

Graefield

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Residents Entertain Friends At Post-Holiday Gatherings

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Reines recently entertained friends at an evening eggnog party, at their Graefield road home. The traditional eggnog bowl was placed on the table before a floral arrangement of greens and white carnations. Festive candles throughout the house completed the decorations.

Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Burmaster, Mr. and Mrs. Donald McFee, Dr. and Mrs. J. P. McConkie, Jack Wallbillick, Isabella Todd, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Parker, and Mr. and Mrs. Donald B. Moore of Birmingham.

Out of town guests present were Mr. and Mrs. Mosey Hodges of Detroit, Janet Dawson of Ferris, and Mrs. McGee's mother, Mrs. Patricia Luckworth of Council Bluffs, Iowa.

An "after Christmas" get-together was recently enjoyed by neighbors at the Graefield road home of the LeGrand Terrys. Their guests were Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ekberg, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Parker, Mr. and Mrs. Donald B. Moore and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Overman.

OPEN HOUSE HELD

The Island B. Monroes held open house Sunday, Jan. 2, at their Eton road home, from four to six p.m. Cocktails and eggnogs were served in an atmosphere of candle light. On the coffee table shined a crystal punch bowl, enhanced by candelabras. In the background, large gold sunbursts decorated the wall. A large Christmas tree completed the festive scene.

Among their 50 guests were out-of-town friends from Ann Arbor, Toledo, Ottawa Hill, Monroe, Detroit, Pontiac and Birmingham. The Monroes celebrated the New Year at the Monroe Golf and country club. Cocktails, formal dancing and breakfast was enjoyed by the Monroes and part of the group that attended their open house party.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Voigt of Akron, Ohio, were recent house guests of their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Bowling of Graefield road.

The Howlings also entertained holiday guests, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Johnson of Detroit, and Dalton Mahoney of Akron, Ohio. Last week the Howlings entertained the Detroit office staff of the Lee Tire and Rubber Co. The 14 guests were served cocktails and a buffet supper flowing if Michigan sales manager for the company.

HOME FOR HOLIDAYS

Mr. and Mrs. J. Jennings Morse of Eton road were very happy that their son Jim, an electronics technician on the destroyer USS Ross, in Norfolk, Va., was able to spend five days with them during the holidays.

Also present was their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Milligan, and their children, two-year-old Jimmy, and four-month-old Rich, of Canton, Ohio. Missing from the family gathering was their daughter, and son-in-law, Cpl. and Mrs. Jerry Adams. Cpl. Adams is stationed at Fort Knox, Ky.

The L. C. Nelsons and son Joe, are home again after a trip to Indianapolis, Ind., where they spent Christmas with their families. They divided their time with Mrs. Nelson's mother, Mrs. E. W. Springer, her brother, E. W. Springer III, Nelson's mother, Mrs. Verna Nelson, and his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Wickstrom.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Chapman, and their daughter Barbara, have returned home after spending the holidays in Big Rapids, and enjoying side trips to Cadillac to ski at Gabeفاع.

HOLIDAY VISITS

The Robert Clark and sons, Gregory and James, landed at Willow Run airport the night of the Dec. 29 blizzard, after a week's visit with Clark's parents, Mr.

L. Strause family are home again. They were the guests of his parents, Dr. and Mrs. P. C. Straus, and Mrs. Straus' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Nagel.

Also present was Straus' sister and brother-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. Arthur Nolan of Lansing, and Mrs. Straus' sister-in-law, Mrs. Robert F. Nagel of San Antonio, Texas.

The Strauses recently entertained Mrs. Straus' aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. George Novick of Ludington.

The J. C. Toboldts flew to Chicago for the holidays. They were the houseguests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Henrichs, of Evanston, and Mr. and Mrs. William K. Toboldt of Des Plaines, Ill. A telephone call to Mrs. Toboldt's brother, Theodore Henrich, of Ft. Riley, Kan., made their Christmas complete.

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COMMUTER'S WIFE

Utopia, Dreamland Spot Where Women Swap Housework

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There are talented homemakers who are good at every phase of their job. Their houses are neat from attic to basement. They serve tasty and varied meals to their families. They can sew anything from a doll dress to a tailored suit, and iron white shirts so they seem to have come right from a laundry.

But most of us aren't that skillful, and we find that we are better adapted for one job around the house than the one we saw for another. Wouldn't it be fine if we could exchange some of these jobs with each other, giving some we don't like to women who do?

Mrs. A., who loves to sew little girls' dresses and does it well, could stitch merrily all day long, at least one day a week. Her neighbor, Mrs. B., who hates the sight of a needle and likes to wash and iron, would have taken over the laundry for Mrs. A.

In the evening Mrs. A. could pick up her clothes, beautifully done, bringing over with her the pretty dress she'd made that day for Mrs. B.'s little daughter.

THE NEXT DAY, Mrs. A. could spend on her own sewing projects, knowing that the laundry was done for the week.

Down the block, Mrs. C., who detests canning and preparing foods, could find a neighbor who likes this job, but dislikes the thought of taking down all her draperies and washing her win-

dows. They could trade. The wife who just loves to make fancy cakes, pies and salads, but has trouble entertaining her two small children, could cook for a friend, who'd take the children off her hands for a day.

Yes, this exchange would be a Utopian situation, where one woman's drudgery would become another woman's delight.

If such arrangements could be made, I'd like to make slip-covers for someone who in turn likes to wash kitchen and bathroom tile.

BUT WHAT WOULD happen if we tried to put this scheme into action?

Alas, we'd first have the problem of co-ordinating the actual doing time, with all the activities most of us have. We'd have a hard time finding just the right hours in which to do the job.

And another hindrance would be ourselves. We'd no doubt begin hating out just how much we'd done for each other. Each would consider that she'd done more for her neighbor than the neighbor had done for her. In the end, we'd be enemies instead of friends. Being women it would be hard for us to be other than petty about how much we'd contributed.

That being the case, it appears that for some years to come, we housewives will go right on doing household jobs that we don't like, along with those that we enjoy.



VACATIONING in Miami Beach, Fla., are Mr. and Mrs. Clifford C. Reed and their daughter, Lyndal, of Birmingham, who have a flying trip to Nassau in the Bahama islands planned before their return. Mrs. Reed and Lyndal are shown at the Pan American motel swimming pool at the Beach.

Set Smorgasbord In Friday Meet

Smorgasbord luncheon and benefit bridge plans will be completed when the University of Minnesota Women's club meets with Mrs. A. L. Malstrom, 16550 Rosemont tomorrow.

The planned event is set for Feb. 4 at the International Institute, with Mrs. D. H. Macintosh taking general chairmanship.

Tomorrow's dessert luncheon is set for 3:30, with co-hostess duties handled by Mrs. John Avedisian, Mrs. Mel Elmqvist, Mrs. John Krupp and Mrs. Wallace Solim.

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

Among those spending the holidays in Birmingham were Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Greer and daughters Meg and Amy from Minneapolis, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Murray of Ann Arbor. All spent the holidays with their parents, the Donald Murrys on Tilbury road.

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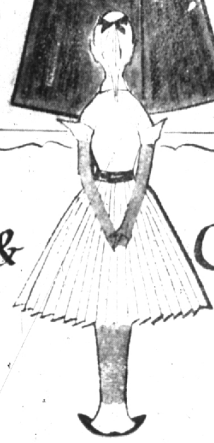
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