

Women's 'Teas' -- Aim to Benefit

By FRAN MAIER

Teas, fashion shows and bridge parties are frowned upon by many and there is a big "to do" about all the time women of suburbia spend at such gatherings.

However, I doubt if anyone ever stops to think or even attempts to find out why there are so many such events.

Few of these are planned for the sole purpose of getting together, but as a way of inviting women to participate in worthy projects or to benefit the underprivileged.

ONE of the most recent contributions is that of the Soroptmist International of Birmingham. They check purchased the analyzer part of the patient scanner used in connection with radio active tracer studies in diagnostic work at William Beaumont hospital.

Owen Pinkerman, director of the hospital, stated that Soroptmist is the first service club to sponsor any of the equipment or support this department.

The Soroptmist club, along with many other South Oakland County Women's Service clubs are also contributing toward a continuing fund to build a Girls Ranch. Entire proceeds from the Soroptmist bridge party last week were set aside for this fund.

ON the recommendation of Mrs. Rufus P. Austin, chairman of the library committee, the Birmingham branch of the AAUW established a brand new contingency fund, with an appropriation of \$350 to the Birmingham high school libraries and \$150 to the Bloomsfield high school library. This fund is to expedite the purchase of new or ripe volumes for the libraries. The fund will come from these so-called "social gatherings."

AND, another tea . . . brought checks totaling \$275 as a donation from the Rotary club to the Oakland County Association for Crippled Children. (See related story this page.)

Wellesley Club Elects New Officers

New officers for the Birmingham Wellesley club were elected last week. President for the coming year will be Mrs. William C. Norvell of Lone Pine road, Bloomfield Hills. Other officers include Mrs. William H. Barney of West Lincoln, Birmingham, vice-president; and Mrs. James T. Barnard of Kenneway, Birmingham, treasurer.

The club's annual meeting was at the home of Mrs. E. Virden Moore, North Glenary, Birmingham.

Mrs. Jeanne Lloyd, retiring president, conducted the meeting and turned the gavel over to Mrs. Norvell who outlined to members the club's aim for the coming year and its responsibilities to the community and Wellesley college.

Co-hostesses from Birmingham was Mrs. James B. Blodgett.

Vacation in Sweden

Julie Erickson, 2929 Spring Hill lane, Southfield township, and her cousin, Elina Gustafson of Highland Park, are returning from Sweden May 31, for a three month stay to visit relatives.

Metropolitan Club Will Meet June 5

Members of auxiliary to the Metropolitan club April 9 will meet June 5, 8 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Walter Leopold, Cranbrook road, Bloomfield Hills, on the election of delegates to attend the national convention, at Grand Rapids in August.

Co-hostesses will be Mrs. Ed. Morrow, Mrs. H. J. Murphy, Mrs. Walter Powell, Mrs. Orin Roberts, Mrs. Dominick Vetrinano and Mrs. William Ziesch.

Exchange Student Shows City To His Mother and Sister

By JULIE CANDLER

Not many exchange students get a chance to show their mothers around the American city where they are living on the American Field Service's exchange program.

But popular Tom da Fonseca, a Birmingham high school senior from Portugal, had that pleasure last week. A fortunate connection of a member of Tom's family helped make possible the handsome exchange student's reunion last weekend with his mother, Mrs. Maria Brinquinho da Fonseca. Tom's lovely 19-year-old sister, Maria, works in the Lisbon office of Trans World Airlines. She planned the three-week tour for her mother and herself that took them first to New York for several days of sightseeing, then to Birmingham to be with Tom for five days. They'll zip around the country by air before they return to Portugal.

HERE THEY STAYED with Mr. and Mrs. Norris A. Host, of 18905 Bedford, Southfield. The Hosts (she's a World War II American Red Cross representative who served in Europe and has kept up her ocean-spanning friendships) visited the da Foncescas when they were in Europe last year. Tom now lives with the Elroy L. Sandbergs and son, Ron, of 909 Pleasant, Birmingham.

The Sandbergs entertained for the da Foncescas Saturday night.

Home From Abroad

Mary Lynn Moad, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert K. Russell of Glenview, Illinois, returned home last week from a three week tour of Europe. She visited Italy, France, Switzerland and England.



