

Alumnae Activity Dominates Mid-January News

Early Morning Coffee Meeting Honors Skidmore College Dean

Although it is many hundred miles from Bloomfield Hills to Saratoga Springs, N. Y., the distance was spanned in no time Thursday morning as the Skidmore College campus was re-created at the Bloomfield Hills Country Club via colored films and the reminiscences of alumnae.

Metropolitan Aux. Installs Officers In Pontiac Rites

Auxiliary No. 9 of the Metropolitan joined with Spirit 9 in January 17 installation ceremonies.

The rites were held at the Christian Hall, Pontiac. Mrs. Ben Brooks of Lansing officiated, assisted by Mrs. Marguerite Mellema, acting sergeant-at-arms.

Mrs. Walter Carr was again installed as president. Also returning to office were Mrs. Sam Snell, vice-president, and Mrs. Glen Foltz, recording secretary.

Mrs. Lyle Serra was installed as the group's new financial secretary. Mrs. Vernon Keener is the new treasurer, and Mrs. Robert Schaele is again sergeant-at-arms.

Entertainment and refreshments followed the installation ceremonies.

A number of old grads gathered over around the coffee table to meet Mary Louise Charles, dean of admissions at the New York state girls college. Dean Charles, in the Detroit area for two days, had just come from talking with Birmingham High School students and was en route to Kingswood.

JOINING IN THE conversation were alumnae Mrs. Robert A. Green, Mrs. D. W. Shimmerman, Mrs. David Seibel, Mrs. Francis C. McMath, Mrs. Charles E. Yerrick, Jr., Mrs. George A. Moxley, Mrs. Jasper Bralley Reid, Mrs. Frank K. Little and Mrs. George W. McCormick, Jr.

Also present was George Richardson of Grosse Pointe whose daughter Gayle was among last June's graduates. Mr. Richardson headed a group of fathers and alumnae who made possible the school's new dining hall, now affectionately nicknamed "Dad's Diner."

RECOLLECTIONS INCLUDED memories of Saratoga with its host of old "Gay Ninety" homes, riding and skiing in the foothills of the Adirondacks and, of course, studies. Skidmore grants bachelor degrees in arts and sciences, with stress placed on highly technical training in seven departments.



MRS. FRANK K. LITTLE, MRS. GEORGE MCCORMICK, JR., RUTH WHITING, MRS. FRANCIS McMATH, DEAN CHARLES Skidmore alumnae chat with dean of admissions. (Eccentric Staff Photo)

At Annual Girl Scout Conference

Mrs. Vernon Michelson of Henrietta street, led the flag raising ceremony at the annual meeting of Southern Oakland Girl Scouts, Inc., which was held at the International Institute in Detroit last Tuesday.

About 250 women attended the luncheon meeting. Mrs. Coby Van, troop leader from Southfield Township, described her scouting experiences in Borneo where she was born, and in Holland.

Mrs. Harold Parsons, finance chairman for Berkeley and Huntington Woods, described the reorganization of girl scouting in Germany after the war when Col. Parsons was stationed there. The leader and two members of a troop of displaced Polish Girl Guides were introduced.

ABOUT TWENTY women from this area attended. Among them were Mrs. John P. St. Clair, of Fairfax road, district chairman; Mrs. Robert Reinhardt, Pine Street; Mrs. Lee Hanson and Mrs. Edson Stevens of Walnut Lake; Mrs. C. R. DeVlieg, Mrs. Philip Johnson and Mrs. Dean Davis of Wing Lake; Mrs. A. K. Parrish of Big Beaver road; Mrs. James Keene of Evergreen road and Mrs. Charles Hawley of Lyonhurst road.

MISS JEANETTE DEVER, executive director, gave the annual report. She reported 6044 Girl Scouts and Brownies in 389 troops in South Oakland County. Leaders and other adult helpers number 2274.



