

## Suburban Scene

# Easter Vacations Call for Travel, Family Gatherings

By FRAN MAIER

George W. Chesley of Gilbert Lake road left today by plane for Washington, D. C., where he will join his wife and daughter.

Mr. Chesley and Barbara left last Friday and drove to Washington where they have been apartment hunting and shopping for Barbara, whose marriage to Guy Fornes will take place in June.

The Chesleys and Guy, who is employed in D. C., will drive to Durham, N. C., to visit Guy's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Guy L. Fornes, over the Easter weekend.

Monday, April 11, the Chesleys and Barbara will begin a tour of the Carolinas and then north through the Smoky Mountains returning home about April 18.

## We're Going to Denver

Going on their first long trip will be the three children of the Julian B. Wilsons of Wadlington road.

Mrs. Wilson, Berrie Lee, age 12, Paul, 10, and seven-year-old Julian will leave April 12 to visit her father, L. Bomgarner, in Denver.

The trip will be a treat for the children, who are out of school for Easter vacation and Mrs. Wilson, who hasn't seen her father in ten years.

The Wilsons' wedding anniversary is April 10, so the trip is being held off until after that date.

## Violinist Visits Parents

Miss Sandra Barnat, violinist, will come from the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music to spend Easter vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Saul Bernat, 785 Pierce.

In addition to several television appearances, she recently presented programs before the National Guild of Organists and the Matinee Musicale of Greensburg, Ind.

Miss Barnat is a pledge of Mu Phi Epsilon, national professional music sorority.

## Pre-Wedding Parties

Susan Halsted began her spring vacation with events leading up to her marriage to Charles A. Persons, Jr., in June.

She arrived home from Rocky River, Ohio, where she is a teacher and was honored at a luncheon and shower at Oakland Hills Country club by Mrs. J. Robert Mosby of Shirley drive.

Last evening she drove to Grosse Pointe where she was entertained at a dinner party at the Nell road home of Mrs. William Downey.

Susan's wedding on the 18th will take place in Christ Church Cranbrook.

## Active in Freshman Promenade

Barbara Ann Aiken has been named sub-chairman of the decorations committee in charge of mobiles for the Freshman Promenade to be held Saturday, April 16, in Scott gym at Smith college. The theme of the dance is to be "Le Monde Moderne." Entertainment for the weekend has been planned by the central committee as well as by the individual houses, and includes a musical program featuring singing groups from Smith, Yale and Amherst colleges and a jazz band from Williams college. Music for the dance will be provided by Lester Lamin and his orchestra. Barbara is a freshman at Smith in Northampton, Mass., and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Berton A. Aikens of Wing Lake.

## Festival of Arts

Three different areas of the annual art exhibition of the Festival of Arts at Western Michigan college, Kalamazoo, show the work of Nancy Hay, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Trevor Wm. Hay, 665 Westchester Way. The sophomore student has three compositions, a geometric design and travel poster among the work hung for three weeks in the McCracken hall gallery.

## See 'Fanny'

Recent travelers to New York were Mrs. Earl W. May and Mrs. Stanley C. Wilson, 370 Townsend, who attended a performance of the new hit musical "Fanny," starring Ezio Pinza and Walter Slezak.



DON HUTTON MRS. ZOLTAN SEPESHEY VICTOR ARMSTRONG Leads in St. Dunstan's "Goodbye My Fanny".

I don't know how many words I've average per day, but probably more than necessary. Perhaps each of us would be better understood, less confused, if we thought more before we open our mouths to pour forth words.

# The Birmingham Eccentric

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SECTION 2

# Fashion Takes Fore in Suburban Spring

## 4-H'ers Wear Hand-Mades; Europe's Styles Are Seen

By DOROTHY JEAN ZACK

Fashions for spring absorb the interest in the women's world this week, with Easter Sunday's parade bursting on the scene.

Ready for the parade are young and old. The 4-H members of the Bloomfield club have brought their togs home from Saturday's style review, and many will be donning their hand-dones for Easter morning.

Pat Render, shown in the photo with the leader of the group, Mrs. Raynell Pickering on the Pickering farm on Franklin road, was among top six in the style review judging, but was voted out by two other girls for the final award.

The charming brunet had fashioned a navy blue jumper dress that will be used for dates, but for day and church will have its delectable covered by a nipped-waist jacket.

A PALE PINK ORLON topper will be seeing a lot of wear, with frills and ease washing helping its practicality. This and a little blouse she made as accessories to the suit, were worn with navy shoes trimmed in faulle matching the blue suit, and pink hat and gloves.

Andrea Smart, another club member, who lives on Cheltingham in Birmingham, entered the plain

rayon skirt and vest and broadcloth blouse that she had made, in the day's display, and won honorable mention.

Other honorable mentions went to Ralph Hoxie, of Walnut Lake for his luncheon offering of peanut butter cookies, and Pat Render's advanced cooking task of coffee cake.

