

'Twas the Night Before Exams

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'Twas the night before exams and all through the dorms everyone was smoking themselves up a storm,

The stage had been set for one final test, in hopes that we all would do our best,

The teachers were resting all calm in their beds, while visions of flunking danced through our heads,

With friends in pajamas and I in my sweats, we had just settled down to review old tests.

When out on the square there arose such a clatter, there came public safety to see what was the matter,

I jumped from my desk as quick as a flash, to give Mr. Dominoes the rest of my cash,

And what do I find but my worst fear, 'twas eight more chapters that did suddenly appear,

With a large book so heavy and thick, I knew at a glance I was about to get sick,

More info than I could possibly retain the figures and facts were crowding my brain

Come Stats, come Math, come English, come History, on Psych, on Soc, on French and Spanish,

So back to the desk at the end of the hall, to hell with the studying, I'm through with it all,

To the nearest bar I went to have a stiff drink to clear my mind so maybe I could think,

Then in my mind I had an idea to light up a smoke and have another beer,

I came back to school for one more try, took one look at my books and started to cry,

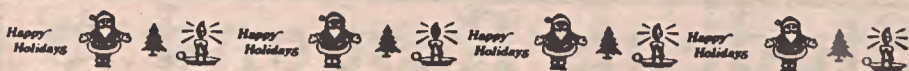
I sprang to my bed without a minute to lose, taking with me those pre-exam blues,

I had one last thought as I drifted off to sleep, I had a "B" in that class that I hoped I could keep,

So Merry Christmas to all - Good luck on exams!



SGA President, Strat Newitt takes out pre-exam frustrations on the "turkey" at Christmas dinner. photo by Lesley Stokes



"Cheap" Gifts

by Laura Franklin

If you're running around all over town and no Christmas presents can be found, then just take a peak at this list of mine. Your problems will be solved and you'll have a jolly time.

1. **Picture Frames** - everyone can always use a picture frame
2. **Model Airplanes** - for those of your friends who wish they were flying the friendly skys.
3. **Sock Detective** - if you have any friends that are always being attacked by the "sock monster." This would answer their prayers. (found at PharMor)
4. **Posters** - always a positive addition to any room.
5. **Handmade T-shirts and boxers** - a fun thing to make as well as receive.
6. **Photo Albums** - with pictures of you and your friends or empty -to fill with pictures of times to come.

7. To find cute gifts ranging from posters to picture frames to gag gifts, etc... travel to Applause in Merchantile Plaza or "The Forget-Me-Not Shop" in Greensboro on state street.

8. **Homemade cookies** - always a tasteful treat.
9. **CD's or cassettes**
10. **A bottle of wine** - for your friends that are 21 of course!
12. **Calendars/datebooks**
13. **Lingerie**
14. **potpourri**
15. **trinket boxes**
16. **jewelry**
17. **baskets of goodies**
18. **mugs/ cups** - personalized
19. **stationery**
20. **souvenir beer boxes** (available at city benerage)
21. **gift certificates**
22. **barretts/hair clips**
23. **Any personalized item** from "Things Remembered."



The 12 Days of Christmas

by Jenny Savage and Katherine Livermon

- On the first day of Christmas my teachers gave to me, a cumulative exam...
- On the second day of Christmas my Secret Santa gave to my, two packs of cigarettes...
- On the third day of Christmas my best friend gave to me, three shots of tequila...
- On the fourth day of Christmas my teachers gave to me, three A's and a B...
- On the fifth day of Christmas my Little/Big Sis gave five hundred dollars...
- On the sixth day of Christmas my true love gave to me, a six carat ring...
- On the seventh day of Christmas my brother gave to me, seven bumps and bruises...
- On the eighth day of Christmas my mother gave to me, eight lectures about sex...
- On the ninth day of Christmas my roommate sent to me, nine pages of phone bills...
- On the tenth day of Christmas my ex-boyfriend sent to me, ten dead roses...
- On the eleventh day of Christmas Interdorm gave to me, eleven weeks of probation...
- On the twelfth day of Christmas I gave to myself, one stiff drink and one long smoke...