

Pleased As Punch

NO OTHER TIME of the year brings with it as complete a return to tradition as the observance of the Christmas Season. What is more traditional than the punch bowl, an age-old symbol of hospitality and good cheer? Punch is equally at home at an informal "open house" . . . at a more formal "reception" . . . for an after church, theatre or Christmas Caroling get-together.

Punch can be spirited without spirits. Tea is the magic ingredient. It gives body to the punch without masking the flavors of the other ingredients. More than a treat to your taste, it will be a treat to your pocket.

A festive touch are cinnamon sticks for muddlers in the punch cups (additional flavor).

- ### HOLIDAY PUNCH
- (makes about 4 quarts)
- 1 quart boiling water
 - 1/2 cup loose tea (15 teasels)
 - 1 teaspoon whole cloves
 - 1 6-ounce can lemonade
 - 2 cups cranberry juice
 - 1 can (20 ounces) crushed pineapple
 - 2 cups orange juice
 - sugar to taste
 - lemon slices with cloves in cinnamon sticks (optional)
- Four boiling water over tea and cloves. Brew 4 minutes. Stir and strain. Add remaining ingredients except lemon slices and cinnamon sticks. Pour into pre-heated bowl. Garnish with clove-studded lemon slices.

New "Staffer" At YMCA



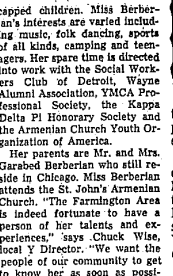
Rose Berberian, Chairman of the Farmington Area YMCA, is announcing the appointment of the first staff member for the local YMCA. "This is a big step for our 'Y' and we are all very happy about it," said Mr. Williams.

The new Program Director is Miss Rose Berberian of Chicago and her duties will involve all phases of youth work with particular emphasis in the area of family program development.

A graduate of George Williams College in Chicago, Miss Berberian received her Bachelor of Science Degree in 1961 in Group Work Education. Her formal education was then continued at Wayne State University with a masters Degree in Counseling completed in 1964. Her YMCA certification was completed in 1963.

Her past experiences have led her to Washington as a delegate to the White House Conference on Children and Youth. She has worked at the famed Hull House and the Young Men's Jewish Council. She has recently completed three years of work as Associate Youth Director at the Northeastern Branch of the Detroit YMCA. There she directed several camping programs and activities dealing with handicapped children.

To Women It May Concern



Can't imagine who was tending the store or keeping the home fires burning, all available woman power was attending either a garden club show, a bazaar, or the opening of a Flea Market this Saturday.

Some ladies may have stayed at home because they or their children were running high fevers; some may have been entertaining 25 for dinner and had a few things to do; some may have had another commitment, like a wedding to attend; but I doubt if one "lady type" shopper stayed home because of the ice, sleet and snow. Weather . . . what's that compared to the enchantment of a Garden Club show?

Hattie Van Lier of Livonia Branch invited me to the Northville "Christmas Frosting," where 13 Branches had their sale. She suggested 9 a.m., so pictures would be easy to take. Being 20 minutes late allowed about a thousand ladies to get there first—no exaggeration.

But it was all in good spirit—all booths got their share of business and as usual, there was one "hot" item. This year it was a cardboard snow man about 18 inches high just covered with glistening cut plastic, topped with a high red cardboard hat—black button eyes and a gay mouth; he was fat, sassy, and completely sold out by 9:15. The show opened at 9:30, but a few came early . . . like 7:00.

Everything seemed to go smoothly—no riots, or tramping. There was some confusion, however, when a lady put her parcels in what she thought was her car (two of the "hot" items, too) and discovered there were two cars alike and she chose the wrong one. By now, I presume that it's all straightened out, but it gave the chairman about 15 minutes on the microphone discussing it.

