

Too much action and reaction in human relationships is confined to too little understanding of what motivates one at the moment. This often results in unnecessary friction between people, or groups. One ought to "hear out" another's ideas.



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Exhibits, Workshop and Dance Focus Spotlights on Objets d'Art

Art is playing a major role in the activities of Birmingham area families in the form of workshops, exhibits, sales and just plain decorative pieces.

This year, the Monday Painters will turn the parking lot at the corner of Pierce and Martin into an artists' market for a day, May 25.

That same evening, original paintings of French scenes will provide the background for Lambda Tau Delta's dinner-dance.

The week of June 2nd will mark the beginning of the 13th annual exhibit for the Birmingham Society of Women Painters.

Still another event on May 25 will be the exhibit and sale of original sculpture presented by the Terra Cotta Sculptors.

And—something brand new will be the summer art workshops for school children, sponsored by the Bloomfield Art Association.

(Complete details of these events are found in stories and pictures on this page.)



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Parking Lot Will Be Artists' Market

The basement of Mrs. Paul Schafer's home on Pleasant street has been turned into a workshop for the Monday Painters, who are working towards their 12th annual art exhibit. Saturday, May 25, the Painters will turn the parking lot at the corner of Pierce and Martin into an artists' market for a day with displays of oil, water color, gouache pastels and tempera paintings. Mrs. Ed Dingler of New York, former member of the Monday Painters, will be here to exhibit some of her latest

paintings. Working with the founder and instructor of the group, Mrs. Schafer, are (from left) Mrs. Raymond Smith, Mrs. Ernest Baumgarth, Mrs. Don Sprague, Mrs. Don McIntyre, Miss Bernice Dixon and Mrs. Fred Nieman (sitting center). Other artists in the association are Janeie Hudson, Mrs. Clyde Hagerman, Mrs. Raymond Hobruck, Mrs. Charles Green and Mrs. Harry Sherwood.

Art Association Plans Workshop For Children

Mrs. J. Vinton Birch, education chairman of the Bloomfield Art Association, announces a vacation program of Art Workshops for elementary and high school students to be given at the Association's headquarters, 361 North Woodward avenue, during the summer of 1957.

The six-week series, beginning the week of June 24, is sponsored by the Bloomfield Art Association in cooperation with the Extension Service of the Detroit Institute of Arts. The Art Institute's Founders Society is paying the initial costs from private funds contributed for the purpose by the National Bank of Detroit, Michigan Consolidated Gas Company and the J. L. Hudson Company. William A. McGoogale, curator of the Art Institute's education staff for the past six years, is the coordinator of the workshop program.

ALL CHILDREN and young adults in the Birmingham-Bloomfield Hills area are eligible to attend the Art Workshops. Expert instruction will be given by trained personnel in the use of creative materials—paint, clay, paper and other mediums of the artist. A fee for art supplies will be charged for the series of six classes and advance enrollment is required.

Through the cooperation of Dr. Dwight Ireland, superintendent of the Birmingham public schools and Eugene Johnson, superintendent of the Bloomfield Hills schools, information concerning the project and a questionnaire has been issued to all public school students. Enrollment will be taken in the order of application.

SCHEDULE OF the workshops for the first and second grades will be June 24 through July 29, on Mondays from 10 to 11:30 a.m. or from 1:30 to 3 p.m.; third and fourth grades, June 25 through July 30, Tuesdays, 10 to 11:30 a.m. or 1:30 to 3 p.m.; fifth and sixth grades, June 26 through July 31, Wednesdays, 10 a.m. to noon; seventh and eighth grades, June 26 through July 31, Wednesdays, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.; and high school students, June 27 through Aug. 1, Thursdays, 10 a.m. to noon.

MRS. BIRCH states the workshops will be well supervised. In addition to the art instructors, furnished by the Detroit Institute of Art, the education committee will provide monitors to assist in the classrooms.

Marshall Fredericks, director of the Bloomfield Art association, is acting as counselor to the committee.

