



**The Game's AFOOT or Holmes for the Holidays**  
 Cast, left to right. Seated: Susan Groendyk, Don Stewart, Marinka Stuvell, Jonelle Kop; and standing: Andrew Fleites, Jimmy Pardinias, Tommy Chambers, and Jerry Nussenblatt.

## Key Players present a Holmesian Holiday Mystery Free, as a goodwill benefit for the community!

It is December 1936 and Broadway star William Gillette, admired the world over for his leading role in the play Sherlock Holmes, has invited his fellow cast members to his Connecticut mansion for a weekend of revelry. But when one of the guests is stabbed to death, the festivities in this

isolated house of tricks quickly turns dangerous. Then it's up to Gillette, himself, as he assumes the persona of his beloved Holmes, to track down the killer before the next victim appears. Danger and hilarity are nonstop in this glittering whodunit set in the Christmas holidays.



A show within a show, the action begins in the last scene of the long-running 1895 thriller/mystery Sherlock Holmes. Five members of this New York City acting company will retire their venue and take the show on tour after Christmas. From left to right: Sherlock Holmes played by the eccentric William Gillette (Jimmy Pardinias), Alice played by Aggie Wheeler (Don Stewart), Moriarty played by Simon Bright (Andrew Fleites), Marian played by Madge Geisel (Susan Groendyk), and Count Zerlinsky played by Felix Geisel (Tom Chambers).



Newlyweds Simon Bright (Andrew Fleites) and Aggie Wheeler (Don Stewart) have a secret.



Sharp-tongued entertainment columnist, Daria Chase (Marinka Stuvell) [right] irritates experienced actress Madge Geisel (Susan Groendyk) with her snide remarks.



William Gillette (Jimmy Pardinias) is being comforted by his best friend, Felix Geisel (Tom Chambers) as he recovers from a shot in the arm during a performance.



Martha Gillette (Jonelle Kop) shows off her son William's nifty invention, the speaker-phone, installed in their new mansion. When guests arrive at the door, you can speak to them from any room in the house.



Inspector Goring (Jerry Nussenblatt) has no problem getting a confession from Martha Gillette (Jonelle Kop) that she just took four sleeping pills, as her son William (Jimmy Pardinias) gasps incredulously.



Daria Chase (Marinka Stuvell) makes an explosive entrance as the late-arriving surprise guest at this Christmas Eve party at William Gillette's (Jimmy P.) remote mansion in Connecticut.



Inspector Goring (Jerry Nussenblatt) checks for a pulse on the stabbing victim, Daria Chase (Marinka Stuvell).



Eccentric, brilliant and handsome, William Gillette (Jimmy Pardinias) is having trouble separating himself from his character, Sherlock Holmes.



Inspector Goring (Jerry Nussenblatt) questions the newlyweds, Simon Bright (Andrew Fleites) and Aggie Wheeler (Don Stewart) of their whereabouts when the murder took place.



Martha Gillette (Jonelle Kop) isn't afraid to swing back at Daria (Marinka Stuvell) for her rude comments.

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 OR  
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**Jonelle Kop**

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