

Lloyd and Laila Ames 2016 Sycamore Drive Falls Church, Virginia

Announce the Birth of a Son

Lawrence Lowell Ames

On September 10th, 1951





Merry Christin 1967





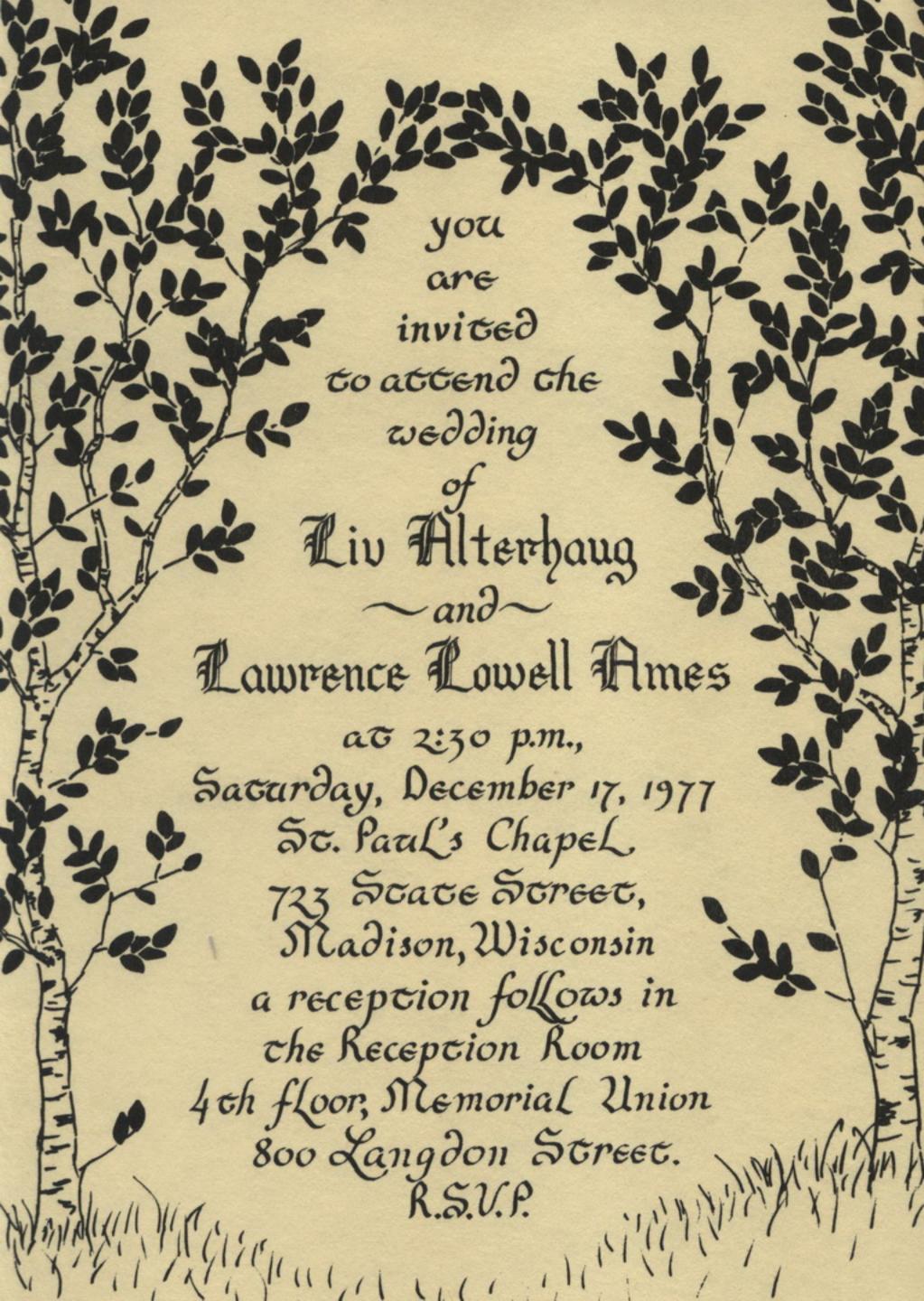








