick of sugar. These signature stripes did not become a part of the candy until the late 20<sup>th</sup> century. In 1874 the candy cane began selling rapidly. Bob's Candy was the first company to successfully mass-produce and distribute candy canes. It. Bob McCormack began making candy canes as special Christmas treats in the 1920s. Candy Canes are one of the most popular Christmas treats in the world today.



### Santa Eats Cookies

.....Not a Myth  
by Carlos Ramirez, Lorenzo DiTrolio,  
Julius Dix, and Miguel Lopez, 3rd

Santa is crazy for cookies because he thinks he will give more presents that way. Santa is also crazy for cookies because....well....he's crazy for cookies. And he can travel around the world in one night. No one can do that!!!



### Odiolo Christmas Concert... Religious Experience?

By: Julia Camarillo, Roxana Miranda, David Gudino, Nick Lopez and  
Andre Rios, 7th

Julia: My opinion of the Christmas Concert is that it will be a religious experience about the special event from when Gabriel tells Mary that she shall give birth to Jesus Christ to when Jesus is born in a manger at Bethlehem. Everyone will take part in the program.

David: I think that the concert is cool because you sing and it talks about good things about Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. It also is good because you sing in front of people.

Roxana: I think it expresses a joyful feeling about the birth of Jesus. I think it is very nice and creative.

Andre: I think it's pretty cool that we sing in front of people. It makes people think that we are good kids. Our parents are happy for us to do it. It also makes our school look good and proud. I'm proud to go and sing for our school.

Nick: I think it is the best thing ever and I enjoy it. It's awesome to do and our parents are proud of us. I also think it's pretty cool that we sing for Jesus and Mary and I'm proud of that.



## Christmas Island

by Aimee Bueno, Sandee Arunrung, and Daisy Napoles, 8th

Most people when they hear for the first time about Christmas Island they think it's like a winter wonderland. Christmas Island is actually the complete opposite. Christmas Island is a very tropical place, with beaches, birds and sea turtles. If you are wondering why it's called Christmas Island when it's actually a tropical place it's because a man named Captain William Mynors gave it its name on December 25, 1943. The British colony of Singapore ruled Christmas Island until 1957 when Australia decided to buy it for 2.5 million pounds on January 1, 1958. The island belongs to Australia and it's located 2,600 kilometers northwest of the Western Australian city of Perth. The island only has a population of 1,402 residents.



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## Fast Foods—To Eat or Not to Eat?

By Jazzmin Martinez, Jovanna Martinucci and Nikkita Bolen, 3rd

It is our opinion that people should go to McDonalds because their food has protein which is good for you. Burger King has "have it your way" if you have a \$1 for a Whopper Jr. Good foods to go with your burger are the yogurts, orange juice and apple juice. We do not recommend eating pizza, french fries or hot dogs.



## It's A Club Penguin Christmas

by Pat Uphues, Jack Girard, Arturo Pacheco and Eduardo Carrasco, 3rd

The website for Club Penguin has Santa hats at the snow forts. They also have Santa beards. A little Christmas tree at the Iceberg and they also put the ice rink back. They have red and green scarves and bells. You can dress your penguin as a snowman, a candy cane at the night club, a Christmas tree CP Times Newspaper and a Christmas Wreath at the lodge attic. There's a holly leaf pin at the coffee shop and Christmas present at the ski lodge.



## Christmas Events In Chicago

By Emily Gilligan, Ashley Parenti, Hannah Molina, Grace Costello, 8th

### \*Christmas Around the World at the Museum of Science and Industry

Holiday singers and dancers will take part in the celebration. Dozens of huge decorated Christmas trees will greet you at the door at this year's "Christmas Around the World and Holidays of Light" at the Museum of Science and Industry, November 20th - January 3rd, 2010.



### \*Chicago Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony

Taking place at the Daley Plaza, this year will mark the 96th year of this holiday rite of passage. The giant Christmas tree is usually made of small trees sitting on top of each other and it sits next to Chicago's famous Picasso statue.

### \*Navy Pier's Winter Wonderfest

This Christmas celebration at Navy Pier will include a winter bouncy castle, more than 750,000 holiday ornaments, hundreds of decorated trees, indoor ferris wheel, musical carousel, north pole e-wish, large-scale inflatable games, giant slides and ice skating, Dec. 4 - January 3, 2010.

