

Cranbrook's Marquis Club Has Election

New officers of the Marquis club of Christ Church Cranbrook will be led by Bill Nechman, president for the 1954-55 club year. Roger Codini is vice president; Malcolm Booth, secretary; Ann Hammer, treasurer. Retiring officers are Bud Brown, Dick Thalacher, Lynn Bennett and Pat Jackson, all of whom will be graduated from high school this month.

Peace Church Plans To Elect Officers

Church officers will be elected June 6 for the newly formed Peace American Lutheran church on W. 13 Mile. At the same meeting, the charter member list will be activated. Meetings are held each Thursday evening in the parsonage for members and the public who wish to become familiar with the techniques and principles of the group. These adult study groups are led by the pastor, the Rev. Paul Westlake.

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Noted Organist Named To Serve at The Kirk

The appointment of Frederick L. Marriott as organist and choirmaster at Kirk-in-the-Hills effective June 1, was announced last week by Dr. Harold De Windt, minister.

Marriott has a long career as organist, carillonist, composer, and choral director. He graduated from the American Conservatory of Music in Chicago with honors in organ, the Ecole de Carillon in Malines, Belgium, where he received his diploma with "Grande Distinction" which has been awarded only eight times in the history of the school. He is the only Carillonist in America to hold this coveted award.

During his 20 years as organist at Rockefeller Memorial Chapel at the University of Chicago, Marriott's organ recitals were heard by music lovers from all parts of the world.

He is known in Europe and America as a concert virtuoso. He has been guest soloist on the organ for the Chicago Symphony orchestra. As a composer, some of his important works include an Oratorio on Psalm 103 for chorus, soloists, and symphony orchestra; "Tryptique" for organ and strings; "Paraphrase on a Psalm Tune" for organ, strings, and trumpets; "Cathedral at Night"; "Fantasie on a Sarum Plainsong"; and an "Etude for Organ"; "Moonlight on the Lake".

In 1951 HE was given first prize by the jury of the Carillon school, Malines, Belgium, for his composition "Fantasie on 'Dat men eens van drincken sprack'". His compositions won over others from Belgium, France, the Netherlands, England, Ireland and the United States.

Marriott studied choral directing at the University of Chicago under Macie Evans. In 1944 he was appointed to head the Federated Theological Choir at the University of Chicago, and under his direction the choir frequently broadcast over the Columbia and Canadian broadcasting systems. He also was director of the choir at the Chicago Theological seminary.

He has had wide experience in the direction of children's choirs



FREDERICK L. MARRIOTT

and has been a member of the organ faculty of the American Conservatory of Music, and visiting lecturer at the University of Michigan.

The Kirk-in-the-Hills was the gift of the late Col. Edwin S. George. He donated his 30-acre estate in Bloomfield Hills, and through the Edwin S. George Foundation made provision for the erection of a cathedral church on the property.

THE HOME has been converted for use as a church house. The first floor of the new church has been completed, as well as the cloister, which joins the old and new construction, and 40 feet of the tower. Work on the nave and the remaining portion of the tower is expected to be completed within the next three years.

Starting with a membership of 58 in 1947, the Kirk now has more than 800 members and continues its steady growth.

In making the announcement of Marriott's appointment, Dr. De Windt stated: "We have a unique opportunity and a stirring challenge here at the Kirk. With the growth of membership and the plans which are under way for the completion of the nave and the installation of the new organ, there is need for a full-time organist and choirmaster. We are most fortunate to have been able to obtain the services of Frederick L. Marriott. We believe he will provide inspiring leadership in this important phase of the activities of our church."

Science Churches Convene in Boston

Mrs. George A. Odien, assistant on the committee on publication for First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Birmingham, this week announced the annual meeting of the Mother Church in Boston, Mass.

She said about 7,000 representatives from all parts of the world would attend to hear annual reports and several of the group's outstanding speakers.

Council of Churches Elects New Officers

Birmingham's Council of Churches will be headed for the coming year by Dr. Harry O. Martin, assistant pastor at the First Methodist church.

The Rev. John Rose of Community Congregational church, Southfield, will serve as vice president. Ed Kibert, executive secretary of the YMCA has been re-elected secretary-treasurer for the church group.

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RECENTLY elected officers of the Woman's Fellowship, Congregational Church of Birmingham, were installed in a ceremony at the church June 1. Left to right are Mrs. James Flack, president; the Rev. Robert D. Dewey, installing officer, and Mrs. William T. Arlund, retiring president. The meeting was marked by a musical program and refreshments. (Eccentric Photo)

Methodist Youth Planning Dinner To Honor Grads

Graduating seniors will be honored by fellow-members of the First Methodist church youth group at a "Youth Night Supper" in the church Monday evening.

Because the event falls on Flag Day, the flag motif will be carried out in decoration schemes. The work will be in charge of Mrs. Ila Renwick and her class of eighth grade girls.

Publicity for the event has been handled by Mrs. Phyllis Orr and

seventh grade girls; tickets, Mrs. Lucy Lightbody; program, Don Fleischman and Gordon Boing. The half-hour recreational program has been planned by Robert House and boys of the seventh grade and will feature baseball.

SPECIAL invitations have been extended to Dr. and Mrs. Arnold F. Runkel, Dr. and Mrs. Harry O. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Pet-

erson and Mrs. Beth Duffy, youth activities director, as well as teachers and counselors of the intermediate and senior youth groups.

Slides, taken at various youth group programs will be shown, and with group singing will complete the program. The picnic supper which opens the evening affair is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Bill Younger, youth division superintendent, will serve as toastmaster.

Summer Program At Christ Church

A spokesman for Christ Church, Cranbrook said this week that, contrary to popular belief, the June 13 Flag Day service does not mark the end of the Family Worship services for the summer.

These services will continue at 9:30 each Sunday morning but with some changes in the church school schedule.

"The religious education of children does not cease, but enters another phase for the summer and since all will remain in church for the entire service, a special effort will be made to adopt a service of interest to children and adults," the spokesman declared.

The summer schedule for these groups below the first grade will see the pre-three nursery in room 201 at the church rather than at Cranbrook House. Children under three will be cared for until the

close of the service.

THE GROUP from three to five will be brought to room 204 before the service and called for after church.

First, second and third graders will attend the first part of the service with their parents, leaving before the sermon for their class meeting in room 206.

During this special Flag Day service at 9:30, children of the church school will not sit with their parents but will meet in their classrooms at 9:30, to march in the processional by classes, carrying the flags of all nations. Special music will be provided by the red and blue choirs.

Church News Deadline is 5 p.m. on Thursdays.

Committees Named By Unitarian Women

Committee chairmen for the year were appointed by Mrs. Arthur Perkins with the Women's Alliance, Birmingham Unitarian Fellowship, last week at the Home of Miss Jeanette Guyot. Mrs. Evan Hanna was named extension chairman; Mrs. James Wilson, services; Mrs. Arthur Salley, churchmanship.

Assisting the hostess at the delectable luncheon were Mrs. John Bugby, Mrs. Lavin Marshall and Miss Mildred Williams.

Presbyterian Women Plan Three Meetings

Mrs. B. F. Magruder, 22965 Franklin court, will be hostess at a joint meeting when the Susan and Elizabeth Townbridge guilds have their annual picnic on June 15 at 1 p.m.

On June 20, Missionary A will meet at 2 p.m. with Mrs. Elmer Houston, 385 Williamsbury, and Missionary B at 12:30 p.m., with Mrs. Royce Beers, 972 Chesterfield.

Birthdays, anniversaries, guests, births, parties are all news—all the society editor about them.

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