

Any Little Reason to Celebrate

This year more than ever brought a new definition to holiday fun and excitement. With new activities as well as old, students had a variety of ways to keep their vacation days full.

The City of Walterboro created the first ever Walterboro Christmas festival. This festival, held on the weekend of December 3, included the annual Christmas Parade which consisted of students in the band, NJROTC, the Rice Planters, and the Dogs Against Drugs Club. The Art Club made walking advertisements for the parade. After the parade, spectators gathered in the downtown parking lot to listen to a concert of Christmas songs performed by the WHS choruses.

"The Christmas performance downtown was a great success, drawing a larger audience than we ever expected," said senior Victoria Davis.

The chorus also presented its annual Christmas concert at Hampton Street Auditorium December 7. All choruses were under the direction of Mrs. Stephanie Drawdy with the theme of "An Evening of Christmas Music." Soloists included Jenny Robbins, Lindsey Robertson, Marc

Pa...rade Rest! ROTC members Don Garbade, Faith Memminger, and Chris Fortner march in the Christmas parade. The ROTC also participated in many competitions during the holiday season.

Stroble, Stacy Franklin, Alicia Heape, Joñnet Hoats, Kinard Lee, and Victoria Davis.

Many clubs took on the responsibility of lending a helping hand to those in need. The NHS sponsored the Angel Tree service project. Students drew the name of a needy child from a Christmas tree in the main office and provided the child with a gift. The Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) sponsored the annual Christmas party for the under-privileged children of Colleton County. The FCA



members provided an outfit and toy for each child whose name was donated by the Department of Social Services. The Future Teachers of America donated teddy bears to the local EMS. These stuffed animals were used to comfort injured children who were being transported to the hospital.

Several groups donated their time to visit and provide entertainment to those less fortunate than themselves. The members of the Junior Civitans and the Distributive Education Club of America (DECA) clubs visited the Veteran's Hospital in Charleston. Student Council representatives entertained members of local nursing homes, and the Dogs Against Drugs club visited the Women's Prison.

"The best part of the holidays was having the chance to do something good for the community and for those who are less fortunate than I am," stated senior Student Council and NHS member Denise Pinckney.

— Karen Beach

Changing Identity. Taking time out from shopping, WHS Singers Katie Herndon, Jennifer Robbins, and Stacie Pye pose as Santa Bears by standing behind a cardboard cut-out in the Florence mall. All-State chorus nominees went to Florence High School for All-State auditions in December.