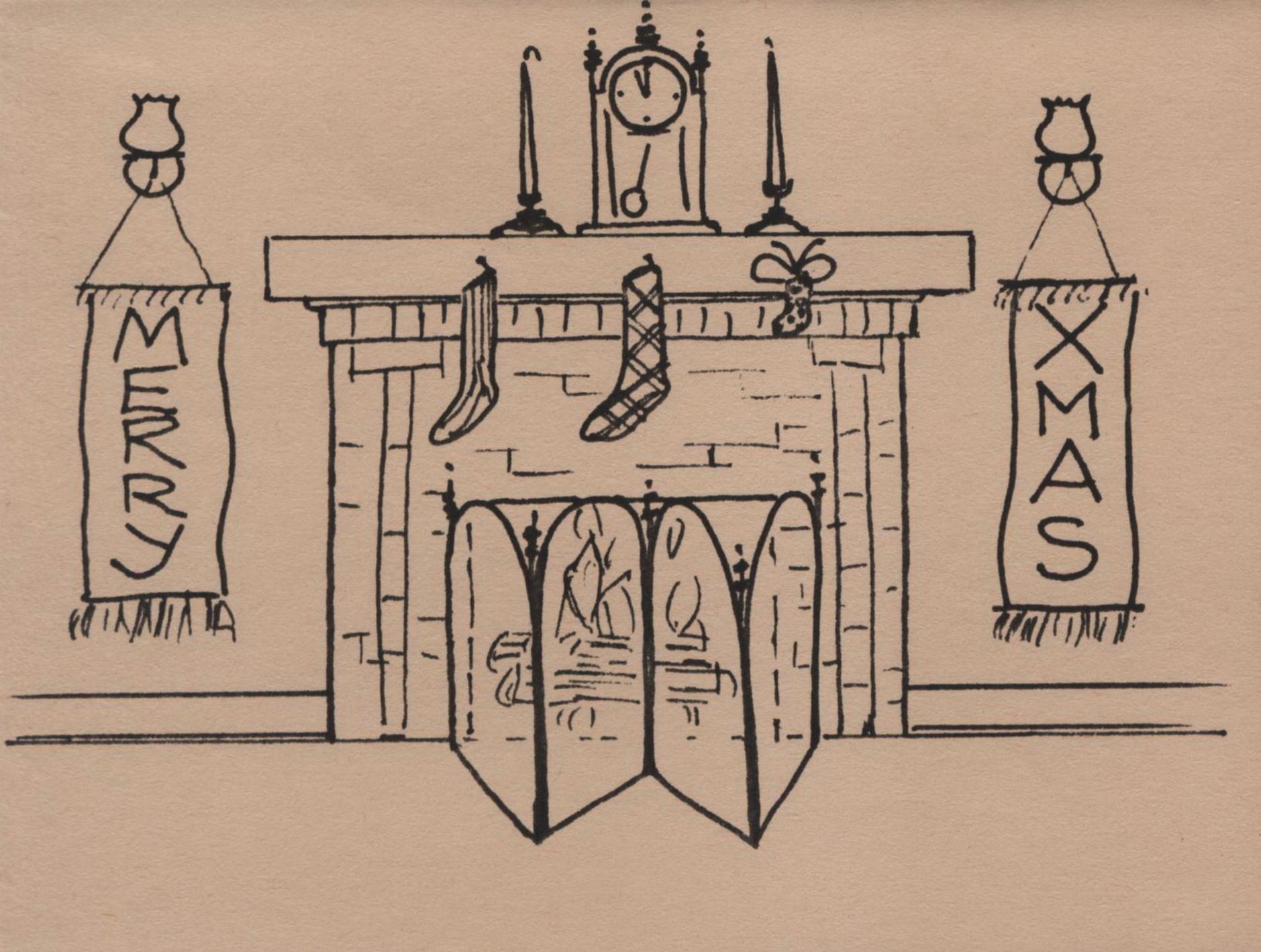
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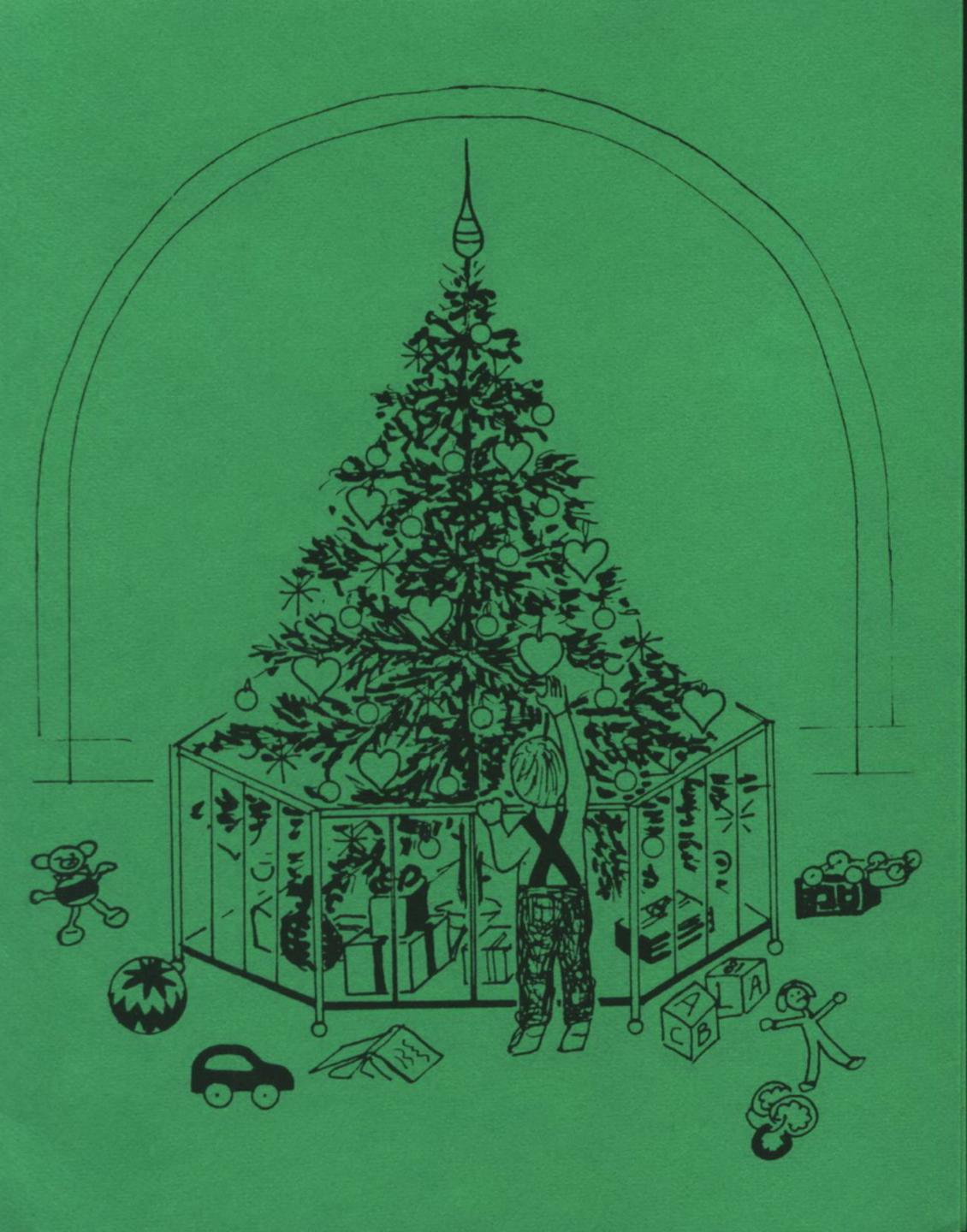




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Season's Greetings!



