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## Birmingham - Bloomfield Hills Society News

By JOYCE KLARR  
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Last week Beethoven's birthday, now Christmas! Almost too exciting to bear, isn't it? Adding to the amusing confusion is Ralph W. Struck and daughter Paula are honoring bride elect Sue Polhemus today at a luncheon. Paula is home on vacation from the University of Michigan and her sister, Barbara, is enjoying a holiday from her studies at Michigan State.

Among the guests today are Beverly Ford, Jane Adams, Virginia Bachus, Kay Mahley, Judy Krump, Jane Moller, Nancy Belter, Nancy Olson, Carol Drinkhard, Mrs. Stanley Farrington and Mrs. Ronald Nightengale.

### 'Hi' X Nine

Nine collective welcomes are extended to Mr. and Mrs. Patricia G. Byrnes of Amherst who have moved here from Barrington, Ill. The tumult and shouting from the Byrnes' seven children (ages 3 to 15) hasn't quite died down yet, but Christmas is so with Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Adams headed the committee for a subscription dinner honoring new honorees Mr. and Mrs. Richard F. Hintermeister. Their Christmas wreath is now hanging above the doorway of their new home on Bracken Road in Bloomfield Hills.

### Diaper Diversion

Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Winston are organizing a Phillips Herber Reuben fan club (local chapter). They have recently returned from Geneva, Switzerland where they saw their new grandchild (the young man is in question) and visited with his parents, daughter and son-in-law, the Herbert S. Reubens formerly of Birmingham.

### A Busy Bugas

Janie Bugas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Bugas of Bloomfield Hills, will spend Christmas in Copenhagen, Denmark, with her roommate at Chateau Beau-Cedre (near Montreux, Switzerland). They will ski in Norway before returning to school.

### Whale of a Wassail

St. Dunstan's Guild of Cranbrook had its traditional caroling at Christ Church last week. Members gathered at the church where they sang the old Christmas songs and listened to the reading of the Christmas story by Harry Booth.

Sy Thingstad and Mrs. Glen Miller sang solos and then the group walked in the freezing night over to the pavilion where Win Kellogg and Oaten Thompson had prepared their own milk punch (smart Detroiters make it milk for punch). The gentlemen have their recipe on one found on page 73 of their favorite cook book and it starts out with something about double double toil and trouble.

Guests seen round the punch bowl included Mr. and Mrs. John Warner, Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sanders, Mr. and Mrs. Walt Selover, Mr. and Mrs. William Saunders, Mrs. Darrell Roberts, Mrs. Ernest Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Remington, Mr. and Mrs. David Raymond, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Porter and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry McMeahan. Others gathered around the Christmas tree were Mr. and Mrs. John Coppin, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Saunders, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Loud, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Booth, Mr. William Holmes, Mr. and Mrs.

Robert Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. David Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Finlay and Mrs. Charles Himelhoch, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Brewster, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Behr, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Darragh, Mrs. Marion Crocker and Mrs. Wesslau Wright.

### Doctors Do

Dr. and Mrs. P. T. Lahti held an open house last Saturday at their home on Tottenham.

Dr. and Mrs. Robert J. Mason of Overhill were hosts last Sunday from five on.

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Knecht will be serving egg nog on Christmas eve to their Grayling gang group.

### Bring the Kids

The Morgan Douglass Christmas Eve open house sounds like one of the nicest. They've invited friends to stop in with their children at the wonderful night.

I read somewhere about renewing the traditions of Christmas. Among the ideas was one which suggested that at the magic moment when the bells on their Christmas tree is imminent, someone should set playing a record of chimes and church bells, or cloistered monks intoning in Latin, or one of Mozart's rousing horn concertos.

I'm afraid even the horns wouldn't do at our house. They proved that possibly driven out the noise of little stampeding feet gaily tramping moon and dad underfoot in the drang nach saannenbaun.

And I love every moment of it, don't you? Merry Christmas.

### 'Father' Enlivens Players' Party

"Life With Father" by Howard Lindsay and Russel Crouse proved to be an excellent choice as a Christmas play for Birmingham Village Players Saturday evening.

Skilfully directed by John Hassberger, a well-chosen cast gave a performance as fresh and sparkling as though this long time favorite was just opening on Broadway. LeRoy Braisted produced the play for Village Players and the director was assisted by Jean Martz.

THE PLAY was presented at the Chestnut Street Playhouse for members only and was a feature of the club's 38th annual Christmas party. Elizabeth Boyce was in charge of the social committee that provided the Christmas Cheer for the afternoon following the performance.

The cast included Dorothy Blackwood, Dawley Eder, Howard Knorr, Robert Davis, Marc Parsons, Richard Bagg, Judy Tucker, LeRoy Braisted, Judith Ann Evans, Elizabeth Orr, Raymond Giffels and Donald Bay.

### Red Carpet Out

Following a Christmas party at Devon Gables Saturday evening, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Vogt of Pemberton Drive, Bloomfield Hills, rolled out the red carpet for fellow employees and their wives. Attending the party were the Robert H. Haslam's the William Harris, the Ralph Stepanakis and the Grant Baileys.



### Honored Guest

Mr. Edward S. Wellock (right) of Kirkway drive, Bloomfield Hills, chats with her new sister-in-law, Mrs. John Wellock of Harbor Beach, at a tea last week in her honor. Over 200 guests arrived to meet the new Mrs. Wellock. Pouring at the tea table were Mesdames H. D. Scarney, Louisa Goad, Lawrence Howe, Leslie H. Green and Russell Welch.

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