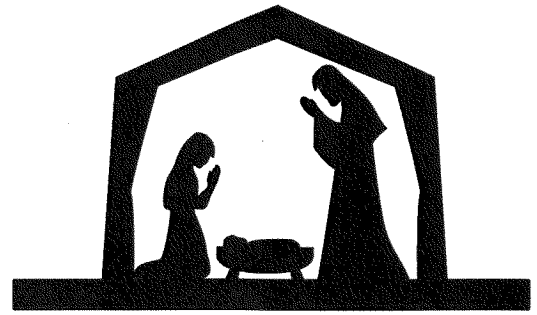


The Loaned Manger



Dear Pearl Student,

This year we will be performing a Wild West Christmas Adventure titled “The Loaned Manger” named after the Lone Ranger, but this play has us in search of the Lonesome Stranger. It will be a lot of fun with some great western music and even a line dance or two.

If you are a 4th, 5th or 6th grader, you will have the opportunity to try out for a speaking part. I have attached a short excerpt from the script which you need to memorize the lines if you are interested in a speaking part. Note all the characters have a western accent, so you need to practice up your “Southern Drawl”.

Parts for Tryouts

Curly—the town barber (could be a boy or girl)-larger part of tryouts

Sheriff-respected town leader (could be a boy or girl) - smaller part for tryouts

Jane/Jacob—A cowgirl/cowboy—larger part for tryouts

Good Luck!
Mrs. Moore

All other Honors Elective Class Sign Ups will be handed out later

Student's Name _____ Grade 4 5 6 (circle one)

I will memorize the lines for the following part and be ready for tryouts: (circle one)

Curly

Sheriff

Jane/Jacob

Student Signature _____

Note: Tryouts are scheduled for Friday, September 1st
Lines must be memorized to tryout.

Please Note: The Spring Play is open to all 4th, 5th & 6th graders and will not involve tryouts.

Loaned Manger Modified Excerpt from Scene 1

CURLY: Are ya deaf? Didn't ya hear her say "quaint?"

JANE/JACOB: Shore did! Uh, what does "quaint" mean?

CURLY: It means "charming" and "*old fashioned!*" Miss Polly's from the big city; *Wichita Falls*—the "big time." We're small taters to her.

SHERIFF: We're not small taters! We got that new bandstand in Town Square!

JANE/JACOB: It's not a bandstand, it's called a ga-zee-bo!

CURLY: We gotta come up with an idear that will impress everyone this Christmas! An idear that will be amazing!

JANE/JACOB: Like what?

CURLY: I don't know! Put yer minds together. We gotta make this Christmas the best one yet! Modern! Big! Think!

JANE/JACOB: I'm thinkin' but nothin's happening!

CURLY: It's got to be modern! It's got to be new! Something they've never seen before! Something they'll never forget!

JANE/JACOB: How 'bout we do what we did back in 1888 and put candles all over our Christmas trees?

SHERIFF: Because it burned down half of Incarnation!

JANE/JACOB: Nobody ever forgets *that* year!

CURLY: Hey! I can make a life-size angel outta iron. We can hang it in the church!

SHERIFF: With what, anchor chain?!

CURLY: Wait! I've got it!

SHERIFF: What! You got a real idea?!

CURLY: It will put us on the map! It'll make *history!*

JANE/JACOB: Is it a better idea than when we dressed the cows up as sheep for the Christmas Eve Service?

CURLY: Of course! That was a disaster!

JANE/JACOB: Only 'cause of a tiny mistake!

SHERIFF: Tiny? You accidentally dressed up the bulls instead of the cows, then let 'em loose in the chapel!

JANE/JACOB: Tell me that wasn't *unforgettable!*