TWAS THE NIGHT BEFORE when all through the house,
not a creature was not even a mouse.
The smoke alarms were hung on the ceiling just right in hopes that would test them tonight.
The children were nestled all snug in their beds, while visions of fire drills in their heads.
Before bed time they planned the fire escape route. They mapped it on and planned two ways out.

When out in the street there arose such a clatter. I sprang from the to see what was the matter.
I to the window and there I stayed, I tore open the and rolled up the shade.

When what to my wondering should I see?
Our family meeting place right by the tree and also some eating a snack.
But was eagerly calling them back.

“Now! Now, Now and Vixen!
On , on , on and Blitzen!”

And then I heard the creak of the door! I went down to investigate and find out more.
There stood! He didn’t move from his spot.
But said, “Forget about chimneys! That fire’s too hot!”

He gave me a wink and said, “Do not fear.” He tested our smoke alarms and waited to hear the infamous warning of “Beep, Beep, Beep.” My family arose but he said, “Go back to sleep.”

“This is only a test to make sure alarms work.” He wiggled his and turned with a jerk.
But I heard him as he drove out of sight,
“Test you smoke alarms and practice, your fire escape drill tonight!”

Happy Holidays!

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