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Larry Liv Lewis Logan

have a nice Christmas



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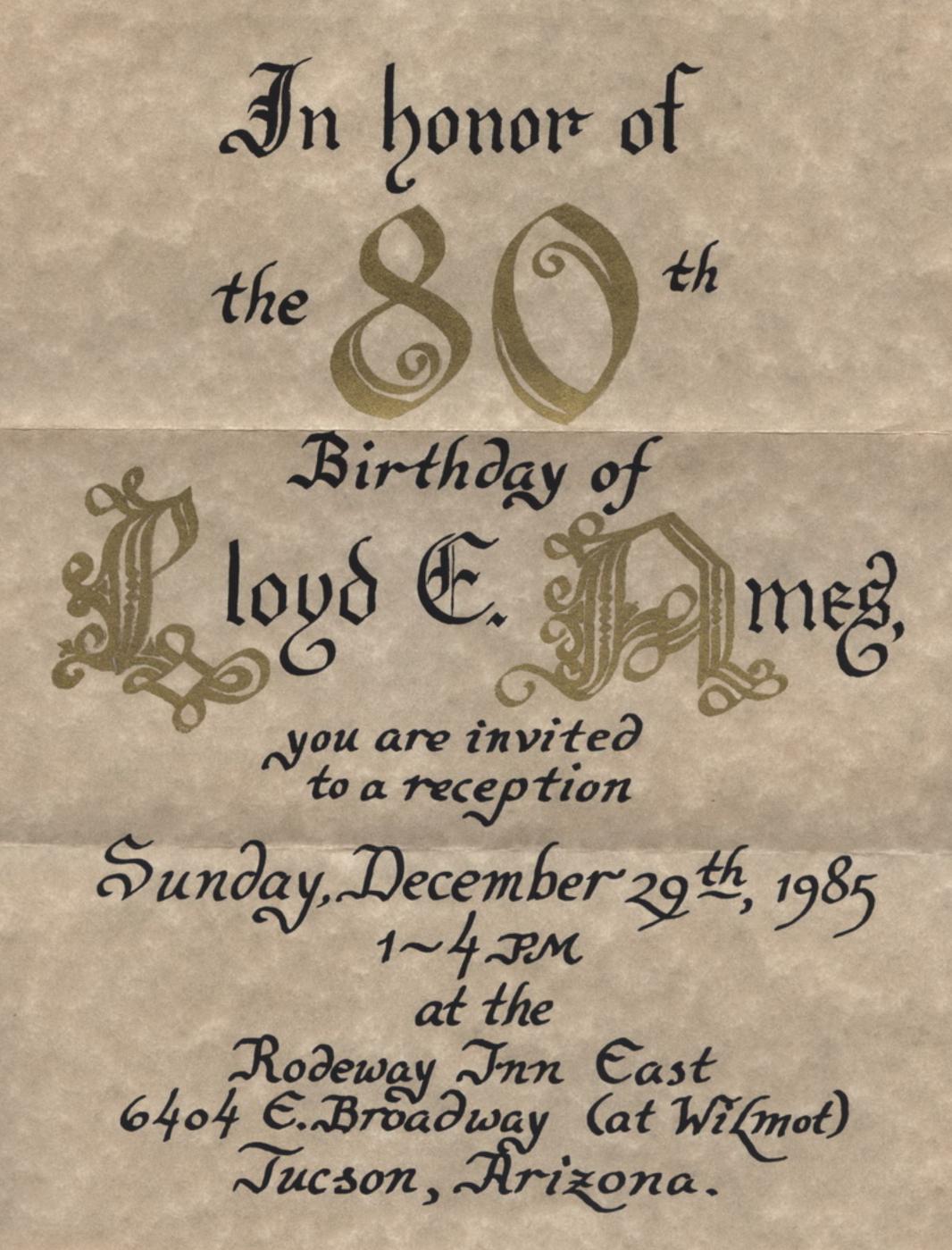
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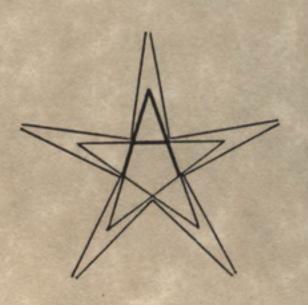
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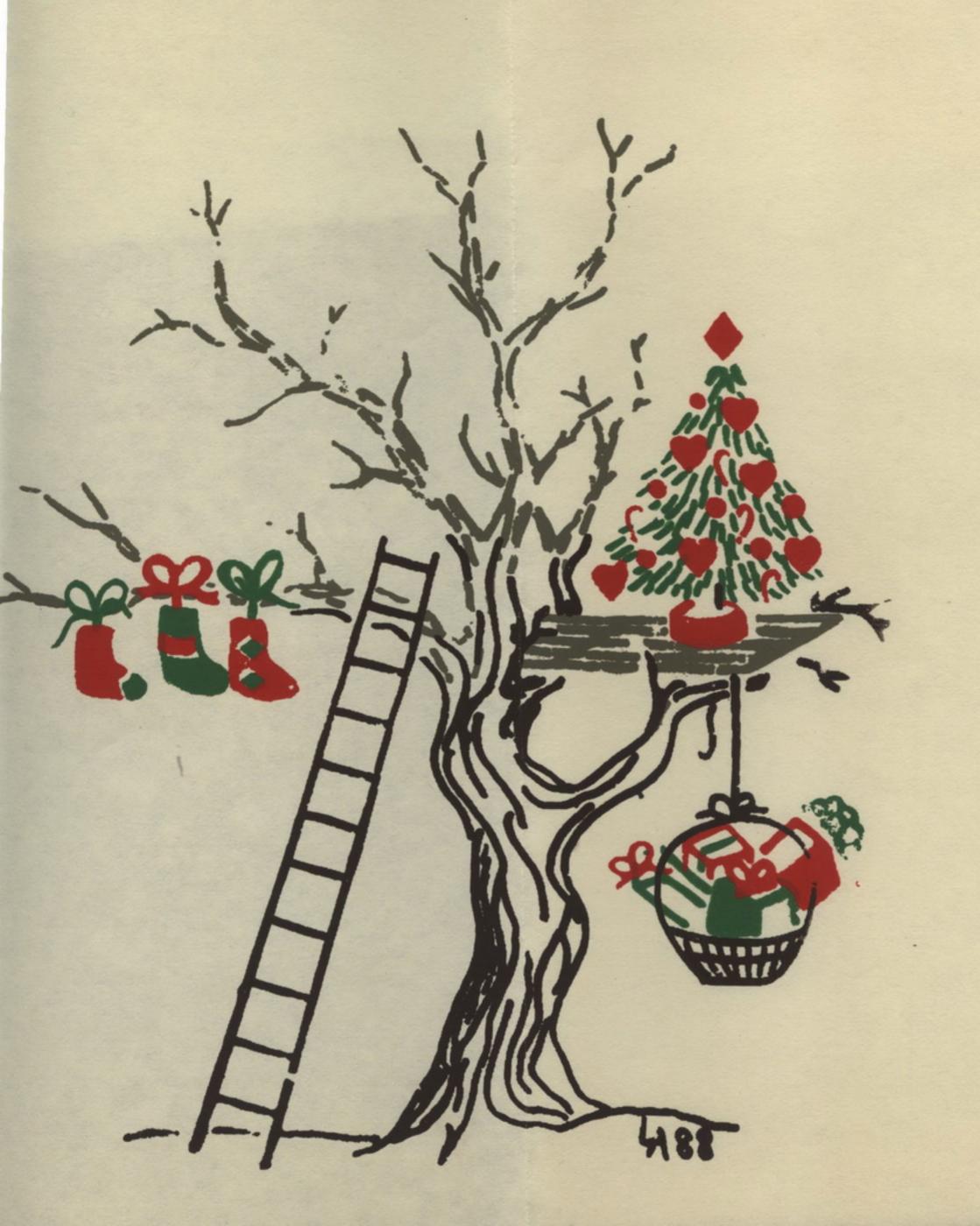
Warm Season's Greetings!





