

Newcomers Club Prepares Program Of Fall Events

Officers and board members of the Birmingham Newcomers club met last Thursday at the home of Mrs. Walter Riley, 573 Westchester way, after a two-month vacation. Mrs. Richard Haviland and Mrs. Donald Kogge were co-hostesses.

Mrs. Haviland, president, received reports from board members on plans for the fall program. Two new proposed activities, a monthly news-letter for members and a dance for members and husbands, were approved and committees set up to make further plans.

The social calendar for this fall will start with the monthly luncheon on Sept. 15, with Bruce Bradshaw of the J. L. Hydon company presenting a program on interior decorating. As in previous years, luncheon meetings will be held on the third Thursday of each month at the Community House, and will start promptly at 12:30 p.m.

AFTERNOON BRIDGE parties will resume in September, and are scheduled for the first Thursday of every month, at 12:30. Evening bridge for couples will be at 8 on the second Friday of each month. Both groups meet at the Community House.

Bowling and golf activities have met with such success among Newcomers that both will be continued in season and bowling the year round on Tuesday mornings at 9:30 at the Bloomfield Alley.

Board meetings will be held in members' homes on the second Thursday of each month.

THE NEWCOMERS club annual sponsorship of the Red Cross Blood Bank will be held this year on Nov. 1 at the Community House, with Mrs. Haviland and Mrs. Harold Bickner, as co-chairmen.

Mrs. William D. Wyatt, hospital chairman, expressed the hope that her committee will be able to contact all the "brand new" newcomers, and cordially invite any women who have recently moved to Birmingham to call her if they are interested in joining the group.

Other officers and board members for the next six-months term are Mrs. John Joyner, acting past president; Mrs. Harold Bickner, vice president; Mrs. John Miller, secretary; Mrs. Goss Williams, treasurer; Mrs. Frank Fongell, program; Mrs. William Forsythe, calling; Mrs. Walter Eiley, membership.

Mrs. Harry Wilbur, same ages; Mrs. E. H. Butler, nominating; Mrs. James Stewart, Jr., decorating; Mrs. John F. Green, publicity; Mrs. Theodore Gohseke and Mrs. John Philpott, afternoon bridge; Mrs. William Cooper and Mrs. Donald Kogge, evening bridge; Mrs. E. J. Danziger and Mrs. Paul Lenahan, bowling; and Mrs. John Schumann, golf.

People's Column

Firemen Praised For Effectiveness

To the Editor: We should like to sing our loudest praises to the men of the Chestnutfield and Maple fire department for the highly efficient and very effective manner in which they handled the fire in our home on the afternoon of August 1. Seemingly the fire, which had been set off by lightning, had at least a 15-minute start before discovery, and but for their good judgment and quick action the damage would have been much greater.

WE ESPECIALLY appreciate the extreme care they exercised in protecting our furnishings. The spreading of tarponins and covers remarkably lessened the water damage which could well have been expected from so much fire. Birmingham residents are indeed fortunate to have at their command such a well organized fire fighting force. Please express our great thanks to each and every man. MR. AND MRS. R. S. PLENICO 309 Arlington, Bham.



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PACKED WITH RIFLE and baggage, Roberta, Gibbins, 16249 Buckingham, was on her way to Washington, D.C. where she is competing in the National Rifle and Pistol matches. A junior at the University of Michigan, Roberta, is a member of the Wolverine Rifle team and the only girl in Big Ten Rifle competition. (Eccentric photo)

Licenses Help In Return of Stolen Bikes

Police Chief Ralph W. Moxley today warned all bicycle owners to obtain city licenses, immediately upon purchase of the vehicle, or in the case of newcomers, promptly after becoming city residents.

"The warning is not primarily because of the city ordinance which makes it mandatory to license all bicycles," Moxley said, "but as a protective measure for owners in case bikes are stolen."

"The chief said so far this year, 60 bicycles have been reported stolen, many of them unlicensed. "When a license is purchased," he explained, "the Birmingham police department not only has the tag number but also the serial bike number."

"IF THE vehicle is stolen we have a cross file system which helps us return it to the owner, even though the license tag is removed. Owners can be called within minutes after a stolen bike is recovered, but only if it is licensed."

"We have a 'trade' system with Royal Oak and other communities, on stolen bikes, and often find Birmingham vehicles outside the city."

"A boy comes into town and suddenly decides he wants transportation home. He doesn't steal the bike to keep it, but only to ride it back to his own town where he discards it. The license plate, or fact that it is registered with the police, guarantees its return to the owner."

"Because police lack this information, many bikes are returned to their rightful owners but end up in police stations."

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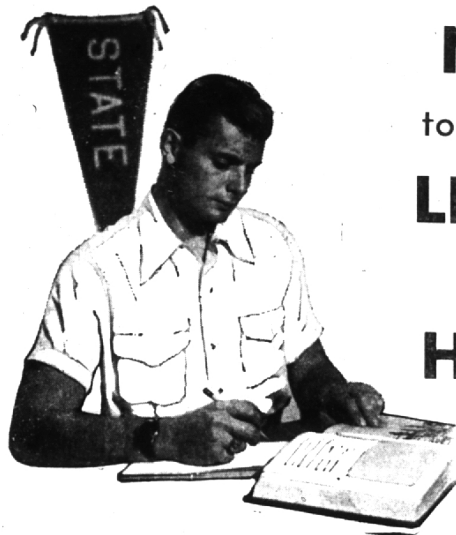
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