

Mary Gauthier, Christmas In Paradise

(Mary Gauthier/Crit Harmon)

Davey stole a Christmas tree from K-Mart last night
red ribbons and silver bells, angels dressed in white
He tied, it to the bridge rail so passing cars would see
He danced a little dance up there, looked down and smiled at me

My bed is a lawn chair, cushions keep it soft
I sleep in the open air, under the Southern Cross
Next to the golf course by the Hyatt Hotel
Davey is a friend of mine and we get along pretty well

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Where the warm breeze blows so nice
And the landlord forgives

Snowbirds on the golf course wear Bermuda shorts and polo shirts
Some play pretty good some so bad it hurts
We pick up their golf balls that fly over the fence
Shine 'em up a little bit and sell 'em back for fifty cents

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I won't lie, we just get by but we'll be eating good tonight
Christmas dinner at 5 o'clock over at the Church of Life
They don't care who you are and they don't ask what you done
Come on down and bring a friend there's plenty for everyone

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The radio plays Christmas songs while we get high
Davey shouts Merry Christmas y'all
to the cars passing by
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