

Surprise Party Almost Didn't; He Was at a Downtown Sauna

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When Jack Perlmutter turned 40 Friday night, a group of friends joined forces to throw an impromptu surprise party for him.

The surprise was almost on them, though, for Jack had decided to stay downtown and treat himself to a sauna. A frantic call from wife Gloria summoned the birthday boy home, a little suspicious, but still not quite prepared for the onslaught of 30 guests.

He proved that he'd reached the age where life begins by dancing with each and every lady present.

BY DEC. 24, when Mary Cuk becomes the bride of Willard Valpey, she should be completely turned out in linens, kitchenware and trousseau if her female friends have anything to do with it.

Friday, Nov. 20, her former Highland dancing teacher, Mrs. Robert Simpson of Bloomfield Hills, invited Mary's fellow students and their mothers to shower her miscegenation.

Last Sunday, Mary's girl friends from high school and college gathered at Chris Shul's home in Birmingham to give her a personal shower. Assisting Chris as hostesses were Jerri Green and Tina Kasten of Franklin. Chris and Jerri will be bridesmaids.

Tonight it's a linen shower at Mrs. George Huffman's Meadow Lake home. Mrs. Huffman and Mrs. Thomas Pritchard, long-time friends of Mary's mother, have invited friends who have watched Mary grow up for a kitchen shower at Mrs. Nichols' home in Beverly.

BACK FROM a 10-day vacation at Ft. Gaines, Ga., is the Alvin

Folger family. They combined a family homecoming for Thanksgiving with a long-awaited golf hunting excursion for their boys.

Revisiting Franklin last week end after moving to Princeton, Mass., three years ago were Chuck and Jane Hall. They tried to see as many old friends as possible but found their overnight visit simply too short.

Fred Hudson's mother, the senior Mrs. Fred L. Hudson, visited here from Syracuse for the holiday.

MRS. JACK Skeel's brother, Bruce Zellmer, and his wife and three children were visiting from Grand Rapids for the week end.

Bob Kerr's mother, Mrs. Robert E. Kerr of New York City, or Cecil 1 as she is fondly called, was a holiday guest in the Kerrs' brand new home.

Saturday night the Kerrs honored her at a party for some of her old friends in the area. Mrs. Kerr's parents, the Thomas Padlocks of Grose Pointe, were hosts for the whole family for Thanksgiving dinner.

GUESTS OF the Ken Baileys for the week end were Ken's brother-in-law and sister, the Don Wernigs of Chicago. Iva, who generally entertains her family of 43 for Thanksgiving dinner, had the guest list dwindled to zero by illness.

An invitation was quickly dispatched next door to the George Howard family, and the eight members of the two families enjoyed their dinner together.

Away for the long Thanksgiving week end were the Robert Winkels of River Drive. They motored to Channah, Ill., for Bob's parents' 50th wedding anniversary.

Dr. and Mrs. D. H. Frytger of N. Cromwell spent the week end visiting parents in Rockford, Ill.

SINCE HER parents live in the Philippines, the Dan Courtneys' niece, Jan McBride, spends her vacations in Franklin at the Courtneys' River Drive home. Jan is a student at Lawrence College in Appleton, Wis. The Courtneys' son, Bob, U of M senior, joined her for the turkey feast as did Mrs. Courtney's 92-year-old aunt, Mrs. John Boyd of Albion.

The Franklin Garden Club meets tonight at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Raugh, 345 Hawthorne. The program will be a Christmas musical featuring duets and solos on piano and organ.

Performing will be Mrs. Donald Hogue, Mrs. Raugh with her mother, Mrs. Millie Morford, and Mr. Win Hinman with a popular melody. Guests are reminded to bring Christmas decorations which will complete for prizes.

THE FRANKLIN Community Association ski and skate sale last Saturday was the biggest yet. Sales of \$877 exceeded last year's by over \$200.

Profits to the community association were negligible, however, as the sale is operated primarily for the service. George Spindler, the chairman, cites wonderful help by his cochairman, Hudson Scheffel, and committee as making the operation so smooth.

Next year they hope to add a coffee and snack sale. Anyone wishing to pick up their unpaid items may do so at George Spindler's home on Ramble Road for the next week. After that all remaining items will be donated to the Pontiac State Hospital.

Sunday Fritz Geib and Chuck Yearn are going up to Gaylord to get the ski for to Mt. Franklin. It should be in operation by Christmas vacation.

