

Thursday Skit 2019: Life in the Valley – “Christmas in July”

Note: “Jingle Bells” may be used to fill gaps while traveling

Characters:

South Booth Person (in the sound booth or off stage in general)

Reindeer #1

Reindeer #2

Mr./Mrs Clause

Buddy the Elf

Frosty

Sound Booth Person: T’was the Night of Christmas over at the North Pole, the presents delivered, toy bag no longer full.

Reindeer #1 and #2 walk to the front

Reindeer #1: Man, I had so much fun, flying all over the world, bringing joy to all the kids. I love Christmas! It was the best night ever!

Reindeer #2: Yeah! I don’t think the day could go any better, I never want this night to end. I love flying Santa around the world!

Reindeer #1: Wooooow yeah threw lots of Wins out there. Nothin but Chimney, amiright? (shooting baskets motion)

Reindeer #2: I am so excited for next year already, let’s get training!

(They exit...)

Sound booth person: ____ months later....

(Reindeer #1 and #2 enter again)

Reindeer #1: Whew! This reindeer training for Christmas is exhausting.

Reindeer #2: Yeah how many days until Christmas?

Reindeer #1: Yeah, we must be getting close, let me check. (Into Phone) Siri, how many days until Christmas?

Sound booth person: (Sounding like Siri) When you asked approximately 43 minutes ago, it was 200 days until Christmas, you do the math. You really think it has changed...?

Reindeer #2: Aww, sprinkles!

Reindeer #1: I wonder if others are missing Christmas much as us? Let’s go see what our friends are up to!

(Reindeer walk to Buddy the Elf, Stationed at Stage Right)

Elf: (washing windows, Sadly singing Jingle Bells in monotone)

Reindeer #1: Hey, Buddy, what’s up?

Elf: Well, since you asked... ever since Christmas time ended, I haven’t felt as important. Last December, I fixed Santa’s sleigh and had a jolly old time, and now I just change lightbulbs, dust ceiling fans, and test Jack in the Boxes.

Reindeer #2: Yeah, we feel you Buddy! We haven’t been feeling like we’ve been at the top of the Christmas tree either, if you know what I mean.

Buddy: All these everyday tasks I have to do just doesn’t give me as much of a sugar rush in between Christmas’.

Reindeer #1: Well maybe Mrs. Clause/Mr. Clause has a plan for our situation. Let’s go, Buddy!

(They walk over to Mr./Mrs. Clause)

Mr./Mrs. Clause: (frantically running around getting last minute details ready for party)

Reindeer #1: Woah, Mrs. Clause, did you get bonked during BONKERS? You look a little worn out.

Reindeer #2: Is there any way we could help you?

Clause: Well, I just have sooooo much left to do before the party tonight.

Reindeer #1 and #2 and Buddy: ANOTHER PARTY?

Buddy: You have thrown a party every day since Christmas!

Clause: Of course, I have a party and still have so much to do. I still have to finish baking the cookies, cut out the snowflakes, buy the eggnog, decorate the tree..... (ad lib)

Reindeer #1: If it is so much work, why do still try to plan one every day, Mrs. Clause?

Clause: I want to continue sharing Christmas with everyone I know so I throw a new party every night. I'm running out of theme Ideas!

Buddy: The best way to spread Christmas cheer is singing loud for all to hear!

Clause: Aww, thanks, Buddy! Christmas Karaoke is a great theme!

Reindeer #2: Woah, woah, woah, Mrs. Clause. I thinking you are missing the point!

Clause: I just wish Christmas could be every day and the best way I know how to keep the Christmas spirit alive is by throwing bashes for my friends.

Reindeer #1: Well I guess we better be on our way, we are going to see frosty.

Clause: Oh, I've been meaning to invite him, do you mind if I come along?

Everyone: Yeah, of course, (ad lib)

(They walk over to meet frosty at the front of the stage)

Reindeer #1: Hey, Frosty, looking cool! Actually, you look like you're freezing!

Reindeer #2: What are you up to?

Frosty: (Super excited) OHHHHH MY FRIENDS!! I HAVEN'T SEEN YOU SINCE SPRING!! (play it cool) I mean.... Just chilling....

Buddy: Why are you here all alone, Frosty?

Frosty: Well, since you asked, everybody has been giving me the cold shoulder recently. I have to stay in the freezer because I will melt if I go outside!

Clause: Wow you must be lonely, all cooped up in here!

Frosty: Everyone else wants to hang at the pool and play nuke'em (or insert other camp game) but I'm stuck in here? I haven't heard another person's voice in weeks.

Reindeer #1: Well, we can stay in here with you for a little while, at least until we get cold!

(Rudolph enters)

Rudolph: What are you all doing in the Freezer? *(All Characters start talking at once)*

Rudolph: Woah, woah, woah, one at a time folks!

Reindeer #2: Well, we are tired of training and tired of eating carrots. We just want it to be Christmas again and be attached to Santa's sleigh.

Buddy: And I feel like I'm not useful anymore now that it is not Christmas. I'm tired of lightbulbs, tax forms, and mowing lawns.

Mrs. Clause: And I only know how to feel the Christmas spirit through throwing parties.

Frosty: And I feel alone and disconnected from the spirit of Christmas when I'm trapped up here in the freezer.

Rudolf: Well, although I don't know exactly what you are all going through, I do know that God reminds me how to press on through the everyday in Colossians 3:17 when he says "No matter what you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord, Jesus Christ, giving thanks to God, the Father, through Him. This verse reminds me that even when it is not Christmas, and I may be in the valley, I can still do everything I do for God, **who is the real reason for Christmas!**

Reindeer 1: So even during training, we can do our best for God and He is still there with us when the days can get long and boring?

Rudolf: Of course!

Buddy: And even when my tasks seem unimportant and boring to me, they can make an important impact in the world for God?

Rudolf: You got it, Buddy!

Mr./Mrs.Clause: And we don't need fancy parties and decorated cookies to experience God?

Rudolf: You're right on the nose!

Frosty: So God is with me when I feel all alone and when I don't see anyone around me?

Rudolf: That's the main freeze!

Rudolf: So now that we know we can feel God's presence on the mountain, in the storms, AND in the valley, let's go live our everyday lives for God!

Everyone: Yeah!