

# JUNCTION

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## *Stroke of Genius*

Robert C. Jackson garners global fans with his witty still life portraits



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- Sue Walter's heart-warming and easy molten chocolate cake recipe
- Stephanie Harmeson's chic ensembles to turn up the date night heat
- Julie Gates' tips to let hygge keep you cozy and content this winter

# They've Got Talents

Post-Christmas, Perk Musacchio reminds us to remember and celebrate the gifts that come without packages, ribbons, or bows.



Cameron



Allyson

It's now two months past Christmas but as we all know,  
The Grinch taught us lessons about packages and bows.  
Lessons worth hearing and keeping forever  
In our minds, in our hearts and forget them? No! Never!

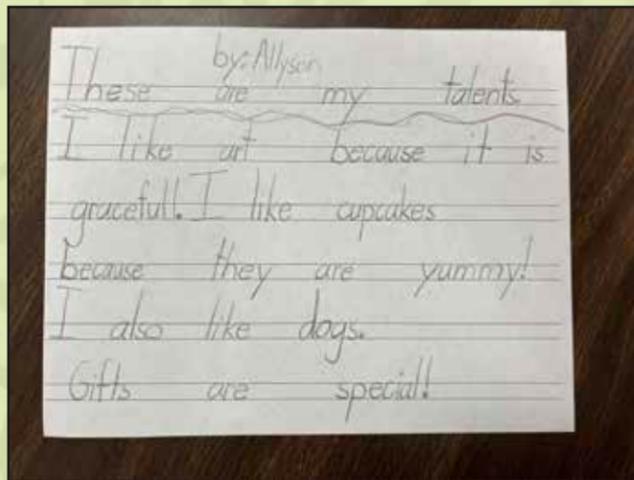
So allow me to take a few liberties—here and there,  
With that old Grinch's words ... do I dare?  
Yes, I think I must so that you can see  
The gifts that some children have, it's plain as can be.

Their gifts come without ribbons.  
They come without tags.

They come without packages, boxes or bags.  
Their gifts don't come from Amazon or a store.  
Their gifts mean a whole lot more.

Gifts that are talents and strengths, who knew  
Things that come easy and they love to do.  
But there may be some skills that perhaps, are not gifts, no not YET.  
And then there are some things that might never be met.  
Yes, gifts are indeed something that paint who we are  
So celebrate them. Enjoy them. You will shine like a star!

Cheers to these Unionville Elementary Stars who kindly share their  
gifts each and every day.



Allyson



Cameron

"I'm good at chess, baseball, football, math, and reading books." - **Cameron**



Cole

"I'm good at doing Legos, drawing, and doing Nintendo." - **Cole**

"My gifts are playing soccer, drawing, reading, and loving my family, friends and animals." - **Harper**



Nolan

"My gift is all sports." - **Nolan**



Elizabeth

"My gifts are being good with animals and video games." - **Elizabeth**



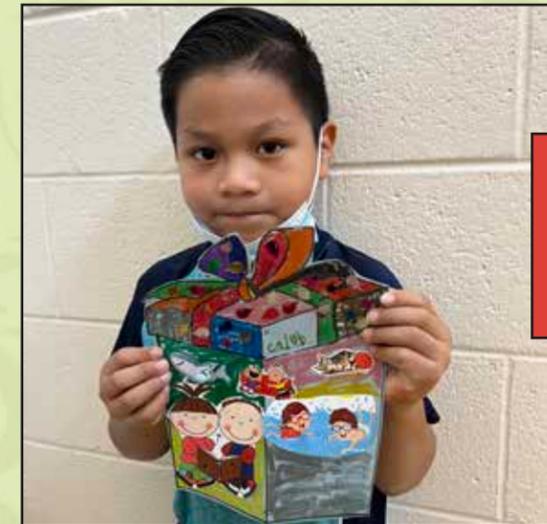
Ian

"I know a lot about rocks, and I am good at gardening." - **Ian**



Emma

"I can do a full split now!" - **Emma**



Caleb

"I can swim with my sister. I am good at playing with my cat, and I like to read." - **Caleb**