

Year's End Spiced By Festivity And Romance



DUMFOUNDED! HONOREE MRS. HANK HOGAN, JR., WITH MR. HOGAN



Eccentric Photos by Bill Thom

Surprise! Everybody in the Act

Although there's seldom a slack in our local social scene, year's end is traditionally a signal for the pace to accelerate. Parties—not exactly cheaper by the dozen but adding up, numerically, to way beyond that fat, round figure—keep everyone incessantly house-hopping or convening at “the club” for brunches, teas or dinners. A constant state of

flux exists sartorially, with quick-change artists way out ahead when it comes to switching from ski clothes, to dinner jackets, to what's proper for engagement announcements or church weddings—apropos of which, might as well be June-in-January when it comes to bridal news. Today's page reflects, in part, the kind of activities which kept Birmingham-Bloomfield involved during the last days of 1963. One of the most typically festive events was the surprise birthday party and dinner dance given by Henry M. Hogan, Jr., for his wife Barbara. It took place in the ballroom of their home on Dunstan Drive, Bloomfield Hills, with 75 guests present. Among them were (from left) Mrs. Richard

Moran, Mrs. David Tennent, Mrs. Jack Hayward, Bill Downey, Mrs. Walt Denison, Mrs. Ward Ouradnik, David Breck, Dr. Jack Maddox, Mrs. William Baldwin, Mrs. Eugene Swan, Paul Averill (father of the birthday girl), Mrs. Jim Hubbard, Mrs. Averill, Don Parsons, Eugene Swan, William Baldwin and Ed Emery.

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MRS. LIPE

Miss Thomas Speaks Vows In Nashville

Dr. and Mrs. G. Ernest Thomas are back in their home on Puritan Road, Birmingham, following a trip to Nashville, Tenn., for the marriage there on Dec. 23 of their daughter, Carol Ann, to J. Steele Lipe, son of Dr. and Mrs. J. T. Lipe of LaJolla, Calif.

Dr. Thomas, pastor of Birmingham's First Methodist Church, played a dual role in the ceremony which united the two young people: He not only gave his daughter away, but performed the marriage rites which were solemnized in the West End Methodist Church, Nashville.

Carol Ann, who wore a bridal gown of white satin embroidered in tiny pearls, was attended by her sister, Mrs. W. L. Jacoby of Columbus, O., and Ann Swint and (See THOMAS, 2-C)

Suburban Scene

Calendar for '64 Beginning to Spark

By MARY ELLEN MEAD

Crystal Ball Gazing

Status quo on the society front for '64 doesn't deviate a jot until annual meetings are called to order early in the spring. At this point, executive boards present new agendas for memberships to thumbs-up-or-down, and from then on it's GO—all the way.

In the meantime, there've been rumors that:

The Village Woman's Club, having reached its goal capacity-wise months ago, MAY open its membership to that long, long waiting list come spring . . .

That the Junior League will replace its annual Tent Dance in June with something much more exciting and blue-jeanish . . .

That AAUW is thinking in terms of February, rather than April, for its huge benefit fashion show . . .

That we've seen the last of the Carousel Balls for a time . . . something new is on the fire . . .

Likewise with a theater benefit for the Republican Party of Oakland County . . . a different approach is brewing . . .

Just the Facts, Ma'am

Tossing rumors aside for '64, the facts are . . .

That members of Junior Symphony, with their older sisters in the Women's Association, are about to initiate a “first” . . . it'll be joint attendance at an open rehearsal Wednesday, Feb. 19, in Ford Auditorium . . . a chance to meet and chat with new symphony conductor, Sixten Ehrling . . . the morning to be climaxed by a sandwich luncheon in the Social Room . . .

That (still with the Symphony) Publicity Man Jim Hicks has a new job (Birmingham may be seeing more of him) . . . with Ken Drake and Associates filling his shoes in the symphony office . . .

That, according to members, Mrs. Jean C. Turnage, new manager at the Village Woman's club, is doing “a whale of a job” . . .

That dynamic Margaret (Mrs. Sidney) Smith is coming to the end of her two-year term as president of the Junior League and that, from where we sit, she's done a whale of a job, too . . .

That AAUW is anticipating a talk in March by S. L. A. Marshall, “If Not War, Then What?” . . . with the added dividend of an introduction by Ruth Shain . . .

And that Mrs. Shain, who toted dozens of pictures back from her recent European junket, will show same at the Community House Jan. 5 and 29 at 9:30 a.m. . . . program, as always, open to the public . . .

Pamela Marie Rollins Engaged



MISS ROLLINS

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Hicks Rollins, of Shirsley Drive, Birmingham, are among local parents who announced their daughter's engagement during the holidays.

Pamela Marie is wearing James Henderson Winborn's ring, date of their wedding to be announced later. Jim is the son of Mrs. Edwin H. Olson of Rochester and the late Mr. Winborn.

Pamela was graduated from the Leelanau Schools and is presently a senior at Hillsdale College, affiliated with Pi Beta Phi Sorority.

Her fiancé attended Cranbrook, served four years in the United States Navy and is now attending Pontiac Business Institute.

Pam will return to school Jan. 5, at which time her brother Fred, also home for the holidays, will go back to Albion, where he's a sophomore.

In the meantime, Mr. and Mrs. Rollins are in the throes of making mid-winter vacation plans—seems to be a toss-up between Litchfield, Ariz., where they've gone for 20 consecutive years, or Water Island, near St. Thomas.



Bridal Pair En Route to West Coast

Following their marriage Saturday in the First Presbyterian Church of Birmingham, Mr. and Mrs. George Leonard Knutson left for Palo Alto, Calif., where they will make their home. The bride, formerly Nancy Doherty, is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Doherty of Birmingham, and her

husband's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Knutson of Dearborn. Wedding attendants included the bride's two sisters, Mary Kate and Mrs. Robert Isaacson; Dick Rix, best man, and ushers Paul Van Overen and Mr. Isaacson.



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Informal Interlude at a Deb Party

Mrs. Eversall Fisher, daughter Susan and Mr. Fisher of Bloomfield Hills took time out for small talk before the receiving line formed for Susan's debutante ball Dec. 19 at

the Little Club in Grosse Pointe. Birmingham's only deb of the season is about to return to classes at Barat College in Lake Forest, Ill.