



Birthday Party Tops Busy Holiday Season

LATHRUP — Topping off the holiday season, with a breather between, is the party planned by young Miss Sara Baughman who will be seven on Saturday and will have 20 little boys and girls in to help celebrate—ice cream and cake, of course.

Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Baughman, Jr. of Meadowood report that the family is quite happy and excited about the arrival of a wee new niece, born to Mr. and Mrs. George Volla—who have often guested at meetings of the Lathrup Village Dance Club.

And with mixed feelings, Mrs. Baughman also reports that the family Yule survived son David's attack of mumps which made his appearance Christmas morning.

Some 12 friends and neighbors took a brief respite from holiday activity when they headed for the home of Mrs. Joseph A. Arena, Jr. for a Yule coffee. The event was an afternoon affair.

Holiday time at the Edward Thurlers began with a Christmas party hosted by son Bill, a law student at Wayne State University. Some 20 of his friends—the boys all have been pals since their first days in school—gathered to try out the Twist.

On New Year's Day, the Thurlers entertained at cocktails with Ward's speciality, Fish House Punch, taking a starring role. Forty-six friends and neighbors pronounced the food "delicious." Incidentally, Bill's twin brother, Chuck sent word home from France that he was soon to begin a 14-day holiday touring Europe. Took

Local Residents Return From Florida Holiday

CRANBROOK VILLAGE — A trip to Fort Lauderdale, Fla. was the holiday fare of the G. F. Binders who spent a pleasant Yule season in the deep south. Returning near year's end, after a two-week stay, they found chill breezes—not much of a switch as they had left anything but balmy weather behind them.

With Bill, 13, Debbie, 10, and Cindy, 7, the Binders made the trip by plane—first time they ever started had flown to Florida—and spent their Christmas Day by spending it with Dr. and Mrs. Boyd and Scentine and their family who holidayed at Pompano Beach.

The Secantines also spent two weeks in Florida, flying down with their two children, Pam, 7, and Dawn, 4. They headquartered at Jack Valentine's on the Beach and were hosts to the Bender family at a barbecue. The two couples also spent several evenings together seeing the nights.

Mr. and Mrs. Karl Schmidt of Autumn Lane enjoyed a visit from their daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. John Toomey, who arrived a week before Christmas. The recently married young couple managed to squeeze in a trip to Bay Village, Ohio, to visit his parents and enroute home side tracked to Fenton to visit John's grandmother.

The Lloyd Gahlers turned the clock around and held their New Year's Eve party a night in advance with seven guests at their home to share the fun.

Just to reinforce the switch, they entertained the evening before that at a dinner party. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Koskinen and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Frick and daughter, Martha, of Watkins Lake. The Koskinens, by the way, were celebrating their 21st wedding anniversary.

Christmas breakfast was another Yule event at the Gahlers with 15 relatives arriving in time for coffee and such.

The George Couvys entertained New Year's Eve with dance and fun and a late buffet for some 28 guests. To add to the festivities, all present tried their skill at the Twist.

Another family, the Rosco Johnsons, on Autumn Lane, feted the New Year with a party-hosted by sons, George, 16, and Jim, 20, both University of Michigan students. Twenty-six of the boys' friends were present and enjoyed a late buffet supper. George is a freshman and Jim a junior at the university.

Arriving just ahead of one foot of snow, the Roger Tyslans drove to Chicago to visit relatives during the recent holidays. Daughters Gwen and Laurie enjoyed the Christmas-card weather and the white stuff conveniently evaporated before the family headed home after a five-day stay.

Mr. and Mrs. John C. Lynch visited relatives at Westersfield, Conn. for a week during the holidays, returning just in time for a "do" of their own. The couple

some saving of leave time from his service stint, but well worth it.

Friends and neighbors of Mrs. William Schulte enjoyed a get-together on Dec. 21, all in the Christmas spirit. The 12 women met for an afternoon coffee at the Schulte home on Somerset—and a welcome respite from the hectic holiday rush.

