

Again we who live where the Fair Seasons come and go are entering that time of year when all out-of-doors will cry *hurry* in autumn coloring. Nature probably could have caused leaves to turn only from green to dirty grey-brown but the (oh-ways with an eye to beauty) decided to robe foliage in beautiful colors . . . all for free, too.

The Birmingham Eccentric

SECTION B

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At Braes of Bloomfield Association Picnic



AT LEFT—More than 120 Walnut Lake area residents, including newcomers, showed up between showers Sunday for the annual picnic of the Braes of Bloomfield Association. Heading the potluck affair on Old Orchard drive was Mrs. A. J. Brooks, who recruited her husband to head the clean-up squad. Others helping to make the event a success were Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Bielby, Mrs. G.M. Vogelsang, Mrs. Wayne L. McCane, George McIntyre, Mrs. C. Myrold, Mrs. Robert Donley, Mrs. E. Griggs and Miss Laura Szymke, who took charge of the kiddies games.



AT RIGHT—Kent Schermerhorn is almost too much wheelbarrow for sister Karen as they try to keep up with the "bigger" boys and girls in the race. They are the children of Mr. and Mrs. Neale Schermerhorn of Old Orchard drive. Other games included foot races, ball throwing, shoe scrambling, and piggy-back rides for the fathers and sons.

Suburban Scene

by Fran Maier
Society Editor



When Birmingham and Bloomfield area women see the 1957 fall collection presented by Ruth Joyce, designer of originals, they are sure to feel she had the suburban woman in mind.

She is using as her theme "Les Grands Classiques", inspired in the classic feeling in paintings, music and the dance.

Salient points on the theme, colors, fabrics, designs and lines are here described . . .

Color

Pink is a great Joyce favorite for her evening wear this season, especially Renoir pink. Black—a very 'good' color, used for both daytime and evening. Red—"If another color is 'good,' it's probably red," say both Ruth Joyce and Don Nagel, her chief assistant designer. Other colors in her collection are gray, gold, a dark royal blue, charcoal blue, Van Gogh green used for exciting accent and combinations of black and brown.

Fabrics

Lace is the 'big' fabric for evening; dull satin very good. Others in the Joyce collection for evening wear are rich silk organza, gros de londre, a satin-back silk and wool weave and chiffon. For daytime soft wools are used. Cruise costumes include a slubbed silk; a printed silk surah teamed with a great coat of American Beauty color wool.

She is showing very few jackets—in place of jackets are capelets and stoles. There is some fur trim, but not much.

Bodies

A new Joyce device this fall is a double bust-dart, to give a little fullness over the bust. It is brand new and presented in only a couple of costumes. Bodies are fitted, achieved with a somewhat different line; a few backs are bloused, but slightly—just a tendency to easiness.

Shoulders, Sleeves

Shoulders are natural, with some small pads for smoothness to camouflage the figure. A good 75 per cent of the sleeves are set in. For daytime, most sleeves are long and fitted.

Waistlines

"We like the natural waistline," says Ruth Joyce. In one or two costumes there's a shade of dropped waistline. Empire line is exemplified; in the chemise dress of black sheer wool for late afternoon, named "The Hat Does It!"; in the theatre suit "Un Chevalier"; and in "La Flora" ballgown.

Skirt Lengths

"We don't like them short," says Ruth. "We are staying with mid-calf length for daytime. Evening lengths vary. We are showing quite a few which are short in front . . . ankle length in front . . . and floor length in back. But nothing will replace the long ballgown with a train for elegant wear."

Indian Summer, Or Winter Planning

It may be Indian summer to everyone else—but to Detroit Curling club members it is strictly winter . . . planning that is. Grace and Les Wilder's spacious home on Brookdale drive was the setting for an unusual party Saturday.

About 85 guests were delighted with the clever circular announcing the event. Guests were invited to bring their own brooms if they insisted on improving their sweeping technique, and the acres of beautiful lawn afforded ample space for this activity.

THREE BIG events were promised, the first . . . scheduled at 3 p.m. . . cocktails! and what Scotman doesn't like a "wee drap."

Second, Conversation! and how they did re-haah last winter's games.

Third, buffet supper with everyone forgetting calories and assuring each other they could soon whittle down waist lines once the season's games get under way.

SINCE GUESTS came from Grande Pointe, Detroit, Birmingham, and Plymouth, Lee had a St. Bernard (minus his cask) standing by in case someone "diedna find in a case."