### \*Lincoln Park Zoo, Zoo Lights

The zoo will stay open as long as people are there. All animal exhibits will stay open during this amazing festival. You can go on Santa's Safari, watch ice carving demonstrations, and more. December 4 to December 6, December 11 2009- January 3, 2010 (Closed December 24 and 25)



Winter in near.  
Resurrection of Jesus.  
Eating a Christmas dinner.  
After go to sleep.  
Time of good greetings.  
Hoping for it to snow.

by David Hobbs, 8th



## Back in the Day

by Danny Kozlowski and Enrique Camacho, 8th

“When we were kids we could stay out after dark,” our parents often tell us. But these days you can’t even walk down the street without the fear that something bad might happen. Today we need to prevent certain situations by learning self defense. Martial Arts is a great way to protect yourself. So please be safe this holiday season and always be cautious and watch your surroundings. Be safe.



**C**HRISTMAS SHOPPING  
**H**OT COCO ON THE STOVE  
**R**EINDEER ON THE ROOF  
**I**SICLES ON THE CAR  
**S**ANTA WORKING OVERTIME  
**T**EMPTING TO LOOK AT YOUR PRESENTS EARLY  
**M**OM YELLING  
**A**T YOU FOR TRYING  
**S**ITTING AND WAITING FOR CHRISTMAS

by Marisol Mata, 8th

**H**ow many times do we have to say,  
**O**ld Saint Nicholas is on his way?  
**L**isten and try to hear his sly bells in the sky so near.  
**I**n the morning great presents will be here.  
**D**ancing and singing around the house,  
**A**nd even your brother is dancing, Even the mouse!!!  
**Y**es, I will say, “Merry Christmas to all and to all a good night!”

by Katherine I. Uphues, 5th



## Faron's



### Cooking Club

By Antonio Carrasco and Joe Faron, 4th

Mrs. Liz Faron will be having a Cooking Club in the Saint Odilo School Hall and at Mrs. Faron's house located at 2300 Kenilworth on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 until 8 p.m. You will be able to make different types of food like tacos, pizza, mini pizza, macaroni and cheese, and spaghetti. The cooking club is for the seventh and eighth grades only. The seventh and eighth grades will have lots of fun cooking different kinds of foods. When you are finished making the food you will be able to take it home. Any interested seventh or eighth grader interested in signing up can call (708) 484-4311. Do not be late to sign up for the cooking club. The seventh and eighth grades will have lots of fun.

## The Reason for the Season

by Amanda Vasquez, Blanca Saldivar, Christine Ramirez, Marcela Ramirez and Marisol Mata, 8th

Christmas and the holidays are arriving very soon, which make more kids around the world want many gifts. According to today's economy it's going to be very hard for parents to buy their children what they want. Many parents will want to know when the sales are going to start so they can save as much money as possible this Christmas season. Many people are starting to buy their presents online for a cheaper price. This is because they don't have to pay the employees like stores do, which allows lower prices online.

Christmas is a time for celebrating Jesus's birth, spending time with your family, and for giving each other gifts. Many gifts don't have to be bought, they can be homemade, or just a card, its what counts. Christmas is a time to remember that you are loved, for spending time with the family and having fun and enjoying each other while you can.

## Dear Santa, I Would Like....

by Yami Figueroa, Carolina Delgado, Aimee Cervantes, Gaby Lopez and Monica Castro, 7th

We interviewed at least twenty five kids in the school. The most popular items that kids want for Christmas is an I pod or a Barbie Doll. The toys boys would mostly want are games for the PSP, DS, or any other game systems. What girls mostly wanted was mostly dolls or Ipods depending on their ages. The number one popular request this year was the Wii.



## Giving To The Homeless

by Itzell Pelayo,  
Brittany Cervantes,  
Gaby Guevara and  
Marissa Kubezcko, 7th

We think it's important to give to the poor because they don't have anything compared to what we have. We have heaters to keep us warm for the winter and they have raggedy old blankets to keep them warm. We have homes with television and a fridge packed with food and they have to wait in line at a homeless shelter in the morning, in the evening and at night. We also think that it makes you feel good inside when you give some food, blankets, and clothes to others. We feel bad to see people like that when it's rainy and when it snows because we know that we have a home to keep warm and they don't. Sometimes it hurts to see those people in need beg for money when you're in your car, and sometimes you don't want to give to them because some use it for drugs and alcohol. One thing we can all do is give clothes and canned food to shelters instead of giving those items directly to them, that way the people who work at those shelters can give them the right amount of food, drinks and clothes. Another way is by volunteering at the soup kitchen. These are some of the places where you can volunteer or donate clothes: Good Will, Salvation Army, and Helping Hand Thrift Store. We can donate clothes that don't fit anymore. We can also donate shoes that are still in good shape. Christmas is a good opportunity when we can give toys to the homeless children. We can have all different kinds of fundraisers for charity. We encourage everyone to participate in all or some of these options that we have put down.