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and a Peacock in a Prickly Pear Tree"



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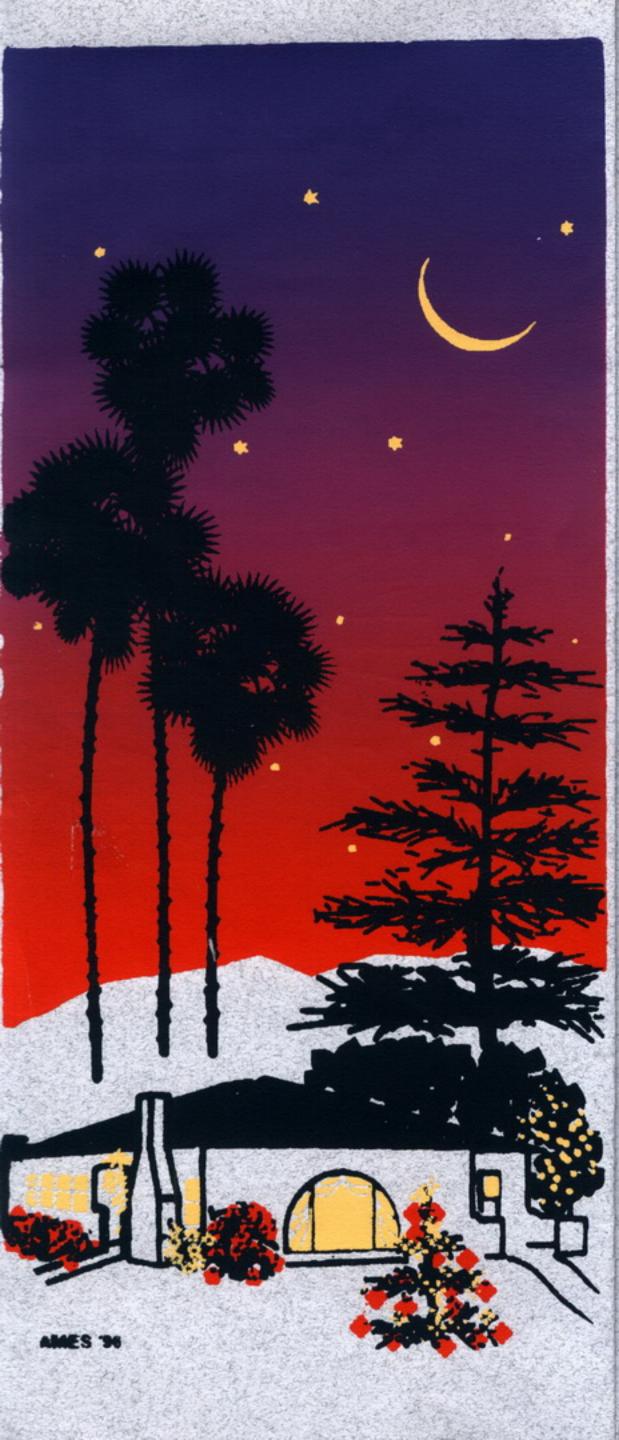
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and all thru
the house,
not a creature
was stirring,





May the New Year grow on you!