Curling club president Wilder has wonderful fun plans for the Carlers. In fact he has put so many people to work, there are committees in charge of committees. That is what makes this sport so enjoyable, with everyone, whole fam-

Pierce PTA Roundup, Plans Fair

Pierce school fair, Friday, Oct. 11 will feature Ricky the Clown of television fame, along with some of his favorite pets.

One of the special attractions added this year will be a free nursery to enable parents with small children to shop and give other parents an opportunity to serve in the various booths.

Mrs. Hazel Babcock is chairman of the ways and means committee.

BESIDES getting things prepared for the fair, other members of the PTA have been busy getting their departments organized.

Mrs. George Sinko, mother vice president, entertained room mothers at a coffee in the cafeteria to brief them on their duties as room mothers.

Band instructor Kutscher had a meeting with the parents of children in the fourth grade who were interested in taking instrumental lessons. At that time the music program was explained and a demonstration of the instruments given.

FIRST edition of the Pierce Arrow, PTA sponsored school newspaper, will be published Friday.

Doug Jaeger announces that Pack 7 of the cub scouts will have committee meetings the third Monday of each month at 8 p.m. at the Community House.

EACH year the room mothers entertain all mothers of students in their respective rooms. Many have past and others are scheduled for today.

Parents of pupils in room 26 of the fifth grade and parents of Miss Taylor's first grade will meet today in the class room. Hostesses will be Mrs. Barbara Lovett, Mrs. George Wood, Mrs. James Downey and Mrs. Norma Moore.

Area Chairmen, District Chairmen Meet for Coffee

Birmingham area chairmen for the United Foundation recently met for coffee with their district chairmen. Mrs. Clyde Bennett, co-chairman, of Suffield participated at all the meetings.

Mrs. Harry Stevens, Fairfax area chairman, met with her district chairmen. They are Mrs. James Neal, Mrs. Raymond Hayes, Mrs. G. W. Davis, Mrs. Edward Watkins, Mrs. Robert Voss and Mrs. Fred Crockett.

Harmon area chairman, Mrs. Vernon Bryant, district chairmen, Mrs. Charles Himeoch, Mrs. Carl Saffin, Mrs. George Robinson, Mrs. L. E. Colgrove, Jr., Mrs. Richard Shelley and Mrs. Richard Stevens.

MRS. CHARLES L. WILSON, Argyle chairman, District chairmen are Mrs. Helen Hanley, Mrs. Robert Salsman, Mrs. Jolay S. Henry, Jr., Mrs. Webster Scheifele, Mrs. Paul Wheland and Mrs. Ralph Freeman.

Mrs. Robert Saffell, Townsend area chairman, District chairmen are Mrs. Robert Husta, Mrs. Robert Fowler, Mrs. Phyllis Reid, Mrs. G. Goode, Mrs. Robert Harrington, Mrs. Harris Olson, Mrs. Charles Hunt, Mrs. E. Clark, Mrs. Forrest Fox, East Lincoln chairman, District chairmen, Mrs. Glen Wilson, Mrs. Clifford Hunt, Mrs. John Morris, Mrs. Richard Sullivan, Mrs. Bruce King, Mrs. Donald Little and Mrs. Lionel Colburn.

Junior League and AAUW Are Volunteers for Science

CRANBROOK—The Junior League of Birmingham and the Birmingham AAUW have together recruited 30 volunteers to help out in the many activities at Cranbrook Institute of Science. Informally known as the Institute Service Guild, the group is under the chairmanship of Mrs. John Kerr and AAUW member Mrs. Lawrence Wineman.

Unofficial guardian of the group, herself a league member, is Doris Olier-Graham, Institute Book Shop Manager. Under her enthusiastic leadership, a training course for the volunteers was set up, with three meetings last week and three this week, to acquaint them with staff members, the various departments in which they operate, and the building itself.

Schroeder showed them the shops where the exhibits are prepared, dazzling them with the great variety of techniques required to put an exhibit together.

AT THE MEETING following, Mrs. McMillan demonstrated the planetarium and the observatory. Mrs. Schroeder explained the laboratory workshop where gems and stones are cut and polished by her classes. Mrs. Frank Reynolds, librarian, explained the collection of 9,100 books and almost as many pamphlets and periodicals available to members and to school children doing elementary research on a specific scientific subject.