ALSO TAKING honorable mentions were Sharon Brodie of Harrow in Birmingham, for her handcraft exhibit of etched tray, waste basket and wall shelf, and Lynn Granger of Middlebelt road, and Sharon for their photography competition albums.

Sharon was in the style review, which is judged for modelling abilities and more than for togs, was in the style review with Pat.

Robert Brodie taught handicraft in the club meetings and work sessions previous to the achievement day, while Mrs. Pickering taught other subjects.

## SEES DIOR STYLES

Tall thin models wearing the

Christian Dior fashions, and especially one coppery and slanting beauty, part Russian and part Chinese, are among the people you remember if you've just taken a tour of Europe.

Mrs. George Romney, who with her husband arrived last Wednesday at their Bloomfield Hills home, brought little in fashions back from abroad, finding the high fashion things almost too extreme for the Romney's easy life in the Hills.

"ITALY'S QUITE a wonderful place, and you almost feel as if you're living in the past," she recalls as she describes visits to Vasuvino, Pompeii, and down into Sicily.

Jewelry making is very popular in the shops, with many of Italy's stores having someone doing it right in the shop, she said as she praised their hand-done designs.

Not too enthusiastic about Dior's H line, Mrs. Romney describes one red silk that she liked and asked the price. She learned it was \$928.

SOON AFTER the Romneys arrived home, their daughter, Jane, returned, on Saturday, from Virginia, where she and five other Kingswood girls had gone with Mrs. Theron VanDusen.

She and her sister, Lynn, may be going to Europe this summer, perhaps with their aunt, Mrs. LaFount Colby, according to Mrs. Romney.

## DON FORMAL DGYPT?

Formal togs were donned in trying-on session this evening by some of the committee for the University of Detroit alumnae dinner dance on April 23.

THEY'LL BE WEARING colorful spring gowns to a cocktail party in the Barclay room of the Hotel Statler, and going later to the Wayne room for dinner and cabaret style dancing.

Mrs. John Erwin is handling reservations for the Birmingham area.

Localities who are planning to attend are Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Deneau, Mr. and Mrs. De Puydt, and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Brooke. The ladies gathered for a fashion preview at Mrs. DePuydt's Chestnut Hill home to talk of the event and reminisce of their college days, when they wore the short-skirted fashions of the mid-40's.

A FASHION SHOW is set for April 20, opening the Oakland Hills country club season for the ladies' association. Toys for Spring will be shown following a luncheon at the club.

Another fashion event is a shopping guide for May 11 by the Valparaiso guild.

## 3 Local Students In U-M's Fantasy

Richard Booth and David Morgan of Birmingham and Kate Micou of Bloomfield Hills are among University of Michigan students presenting "Iolanthe," on the campus.

The society of students, which produces two Gilbert and Sullivan shows a year, is giving the musical fantasy April 13 to 16 at Ann Arbor and in Detroit April 23.

Booth, who lives on Graceland, is publicity manager while Morgan of Vinewood, is production manager. Both youths are in the chorus. Miss Micou, of Lone Pine, is a principal in the cast, playing Celis.

## Mrs. Solverson Is U-D Event Hostess

Mrs. Frederick F. Solverson and a company of other Birmingham residents are taking hostess duties for the April 12 meeting of the University of Detroit Women's guild. The Rev. Hugh F. O'Neill, SJ, will talk on middle age psychology at the meet in the university memorial building.

## Hopkins' Fly over Volcano During 10 Weeks in Hawaii

by VIRGINIA COLE

Back from Hawaii where they visited old friends and flew over the erupting volcano, the Alfred P. Hopkins were welcomed at the airport and whisked off to an Hawaiian party in Detroit.

The Hopkins, who live on Colby lane in Bloomfield township, had gone to Hawaii for several weeks last year, so found this year's ten-week vacation like "old home week."

Capt. Gillespie of the S.S. Lurline with whom they sailed last year again piloted them to the islands. En route they sat at his table and enjoyed this reunion.

AS THEY approached Hawaii, some 25 to 30 of their island friends came out to the ship in small boats, each bearing a lei to greet them. Between the two of them they managed to wear all the leis.

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PAT RENDER MODELS HER EASTER SUIT Mrs. Pickering, right, advises. (Eccentric Photo)

## Fay Kanin Comedy, St. Dunstan's Next

The trials and tribulations of a "lady politician" will be coupled with her college days when St. Dunstan's Guild stages "Goodbye My Fanny," April 15-16, 22-23 at the Playhouse.

The role of the globe-trotting congresswoman will be portrayed by Mrs. Zoltan Sepeshey who will bring to Agnatha Reed her own flighty characterization. Her patient, understanding and often sarcastic secretary will be played by Mrs. Nathaniel Doughty.

Others in the cast are Victor Armstrong and Donald Hutton.