Peace on Earth





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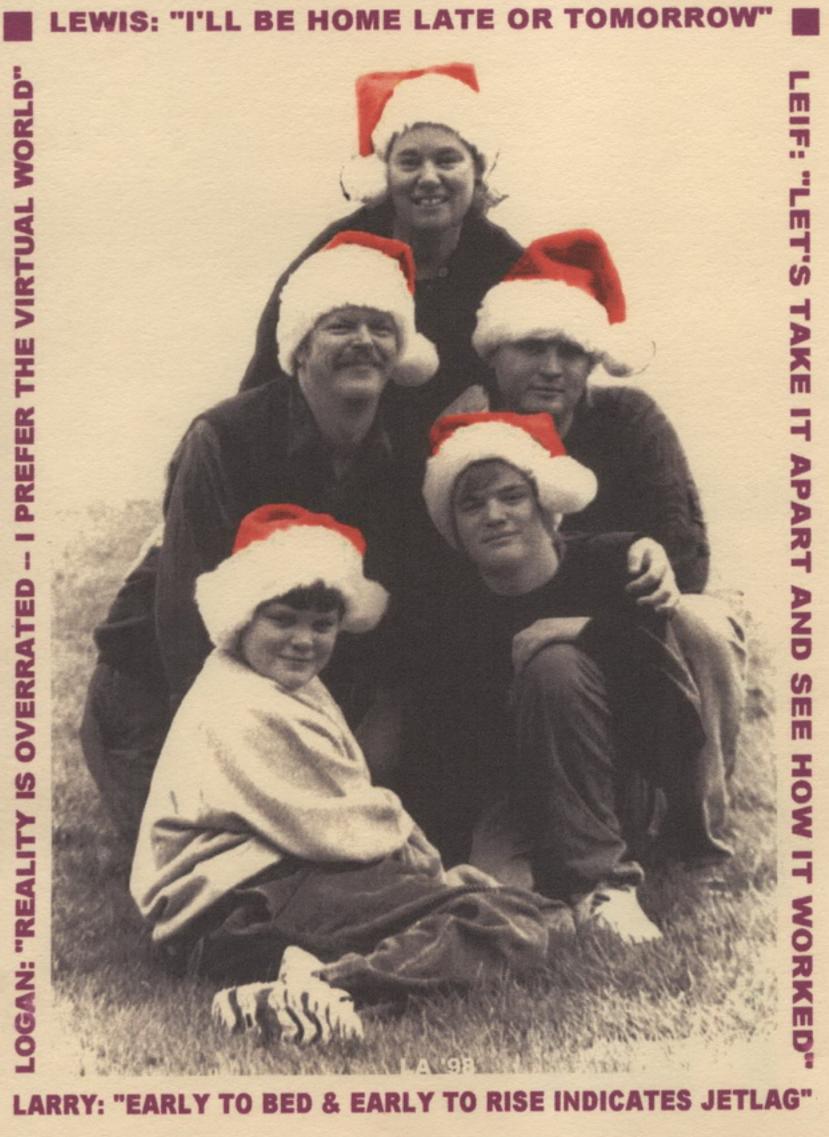
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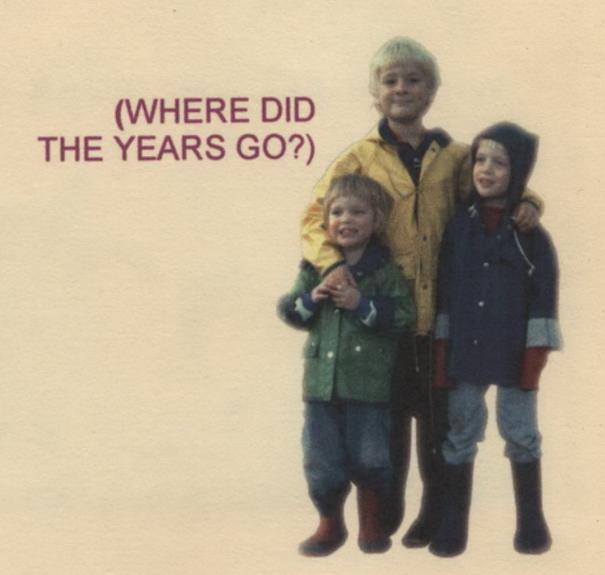
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LEWIS: "I'LL BE HOME LATE OR TOMORROW"



LARRY: "EARLY TO BED & EARLY TO RISE INDICATES JETLAG" MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM THE AMES FAMILY!

AND HAVE A HAPPY NEW YEAR!



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MERRY CHRISTMAS and Happy New Year!



