

Birmingham Musicales To Present Its Christmas Program This Afternoon

Rotaryanns Will Hear School Choir

On Monday, Dec. 17, the Rotary Ann will meet at the Community House at 11:30 a. m. for their Christmas breakfast.

Mrs. Ernest H. Fletcher is chairman of the affair and she is assisted by Mrs. Frank Hubbel, Mrs. Chester B. McCormick and Mrs. Craig Richey.

The women will bring gaily wrapped boxes containing gifts to be sent to service men at Percy Jones hospital.

At one o'clock the group will join the Rotary Club to hear the high school choir in a program of Christmas carols. The entire choir, under the direction of Victor Ulrich, will sing "Carol of the Bells," by Richard Kozintz; "Je-

Moment Musicales Studies MacDowell

The December meeting of the Moment Musicales was held at the home of Betty Whitelan on Wadlington road Tuesday, Dec. 4. The life of MacDowell was read by Helen Woolson and Glenn Emery, Jr. reviewed the life of Debussy.

A piano selection by MacDowell was played by Kay Eosman and other works of the same composer were heard by means of recordings.

The members of Moment Musicales will go caroling on Sunday, Dec. 23.

mus, "Tender Babe," by Gavert; "Wake Ye Shepherds," by Salama; and "Twas the Night Before Christmas" by Fred Waring.

The program is for members and their guests.

League Of Women Voters To Study School Operation

Dr. Dwight B. Ireland will address the League of Women Voters during the afternoon period, beginning at 1 p. m., of its day-long meeting on Monday, Dec. 17, at the Community House, E. J. Lederle, county superintendent of schools, will speak on the county organization of education. Both men will welcome specific questions after their formal remarks.



Dr. Dwight B. Ireland

Every citizen interested in becoming informed about these vital subjects is cordially invited to attend this meeting whether a member of the League or not," said a League officer today. "Since the whole question of school taxes comes up for vote next year, the importance of understanding the problems involved cannot be over-emphasized."

The day has been planned by the education committee, headed by Mrs. B. K. Swartz, according to the program chairman, Mrs. F. G. Garrison.

The morning session will begin promptly at 10:30 o'clock and will feature a synopsis of the state law regarding the regulation of school districts in a county, presented by Mrs. O. R. Steiert, an education committee member. "Did you know that there are 147 school districts in Oakland county?" asked Mrs. Steiert, in drawing attention

Bride-Elect Honored With Tea and Shower

Starting the round of parties, which will honor bride-elect Patricia Barke, is a tea and table top shower on Sunday, December 16. Mrs. Thelma Ives Zimmerman will be hostess at her home on Lone Pine road.

Included in the guest list are Mrs. Thomas E. Walton and daughter, Marjorie; Mrs. Tod Reed; Mrs. George A. Beecher and her daughter, Mrs. Robert Hancock; Mrs. Murray Saunders; Mrs. Charles E. Lewis; Mrs. A. H. Webster and her daughter, Mrs. Carl E. Rhodes; Mrs. Harold Chalmers.

The bride's mother, Mrs. John D. Burke; Natalie Seahorn; Anne Savage; Mrs. George Stelzer; Mrs. Robert Estier; Sally Carey; Mrs. William Merrill; Mrs. Robert Skinner; Betty Stoll; Barbara Poag; Barbara Sauer; Nancy Kline; Patricia Klenker, Cincinnati; and Mrs. T. R. Walton, Jr.

New Officers Elected For Pythian Sisters

At the regular meeting of the Birmingham Temple, No. 24, of the Pythian Sisters, at the Community House Tuesday evening, Dec. 4, the officers for the coming year were elected.

Mrs. Edwin Weaver is past chief; Mrs. Stella Edgar was elected to the office of most excellent chief; Mrs. John Brown to that of excellent senior and Mrs. J. S. Madaras to that of excellent junior.

Mrs. Howard Wright is manager; Mrs. Devo Davenport, M. of R. and C.; Mrs. P. R. Smith, M. of R.; Mrs. Irene Gifford, protector; Mrs. M. J. Estes, guard; Mrs. Wilmont Wood, trustee; Mrs. Grant Capling, press correspondent; Mrs. Rona Adams, installing officer; Mrs. Edith Adams, pianist; Mrs. Hazel Lawler, degree staff captain; Mrs. Edwin Weaver, grand temple delegate; and Mrs. E. S. Blick, district convention delegate.

These officers will be installed during the meeting in January.

to the importance of the county school organization. The meeting will be interrupted at noon for an informal picnic-style luncheon recess. Coffee will be served by the social committee which requests members and visitors to bring their own sandwiches.

Large Group of Carols, Violin Selections And Choral Numbers Are To Be Offered

Today the Birmingham Musicales presents its annual Christmas program. The meeting is called for 2 o'clock at the Community House with Mrs. William O. Merrill acting as chairman of the day



Mrs. W. O. Merrill

and Mrs. H. G. Wood assisting. Mrs. Ward Crutchank is hostess and Mrs. E. B. Wollering is toast chairman.

The Choral Ensemble of the Musicales is to give the program, which consists of two groups of Christmas carols from different countries. Gertrude Heinz Groer will direct the chorus, with Edith Mitchell as accompanist. Acting as interpreter will be Mrs. David Salsentine.

A group of violin solos will be

played by Dorothy Beesley Marsh, accompanied by Dorothy Gilson. Mrs. Marsh will also play obligato parts for some of the carols, and will assist the chorus in its closing number, the "Rex Gloria," a Christmas recessional for women's voices, with violin and narrator, composed by Samuel Richards Galties. The narrator will be Mrs. Lett R. Eie.

Rounding out the program will be the performance of the Haydn Toy Symphony, under the direction of Mrs. Henry Edwards. Performers will be: Mrs. John H. Gordon, Mrs. Frank Webb, Mrs. Herbert Wood, Mrs. Ward Crutchank, Mrs. Norman Lytle, Mrs. Mrs. William Lloyd Kemp, Mrs. G. J. Mehan, Mrs. Latta W. Porter, Mrs. D. L. Tate, Mrs. Orville Foster, Mrs. Sheldon Wright, Mrs. Earl J. Potter, Mrs. Charles F. Dye, Mrs. Frank H. Mellinger, Mrs. Eric Bergtholman, and Mrs. Maria Fosencikemper.

Members wishing to help make Christmas a happier day for the boys at Percy Jones Hospital are asked to bring to the meeting Christmas gifts (to cost two dollars or more), wrapped attractively and labeled clearly. These will be taken by the Camp and Hospital Committee of Red Cross to the hospital for distribution.

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Merry Music Makers Announce Post War Service Committee

Next Sunday, December 16, the Merry Music Makers will meet at the home of Mrs. Fay Wilton, 804 Wooddale road, Bloomfield Village, at 3 o'clock.

This meeting will be devoted to the singing of carols and to "The Story of Silent Night" by Pauli, which will be read aloud by the members.

Merry Music Makers members

are saving cancelled stamps as a service to hospitalized veterans who are interested in making stamp collections. These music is also being brought to the next meeting. Both popular and did favorite songs will be sent to hospitals to be used in therapy programs for the wounded soldiers.

Robert Whitlock is chairman at this post war service committee. Other members include Dick Emery, publicity; Howard Green, photography; Sally Wilkethorn, program; Hildegard Way, secretary; and Bill Berndt, communications.

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