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Subject: Holiday Essay Contest Deadline Looms

OLEAN -- Children who live in Cattaraugus County are invited to write an essay about the December holidays -- What is so special about the holidays in Cattaraugus County? This essay can be written at school or at home. The top three winners will be invited to the Annual Santa Claus Lane parade and will then help Santa and Mayor David Carucci light the holiday decorations. The Holiday Essay Contest is sponsored by Olean Times Herald's Newspapers in Education program, Premo Limo, and the Greater Olean Area Chamber of Commerce.

Officials want to hear how the students spend the holidays in and around the county: students may sled down St. Bonaventure's hillside with their cousins; may go for a wagon ride around trails at Allegany State Park; or spend the day skiing in Ellicottville with all their relatives. This year the essay is reflecting the County's Bicentennial Celebration and the essay can be written at school or at home.

Children can drop off their essay at the Greater Olean Area Chamber of Commerce office, Monday-Friday, 8:30 AM-4:30 PM, or mail it to: Holiday Essay Contest, c/o GOACC, 120 North Union, Olean, NY 14760. Please make sure you include your name, address, home phone number, name of school you attend and the grade you are in on your essay. **ALL ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY 4:30 P.M. MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17.**

SSponsors encourage children to write essays in 150 words or less. Entries will be placed in one of three categories: (Elementary, Middle/Junior High, High School-age levels). Entries will be judged by a panel of individuals with Olean Times Herald's

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Newspapers in Education program. One winner from each age category will also receive SHOP OLEAN gift certificates. Winners' essays will be published on the GOACC website, www.oleanny.com.

For more information on the holiday essay contest or Santa Claus Lane, please contact GOACC at (716) 372-4433 or email santa@oleanny.com.

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