

## *Deck the Halls with Boughs of Holly, Falalalala la la la la!*



The halls at the Mountain Meadows Country Club were certainly decked with boughs of holly and so were our members. On December 2, we gathered to celebrate the holidays in fine style indeed.

The evening was terrific...we had good food, good company and oh yes, some very nice adult beverages as well. We also had our usual auction....and what would an auction be without our special Auctioneer....why, sweet Rose Wentz of course. There is never a dull moment when Rose has the reigns....especially when lo and behold our President Pat's BELL was up for bid! Now how in the world did THAT happen....I mean who would steal the President's bell?

But there it was, all ready to be sold to the highest bidder....and of course the highest bidder was non other than President Pat's husband, Dale. (Read more about the Auctioned Bell on page 3.)

Along with the Bell, there were wonderful items that were auctioned off, including Penni Reilley's delicious Baklava....or as Rose calls it Bakala! We also had a Giving Tree where members who wished to donate, clipped their donations to the branches of the tree. This year, the donations are going to the Glendora High School Band who will be marching in the Rose Bowl Parade on January 1st.

It was good to see so many of our members along with their spouses. It was especially good to see Jack Hale, Shirley's husband. Jack hadn't been feeling too well lately, and it was wonderful to see him up and around.

*Jo Cox*



## Rustlers Auction Off President's Bell

In an act of charitable giving for the holidays, two rustlers who “stole” President Pat’s bell and gavel produced the items at the annual holiday auction. Wrapped in cellophane and bearing a poinsettia, auctioneer **Sweet Rose Wentz** auctioned off the items. Bidding was spirited and ratcheted up to \$150 before Pat’s husband, **Dale**, jumped in with a final bid of \$200. A depressed President Pat, who would have preferred to spend her money bidding on **Kathy Napoli’s** candy or **Penni Reiley’s** baklava, instead sat mute through the rest of the auction only to learn that the bidding was a hoax and the fee for her bell was only \$25. Pat claims to have installed a motion sensor device on the bell in the event rustlers are still insistent on stealing her Kiwanis equipment.



*Sweet Rose Wentz and the nicely wrapped bell and gavel behind her (above). Tina Novodoczky presenting the bell to auction off. (below left).*