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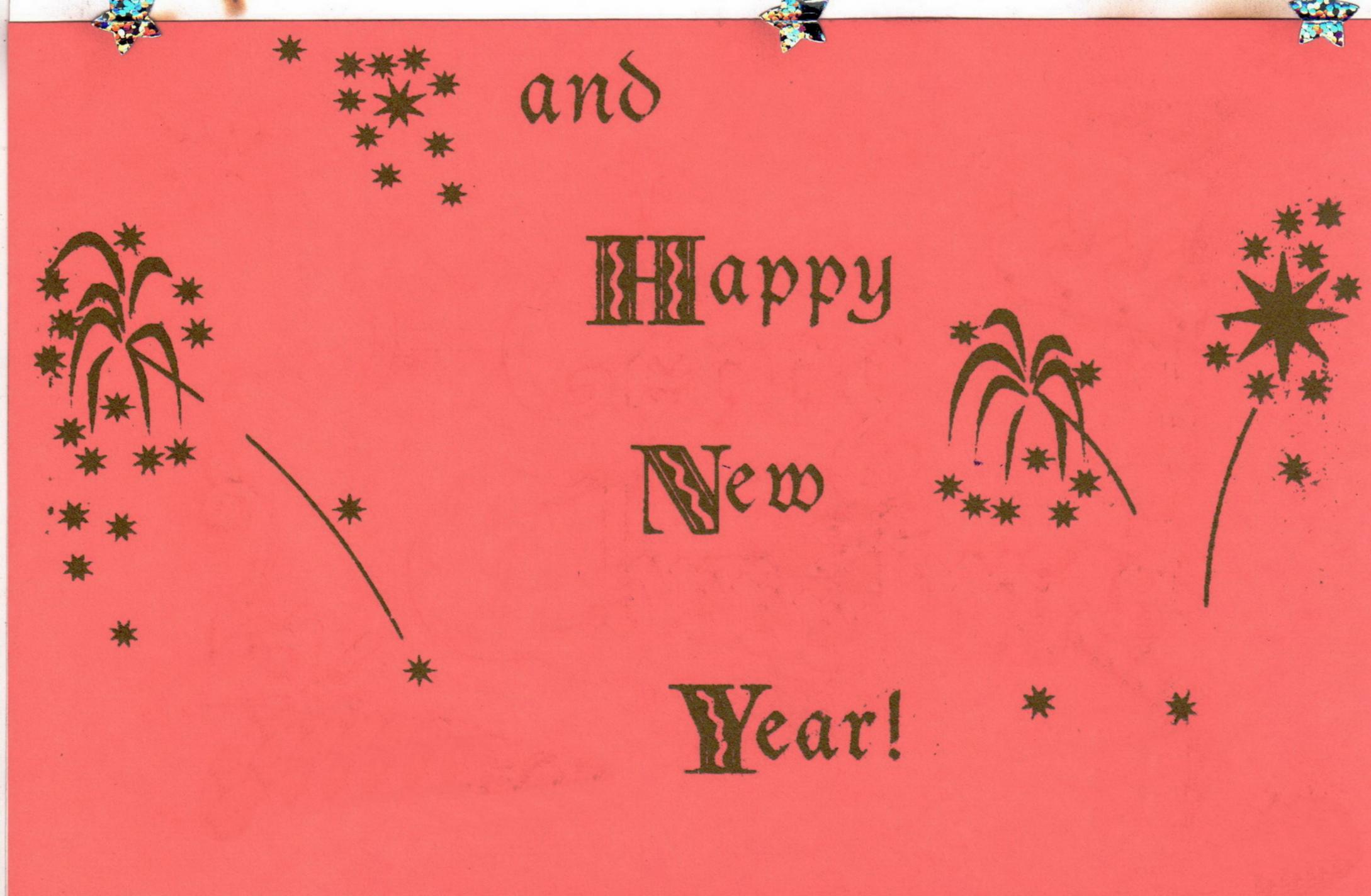


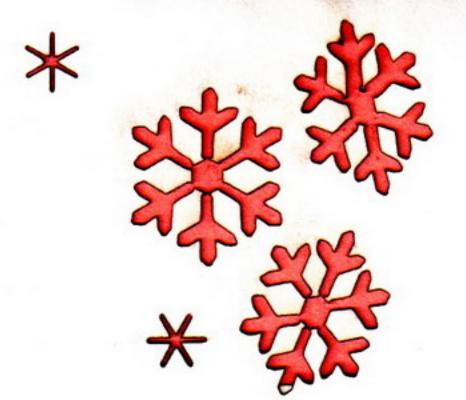
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Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!

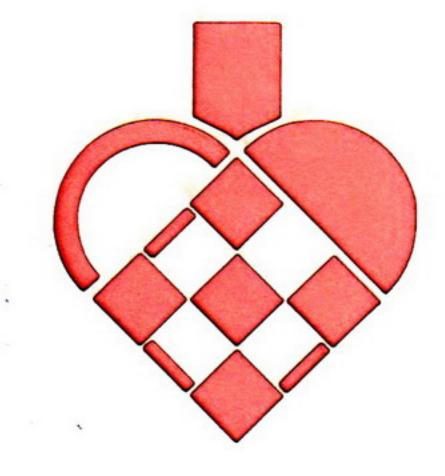








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Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!



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Season's Greetings!



Happy New Year!



