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Singing foresters? Ah, yes. Again this Christmas season, a caravan of cars full of carollers serenaded each faculty member’s home and family with some of the most favorite of Christmas carols.

The faculty and their families were invited to come carolling with the Club members. This year Dr. Hall and his family and our visiting professor, Dr. Gunia, from Poland joined us in spreading joyful tidings to the rest of the forestry faculty.

A student-faculty Christmas party was held following carolling at Dr. Fred Hopkins’ home. Christmas cookies, rum-flavored fudge, caramel corn, toffee, Russian teacakes, and various other Christmas goodies along with Russian tea, coffee and Wassail Bowl Punch were served.

Christmas carols and various other “forester” songs were sung and enjoyed in the Hopkins’ living room by faculty and students alike.

An added touch for this year’s carolling was the presence of Santa Claus. He participated in carolling at all the faculty homes and then gave presents to all the faculty members. Gifts such as a comb for Dr. Thomson (who needs one to keep all that hair in place); a plastic goldfish for Dr. Hopkins (those of you attending the Game Banquet of 1978 will know the story behind this one); and shoestrings for Dr. Hall (who needs them for all the jogging he’s been doing) were presented.

Christmas is a time for warmth and sharing between all mankind. These feelings were felt by all who participated in Christmas carolling this year.

Nita Rauch
Social Committee Chairman

Christmas Tree Sales

This year’s Christmas Tree Sales were a great success. We sold more trees this year than any other. These large sales were caused by two factors, there were radio announcements on all the major local stations with posters all over campus, and Mother Nature dropped heavy snow the day before sales began, to get everyone in the Christmas spirit. The snow did get everyone into the Christmas spirit, but it made getting the trees to Ames very difficult.

When we finally did get the trees to Ames, they sold like “hotcakes.” The Forestry Club would like to thank all those who helped with the sales, and especially those who bought our trees, for it is through their support that the Forestry Club grows, thank you!

Gary Stephan

The public welfare cannot be served by walking blindly in the old ruts. Times change, and the public needs change with them. The man who would serve the public to the level of its needs must look ahead.

Gifford Pinchot

“When we try to pick out anything by itself we find it hitched to everything in the universe.”

John Muir

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After the initiation ceremony, a smorgasbord supper was held at The Fjord in Huxley, Iowa. Dr. Roger Landers, Professor of Botany, presented a program at the conclusion of the meal.