## World Traditions at Christmas Time

by Dasiy Toledo and Gabriela Castillo, 5th

### China



People in china celebrate Christmas by decorating their house with Christmas decorations,put Christmas trees up,cooking and eating special foods,and spending time with their family and friends.

### Italy



The parents don't give out presents till Jan 6 , but they still celebrate Christmas all through December .On Dec 24 they celebrate a hoilday called seven fishes.

### Mexico



They celebrate for 9 days with las pasdas, that is when they dress up as Mary and Joeph and walk from house to house ,and ask if they could spend the night there. Once the door opens everyones invited for a party with songs, foods,and a pinata for the children.On the ninth night Mary and joeph are told they could stay in the stable, and then celebrate the birth of Jesus.

### Germany



The parents hid a pickel, in the Christmas tree and the kids have to try to find it. Who ever finds it gets to eat it and open the first present that is there's.Then they just eat and the rest of the kids open their present.

## Alvin and The Chipmunks: Squeakily

by: Sergio Gamboa, Josh Napoles, Jojo Nierras, and Julie Reyes, 6th

Sergio and Jojo:It will not be successful because in the first place it promised you that it will be a blast for the family, but half of my family did not enjoy the comedy,animation and length of the movie had to offer.

Josh and Julie- We think the movie will be a really bad movie because the fist movie was OK, and usually all the second movie are never good as the first movie. The comedy is so so so dumb in the first movie and I do not think it will be good In the second movie.

## Princess and the Frog

Jojo-The movie will be successful because the animation seem nice and vivid. Plus the directors of this movie are the same directors of Hercules and that was considered a good family movie.

Juliana- I think that it will be successful because it looks like one of the other fairy tales. It looks like a fun family movie and children of all ages would like it.

# The Making of Santa Claus

By Andres Delgadillo, Luis Martinez , Brandon Beltran and Cesar Baca, 4th



Saint Nicholas was born in Patara, a city of Licia in Asia Minor around 255-257 A.D. Little is known about his background except that he came from an affluent family. When he was still a young man, Nicholas heard of an honorable family who had fallen into poverty. The father had three young daughters who were unable to marry because their father was too poor to offer a dowry. According to legend, Nicholas tossed three packets of money through their window one night. This money was sufficient to pay for the dowry of the three daughters. The tradition of giving gifts on Christmas morning stems from Nicholas' act of charity.

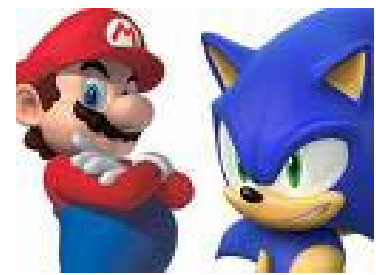
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## Mario & Sonic -

### -Olympic Winter Games

By Filippo Bilotto and Andres Vargas, 4th

The new sequel to Mario & Sonic at the Olympic Games will have many new features including bosses. New characters such as metal Sonic and Silver will have different abilities such as telekineses for Silver. New sport adventures like ice hockey, and snow boarding will be capable of bosses some point in the game. A recommended boss would be Jet the hawk in snowboarding or any other sport. One character or boss would be Bosser Jr. Some original sports would be ice skating, and skiing. This new game would be very good for both Wii and D.S which is already out.. The publisher Sega of America says, "there will be strictly no SD card cheats."



### About The Red Hatted Italian Man

The main Nintendo mascot, Mario, has been in many adventures. One of the first games featuring Mario saving Princess Peach from Donkey Kong originally was for Nintendo 64. Many Games go throw the main characters, but some feature only one character such as Luigi's Mansion stars Luigi.

### About The Blue Hedgehog

Sonic the hedgehog was the first Sega character for the franchise of video games made by Sega starring and named after its main mascot character, Sonic the Hedgehog. The first sonic game was made in 1998 starring Sonic with his partner Miles Tails Prower Tails for short in their main setting Green Hill Zone. In 2006 Sonic mega collection was made containing all the hits from the smack series in 1998 to 2000. In 2008 the franchise made 50 million copies of series below the year.