Suburban Seen

By KAY REED

EVERYONE TO their own taste but we thought it was a sad commentary when a little girl of our acquaintance asked her mother, "What is a dining room?" Raised in the last word in ranch style living, she had been utterly baffled by a contemporary whose "old-fashioned" house featured such a room. Could it be that the dining room, in these days of "L's", is going the way of the parlor?

OFF TO WASHINGTON last weekend for Tuesday's big doings were Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Monahan of Birmingham road. They were the guests in the capital of Mr. and Mrs. William Hillman (Mr. H. is the author of "Mr. President").

RETURNING FROM a month in the south last weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Howard C. McDonald of Ridgedale road. Accompanying on their stay at the Key Biscayne Hotel just out of Miami were daughter Joan Grace and son Graham.

KILLING TWO BIRDS with one stone was accomplished neatly by two Beverly Hills hostesses recently when they gave a luncheon for all the ladies of one block on Lauderdale drive. They routed the post-holiday let-down and introduced the new arrivals to one another in the course of first course at the home of Mrs. Gust Headbloom and dessert at Mrs. Harry Angell's.

Attending were the Mesdames Lee Anderson, C. L. Klepper, Emma Toothacker, Walter Gibson, R. W. Woyert, Vincent Meagher, Ernest Ingles, F. T. Kopf, M. C. Herr, John Dalley, T. T. Kobelanski, William Sax, and William Chapman.

FINAL DETAILS of their Valentine's Day nuptials were worked out by Joan Franklin and Robert William Saunders at Joan's recent visit with her fiancé's family, Mr. and Mrs. S. Gordon Saunders of Orchard Ridge road, Bloomfield Hills. Joan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Madison Johnson of Roanoke, Va., returned home Sunday.

The couple will repeat their vows in St. John's Episcopal Church in Roanoke on February 14, with a reception to follow at the Roanoke Country Club. Heading south for the nuptials will be the Saunders, Mr. and Mrs. S. Gordon Saunders, Jr., who will serve as best man and bridesmaid; and Mr. and Mrs. George Splane, Peter Whitelaw, Bill Spruill, Hap Rosborough, Stephen Saunders and Bill Funk, all "members of the wedding". Mr. and Mrs. Saunders will host the rehearsal dinner at the Hotel Roanoke on the eve of the ceremony.

CONTINUING IN A BRIDAL VEIN, Barbara Parks and Philip A. Martz are completing plans for their January 31 wedding in the First Presbyterian Church, and reception at the Community House immediately afterwards.

The Rev. Glen Harris will perform the eight o'clock service. The bride-elect is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Parks of Villa road.

Parties for her include a dessert shower given by Mrs. William Vincent, a tea hosted by Mrs. Crawford and Tuesday's party at the home of Mrs. Charles McGregor. Other hostesses were Joanne Limp, Mrs. Charles Donelson and Ann Wright who gave a shower in Joanne's Covington drive home.

The rehearsal dinner is to be given next Friday evening by the prospective groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John E. Martz of Lakeview avenue. Barbara has asked Joanne Limp to be her honor attendant. Bridesmaids will include Ann Wright, Mrs. Donelson, and Priscilla Martz. Janet Brooks will be a junior attendant.

Charles Martz will be his brother's best man. George Ely, Eugene Carroll, James Rock and Ronald Spedden, Jr., will seat the guests.

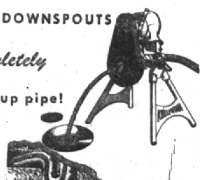
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MRS. RICHARD VAN DUSEN, MRS. GEORGE JACOBY, MRS. JOHN M. CAMPBELL Committee members try Cordon Bleu recipes. (Eccentric Staff Photo)

Cooking Series Year's Project

Although it's often said that the college graduate is sadly lacking in the culinary arts, members of local alumnae associations are soon to be ranked as professionals.