Other members of the committee helping with the pioneer project are Mrs. Max Fruhauf, Mrs. E. E. Hammonds, Mrs. Randolph Heizer, Donald Dennis, Peter Dunas, Randall Clark, Mrs. A. C. Chiles, Mrs. John Hoppin, Jr. and Mrs. John P. Dacey.

Working for Constitutional Convention

The Birmingham League of Women Voters along with the other 27 Leagues in Michigan will be working for the favorable vote in 1958 on the question of calling a constitutional convention, the state agenda item for 1957-59. Mrs. M. G. Motta will be "Up to Date in '58."

One of the activities of the Birmingham LWV is the Speakers Bureau on the need for a constitutional convention. Any organizations interested may contact Mrs. William Hammond, 998 Brooklawn, public relations chairman.

THERE has been no constitutional convention in Michigan for 50 years. Though the 1850 Constitution provides for revision every 16 years, there has been no favorable vote since 1906 when the proposal passed and 96 delegates assembled in October 1907 to promulgate with our present state constitution.

Sixty-three amendments have since been added to our constitution indicating the need for a revised constitution.

Heading the study group for the Birmingham LWV is Mrs. G. N. Hillinger, 15609 Dunblaine avenue, with Mrs. George W. Tarratt, 612 Brookside, also active.

Returns from Fla.
Mr. and Mrs. Norton Marshall of Charwood road, and their daughter Yvonne, have returned after five months of vacationing in their winter residence at Boca Raton, Fla.



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'Spring Time in Paris'

It will be "Spring Time in Paris" for the Lambda Tau Delta members and their husbands when they attend a dinner-dance with a French theme Saturday at Red Run Country club. Guests will be seated at sidewalk cafe tables with original paintings in the background. A strolling troubadour will serenade guests during the cocktail and dinner hour. Looking

over the decorations being handled by the talented Mrs. Gordon H. McGowan (left) are (from left) Mrs. Richard Lachenauer, Mrs. Douglas Parrish, Mrs. W. Neil Lewton and Mrs. Elmer Mellebrand, dance chairman. Others assisting will be Mrs. Jack Hooks, John Hooks, Mrs. Gordon Bonanich, Miss Gloria Baykian and Mrs. William Devers.

NEXT WEEK'S ECCENTRIC WILL BE OUT ONE DAY EARLIER

—ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 29—
because of Memorial Day

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Women Painters' 13th Show

A tea from 2 to 5 p.m., Sunday, June 2, will mark the opening of the 13th annual exhibit for the Birmingham Society of Women Painters. Held at the Bloomfield Art Association headquarters, 361 North Woodward avenue, the show will be open from 2 to 5 p.m. daily, through June 9, except Thursday and Friday when the hours will be from 7:30 to 9 p.m. Hanging started today—and Mrs. E. Lee Vincent (left) and Mrs. John H. Hoppin

Jr., get a helping hand from their children, three-year-old "Biff" Graham and six-year-old "Becky" Hoppin. Mrs. Randolph Heiser will be chairman of the exhibit of oil paintings, of which many will be abstract. Her assistants include Mrs. V. J. Snyder, Mrs. F. Chalmers Smith, Mrs. Herbert Gardner, Mrs. E. L. Vincent, Mrs. William Dennis and Mrs. James Allen.

Newcomers View Fashions

Decorations in pink and red set the color theme for Birmingham Newcomers' fashion show and luncheon last week in the Community House. Mrs. Ralph O. Moore and Mrs. George H. Monroe planned table centerpieces of miniature felt dressmaker forms featuring tulip heads. Also adding a festive note were fans trimmed with paper cutouts of various articles of clothing.

Sherwin Davidson provided the narration as fashions from Davidson's were modeled by Mrs. Charles W. Wagner, Mrs. Albert Hobbes, Jr., Mrs. D. A. Reid, Mrs. Arthur Staley, Mrs. Bruce C. Butler, Mrs. Marie Spurrell, Mrs. Wendell Butler, Mrs. Stephen E. Williamson, and Mrs. Robert Holt.

