

## Christmas Lu'au

Makaha Sons of Ni'ihau

'Twas the night before Christmas  
And all through the hale  
Was singing and dancing and ho'omalimali  
Papa in his malo and me in mu'umu'u  
Greeting 'aikane, pehea, mahalo

Sister gathered flowers for a lei  
Brother watched the imu all of the day  
Soon the music boys began to play  
Mele old and new of Hawai'i nei

The tables were loaded with plenty of kaukau  
'Opihi and salmon and steaming hot laulau  
We ate and talked stories until we were all pau  
It was really maika'i at our Christmas lu'au