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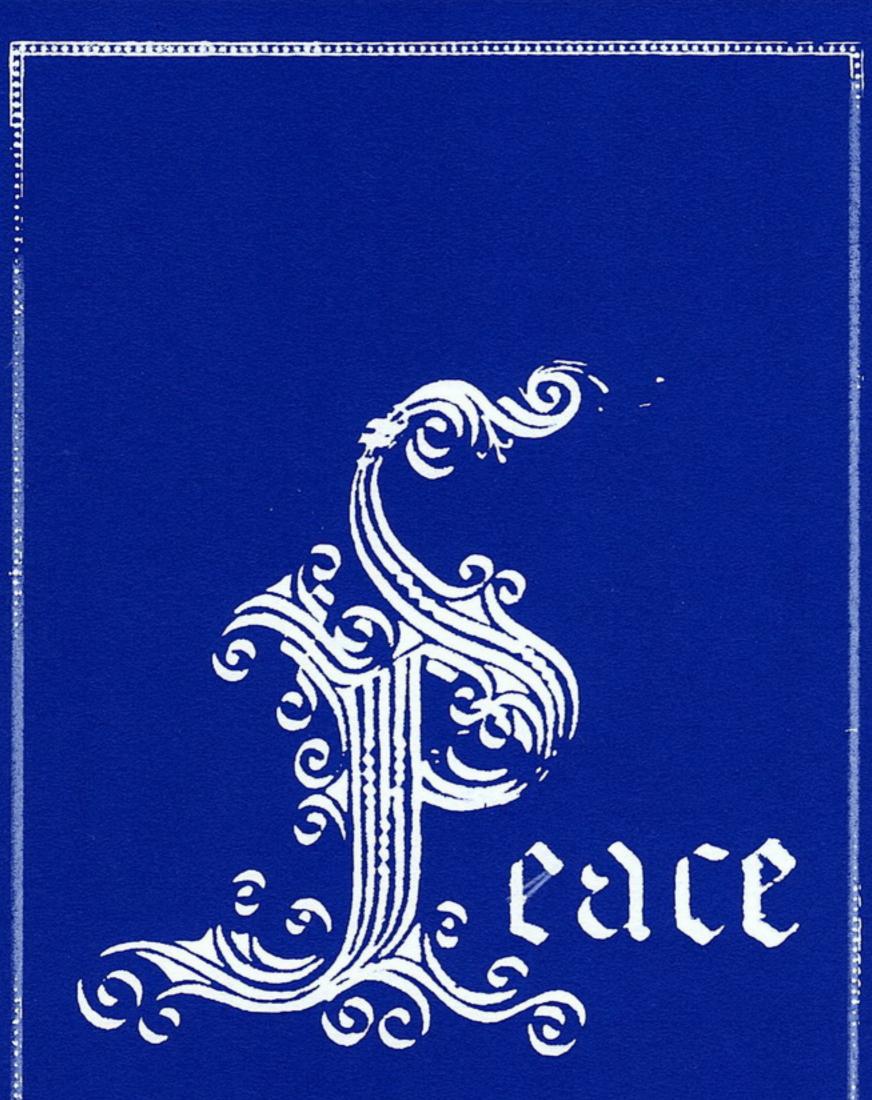
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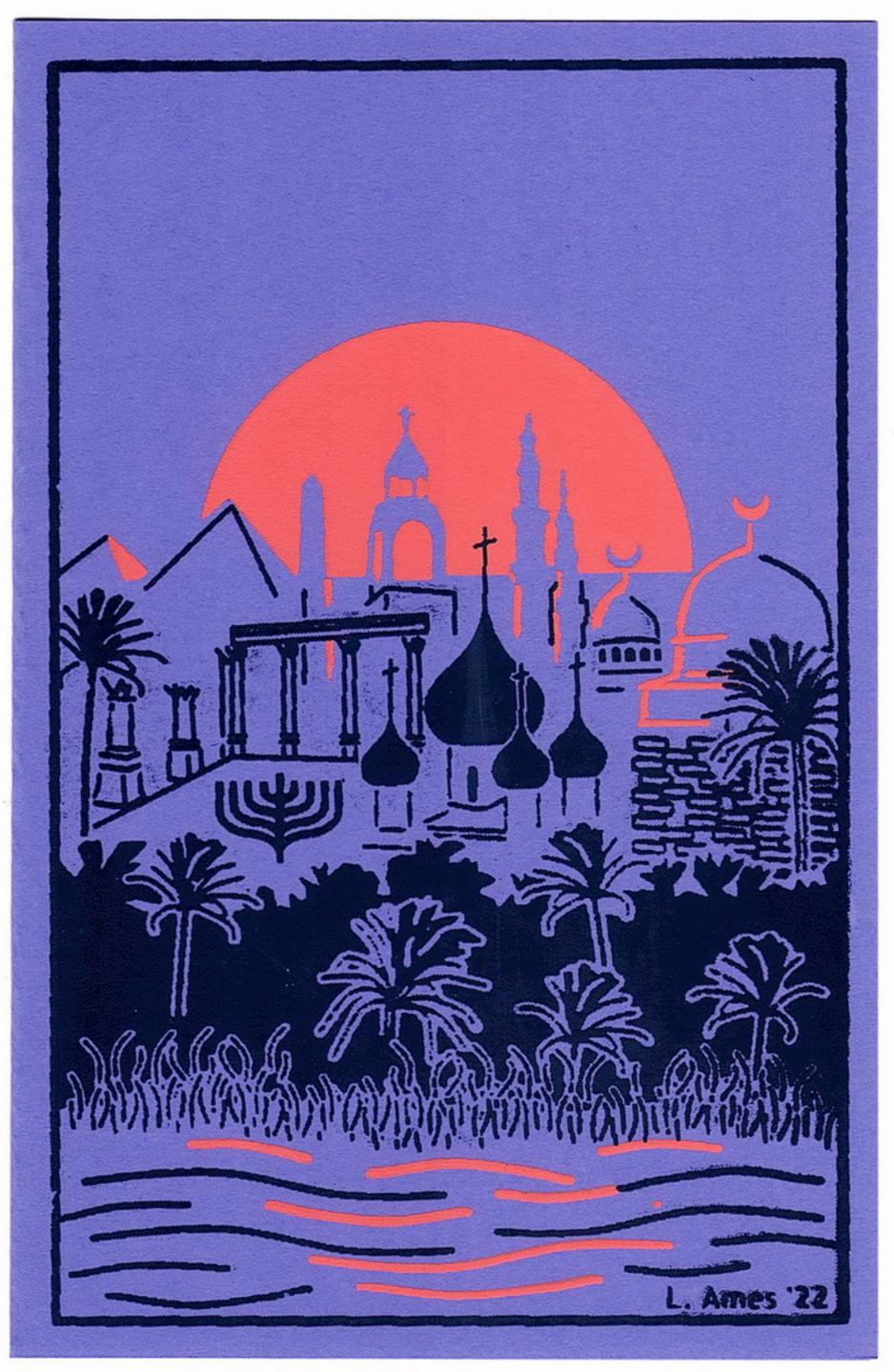
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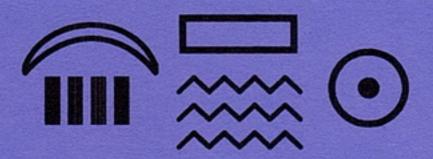






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(have a Good New Rainy Season!)

