

THE BEST TIME OF THE YEAR

Holidays traditionally meant good times spent with family and friends. It was always comforting to realize that the tradition of holiday fun was one that had not changed over the years.

The annual Christmas Parade was held December 6. The Art Club made signs for the walking advertisements in the parade. The WHS choruses presented a concert after the parade on the court house lawn.

The band put on a Christmas concert for the first time in many years. Set by the waterfall downtown, the concert was free to the public. "The concert was a good idea but due to the bitter cold, it was not as well attended as we hoped it would be," stated senior Simone Cooper.

The chorus held the annual Christmas concert at Hampton Street Auditorium December 10. The Women's Treble Choir, the Blue Notes, and the WHS Singers performed under the direction of Stephanie Drawdy, Jenny Robbins, Stacy Franklin, and Lindsey Robertson



Members of the WHS Singers perform "Slow Rocking Christmas" at the chorus concert. The Singers were the highest level in the chorus division.

performed solos of Christmas songs.

Many clubs around the school helped create a festive mood by keeping busy during the holiday season. The Future Teachers of America (FTA) donated teddy bears for the EMS. These teddy bears were distributed to injured children to comfort them as they were being transported to the hospital.

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) sponsored the annual Christmas party December 23 for under-privileged children of Colleton County. By collecting 12 names from the Department of Social Services, the FCA members provided an outfit and a toy for each child.

The Beta Club visited the Veterans' Hospital in Charleston and the Colleton Regional Hospital December 21. They visited with patients and handed out candy canes. The NHS placed a Christmas tree in the main office with names of needy children adorning it. Students were asked to choose a name off the tree and buy the child a gift for Christmas. The society collected 125 gifts.

"I was very pleased with the overall participation in the NHS; however, we hope to exceed our donation next year," said Mrs. Sallie Stephens, NHS advisor.

— Karen Beach
Brian Gwin

Having trouble opening a gift, Becky Dandridge shows her determination. Most students had to admit that receiving gifts from friends and family was the most exciting part of the holidays.

