It's all part of the season

Christmas is in the air. The decorations are up, Christmas trees are being decorated, and there is a holiday spirit everywhere. But there is one thing that is not a part of the Christmas season: the commercialization.

The season of commercialism is upon us. In stores across the country, Christmas merchandise is being sold. It is all part of the season.

But another kind of spirit pervades the holiday atmosphere. It is the spirit which makes people pause to think about the true meaning of the season, counting their blessings and reflecting on the past year.

That spirit is here to stay. It is not lost among the commercialism, and it is hoped that people will make a conscious effort to remember it.

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Has peace lost its meaning?

Peace, as the saying goes, has been a much-talked-about subject throughout history. The idea of peace has not died, although there have been recent efforts at peace. The peace we seek is not just an absence of war, but a state of mind.

Peace, as a greeting, is an important gesture. It is a way of showing our appreciation and respect for one another. It is a way of saying, "I hope you are well, and I hope we can work together for the betterment of our community.

If we wish to end wars and live in peace, it should be remembered that this idea of peace is not a new one. It is just that we have not been able to make it a reality. We must continue to work towards it.

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Media oversell spoils spirit

It's beginning to look and sound a lot like Christmas. Jingle bells are being played, and Christmas trees are being decorated. But have we lost sight of the true meaning of Christmas?

It is possible to make Christmas more commercial by buying gifts, cards, and decorations. But this is not a true reflection of the season.

It is important to remember that the true meaning of Christmas is giving. It is about being with family and friends, and sharing in the joy of the season.

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The joy is not felt by all

Contrary to popular opinion, Christmas is not a season of joy for all. Many people feel that the holiday season is not worth the trouble. They feel that they are never recognized for their efforts.

For them, the holiday season serves as a cruel reminder of their loneliness and the deviance in their lives. They can't help but cry out in today's American family ideal.

When they sit down to dinner, the food is not served, and the decorations are left up for weeks. The tree is not trimmed, and the lights are not turned on. It is a season of sadness and disappointment.

And all this time, there is the sound of the clock ticking away, and the feeling of emptiness.

For these people, Christmas serves as a painful reminder of the past, and a painful re-opening of deep wounds.

But they know that the pain is temporary, and that they will eventually be happy again. They know that it is only for a few months.

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BY LAURA CHRISTIAN
Daily Staff Writer

Every December, San Luis Obispo is the perfect setting for students looking for a place to stay. The city is bustling with activity, and there are many options available for students who want to stay in town during the Christmas break.

According to Lambert, the Christmas Housing Program is designed to accommodate students who want to stay in town during the break. He said some students stay because of job opportunities, some come to visit family and friends, and others simply want to avoid traveling too far out of the city during the holidays.

"Some students who stay are simply too lazy and quick to waste their parents' money," Lambert said.

Lambert said he believes there is a demand for housing during the Christmas break, especially for students who are unable to find affordable housing options. He added that the program provides a valuable service for students who want to stay in town during the holidays.

"It gets pretty desperate here," Lambert said. "It can get ugly if you're staying alone."
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Now comes Miller time.
Gifts for the economical shopper

By JANET KREITENHEYER
Daily Staff Writer

It is that time of year again—Christmas—a time of giving, but what is there to give? With prices going up it is important to do some planning for your gifts. Here are some suggestions for Christmas presents that you can do yourself at home or in your garden.

An old cigar box can be turned into a useful and unique gift. Phase II in the Network and Shores will be offering a kit for making a tissue box holder in the Creations for Less Under $10.

Christmas is a time for giving, not only to your friends but to those who are less fortunate. Here are some ideas for gifts.

Handmade gifts give a personal touch to Christmas. There is a wide variety of things that can be made at low costs. If you cook and have time, homemade food is an excellent gift. From cakes and cookies to candies, there are many recipes that can be found in cookbooks.

An old cigar box that has been painted and covered with paper can be used to hold a small photo album. The photo album can be made at home with a frame and a canvas. A story or a poem you have written can make the perfect gift.

Perhaps you have an elderly relative who doesn't get out of the house much anymore. Do something special for them. Perhaps you could take them to a theater or a movie, or even a concert. If you think Christmas gives you reason to forget about the little things, remember to buy them a few nice gifts. They will appreciate it.

Christmas: Football, parades, eggnog

By NATHALY ALLEN
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Christmas isn't complete without football. Football fans around the country are headed to their television sets to watch the NFL games. For most, football is the main event of Christmas day. In fact, the day is called "Football Day." Football is an important part of Christmas day in many homes.

Christmas is a time for giving. It is a time to share with others. It is a time to remember those who are less fortunate. It is a time to be grateful for what we have. Christmas is a time to be with family and friends.

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Chanukah: Festival of Lights

By CAROL PROVIDENCE
Daily Staff Writer

Chanukah, also called the Festival of Lights, is a celebration of the re-instatement of Jewish freedom, following a revolt against the invading Seleucid Empire. It is one of the most beloved Jewish holidays, a time to reflect on the triumph of light over darkness, knowledge over ignorance, truth over untruth, good over evil. Chanukah is a time of joy and light, with the lighting of the Hanukkiah, a nine-branchedMenorah, one candle is added each night of Chanukah until all nine are lit. The festival commemorates the miracle of the oil, where only enough oil was available to light the Menorah for one day, but it lasted for eight days, allowing the celebration to continue.

Yuletide is adman's dream

The Christmas shopping season arrived, and it had

With 19 days left until Christmas, Santa isn’t the only one who is busy, and checking it twice. For thousands of us, it means an open fire will be lit in the halls to create the ultimate bedtime.

There’s Uncle Gourko who makes a new sweater for his wife, or a new Aeronautical at the mall.

The yuletide season is one that everyone looks forward to, with the hustle and bustle of Christmas trees, lights, and decorations taking over the city. As for myself, I decided to take a break from the holiday spirit and head straight to the mall.

For about a month now, gift-monster Americans have been busy preparing for “the best Christmas ever. May 1977, New Holiday Hours.” Many people have taken their time to shop, and

As for myself, I decided to take in the Christmas spirit at the mall.

The store was bustling with people, and it seemed like everyone was in a hurry. The only one who seemed to be enjoying the day was Santa, who was standing in the middle of the store, surrounded by children.

The store is located in the heart of the city, and it was packed with people, some of whom were in a rush, while others were taking their time. The atmosphere was festive, with Christmas music playing in the background.

My favorite card began, “Did you ever wonder how Santa really gets his presents? Well, here’s the answer: The Lord’s Service at Christmas and a card inside, ready to be mailed to a friend or family member.”

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