Somewhere in this world. I mean right  
Now a person is wishing to have a cold Christmas  
Oreo cookies left out for Santa  
When will Christmas come  
Man I really hate the cold  
A little elf is  
Now happily wrapping your presents  
by **Andrea Crews, 6th**

### Winter Fashion

by Mya Frank, Jada Benda  
Jocelyn Vazquez, 3rd

This year winter fashion is sporting the long tunic sweaters,leggin's and long boots . The ugg boots and in style with straight-cut jeans and also large handbags. All these can be purchased at almost any clothing store for girls.

# RECIPES

by Narcisse Robles, Karla Avila,  
and Monica Saavedra, 8th

During the holiday season it is nice to bake new and fun recipes. We know that baking is fun and can be kind of hard if you're not a pro. So we gathered the easiest and best baking recipes you can give away as a nice and personal christmas gift, or enjoy them yourself with a nice hot cocoa.

## Christmas Tree Brownies



This recipe creates a fun and chocolatey holiday treat.

Total Time: 2hours  
Makes: 21 brownies

1 box Betty Crocker Original Supreme Brownie Mix (with chocolate syrup pouch)  
water, vegetable oil, and eggs called for on the brownie box  
2 or 3 drops of green food coloring  
1cup of Betty Crocker Rich and Creamy Vanilla Frosting  
Red and/or Green sprinkles  
miniture 2 inch candy canes (unwrapped)

1. Heat oven to 350 degrees. Line 13x9 inch pan with foil so foil extends 2 inches over short sides of pan. Grease bottom of foil with cooking spray or oil.
2. Make and bake brownie mix as directed on the box for 13x9 inch pan using water oil, and eggs. Cool completely about one hour. Remove brownies from pan by lifting foil (peel foil away) to cut brownie into triangles. Cut lengthwise into 3 rows. Cut each row into seven triangles.
3. Stir food coloring into frosting. Spoon frosting into small reasealable food storage plastic bag. Partically seal the bag. Cut off tiny bottom corner of the bag. Squeeze bag to pipe frosting over brownie. Use sprinkles for decor.
4. Break off curved end of candy cane, insert straight piece into the bottom of the triangles to make tree trunks.

(bettycrocker.com)

## Jolly Snowman Faces



Here's a holiday cookie that doesn't need rolling. Just four ingredients and simple candies make creating snowmen faces super fun, and easy.  
Total Time: 1 hour and 15 min  
Makes: 2 dozen cookies

1 pouch (11lb 1.5oz) Betty Crocker sugar cookie mix  
½ cup butter or margarine softened  
1 egg  
1 container (12oz) Betty Crocker Whipped Fluffy White Frosting  
Red string licorice  
Assorted candies

1. Heat oven to 375 degrees. In a medium bowl stir cookie mix, butter and egg until soft dough forms. On ungreased cookie sheets, drop dough by rounded tablespoonfuls two inches apart.
2. Bake 11 to 14 minutes or until edges are light golden brown. Cool 1 minute; remove from cookie sheets to cooling racks. Cool completely, about 15 minutes.
3. Frost and decorate 1 cookie at a time. After spreading frosting on cookie, and licorice for band or earmuffs and candies for ear covers and snowman face.

(bettycrocker.com)

# Christmas Is Here!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

by Rachel Oldendorf, Katie Uphues and Crystal Moreno, 5th

The best place to go sledding in Chicago is at Cricket Hill at Montrose Harbor. This is the best place to go because it has a big hill and has very pretty scenery. The best place's to get your Christmas tree is at Home Depot, Old Town Gardens, and if you want an artificial tree go to Balsam Hill. All these places have a big selection, they are beautiful and are good quality. Also the best ways to decorate your house for Christmas can be, putting a wreath on your door. You can find them at Home Depot and Micheal's. For your yard decorations you can put Christmas characters, rain deer, and lights. Places to go buy your yard decorations are at Home Depot, Menards, and JC Penny's. These are great places to go because they all have a great selection and are very cheap.

## *Atheists Celebrate Christmas Traditions*

by Jocelyn Garcia, Adriana Galvez, Megan Blits and Toby Nierras, 4th

Some people who claim to be an atheist still celebrate Christmas because it is a big holiday and everyone wants to be a part of the celebration. Commercial groups do a lot of advertising to get people to spend more money, some do it because it is so commercialized. Some atheists celebrate Christmas just for the money and gifts. Christmas isn't just about the presents, it's about the birth of Jesus Christ.

