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Dear GOLO Member:

I hope your December is off to an amazing start as we prepare for the holidays and get ready to put 2009 to rest. It's been a tough year for many and the support that GOLO members have shown one another online and offline is a testament to the community you've created by being here. For that, we thank you and look forward to making many new memories in 2010.

Mark your calendars for our Live Chat

Are you or a loved one dealing with depression? Do you find yourself increasingly depressed and anxious during the holidays? If so, you won't want to miss our live chat with Dr. Lori Schweickert, medical director of 3-C Family Services in Cary. Dr. Schweickert will answer some of your questions and concerns about clinical depression during a one-hour live chat on Monday, December 7, 2009 at 1:00 p.m. [Set your reminder here.](#)

Beef Jerky for the troops

When GOLO member "Goldenlover" [shared a letter](#) from his son stationed in Afghanistan that included a plea for beef jerky, it created immediate cause for concern among members. After a serious beef jerky drive, the soldiers received a care package with 100 bags of beef jerky. to say they were grateful would be an understatement. See how they [thanked the community, here](#). Goldenlover's son is the gentleman on the far right. He tells us he's the "spittin' image of his daddy!" We applaud all who contributed to this very worthy cause.

Still Scared of Santa

We've resurrected the highly popular, [Scared of Santa](#) image gallery just in time for the holidays. If you weren't around last year you definitely want to have a look at the faces of some of the children whose parents insist on forcing them to sit with Santa. We're always looking for new photos to add, so if you have one that fits the bill, [send it to us](#) and we'll add it ASAP!

Meet, IrishIII"! The GOLO Profiles

It's one the most popular GOLO franchises launched to date and we just completed a new one, for your reading pleasure. GOLO member "IrishIII" reveals his most embarrassing moment in this [latest installment](#) of The GOLO Profiles, and surprises us

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all with the fact that he owns his own Christmas Tree farm in South Carolina. We are still hoping to hear about a discount for GOLO members!

Remember, if you'd like to contact us or have any suggestions for the newsletter; please send an e-mail to golo@wral.com.

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