

## Midvale Brownie Troops To Give Yule Program

The Midvale School Brownie Troops 344 and 348 will present a Christmas program at the Villa Franciska on Dec. 14 at 4 p.m. The girls will sing Christmas carols with the theme of "Around the Brownie will present her leis to a

Villa resident, placing it about her shoulders in the Hawaiian fashion and wish her a Happy Christmas.

**GLASS JARS** filled with wrapped candies have been decorated with pine cones and ribbons and will be presented to the ladies.

Members of troop 344 are Diane Brown, Peggy Carroll, Judy Drummond, Sherry Farham, Joan Frederick, Nancy Fry, Marie Hoeking, Kandise Rogers, Jane Shreeves and Sylvia Smart.

Members of troop 348 include Lucy Bates, Clare Bosworth, Cassandra Clemmons, Barbara Eberhart, Lee Eiler, Betsy Hauger, Ann Harvey, Lynn Hilkene, Joy Kelley, Lynn King, Jan Livingston, Jeanne Minnall and Susanne Simpson.

**BOTH TROOPS** will gather for supper following their trip to the Villa.

## Helpful Tips on Family Style Gift Wrapping

Excitement and mounting intrigue is the order of the season as Christmas Day draws near.

The whole family is in hubbub of activity planning the details that go into making Christmas the merriest holiday of the whole year. Fourth activity seems to reach its peak a few days before the arrival of St. Nick.

It seems all that remains is the sometimes staggering task of wrapping all these carefully selected gifts. Gifts, that when rescued from their hiding places and assembled in one spot, can sometimes challenge the ability of the most ardent package wrapper.

**THE "ARDENT" package wrapper** in most families turns out to be the Jacqueline of all trades. Mother. If Mother is smart this year she'll act as director of "Operation Gift Wrap" and recruit everyone in the family to lend a hand.

She'll take a tip or two from the real pros at Deminson and start off by choosing an area large enough to accommodate the packages, gift wrapping materials and the busy wrappers themselves.

**SET UP** several cardtables or work at one big table, but allow enough elbow room for everyone. If "Operation Gift Wrap" occupies

a quiet corner of the playroom, accidents are interrupted and reassembled later on without having to put anything away.

When wrapping individual gifts try to suit the choice of paper to the size of the gift. A small bottle of perfume wrapped in a large pinetree printed paper will not keep in mind, too, the receiver of the gift. Gentle Aunt May would much prefer a subdued angel motif to a rather boisterous Santa.

**ADD** a special background note to gifts by lining the box with attractive Star-Glo tissue paper. Fold two sheets of tissue through the center, fit one into the box and the other across it, extending the ends. Crush tissue lengthwise and place around an object to keep it from shifting in its box.

Estimate the amount of paper needed, allowing a 1/4" overlap on back side of the box for a rectangular shape package. The paper should extend over both ends a little more than half the depth of the box. Bring paper around and fasten on back. Secure ends by folding into top flaps first, bring side flaps toward the center and fold the bottom flap up.

**FOR** a cylindrical shaped pack-

age, trace the ends on the paper and cut out two circles. Cut a piece two inches longer than the gift to allow overlap at the top and bottom. Wrap paper around and secure. Fold down overlaps at ends, paste on edges of the circle and attach to top and bottom.

**SELECT** ribbons with the same care as the paper. Pick a predominant color in the paper and carry it out in ribbon choice. The same advice holds for ribbon as paper: small gifts, small bows and large gifts with correspondingly sized bows. Don't let the bow interfere with pattern. Bows can be off center, on top or around the edge of a package.

Among the local women attending were Mrs. Akroyd, Mrs. John E. Hauser, Mrs. George Olmstead and Mrs. Don A. Young.

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through the season at the Women's City Club.

Bright and early Sunday, the Flower and Garden Committee will arrive to put up decorations all over the clubhouse in the theme "We Wish You a Merry Christmas." Mrs. William Boustead and Mrs. William Keast, co-chairmen of the group, have been meeting for weeks with their fellow workers to plan something special for every room.

**THE SOCIAL** Affairs committee headed by Mrs. Frederick Weyher, will give the traditional Christmas tea on Wednesday from 2:30 until 5 p.m.

Mrs. Max E. Faulkner, tea chairman, has asked present and past presidents to alternate at the tea table, while board members and the social affairs committee will be hostesses.

A color and sound film showing masterpieces of art entitled "The Coming of Christ" will follow the Mother-Daughter luncheon, Dec. 7. Mrs. Carl Zuber of Bloomfield Hills is art committee chairman for the year.

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