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# Santa's Secret Workshop

by Angelica Rocha,  
Andrea Ramirez, Jose Padilla,  
Kristine Mejia, and  
Gabriela Gamboa, 5th

Santa's Secret Workshop is cool because kids can get their own presents and they can buy their family gifts. There are a lot of varieties of toys, jewelry and mugs to choose from. The toys sometimes are stuffed animals, pencils, knickknacks and super balls. The jewelry is awesome because it looks real. The jewelry such as rings, necklaces, earrings and bracelets. The mugs are the best because you can buy mugs that say Mom, Dad, Grandpa and Grandma.

Santa's Secert Workshop has room moms and the 8<sup>th</sup> grade students as their elves. The room moms help you choose from the varieties of toys, jewelry, and mugs. The room Moms also help you with your budget too. The 8<sup>th</sup> grade will even wrap your gifts.

Santa's Secret Workshop also holds a raffle. You have to buy a ticket for one dollar. The raffle awards prizes such as barbies, bears, dreamcatchers, balls and coloring books. We hope to see you this year at the Saint Odilo's Santa Secret Workshop. Ho Ho Ho



# Pressured Into Looking Good?

By: Andrea Pinto and  
Alyssa Nicasio, 6th

Many older girls that are in junior high and high school mistakenly think they are too large when they are not. They may choose not to eat but they do not know how dangerous that can be to their bodies. In the summer the image of the ideal teenagers worsens because it's hot and people go to the pool and see models in magazines wearing bikin type swimsuits. The media puts pictures and thoughts of how girls should look in the girls minds who have a low self esteem. Unfortunately, many girls and boys believe its better to be "hot" then smart.

We gathered opinions from our own peers on whether girls are changing themselves to look like the models in the magazines. Many girls said no but a few said yes but felt bad about their decision.

We asked Mrs. Fiala & Mr. Paul their thoughts and Mrs. Fiala believes some girls change themselves to look good for boys. "I also think that some girls feel bad about themselves when they look at models in magazines. Girls should remember that not everyone is born with the genes for "stick thinness," said Fiala. "Girls need to learn to appreciate themselves and be happy with the good things they have inherited from God and their families."

According to Mr. Paul, "I do think girls worry too much about the fashions they see in magazines or on other girls instead of just being themselves. I don't like when a girl with beautiful curly hair wants to make her hair straight just because all the other girls do for instance. Another example is girls that wear clothes that are too tight and uncomfortable just to look like the models."

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# Uniform For One and For All

by Perla Luna, Jayme Girard, Robby Lopez, Daniella Mendoza, 4th

Some Public and Catholic school officials make their students wear uniforms because it shows you are a part of the school. It shows you are serious about education. You have to wear uniforms at school because it is school policy. It's been that way for years for most Catholic schools.

Some people believe children in both Catholic and public schools should wear uniforms because it eliminates

competition with clothes and allows the children to concentrate on their school work and not how they look and who is the best dressed. Also, gang members have special colors and items by which they identify themselves so wearing a uniform can take care of who is who. Uniforms also eliminate extra expenses that can be used for vacations and special outings instead.

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# Smart Board is HERE!!!

by Javier Hernandez,  
Brian Heuss, Brandon Vasquez,  
Ben Uphues, and  
Matthew Herrera, 7th

One of the new computer lab updates is the Smartboard. The Smartboard is great for classroom training rooms or any presentation needed. It can cost up to fifteen hundred dollars but Saint Odilo purchased theirs for about eight hundred dollars. It is a large technology user that detects touch for input. A projector is used to display a computer's video output onto the white board, which then acts as a huge touchscreen. A projector connected to the computer protects the computer desktop image into the interactive white board. The interactive white board accepts touch from a finger, pen and solid objects.

**S**now flows everywhere  
**N**ight and day  
**O**pen our presents  
**W**hen it's time  
**M**erry Christmas!!  
**A**nd have a great time  
**N**ever forget Santa Claus is  
on the way  
by Dylan Robledo, 5th

# Ready.....Set... Fashion

by Jackie Marquez, 6th

**H**ave a wedding,

party, shopping, or just staying at home? Here are a few tips for shopping. There are also some rock'n styles!

Winter fashions: A classic bright colored turtleneck with a scarf and warm pants such as jeans or sweats when you're shopping or at home. Tips for shopping: When shopping for clothes make sure you like it not by its designs alone but how it fits you. Such as when you are shopping for pants make sure you can breath also make sure that they are not too long. When shopping for shoes make sure you can wiggle your toes. Also make sure that the shoes don't slip off. Don't forget **NO HIGH HEELS!!!** If you choose high heels make sure that there are some imprints on the bottom so you don't slip, actually that goes for any type of shoes.

