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Board members gather 'round tea table at Village Playhouse tea. (Eccentric Staff Photos)



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Scenic committee co-chairman and stage manager.

Village Players Season Opens With Annual Tea

Village Playhouse was gay at ten-time Sunday, Sept. 20, with most of the membership and more than 60 guests out to greet each other after a summer's absence. It marked the beginning of the organization's 31st season.

Groups gathered around tea tables found wives of present and former Players' presidents, and former women board members, pouring. Spelling each other in this duty were Mrs. William E. Kegell, Mrs. W. A. P. John, Mrs. Edward S. Reid, Jr., Mrs. P. C. Guest, Mrs. Paul N. Averill, Mrs. Charles J. Shain, Mrs. Lane Bishop, Mrs. G. M. Dwellley, Mrs. G. T. Dwellley, Mrs. W. L. Schaffner, Mrs. Margaret F. Stringham and Mrs. W. F. Herdrich.

Begley Elmore and Alec Parnie officiated at the punch bowls.

CANDLE lighted tea, punch and buffet tables featured a black and white color scheme, decorated by Mrs. Mary Hammond. Black alternated with white table cloths and black wrought iron and black and gold director's candelabra held tall white tapers on each of the tables. White gladioli mingled with black magnolia leaves were arranged in black wrought iron centerpieces.

Social committee members working with co-chairmen Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Crichton, Jr., paused occasionally to their trips from the kitchen to admire newly laid gray asphalt tile on the kitchen floor, and the entry floor between kitchen and auditorium.

DURING the afternoon, spontaneous tribute and farewell to Mr. and Mrs. George M. Dwellley, charter members of the Players who are moving to Florida this week, came from Mrs. Charles Shain. The group joined in singing "For Here's a Jolly Good Willow," responded by the Dwellleys with "Peaches 'n' Cream." Mrs. Dwellley sat at the piano.

Former Birmingham resident and Player, Mrs. Charles McCall, was a surprise caller. She was in town visiting the William McCall.

GUESTS invited to the affair included: Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ashton, Max H. Cornell, Liz Boyne, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Skinner, Jr., Dr. and Mrs. Stewart Scott, Richard Trussell, Douglas Arno and Richard J. Arno.

Also invited were Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Frederick, Mr. and Mrs. Carl D. Cole, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph F. Paulus, Mr. and Mrs. Richard J. Oetlesby, Mr. and Mrs. Herb Schnitzky, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Rhoads, Carol Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Clifton G. Hassberger, and Ray Thomas.

OTHERS were Robert Keller, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Beiser, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Boney, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas B. Marker, Mr. and Mrs. David White, Horatio Lewis, Anna Catherine Lynch, Jack Waters, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Nett, Andy Butt and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Bartholomew.

The list continues with John Sterling, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Day, Arnold J. Richter, Mrs. Lois Heffner, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Harrison, Mrs. Jean Walkeman, Margaret Cameron, Alice Morgan, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Douglas, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Price, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Boney, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Reed, Jr., Mrs. W. Whiting Raymond, Mrs. Irene Neumann and Mrs. Ruth Sterling Saunders.

Attend Boston Meeting

Mr. and Mrs. Leon E. Jackman of Mansfield road left Wednesday for Boston, Mass. While there, they will attend the 22nd annual conference of the National Controllers Institute of American Harpists to be held there for five days, beginning Sept. 28, at the Statler hotel.

Classrooms Summon Area's Young Folks

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SOUTHEAST OF BIRMINGHAM Janet Schrieber, daughter of the Wilbur Schriebers of Trafford road, went to Lansing Monday where she will live at West Yak-ley hall while she attends Michigan State college. Patricia Buntun, whose parents are the Thomas Buntuns of Robinwood avenue, has returned to Lansing to complete her senior year. Patty expects to be a teacher.

Mrs. Rosemary Blake spent a busy week seeing three of her four daughters off to school. Judy is a senior at the University of Michigan, where she is studying to be a teacher. Sheila is a senior at the University of Wisconsin where she specializes in journalism and Rosemary has started her nurse's training course at St. Joseph Mercy hospital, Pontiac. Sharon, still at home is in the ninth grade at Jane Addams junior high school.