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[An extra ~125 cards had this caption on the back and were printed as a fundraiser for the VPA. The first 6 cards also had these alignment marks.]

up to 1984

- 1951: Laila's hand-painted cover to printed card. note the connected "L's"
- 1959: block print by Lloyd Ames of Larry's design: nativity scene in Teal.
- 1960: block print by Lloyd of Larry's design: star-light in green
- 1967: we moved to Arizona. My first block print: 3 colors. Difficult to align!
- 1972: xerographic copy of my calligraphy
- 1973: not shown: guess I didn't make any cards: first year at grad-school, and drove from Wisconsin to Arizona over Xmas break.
- 1974: 3-color block-print; tricky to align
- 1975: 2-color block print. various color schemes tried.
- 1976: 1-color block print, based on designs in calligraphy book. various colors.
- 1977: 1-color block print.
- 1977: xerographic copy wedding announcement: we got married in mid-Dec.
- 1978: 2-color block-print, 1st as married couple. featured Norwegian-style woven heart-baskets. paper heart-baskets included in with the cards.
- 1979: we moved to California. xerographic copy of drawing of our new living room
- 1980: Lewis was born: 3rd sock shown on mantle-piece. xerographic copy
- 1981: Logan born, and Lewis a toddler. xerographic copy; various colors for paper.
- 1982: stenciled design outside, xerographic copy inside. Based on skills taught at VPA (Victorian Preservation Assoc., "the old house club").
- 1983: stencil and xerographic copy.
- 1984: balloon: first attempt at silkscreening, using cut-out masks.

1984 - 1996

- 1984: my first silkscreened Christmas card. 3 colors outside + 1 color inside.
 Note the 5th "L": Leif was on the way!
- 1985: my father's 80th birthday. Xerox w/ gold silkscreen.
- 1985: 3-color silkscreen outside + 1 color inside. Our persimmon tree.
- 1986: 3-color silkscreen of calligraphy.
- 1987: 3-color silkscreen on xerographic copy.
 Inside, made star-design of monogram.
- 1988: 4-color silkscreen. Note: only had 5x7" screen, so had to "splice" design to fit on page: the tree is made of two colors of brown.
- 1989: 5-color silkscreen. First original done on computer, for better color registration: previous designs had been hand-drawn.
- 1990: 4-color silkscreen. First picture of cat.
- 1991: 4-color silkscreen. "Virtual reality": room, tree, rug were laid out in AutoCad and then rendered in perspective. Chip the cat was scanned in and added after rendering.
- 1992: 3-color silkscreen (getting lazy!). Liv started quilting class, hence motive.
 Hidden joke: Lockheed was doing severe downsizing, hence the "No 'L".
- 1993: 4-color silkscreen. Cross between 12-Days song, "Partridge in a pear tree", and our prickly pear cactus, which was becoming prominent.
- 1994: computer print-out w/ family cameos.
- 1995: 4-color silkscreen, inside and out. Design honors our tree-planting project
- 1996: this silkscreen print uses only 3-colors: my first gradient print.
 front & inside done at the same time.

1997 - 2010

- 1997: 3-color silkscreen: honoring Lewis and his garage band.
- 1998: photo-shopped computer prints of photographs.
- 1999: 4-color silkscreen. This one was harder than it looked: I couldn't find oilbased black ink, and the water-based ink dissolved the screen mask.
- 2000: 3-pass silkscreen: red; blue/green dual ink; and pink/blue/turquoise gradient, made of acrylic ink that gummed up the screen: many touch-ups needed.)
- 2001: 2-color silkscreen on xerographic print. Done in PowerPoint, also presented as an animation w/ sound-effects. Honors all kids driving.
- 2002: 4-color silkscreen: Chip the cat eyeing the suite of nut-crackers
- 2003: 4-color silkscreen: meant to look like a video game. Leif and his repaired VW bus, Logan and his games, Lewis w/ music, Liv got her US Citizenship, I bike and play with satellites.
- 2004: 4-color silkscreen: our street + computer print on inside.
- 2005: 4-color silkscreen + computer print on inside: kids off at work or school
- 2006: 2-color silkscreen + computer print (calligraphy by PowerPoint: Bezier curves!): Norway trip + bike ride to LA
- 2007: 4-color silkscreen: frenetic year. computer print inside.
- 2008: 4-color silkscreen (sunflowers) + computer print on inside.
- 2009: 3-color silkscreen (grey, charcoal, and blue-red gradient)
 + computer print on inside. the view from our kitchen window
- 2010: 3-color silkscreen. Inside: blank

2011 - 2023

- 2011: outside: laser-cut by Leif from PowerPoint Bezier curves. Inner insert: silkscreened and aligned so as to be behind front cuts. Back: laser-cut
- 2012: 4-color silkscreen (Napa Valley vineyards) + computer print on inside
- 2013: 5-color silkscreen: busy year (Buenos Aires, trestle, Denmark & Norway), flowing towards chaos (retirement? lay-off?)
- 2014: 4-color silkscreen (Christmas under the stars in our backyard) + silkscreened greeting & signatures inside
- 2015: 4-color silkscreen ("Jules" & the year's events in letter-blocks) + computer-print inside
- 2016: 4-color silkscreen (bathroom remodel shower wall) + computer-print inside
- 2017: 5-color silkscreen (it took 4 tries to print the gold!): "Four Seasons" (the year's travels), spanned by the trestle. Inside: blank
- 2018: 3-color silkscreen front (attempts at gradients in the rosemaling failed...)
 on black paper; 1-color inside w/ sparkle glitter.
- 2019: 3-color silkscreen: the year's travels: India (elephant) + Barcelona
 (Picasso's eyes) + Norway (baskets) + Redwoods (red trunk); 1-color inside.
- 2020: "rerun": 1-color silkscreen (based on 1972 design); 1-color inside (1982 calligraphy & 2019 signature); 1978 woven paper heart basket -in remembrance of Liv's passing.
- 2021: 2-pass silkscreen: red/peach/green gradient & blue/purple/red. inside blank
- 2022: 2-color silkscreen, traced from photos of MidEast trip. Hieroglyphics inside.
- 2023: 4-color silkscreen, from photos. Extra copies printed for VPA fundraiser