DR. ROBERT T. HATT, director of the Institute, began the series September 9, with an introduction to the Institute's educational program, as well as to staff members. Mrs. Doris McMillan, the Institute's chief docent, who guides school and other groups through the museum of natural history, the mineral collection, and puts on planetarium demonstrations, then took the group on a tour of the mineralogical and geological collections.

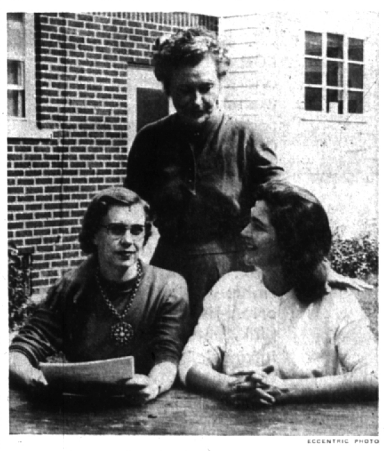
The next day she toured them through the anthropological and biological exhibits, and Lucella

described the details of keeping membership records, reception desk duties, the all important appointment book for tours of large groups, and the sales records for the books and objects on sale at the Institute.

Don Tompkins, building superintendent, took the group on a tour of the building from basement laboratories to the penthouse where special meetings, luncheons and dinners are held, and explained the alarm system, police calls and other emergency techniques.

The list continues with Mrs. Clifford Dunn, Mrs. Charles C. L'Hommedieu, Mrs. Leslie Durgin, Mrs. Dorr Lovett, Mrs. Frank Rowland, Mrs. Norman Christie, Mrs. Forest Shea, Mrs. A. Joseph Mottier, Mrs. Arthur Thornbury, Mrs. Frederic Lines, Mrs. Garvin Bawden, Jr., Mrs. Robert Leckie, Jr., Mrs. William H. Barney, Jr., Mrs. Henry Gilmarin and Mrs. Claude Booker.

MRS. HELEN LeVan, Mrs. Gra-



LWV Speakers

A speakers bureau which will supply programs without cost to local organizations is another service to the community being offered this year by the Birmingham League of Women Voters. Talks are available from the League on topics of national, state and local interests. All concern subjects which have been studied by the non-partisan League of Women Voters. Three of the LWV speakers scanning the 10 titles from which any group desiring a speaker may choose are (from left) Mrs. Jack Gieck, Mrs. Cleveland Walcutt and Mrs. George Hilfinger. Arrangements for speakers may be made by contacting Mrs. William Hammond or writing the League of Women Voters at the Baldwin Public Library.

IFYE Delegates Participate In WNFGA Cooperation Program

A program on international cooperation is being planned to follow the 12:30 p.m. luncheon of the Birmingham branch of the Woman's National Farm and Garden Association Tuesday at Bloomfield Hills Country club.

Novel arrangements of fall purple, orchid and pink colors will be used as decor for the tables. Planning the luncheon is Mrs. Ralph H. Scheel and her committee consisting of Mrs. Harry Coon, Mrs. Donald Price, Mrs. Raymond Giffels, and Mrs. George Limp.

"Ambassadors in Blue Jeans" is the program title which aptly describes the International Farm Youth program. The stimulating program will be presented in panel fashion by IFYE delegates with Mrs. F. G. Garrison as moderator.

All of the delegates are 4H members and Ben Westrate, executive director of the Michigan 4H Foundation, will tell something of the foundation to start off the panel.

Introducing the two delegates from Michigan, two who recently returned from foreign countries and two others from foreign countries will be Miss Mary Woodward.

Mrs. Robert Fowler will act as hospital chairwoman assisted by Mrs. Iver Williams, Mrs. William Bird, Mrs. A. Winfree and Mrs. Carmen Adams.



Table Arrangements

Purples and pinks are being combined as decor for luncheon tables at WNFGA's international cooperation program Tuesday. Collaborating on plans are (from left) Mrs. Raymond F. Giffels, Mrs. Ralph Scheel, social chairman, and Mrs. Fred R. Seghers, program chairman.



This, Not This . . .

was the slogan adopted for this fall's campaign of the Birmingham-Bloomfield branch of the Needlework Guild of America when the board of directors met for a luncheon meeting last week at Bloomfield Hills Country club. New articles of clothing displayed by Mrs. Parsons Neff (left) will replace the lattered and torn garments shown by Mrs. E. E. Hammonds. Purpose of the guild is to collect and distribute new articles of clothing and household items to those in need. Anyone may become a member by donating two new articles. Ingathering date is Oct. 16 at 9:30 a.m. in the Community House.