For the second straight year the Detroit Committee for Seven Eastern Colleges is bringing Mrs. Lionie Lucas of the Cordon Bleu Cooking School to Detroit in a series of five demonstrations, beginning February 10, at the Detroit Institute of Arts.

Mrs. Lucas, a graduate of the Cordon Bleu Cooking School of Paris, owned and managed a restaurant in London during the second World War. She later came to Canada and then to New York where she opened a restaurant and continued the restaurant in order to enlarge her classes, and appears three times weekly on an eastern television program.

Last winter Mrs. Lucas conducted two successful series for the Seven College Committee and the committee is bringing her back by request. Mrs. Lucas will demonstrate simple cooking as well as the elaborate work for which she is noted.

LOCALITES HARD at work this year's project are committee treasurer Mrs. Richard Van Dusen of Pine street, a Smith alumna; and Mrs. William Bones of North Adams road, Mount Holyoke graduate who is arranging ticket sales in this area.

Ticket holders include the Mesdames W. C. Ailes, Frederick C. Booth, William H. Brooks, John M. Campbell, Herbert A. Carr, Glen M. Davis, Truman East, Eleanor W. Gaffil, George F. Green, K. L. Hollister, George A. Jacoby, John S. Judd, H. Y. Levinson, George W. McCormick, A. E. MacKenzie, Oliver Marcotte, R. E. Plexico, Morris C. Purdy, Howard H. Robinson, William C. Roney, Jr., A. R. Stevenson, W. Wasson and A. R. White, all of Birmingham.

Coming in from Bloomfield Hills will be Mrs. Lyman Craig, Mrs. William T. Gossett, Mrs. Roger Eyles, Mrs. A. L. Newcomb.

Altrusa club will hold its monthly dinner meeting Monday evening, January 26, at the Community House.

Dr. Ethel Calhoun of the Kenny Polio Treatment Center, Elizabeth Thomas and Merle Oehm will speak on "Knowing Our Jobs".

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DAR Good Citizens Invited To Piety Hill Anniversary

Winners of the annual DAR Good Citizen awards and their mothers will be the guests of honor at the Piety Hill chapter's anniversary celebration, February 10, at the Community House.

Present at the 12:30 p.m. luncheon will be Carol Dorman of Birmingham High School, and her mother, Mrs. David W. Dorman of Gilengary drive.

Other winners to be honored will be Ida Milton of the Roosevelt high school, Kesego Harbor; Joan Frederick of Clawson high school, and Janet Loomis of Clarenceville high school, Farmington.

The honorees are chosen by the girl students of their respective senior classes. From several selected, the faculty names one, outstanding in leadership, service, dependability and patriotism.

The winners were announced at the January 13 meeting of Piety Hill. In addition to being honored at the anniversary meeting, the girls will be feted with the rest of the state selections at the DAR state conference, March 11-13, in Saginaw, and will receive commemorative pins at their own high school assemblies.

Delegates and alternates for the Saginaw sessions and the annual Continental Congress to be held in April in Washington.

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Named to go to Saginaw were Mrs. Walter R. Kleinert, Mrs. Robert P. Watt, Mrs. Vinton Birch and Mrs. Frederick C. Pew, Jr. Alternates include Mrs. Charles F. Butters, Mrs. Steel R. Sellers, Mrs. J. R. Ackerman, Mrs. Ford M. Brook, Mrs. Clark Coulter, Mrs. Glenn H. Coley, Mrs. Harold R. Chapel and Mrs. William J. Taylor. Delegates to the Continental Congress are regents Mrs. Kleinert and Mrs. Clarence W. Wacker. Their alternates are Mrs. Thomas Navin, Mrs. Dale O. Miller, Mrs. Robert Kohr and Mrs. Roger Kyes. Mrs. Thomas Lightner, the former Margaret Kohr, will come from her home in Mountsville, W. Va., to be the page of state regent, Mrs. Ralph Newland of St. Joseph, Mich.

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