



"I like having two weeks off for Christmas because it gives me more time to spend with my boyfriend," said senior Mandy Williams.

Tis' The Season

Along with the holiday season came joy and excitement. Some visited with family and traveled to various places while others spent time with friends. Whether at home or away, the Christmas celebration and festivities filled the air.

The annual Christmas parade was held December 4. The band, Dogs Against Drugs, Men Above the Crew, Teens and Teens, NJROTC, and the Rice Planters participated. Many activities were held downtown. The chorus sang carols in front of the waterfall.

The chorus visited the local nursing home to sing carols and provide entertainment. At the annual Christmas concert at the Hampton Street Auditorium, under the direction of Stephanie Drawdy, the Women's Treble, Blue Notes, and the WHS Singers performed several selections.

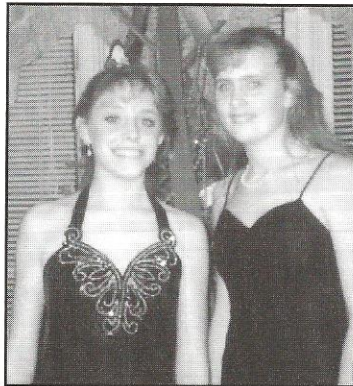
Many clubs helped the underprivileged. The FTA donated teddy bears to the EMS. The FCA hosted a Christmas party for the DSS children of the county. The Key Club took fruit to the nursing homes and donated clothes

to the homeless shelter.

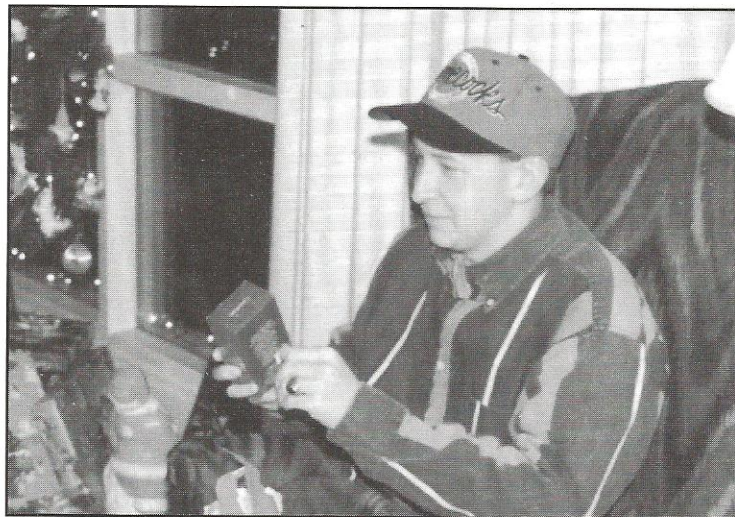
"Holiday breaks were especially great because my friends from college came to visit," said Sharon Hazel, newspaper editor and senior. "It's fun to spend time with them and catch up on the news."

Students enjoyed just being away from school. It gave them a chance to socialize and be themselves. Some exchanged gifts and went on trips together. Others just hung out around town.

— Leah Collette



Dressed and Ready to Go. Senior April Arrington and Sophomore Robin Bullock prepare for a Christmas dance. April played the flute and piccolo in the band.



The Gift of Giving. Senior John Steele opens a present from his parents. He spent Christmas Eve with his immediate family, and Christmas day with many other relatives.

Christmas Tree, O Christmas Tree. Junior O.J. McDowell decorates the tree at Northside Christian Church. O.J. was selected to attend Palmetto Boys' State.