ROBERT FIELD, assisted by Mrs. F. C. Guest, is directing the Fay Kanin comedy-drama while Mrs. John W. Sanders handles production chores and Mrs. Robert Wolf, lines.

Arrives are headed by Mrs. E. A. Schirmer, proprietress, Mrs. Benjamin Micou, make-up, Mrs. Stephen Booth, costumes; Edwin Schneider, lights; Hank Hendricks, sound effects; Harry Wye, programs; Mrs. Wherry Martin, publicity and Mrs. Mair Lind, tickets.

Mrs. Lind said sales are being made at Grinnell's and the Record Corner or at the door on performance nights.

## Award Bronze Key To Clarissa Adams

Clarissa Adams has received a bronze key award in recognition of her work in Illini Union Student activities, a campus-wide organization at the University of Illinois. She was cited for her work as International Fair chairman.

Miss Adams lives at 146 Puritan, is the daughter of the Thomas H. Adams.

They made their headquarters at the Surf Rider hotel on the beach at Waikiki.

During their stay, several of their friends gave them regular Luau (native Hawaiian feast) in their honor. It is a special event to prepare the Luau as it consists of many especially prepared native dishes including a whole pig roasted.

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MRS. DENEAU, MRS. BROOK, MRS. DEPUYDT Formals chosen for U-D event. (Eccentric Photo)

## West Beverly

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## Bon Voyage Party Surprises Barlows, Bound for Europe

A cocktail party and dinner was given by the Arthur Zebedeas of Riverside drive on April 2 as a bon voyage surprise for the Robert Barlows of Smallwood drive, who are leaving this week by air for Paris and a tour of the continent.

Invited to the dinner, the Barlows on arriving at the Zebedeas found already assembled a group of well-wishers. They were Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Harmaster of Suffolk road, Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Baumrucker of Backingham road, Mr. and Mrs. Hi Dawson of Labor road and Mr. and Mrs. Dale McCormick.

The Barlows will leave for Paris on April 15 and will tour the continent for three or four weeks.

The Neil Marshalls of Riverside drive have just returned from a vacation trip to the West Coast. They visited Las Vegas and Los Angeles and then flew to Phoenix for a sunny ten days of golfing and sight-seeing.

While in Phoenix, the Marshalls and the Elmer Neesemera, now residents of Phoenix but formerly of Beaconsfield, West Beverly, made a foursome in all their jaunts. They attended the famous Phoenix rodeo, which was in full swing while they were there.

HOME FROM WEST After a two weeks visit in California with her daughter Janet, Mrs. George Sauter, Riverside drive, is home again. As her return happened to coincide with a March bazaar, she has a thrilling trip to remember. Grounded in Chicago, she finally reached Willow Run on another flight and says it took longer to go from Chicago to Detroit than from California to Chicago.

Mrs. Sauter's pleasure in reaching home is heightened by the anticipation of a visit from another daughter, and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. George Sauter.

Third graders of Beverly school have been doing research on Michigan, proposed by their teacher, Miss Ferrill. Robert Allison, Bill Stephenson, and Eric Markkus all reported on Paul Bunyan and the Michiganian made a study of a Michigan product, salt. The Great Lakes was covered by Skip Arthur and Philip Henshaw did research on Michigan's flag and mail. Gary O'Toole, the artist of the Birmingham Police department, was there for the ceremony.

RECEIVES AWARDS From Beverly school we hear that Jim Rahlby, Patrol Captain, and son of Mr. and Mrs. J. King Rahlby of Locherlie, has received double honors. First he received a certificate from the American Kennel club at the annual Patrol and Service Squad get-together held at the Fair Grounds. In addition he was given a Boston Terrier.

In April 1 he was presented with an award by an AAA representative, Harry Timm of the Birmingham Police department, was there for the ceremony.

Miss Mary North's room has claimed the highest attendance of parents at PTA meetings. Several mothers have accepted invitations from grade teachers to visit school to see the progress beginning to be making in learning to read.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bolt, who are living at 17851 Locherlie, recently moved here from Detroit. They have a daughter, Carrie, 8, and a son, Michael, 5. Carol attends Our Lady Queen of Martyrs school and Michael is in Beverly kindergarten. Bolt is superintendent of the Microscopic Home corporation.

Since moving here they have been visited by Mrs. Bolt's mother, Mrs. Willard Higgins, who arrived at Willow Run after a long flight from Honolulu. The Bolt family are members of our Lady Queen of Martyrs church.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Braley, who lived formerly in Royal Oak, have moved to 1717 Norfolk drive. Braley is a manufacturer's agent. They have two daughters, Janet, 2 and Diane, five weeks old.

## New KKG Pledge

Ann S. Parrie, of Birmingham, is a new pledge to the Kappa Kappa Gamma chapter at Midway college, Middlebury, Vermont.



A. P. HOPKINS ON TEN-WEEK TRIP. Wore 30 leis, flew over erupting volcano.