The John Smeltzer, who recently moved to Olivria avenue near Hartford, Conn., had Mrs. Smeltzer's mother, Mrs. Cecil Curdell of Lansing with them last week in kindergarten at Upton school.

Mrs. O. B. Parker of Akron, Ohio, left last weekend after spending two weeks with her son, Harold and his family on Robinwood avenue. Her granddaughter, Lorraine, left early this week for a second year in Campbell Hall at Michigan State college.

Last Saturday the Lester D. Ashes of Olivria drove their MG to Grayling for the rally of the Sport Car Club of America. Sunday morning found them watching the sport car races held at the Grayling Air-base. Mrs. Lester P. Ash came out from Detroit to stay with her

non, and his family in Jacksonville, Fla. Mrs. Wendorph has been visiting the Philip Braun family of Aberdeen drive.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert O. Peters of West Fourteen Mile announce the birth of a first child, Kirk Matthew on Sept. 11. Paternal grandparents are the O. R. Peters of Adams Road.

John J. Patrick Mochan, Jr., who was born Sept. 12 at St. Joseph Mercy Pontiac, is now at home on Coolidge Highway with his parents and four year old brother, Bill.

Enrolls at St. Mary's

Judy Nelson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Nelson of Lake Angelus, has entered St. Mary's Academy at Notre Dame, South Bend, as a freshman.

Jolly Old September

The month when you think you should sit back and enjoy the fruits of the labor you have put into the yard and garden (we have to rake up the fruits and "apples" each week before the lawn-care man can mow). Sometimes I think the grass-cutting man has the best job. Some of them come when they can, unlimber their power mowers (or use yours) and set sail. If apples are in the grass you have apple sauce. If crabgrass is in the lawn we have crab grass. Some of them won't raise the crabgrass with a rake and mow it close in order to reduce the seeds as they should do. They just mow. Did you ever try to get one of the grass-cutting men to raise their mowers in late June? Ha, Ha! They don't even carry wrenches, the wretches.

Our grass-cutting man failed us this summer. We were away for 3 weeks and the grass wasn't cut for 5 weeks. BUT, as a result we have had only one-quarter of the crabgrass we had last year. (This is what we have been telling you—and we don't make a profit on it either.) This is the month when you should sit back and—well—ah—

1. Wisteria vines, if they have refused to bloom, may be root pruned now. It may be successful and it may not. Use a SPADE.
2. Plant NARCISSUS and DAFFODILS as soon as you can get them. (We have them).
3. Sow POPPY seeds now. They will come up this fall but will survive the winter. (We have them.)
4. Fertilize now with GRO-SOD or STADLER'S XXX. Seed now with a WOODRUFF SEED.
5. CROCUS, SNOWDROPS, SCILLAS and other small bulbs should be planted as soon as you can get them. (We have them.)
6. Gourds for winter decoration should be picked before frost touches them. (We don't know just when that will be—but soon). Cut stem 2 inches from the fruit and bring the fruit into the house today.
7. Plant MADONNA LILIES now if you can get them. (We have them.)
8. Divide bleeding hearts and peonies.
9. Put BONE MEAL on all flower beds. This is a wonderful fertilizer for developing roots in spring.
10. Buy TULIPS now in order to get the varieties you need. Plant them in October. (We have them.)
11. Put the NAKED LADY 4 inches underground. She won't bloom if you plant her deeper. (The proper name is LYCORIS SQUAMIGERA.)
12. We can't get more than two columns (unless we pay for it) so in the interests of economy—

Leaders in Training For Girl Scout Work

Mrs. F. K. Ratcliffe, 292 Yarmouth road, will be hostess at the monthly meeting of Quarten Girl Scout leaders on Friday, Sept. 25. Mrs. Ratcliffe is committee chairman for Scouts and Brownies.

To be discussed at the meeting will be the dates and places of meeting for all 12 troops of scouts. New training courses are starting and 22 leaders and assistants are signed for the course. All Scout and Brownie troops will be ready to meet the second week of October.

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