Also modeling were Mrs. Doyle W. Lott, Mrs. Floyd Sease, Jr., Mrs. Kenneth Brands, Mrs. Carl L. Sonnenachlein, Mrs. Harold O. Meyer and Mrs. Hugh L. Fisher.

Program committee consisted of Mrs. Clifford Mohney, Mrs. W. L. McLane, Mrs. William C. Rubach, Mrs. John Hoey and Mrs. Kenneth Brands.

Attend Luncheon

Mrs. Harold E. Clark and Mrs. James Fingol of Birmingham were among those attending a luncheon yesterday at which the Junior Guild of Providence hospital honored its new officers and members.

Suburban Scene

by Fran Moier, Society Editor

To 'Cool the Cutie'
When you think of a calorie counter, you think of somebody on a diet. But for the Birmingham Village Players on June 3, the "calorie counter" is the booth where they'll serve the carnival-type supper of hot dogs and potato salad at their "Curtain Call Carnival."

The last party of the season for the Players will feature ten carnival booths. At one called "cool the cutie", a girl in a bathing suit (Mrs. Norman Porter), will glide on a suspended swing, smoking a cigarette in a long holder.

FOR ONE TEN-CENT ticket per squirt-gun full, the booth's customers will get a prize if they can put the cigarette out.

Mrs. Russell M. Richardson is readying skits for side-show entertainment, and Dr. Jack Hassberger will be the barker. Mrs. Marcus W. Arthur is doing the choreography for the side-show's dancing girls.

Celebrates 30 Years

Mrs. James J. Nance opened her elegant Bloomfield Hills home Wednesday for the 30th anniversary of the Detroit Committee for Seven Eastern Women's colleges. And, she had a special reason for lending her home—her daughter, William Atcheson, is a graduate from Smith college.

More than 200 alumnae of Bryn Mawr, Barnard, Mt. Holyoke, Radcliffe, Smith, Vassar and Wellesley were present.

College slides of member colleges were shown at the tea and Mrs. David H. Lynn, Barnard college alumnae and last year's committee chairman, reported on the '56 project, which was the speech given by the United Nations representative, Henry Cabot Lodge.

Dinner-Dance at Walbri

Colorful Japanese lanterns and spring flowers will provide decorations for the Saturday night dinner-dance at "Walbri", the former Briggs estate. The 6:30 event will benefit the Child Welfare Fund of the Catholic Social Service of Oakland County.

Those who have worked with chairman Mrs. Frank J. McGinnis are Mrs. William J. Riley, Mrs. Coyle E. Fisher, Mrs. Albert Smith, Mrs. Kenneth R. Dickinson, Mrs. Richard A. Connell, Jr., Mrs. Thomas J. Bolton, Mrs. Judge W. Bearden and Mrs. Carson C. Bingham.

Before the dinner cocktail parties will be hosted by Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Baer of Puritan road and Mr. and Mrs. Charles P. Kleinsmith of Hillwood drive, Bloomfield Hills.

Terra Cotta Sculptors Plan Exhibit and Sale

From 1 to 5 p.m., Saturday, May 25, the Terra Cotta Sculptors will conduct an exhibit and sale of original sculpture at the Birmingham Community House.

Friends of members have received attractive silk-screened invitations, designed by Mrs. J. C. King, announcing the display on the terrace and in the Ruth Shain Boom where tea will be served during the afternoon. The invitation is also extended to the general public to attend the annual exhibition of work done by the members during the year.

MRS. R. J. Farrell and Mrs. N. O. Wynkoop are co-chairmen of the day. Mrs. Hugh Backus and Mrs. William J. Griffin are designing the arrangements for the tea table to complement the sculptured glass figures which they are using as accessories.

Other members of the committee are Mrs. A. H. Reekie, sales; Mrs. J. S. Wittingham, decorations; Mrs. J. C. Roberts, publicity; Mrs. William Lovrie, refreshments; Mrs. E. H. Brown, exhibitors and Sava Kline posters.