A GAY COMEDY—with a lot of truth and even more laughs—on the activities of the board members of the Village Woman's club will be presented at the annual meeting June 5. Among those taking part will be (from left) Mrs. Richard S. Teel, Mrs. Davis W. Lee and Mrs. Benjamin Brewster and Mrs. Waldemare H. Adams.

Suburban Scene

by Fran Maier
Society Editor

Counting Calories

Ladies of Forest Lake Country Club will hold a Calorie Counters' luncheon and card party at 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 5th, in the club house dining room and lounge. The menu is designed to prove that low-calorie foods can be prepared and served in a tempting and appetizing manner.

June graduations and weddings form the decoration theme with favors encased in miniature diplomas and center pieces of bridal bouquets gracing each table. Clusters of white balloons, trailing white satin ribbons adorned with lily-of-the-valley, will complete the decorations.

Mrs. Matthew Clevers is chairman of the arrangements committee which includes Mrs. Norman Reek, Mrs. Fred Canning, Mrs. William H. Bibbens, Mrs. Edward Luce, Jr., and Mrs. Manton Cumming.

Six Under Six

Marianne Elizabeth makes the sixth step for the "stairway" in the Charles Farrell household in Westchester Village. Arriving May 20th, she joins Charles, one year; Maureen, two; David, three; Shiela, four; and Joan, five. Congratulations!

To the Farm for a Picnic

That beautiful "Turtle Lake Farms" estate of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie H. Green will be the scene of the traditional June picnic on the 10th for the Bloomfield Hills Branch of the Woman's National Farm and Garden association.

Mrs. R. J. Wright of Northville, noted lecturer and book reviewer will speak on "Drama and Trees" . . . and, will also comment on the gorgeous trees on the green estate.

Members will also have an opportunity to "out-do" themselves . . . they are to bring their favorite dish, comments Mrs. Charles Chubbuck, hospitality chairman.

A Musical Satire Ends First Year For Village Women

"The Meeting of the Board"—a musical satire on the activities of the hard working members of the Village Woman's club board will be presented at the FIRST annual meeting at Oakland Hills Country Club June 5.

The skit, written and produced by its own members, will be the "grand finale" to the busy and stimulating first year of the club.

Painters To Exhibit June 2-9

Birmingham Society of Women Painters, whose exhibition will open Sunday, June 2 at the Bloomfield Art Association galleries, was founded in May 1944, when five serious women painters decided to leave their own studios open a week, meet together, and invite someone outstanding in the field of painting to be their instructor.

In the 13 years since the group was formed, three of the best known artists in the United States have been its teachers.

Francis de Erdely, a native of Hungary, was the group's first instructor. In Europe de Erdely is represented in permanent collections of museums in Madrid, Barcelona, The Hague, Brussels, Antwerp and Ghent. In the United States, his work is among the permanent collections of Detroit, Los Angeles, Denver, Pasadena and San Francisco.

WHEN de Erdely left Detroit in 1945, to become professor of Fine Arts at the University of Southern California, Sarkis Sarkisian, head of the Society of Arts and Crafts, in Detroit, became instructor for the group. He also is well represented in permanent collections of important museums throughout the country. His name is well known to every Michigan artist, many of whom he taught.

Two years ago Emil Weddige, professor in the Fine Arts Department at the University of Michigan, became the instructor for the Women Painters. He is an outstanding painter, but is probably best known for his prints and color lithographs, which hang in many major museums in the United States. His method of color lithography is unique and he is probably the most important in that field.

While the Society of Women Painters has grown considerably since its formation, it has maintained its reputation as a serious group of active painters. Every year several of its members enter paintings in exhibitions in various parts of the country. Ten of its members have been awarded prizes in state and regional art exhibitions. They are Mrs. James C. Allen, Mrs. Paul N. Averill, Mrs. J. Vinton Birch, Mrs. Lloyd Gulien, Mrs. E. B. Etter, Mrs. Harvey G. Luce, Mrs. Warren Pease, Jr., Mrs. James S. Siddall, Miss Mildred Williams and Mrs. Ralph D. Wittman.

Mrs. E. B. Etter held a well attended one man show in Sarasota, Fla., during the past winter.

