

'Twas the Night Before Christmas

'Twas the night before Christmas,
And I was safe in my chair,
Watching "Christmas Vacation",
And munching a Pear

Now settled in my chair,
I began a long snooze,
And began to saw logs,
With nothing to lose

When in front of my house,
There arose such a roar,
I sprang from my chair,
And ran to the door

When what to my wondering
Eyes should appear
But a Red DOHC Cobra
With a set of steep gears

He was revving the motor,
His challenge so loud,
But who was it driving?
Tire smoke was a cloud

Then "Ho-Ho-Ho"
I heard him to say,
It was Santa out playing,
with HIS toy this day!

"Let's run 'em", he laughed,
"They're still filling the sleigh,
"I'll be right out front!"
He then heard me say

I pulled out my TR,
We met at the light,
I on the left,
Santa's Snake on the right

The light was still red,
No traffic in sight,
A run against Santa,
A Twilight Zone night!

Then yellow, now "GREEN!"
And we both were away,
Santa grabbing gears,
And using some spray

He pulled me real hard,
By maybe a car,
But halfway to finish,
It wasn't that far

Near the line we were even,
His Cobra alongside,
We just couldn't tell,
Who won it that night.

We pulled into Meijer's
And I parked next to his car,
He was chuckling and merry,
His eyes bright like stars

"Thank you young man,
A wonderful race!"
He had such happiness,
There on his face

"You see all my life,
I've rode in a sleigh,
But Mrs. C gave me this,
A Red Cobra - today!"

"So I just want to say,
That you ran a great race,
And I'll be back tonight,
To stop at your place"

"A good boy you've been,
I've been watching, you see,
And I wanted to run,
The best challenger for me"

"So thanks for the run,
I had a great time,
And now I've must go
And get busy tonight!"

He waved his gloved hand,
As he drove out of sight,
"Merry Christmas to All,
And to all, a Good Night!"

I thought to myself
As he roared away,
"I hope that he brings,
A new THDP my way!"

Merry Christmas!