The Gerald Beyers were co-hosts of the New Year's even party at the home of the Robert Ritches, former Lathrup residents, who now reside in Bloomfield Hills. Among the 36 guests were a number of local residents who enjoyed the fun and late buffet.

Highlight was the entertainment provided by Mrs. Daniel Keck who wrote and produced several skits to harmonize with the western theme. Many of those present chose western costume for a comfortable and festive evening.

The John L. Pedersons returned to their Bungalow Drive home on New Year's Eve after a gala 10 days in San Antonio, Tex. where they visited Mrs. Pederson's sister, Mrs. Wylie Dallas, and her family. To add filip to their visit, Mrs. Pederson's daughter, Mrs. George Gibb, her husband and children were in the city as well as Mrs. Pederson's mother.

Lathrup Players will meet tonight at 8 in the basement of the Nelson Realty Co. at Southfield and 10 Mile Roads. Word is that those who have made a New Year's resolution to get into community activities might find this an interesting and entertaining means of keeping said resolution.

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Mrs. Leo Schmidt had her usual busy Yuletide with each of her 21 grandchildren visiting her with one special exception—the first and smallest, little Eric Schmidt, born Dec. 15 to Mrs. Schmidt's son, Robert.

To add to the fun Mrs. Schmidt's daughter and her husband and their five children visited for ten days.

Mrs. Cecelia Wolfe, Mrs. Schmidt's sister, is by now enjoying the climate at Orlando, Fla. She left shortly after Christmas.

Issue

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Council meetings, inherent with a piecemeal approach.

ENTHUSIASM FOR the sewer plan was re-generated Monday night when resident Harry Rotter's produced a preliminary petition signed by 25 residents of the McKinley Franklin Village Farms area. Rotter's reported he approached 25 of his neighbors for a "strong vote" during the holiday and got unanimous agreement. Circulated in an area almost totally new housing, the petition was signed despite Rotter's estimated costs of \$2,345 per lot for the sewer.

With Village President Calvert Tishon absent Monday, the council took no formal action on the matter.

IT ALSO DEFERRED formal acceptance of the resignation of Councilman Eugene Kelly which becomes effective Jan. 31. Kelly has been transferred to an overseas division of G.M. He was appointed to replace William Worcesters over a year ago and was elected to the council last March. He has served as road advisor with colleague William Kahn.

Icy Weather Sparks Dual Lathrup Event: Bonfire, Ice Skating

LATHRUP — Last week's icy weather may have given the city a few headaches but its outcome, in at least one respect, will bring hearty cheers from local young people.

Announcement of the city's annual Christmas tree bonfire to this Friday evening at 8 p.m. means that ice skaters will enjoy a spectacular heating arrangement as the Police Youth Recreation Department stages a skating party to coincide with the blaze bonfire.

The bonfire was postponed when DPW squads delayed the annual tree pickup and turned their attention to sanding and clearing city streets. Pickup was held over until this week.

The trees will be burned at Rainbow Drive and Southfield Road.

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The Rose Petal on the Cup

ACCORDING to ancient custom, it was a mark of unusual hospitality for a hostess to fill a cup of broth to the brim, and then as an added gesture place a rose petal on the brimming surface. The rose petal was definitely a token of good will. It made the beverage no richer in taste; it signified no greater quantity. It was merely an indication that the person who furnished it wanted to do everything possible to make her offering as pleasing as possible to the one who received it.

Times have changed. Few of us put rose petals on cups any more. But in the business world we do many things that take their place. Unfortunately the word which describes the rose petals of today has been worn threadbare and meaningless. "Service" is trite in name, but not in action.

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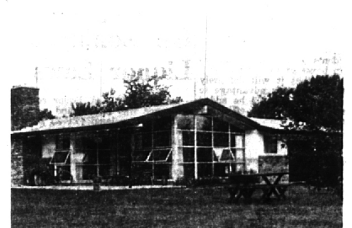
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