This year's annual exhibition of the Women Painters will run for one week, beginning Sunday, June 2, with a tea from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Bloomfield Art Association Galleries will be open daily from 2 to 5 p.m., and on Thursday and Friday there will also be evening hours from 7 until 9 p.m.

REGULAR luncheon meetings will probably be discontinued through the summer, however, the board will continue to meet as well as committees working on study groups and programs.

A tentative fall schedule has already been announced which includes a collectors group to meet every third Wednesday at 1:30 p.m., a drama study group, bridge classes, armchair travelers group and a music survey group. Professor Benning Dexter of the Music Department of the University of Michigan will be instructor for the latter group.



DR. HENRIETTA HAYDEN, (left), associate director of the department of medical physics at William Beaumont hospital, gives first hand information on the use of the patient scanner used in connection with radio active tracer studies in diagnostic work. Her listeners are from left) Owen Pinkerman, director of the hospital, who accepted a check from members of the Soroptmist International of Birmingham, Mrs. Helen Reye, chairman of the service objectives committee, and Mrs. Marian Schmidt, president. Their contribution purchased the analyzer part of the set.

Rotary Anns Contribute to Camp Fund

Birmingham Rotary Anns were entertained at a luncheon for their annual meeting last Monday at the home of Mrs. J. H. Achten on Telegraph road. Mrs. Wallace Reid, Mrs. John Wakevainen, Mrs. Allen Ladd and Mrs. George W. Averill, Jr., comprised the committee for the day and Mrs. Matthew Cammareri, president.

In continuing their service project, a check for \$250 and a personal donation of \$25 was presented to Mrs. Elizabeth Kirkby, president of the Oakland County Association for Crippled Children. The funds will help send crippled children to Camp Bentley June 23 through July 10, for which members have already purchased suitable clothing.

ALSO on the agenda was the election of officers with Mrs. John Wakevainen of Linden heading the group, with the assistance of Mrs. Lewis Morley of Beechwood drive as first vice president.

Named as chairmen were Mrs. Wallace Reid of Northlawn avenue, Mrs. George Steelman of Yosemite, Mrs. Pearl Robinson of Wakefield drive, and Mrs. Robert Thom of Foxcroft, house; Mrs. Robert Peck of Maryland avenue and Mrs. Louis Haezel of Oaklawn avenue, program; Mrs. Edwin Kirkbert of Chestnut Hill drive, crippled children's chairman; and Mrs. George W. Averill, Jr., of York-shire, courtesy chairman.

Next meeting is planned for June



THE CHECK donated by the Rotary Anns will enable crippled children to attend Camp Bentley this summer. Mrs. Elizabeth Kirkby (right) accepts the check in behalf of the Oakland County Association for Crippled Children from representatives of the Rotary Anns, Mrs. Edwin Kirkbert (left) and Mrs. Matthew Cammareri.



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at which time Mrs. Charles Shain will speak on her recent trip to the Orient. Mrs. Alfred LaBelle will open her home at 2280 West 13 Mile road, for the meeting.

Rings on Their Fingers



CARLIN BAY



ELLEN VAN WAGONER



PATRICIA DONALDSON

To Wed

Mr. and Mrs. Donald William Baul of Ellen Pine road, Bloomfield Hills, announce the engagement of their daughter, Carlin, to William Gordon Hipp, son of Dr. and Mrs. Sterling Hipp of Highland Park. The couple will be married following the completion of Carlin's training at the Naval Cadet school in Pensacola, Fla.

A July Event No Date Set

Announcement of the engagement of Arthur Kroeger is attributed to Walter Wilko has been announced by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Murray Deles Van Wagener of Abbey road. Walter is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Ziolkowski of Detroit. Plans are being made for a July wedding.

Home From Abroad

The engagement of Patricia Donaldson to Arthur Kroeger is announced by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Donaldson of Union Lake, formerly of Birmingham. Parents of the prospective bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Kroeger of Northville. No immediate wedding plans have been made.



TOM da FONSECA (left) shows his mother (at left) and sister, visiting from Portugal, points of interest at Birmingham high school. Tom has been attending the school this year on the American Field Service student exchange program. With them is Pete Brink, who will spend the summer with the da Fonseca family in Portugal in another AFS exchange.