



## Firesides

by Connie Reints

**F**IRESIDES mean sitting around the hearth, and watching the flames dance, talking of things past, meeting an ISU Forester (a fellow classmate at that!) that you never really knew, and spending a friendly evening with a professor in his home.

This year eleven faculty members volunteered to host firesides. Three were scheduled during winter and the rest during spring quarter. Eight to fifteen students are invited for a Sunday evening visit during each fireside. Students and faculty become better acquainted as a result of the evening visit.

The fireside program is a student-faculty function that continues building the good rapport within the forestry department. ■

## Christmas Tree Sales

by Andy Mitchell and Al Weber

**T**HIS year's Christmas tree sales were an overwhelming success. Four hundred trees were sold in seven days, bringing in more than one thousand dollars profit.

The trees were grown in western Illinois and northeastern Iowa. They included scotch pine, white pine and spruce.

Club participation was enthusiastic, with nearly everyone turning out to help sell trees. We would like to thank everyone who helped this year.

Special thanks to Jerry Grebasch for his cooperation in letting us use the state nursery facilities and to Barry Graden for the use of his truck. ■



## Annual Ski Party

by Clark Ott

Unlike last year when we were praying for good weather so that we could go skiing, this year we were hoping for snow. But we were unfortunate and had to postpone our Ski Party until February 8th. Then we had enough snow to make it worthwhile.

By about 7:00 p.m., twenty Forestry club members and guests had arrived at Winter World at Humbolt. We enjoyed an evening of skiing and lively conversation around the lodge fireplace. There was chili, bread, pop, and other refreshments for those who came in from the slopes. Aside from the dense fog that settled in late that evening we had wonderful weather.

When we left, the fog must have been disorienting, because some people proceeded to make turns that led them away from Ames, and others



ended up in wrong towns.

The drawing for door prizes was held at 11:30 p.m. The winners were as follows:

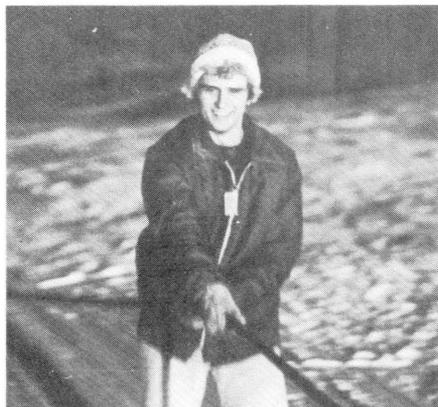
1st prize—Silva ranger compass—Mark Rediger

2nd prize—Buck knife—Bruce Erickson

3rd prize—LP gas stove—Les Miller

4th prize—Fluorescent lantern—Michelle Nummela

The evening was a great success. Everyone enjoyed the great weather and the snow that had finally fallen. ■



## **Christmas Caroling**

by Anita Montag

In the continuation of a recently established tradition, various Forestry club members braved the winds and bitter cold on December 13 to serenade the Forestry Department staff with Christmas cheer.

Not only did we raise our voices in song but we also staged the opportunity for John Jennett to lock Dr. and Mrs. Hopkins out of their own home. Next, imagine standing in that same wind and bitter cold singing—to an empty house and an empty apartment, thrilling isn't it? Yet the most unexpected pleasure was a visit by the infamous reindeer, Karl Krech, (Hey, Karl! when did you grow the antlers?).

However, those who did brave the elements were well rewarded. Following our singing tour of Ames, the warmth and hospitality of Dr. Manwiller's home was enjoyed by all. The goodies, punch and especially the hot chocolate were consumed heartily. More caroling followed and we were joined by the golden voice of Dr. Thomson. For those of you who didn't participate, you missed a good time. We hope to hear you singing next Christmas. ■

