

## Initiations, Yule Programs, "Town Meeting" Set at Southfield

Initiations for Southfield High Varsity club started Wednesday, Dec. 7, and will continue through a dinner party on Saturday at 5:30 p.m. Formal initiation will take place following the dinner.

As part of their initiation, the boys will spend Saturday on special service project which includes cleaning up the school locker room and polishing up sports equipment.

All boys who have won their sports letter during the past year have been invited to join Varsity. New members include John Allen, Bob Zurla, David Hiltz, Bill Spence, Dave Krause, Robert Waldron, and Ron Myer.

Others are Fred Rankin, Robert Stevenson, Jerry Wilson, Robert Douglas, Clayton Smith, Lyman Baldwin, Ray Breslin, Russ Clark, Neil Mitchell, Louis Matthews, Lee Snyder, Harry Wilson, Doug Davis, and Ed Foster.

**MARINUS VANAMEYDE**, principal of Southfield high school spent three days in Grand Rapids last week attending meetings of Michigan Secondary School association, Michigan High School association and the annual State North Central association.

**SOUTHFIELD** school, Ten Mile and Berg road, will present a program of Christmas music on the evening of Dec. 20 for parents and students.

A choral group of 100 students of the seventh and eighth grades will sing under the direction of Louise Ward, music teacher, and the school band will present Christmas concert on Dec. 31 from 7:30 to 8 p.m.

**ATTENDING** the National Midwest Band conference in Chicago this week are Mr. and Mrs. James Burrows. The conference will offer special features for public school instrumental music directors.

"Junior Town Meeting" being transferred at assembly at Southfield high school today takes up the question, "Should our present method of electing a president be changed to direct election?"

Panellists will be allowed a 1 1/2 minute speech to present their views. Kay Koyal and Gary Evans will offer affirmative arguments, with Elaine Hunsicker and Margaret Gray on the negative side. Moderator will be Jim Garrett of radio station WJR.

Following an introduction to Southfield high school by principal VanAmeeyde, Karl Buttenmiller will speak on "Our present system of presidential election."

The panel members will then present their arguments followed by questioning of the audience over a voting mike.

The assembly will have a 30-second summation period to close the program.

The assembly will be broadcast on Dec. 31 from 7:30 to 8 p.m.

## School News



AS A HUGE Douglas fir tree is readied for planting on the Bloomfield Hills high school grounds, its donors from Kingswood and Cranbrook schools smile with pride. L. to R. are Al Buford, of Cranbrook, Delby Moore and Jocelyn Scofield, of Kingswood, Pete Bedford, Cranbrook, and Bloomfield Hills student council officers Barbara Woolson and Ed Danziger.

### Kingswood and Cranbrook Students Present Tree

As a gesture of goodwill, Kingswood and Cranbrook students Friday presented a 20-foot Douglas fir tree to students of the new Bloomfield Hills high school.

The magnificent evergreen was removed from the grounds of Cranbrook and replanted at its new location by Italian gardeners from the Institute.

Headmaster Harry Hays, Head Prefect Pete Bedford of Oakland, Calif., Prefect Al Buford of Birmingham, represented Cranbrook school at brief ceremonies as the tree was lowered into place to the left of the new high school's main entrance.

"MAY THIS tree grow to resemble the friendship of our schools," stated Bedford as he spoke on behalf of Cranbrook students.

"And," he continued, "may this tree also signify the growth of your school with its good standards in future years."

Representing Kingswood school were Headmistress Marion Good

and student council President Delby Moore, of Bloomfield Hills, and council Vice President Jocelyn Scofield, of Pleasant Ridge.

ACCEPTING the gift on behalf of Bloomfield Hills high school pupils were student council Vice President Barbara Woolson, of Bloomfield Hills, and council President Ed Danziger, of Bloomfield Hills.

In expressing their appreciation on behalf of the school, the student council officers stated their belief in the continuance of the cordial relations between the schools.

Eugene L. Johnson, superintendent of Bloomfield Hills schools, attended the presentation, along with his administrative assistant Irving Bennett.

ALSO ATTENDING were Eugene Swanson, of Swanson's architect, architects for the new school, and Edward H. Land, of Woods and Land, landscape architect.

Land stated the positioning of the tree was planned as part of the continuing program for landscaping the school grounds.

## Bloomfield High Debaters Win

Bloomfield Hills high school debate team won its first league debate against Troy high school last week.

The speakers representing Bloomfield on the affirmative were Bill McLaughry and Dick Bailey; members of the negative team were Mary Stacey and Arthur Plaxton. Both teams won their debates.

**ON FRIDAY**, Dec. 16, the band and choir will present a special Christmas concert to be held in the new gymnasium. Both popular and serious music will be featured by the mixed choir, girls' choir, the file, the band, and dance band.

Tickets are being sold by all cheer and band members at \$1 for cheer and \$2 for band members. The proceeds will be used to purchase the stage curtain, which will be presented for the first time this year.

**PHI SIGMA TAU** will present their annual Christmas formal "Mistletoe Magic" Thursday, Dec. 22. Chairman for the dance is Mary Lee Fuller.

### Troy High Schoolers Attend Conference On Engineering

Six potential engineers from Troy high school attended a conference of Engineering Society of Detroit headquarters Wednesday.

The purpose of the society's 21st annual vocational guidance conference was to assist high school students in selecting a career in the engineering profession.

Approximately 300 prominent Detroit engineers were on hand to advise and answer questions about various fields of engineering.

Traveling to Detroit for the meet were Ivan Belyan, and Charles Block of Troy; Ray Pahlke and Gordon Kirk, of Birmingham, and Ralph Darby and David Saunders of Royal Oak.

Completes Course  
Army 2nd Lt. David I. Hall, 22, son of Thomas M. Hall, Orchard Ridge road, Bloomfield Hills, recently completed the automotive maintenance and repair officer course at the Ordnance school, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md.

He is a member of Delta Tau Delta and former student at Cornell university. His wife, Virginia, is living in Detroit.

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