Something new was tried by French's Florists of Livonia this year. On Saturday and Sunday the Frenchs and their staff held a Christmas Fantasy Open House at Suburban Chop House. The entire banquet room was filled with beautiful and unusual centerpieces. Guests were greeted with the sight of a revolving fairland circulating tree of sparkly white. Designers from French's hoped the displays would inspire their customers and friends in the many uses of both real and artificial greenery, candles, with new and last year's containers.

For instance, you know the long-stemmed, rather large-type goblet, or vase. This Christmas, turn it upside down, put Christmas balls in the bowl, wrap the stem with greens or sparkles, and put candle on the base, surrounded with more greens or holly. Well, it was elegant when they did it over and at French's.

Another unique spot, particularly for taking the kids (although the kid in all of us will make it fun), is over to the Northville American Legion Building in Northville. Northville Chamber has invited their neighboring communities to visit their Santa and see the elves at their jobs making Christmas. It's worth the few miles drive to see the lovely, detailed workshop and the colorful elves at work. Besides, Northville is a friendly, happy place to visit. And as my friend Marger Miller, Vice President of Sorority, says "It'll just melt you."

If that doesn't melt you, a plan of Major Agres' will. He and his wife are Livonians and are in the Salvation Army—both active. The Mr. was telling me about a plan they will use their funds for this holiday season. The Salvation Army makes a selection of toys, takes them to Jackson Prison, and allows the fathers in the prison to pick out what they would like to send to their children (12 and under).

Then, Major Agres says, the Salvation Army wraps and mails the gift, with a card, signed by the father in prison, to his child or children. There is no Salvation Army sticker or stamp on the gift anywhere. It is from the Dad to his children.

This is the second year—and over 700 fathers responded to the gift ideas. The first year Major Agres said there weren't as many. They were suspicious of the plan and thought they were being "conned." However, the prisoners that took advantage of it received notes from their kids telling how they liked what their Dad picked out. Pleased, they talked about it to other prisoners, and now it is a highlight of the season for the prisoners.

Many of the Salvation Army deeds go unheralded, but this is one Army that never seems to stop marching forward.



Sylvia Gayle Coon

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Coon of Redford Township announce the engagement of their daughter, Sylvia Gayle, to James William Burns. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James W. Burns of Memphis, Michigan. A December wedding is planned. Sylvia, a 1960 graduate of Thurston High School, received a B.S. degree in Child Development and Teaching from Michigan State University in 1964. She is affiliated with Alpha Delta Pi. The prospective bridegroom holds a bachelor's and master's from Michigan State University.

Girl Scouts At Cooper Active

The Girl Scouts in the Hayes School area met with their parents Nov. 2, for an Inter-Troop meeting.

At this meeting the Cadettes of Troop No. 2255, under the leadership of Mrs. J. Pennington explained the Girl Scout program. Either singly or in groups of two or three they explained how a particular badge they have had been earned.

Needless to say that the Junior Troops under Mrs. Heater and Mrs. Wilcox are all enthused about the fun you can have in scouting.

The leaders of these troops seeing the favorable response to this affair decided to have a meeting at which all the leaders and the following co-leaders were present:

Mrs. Hickey, Mrs. Dunstan, Mrs. Broome and Mrs. Crunkshank. At this meeting an inter-troop Christmas party was planned for Dec. 21 at the Hayes School.

The leaders hope to have song books made up for the girls for this occasion. Each troop will put on a planned rehearsed number for the entertainment.

Mrs. Hickey is on a three month leave of absence and in the meantime Mrs. C. Wilkins is our neighborhood chairman. If you don't get me your news I can't put in, call Mrs. J. Pennington at GA 14677.