WELCOME TO three new Franklin families.

On Franklin Road next to Golf-dale are the Edward Cranes. Edward and his wife, Betty, have four children, Linda, 12, in the seventh grade at Beavertree; Eddie, 9, in the fourth at Franklin; Kevin, 3; and Brian, 1.

The Cranes' home was in Cranbrook Village and they had an interior design studio in Birmingham. They are converting their house to combine a studio and residence.

Edward has an art degree from Parsons School of Design in New York which he attended on a scholarship.

Although the family is completely involved in remodeling now, they are camping enthusiasts when they have the time. Betty and Linda also enjoy horseback riding.

H. L. Casselman and his wife Ella have moved to S. Greenbriar from Whitehall, Mich. Mr. Casselman is with Ford Engineering. They have three daughters, two seventh grade at Beavertree; Eddie, 9, in the fourth at Franklin; Kevin, 3; and Brian, 1.

Richard and Ceil Sucher have moved into their new house on Franklin Park Drive from Detroit. Mr. Sucher is with Tulsa Oil.

They have four young children: Kirsten, 5, in kindergarten at Franklin; Karey, 3; Eddie, 2; and Erika, 10 months. Both the Suchers ski and Richard is also an amateur pilot and radio ham operator.

The crows' nest on their house

Women's Club Planning For Holly Ball Dec. 12

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This year's Holly Ball is scheduled for Dec. 12 in the Armenian Cultural Building on Northwestern in Southfield. The advent of the annual charity dinner dance is sending members of the Lathrup Women's Club about the city for ball gowns for the gala affair.

Mrs. J. T. Canan is general chairman. She is assisted by co-chairmen, Mrs. Harry Simpson and Mrs. Emil Ploch.

is his retreat. He uses the 15-foot-square room with a fireplace to pursue his radio hobby and just to get off by himself.

Mrs. Canan announced that in addition to the usual abundance of prizes, the piece de resistance will be a ribbon knit sweater with mink collar donated by Alexander Furs of Maple Road, Birmingham.

PROCEEDS from the event will be donated to the Southfield Goodfellow's, Jessie Davenport Scholarship Fund, Michigan League For Crippled Children, Inc., O. C. Federation of Women's Clubs Nurses Scholarship, Local Girl Scouts, Michigan Cancer Foundation—Loan Closet, Goodwill Industry, United Foundation and geriatrics at Pontiac Hospital.

Other groups that will benefit are Girls Town, Southfield Junior Symphony, Lathrup Recreation, Children's Hospital of Michigan (playroom furniture), W. D. Fryfole Medical Research Lab and the Conservation Training School.

The next meeting of the Lathrup Village Women's Club will be on Monday at the Community Congregational Church in the Fellowship Hall. It will be a Christmas tea beginning at 1 p.m. The Southfield High School chorus, under the direction of Mr. Vincent Kochenderfer, will entertain.

MR. AND MRS. Lee Stacey of Lathrup Blvd. will open their home on Friday for a cocktail

party preceding the Village Dance Club Christmas dance. About 30 are expected to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Canan of Sunset Blvd., Lathrup Village, welcomed Mr. and Mrs. Norman C. Platz of Toledo as their week end house guests over the Thanksgiving holiday. Mr. and Mrs. Platz enjoyed visiting with their godchild, Tommy Canan, 4.

At a recent meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Powers on Spring River Drive, a new Cranbrook Village Home-owners Association (for Sub. No. 6) was formed. At this meeting Larry MacLean and Terri Jarvis, both of Spring River Drive,

were elected to the board of directors. Election of officers will take place at the next meeting.

JUDY REBITZ, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Rebitz of Autumn Lane, Cranbrook Village, will become the bride of Norbet Len on Jan. 23. Mr. Norbet is the son of Mrs. Clare Len and the late Mr. Len.

Recent parties given by Judy's honor was one given by her aunt, Mrs. Helen Niles of Dearborn. The combined personal and miscellaneous shower for 40 guests took place at the Pompeii restaurant.

Two hundred guests showered Judy with miscellaneous gifts at a dinner given in Bay City on Nov. 12. It was given by Mrs. Len and daughter Marsha.

Another aunt of the bride-to-be, Mrs. Lawrence Werner of Taylor, Mich., gave a shower and smorgasbord dinner on Nov. 22. Forty guests attended.

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