For a classic party look put on some tights under a dress. If you're looking for a really dressy outfit try a short sleeve shirt with a skirt and tights under the skirt. Then get a cute jacket with sleeves up to your elbows. Then get a pair of knee high boots. Now that would be super cute. When you're home put on some jeans. Put on a long sleeve shirt and with a tank top underneath. Then put on some slippers . Perfect for any day at home. All you have to do is warm up some milk, add cocoa mix, and sit down on the couch and chose a channel on the tv and stay warm at home!

# In Memory of Michael Jackson

by Julissa Galvez, Nathalie Padilla,  
and Madelyn Garcia, 6th



**Michael Joseph Jackson was born on August 29, 1958. Michael Joseph Jackson was known as "The King of Pop". Michael Jackson was one of the great music heroes of the late 20<sup>th</sup> century. Jackson became a singing star at age 11, when he had four great #1 hits with his youthful band of brothers, The Jackson Five . Jackson died at the age of 50. He will be missed.**

Show me the way to the  
Nativity scene  
On the ground that's so  
White that you can't even see

by Eileen Mejia, 6th

Snowmen are built.  
Nights go by fast.  
Opening presents.  
Wishing for more.  
Making gingerbread men.  
Asking for seconds.  
Never forgetting.

by Marcela Ramirez, 8th

Electronic Christmas  
Presents  
by Andrea Crews and  
Sarah Cwick, 6th

Christmas is just around the corner, so now is the time to start writing your letters to Santa and asking your parents for Christmas presents. If electronics are your thing keep on reading. Here are some HOT new gadgets for you. If you love music there is a 3<sup>rd</sup> Generation I-Pod Shuffle. If you want more space and see what you are actually listening to the 5<sup>th</sup> Generation I-Pod Nano is for you. If you want the newest phone get the I-phone 3GS. If love gaming then the Dsi, PS3, X-box 360 and the Wii are all for you. If you are bored on Friday nights or any other time Mind Flex and Monopoly Here & Now World Edition are for you. If you love photography the Samsung DuelView TL220 is for you. If you would rather roll than walk in the newest way a motor scooter is for you. If you're the animal type and can't have pets Zhu Zhu Pets and FurReal Friends are for you.

# Merry

# Christmas

# and Happy

# New Year!!!!

# NHL



## Winter Classic 2009-10

by Nick Filomeno, Asael Orozco,  
and Tim Benjamin, 8th

In 2009 the board of the National Hockey League announced that Chicago was going to host the next winter Classic at Wrigley field. The Regular season game was on January 1, 2009 at 12:36p.m in Wrigley Field on Channel 5. Even though the weather was hard some of Chicago players were already used to the harsh weather because they grew up playing on the pond. Normally the Black Hawks play at theUC (United Center) This time it was mixed up. The Black Hawks wore their old style jerseys and the Red Wings wore their D jersey. It was the first winter classic to involve the two of the original six teams (Red wings, Rangers, Bruins, Canadiens, Maple Leafs, and the Blackhawks.) Detroit were wearing the Detroit Cougars jersey from 1926-27 other were known as "Winged Wheels". The Black Hawks wore their 1936-37 Indian jersey. The builders started bulding the ice rink on December 16, 2008. The rink was built on plywood and aluminum panels

that were later used to help cool the ice. The exterior of the rink was decorated to look like the brick wall of the 95 year old Wrigley field wall. Their were also Hall-of-Famers who went to the game to watch the Winter Classic live. The Hall of Famers were Billy Williams, Ferguson Jenkins, Ryne Sandberg, Bobby Hull, Stan Mikita, and Denis Savard. The former Black Hawks sang the "Take me out the Hawks game". The ratings had more veiws than any other show in the network. There were little youth hockey players to play on a little rink behind the Black Hawks rink. There was a handicapped player who had a sled and still played hockey. The rink was about half of the regular rink. Even though the Black Hawks lost the fans were still happy with the performance of the Hawks.

**SNOW IS BEAUTIFUL AND  
WONDERFUL.**

**NO ONE CAN SEE THE GRASS  
ANYMORE.**

**OH HOW I LOVE WINTER.**

**WHY CAN'T WINTER BE ALL THE  
TIME.**

by Angelica Rocha, 5th