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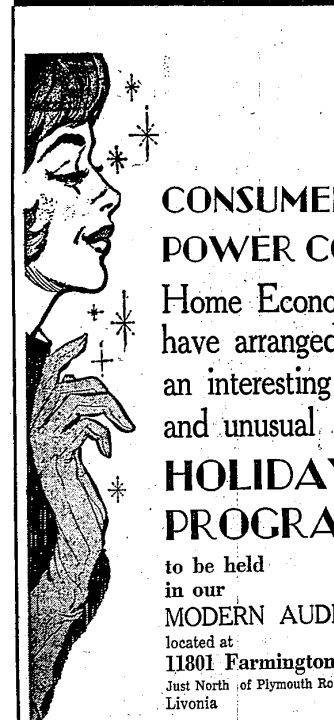
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Delta Gammmas To Sample Desserts

"Dessert Tasting" is on the agenda for the Monday, Dec. 14 meeting of the Farmington Alumnae Association of Delta Gamma, at the home of Mrs. William Gravius, 31805 Coronet, Farmington, at 8 p.m.

Each Delta Gamma is to bring a sample of her favorite dessert and the recipe so that she may share her secret with other interested members. This is the first time that the Delta Gammamas have tried this sort of meeting and it promises to be full of fun and calories.

The little nightgowns that were made for the blind retarded children at the Plymouth State Home during the last month will be gathered in order that they may be taken to the Home before Christmas. We hope that every Delta Gamma in Livonia, Plymouth, Novi and Northville will join us at the meeting in Farmington this month.

Ford Wives Meet Dec. 15

The Ford Wives Club will hold their monthly meeting Tuesday, Dec. 15 at 7:45 p.m. at the Ford Central Office Building.

After the meeting the evening's entertainment will begin with a mixture of fun fashions by Mark Twain and "International Rhythms" by various dance studios.

All Ford Wives are invited to attend the meeting.

Admission To Bridge Is Article For Kids

Admission to the monthly bridge games in Compton Village is an article of clothing or a toy for the children at the Plymouth State Home and Training School.

Providing these articles is the goal of the Women of Compton Village and they have hit upon this method to obtain them.

William Boyd, Community Relations Director for the Home, has expressed the Home's appreciation for the project.

The last bridge, at the home of Mary Ann Roosen, was attended by a dozen women. The next scheduled party is Jan. 12 at the home of Mrs. Eldred Zobl's.

If you are interested in playing at these monthly parties or serving as a substitute please contact Maureen Zobl at 425-8855.

Ladies Fete Patients

Farmington ladies entertained patients at Northville State Hospital Tuesday, Dec. 8 with a Christmas party. Smith Music Company of Plymouth provided an organ for the party and Mrs. Eve Ross played for a sing-along program.

Refreshments and gifts made the party for fun for patients. Mrs. Katherine Dickinson is President and Mrs. Sylvia Platz, Treasurer.

Mrs. Mary Brock, Mrs. Gladys McGeorge, Mrs. Marie Calusky, Mrs. Loraine Albrecht, Mrs. Eva Ross, Mrs. Noni Wesch, Mrs. Marie Meyer, Mrs. Marie LaPierre, Mrs. Mary Rutledge, Mrs. Laura Lochler and Mrs. Lillian Denzig participated.

South Redford Women State Christmas Party

The South Redford Business and Professional Women will hold their Christmas Party and Buffet Dinner Dec. 10 at 7 p.m. The party will be held at the home of club president, Myrtle Atkinson, on Five Mile Road.

Guests are welcome.

Mr. and Mrs. Barkley will provide entertainment with their films on Mexico.

Proceeds from the Club's fashion show went toward the scholarship fund and not to the Retarded Children's Fund as was previously reported.

Duplicate Bridge News

In spite of bad weather the Farmington Duplicate club held its weekly game. A 5 table Howell movement was in play.

First place went to Mary-Jo Naragon and Freda Rutherford. Second place: Mr. and Mrs. J. Gordon. Third place: Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Benson. Fourth place: Tom Rutherford and John Loomis.

These games are played weekly at the Farmington YMCA, on Grand River near Drake Road. Starting time is 8 p.m. MXP games are the last Wednesday of every month, the next being Dec. 30.

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