

It has been said that most human beings place a fairly low value on the life issued to them by Divine Providence. Many people fail to acquire a reasonable knowledge, and thus appreciation, of the world in which they exist; they take a variety of dangerous chances, not only on the highways, but most everywhere—always risking the loss of their lives.

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Students Plan Special Party for Parents, Board



Treat Is Pageant And Dinner

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Society Editor

We're keeping the menu a surprise . . . but the parents of young ladies at Bloomfield Hills Country Day School for Girls and members of the board of trustees of the school are in for a surprise come Thursday evening.

The girls will prepare the buffet supper, which is no new task to them since they take turns at being "chefs" in that field every day for their school noon-hour lunch.

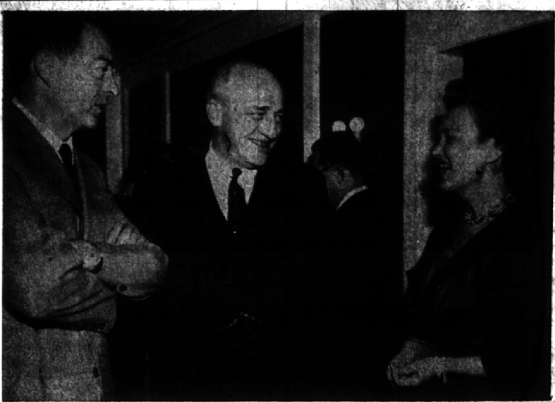
We call it lunch, but when I stopped in last week there was a well planned dinner consisting of meat loaf, green beans, salad . . . and the works. The girls displayed an art of skill . . . and the aroma . . . was sure an inviting one.

CONNOISSEURS of the supper party will be Gail Cornell, Karen Andreae, Marilyn Johnson, Gail Hammonds and Jane Martin.

Participants in the pageant and program of the dance will be Patti Ball, Lisa Knudsen, Faith Harrington, Sandra Stover and Karen Vanderkloot. March Ellen Booth will sing a solo and there will be a reading of The Christmas Story and singing of carols.

Decorations will be in the holiday motif and supervision will be under the guidance of Miss Patricia J. Fulton, the charming and very capable headmistress.

Besides pageants some of those from the board will include Mrs. Stanley Kresge, Mrs. Edward Welloch, Mrs. Bruce Knight, Mrs. Earl S. MacPherson and Mrs. Robert Vanderkloot.



Honor Radcliffe President

Dr. Wilbur K. Jordan (above center) president of Radcliffe college, Cambridge, Mass., with Mr. and Mrs. Clifford West in their spacious home on Lone Pine road, Bloomfield Hills. He came to address alumnae of the Detroit area and Ann Arbor. Among the young chap is the West's son, Justin.



COOKING IS PART of their every-day routine. Preparing a Christmas buffet supper will be a joy for the girls at Bloomfield Country Day school including (from left) Joyce Lee, Lisa Knudsen, Karen Andreae and Jane Martin.

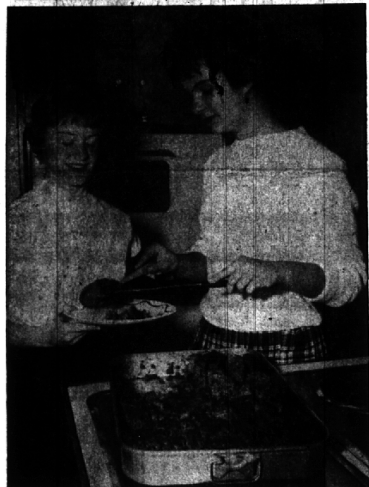
MSU Senior Engaged To Princeton Senior

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer T. Benson of Closter, N. J., formerly of Birmingham, announce the engagement of their daughter, Marilyn, to Robert Scott Ketchum, son of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin C. Ketchum of Suffield road, Birmingham.

Marilyn is a senior of the University of Michigan and is a member of Chi Omega sorority. Her fiancé is in his senior year at Princeton, where he is affiliated with Cloister Inn. Both are graduates of Birmingham high school.



MARILYN BENSON



MEAT LOAF is the specialty of Gail Cornell (left) and Marilyn Johnson as they keep in mind the "do's" and "don'ts" of serving.

Garden Club Plans Christmas Party

The horticultural therapy committee of the Pine Lake branch of the WNFCA is working with a group of young girls from the Pontiac State hospital. They have organized the garden club with these girls. Purpose is to encourage artistic talents.

Mrs. William Burlingame, horticultural therapy chairman of the Michigan Division of the WNFCA, is working with the following members of the Pine Lake branch: Mrs. Russell Kook, Mrs. Carl Guise, Mrs. A. J. Lindemann, Mrs. Steven Sage, Mrs. H. Schneider, Mrs. Kenneth Peterson and Mrs. Edna Keller.

The garden club had a corsage sale Friday at the Pontiac State hospital. Devan Gables will be the scene Friday for a Christmas party.

Christmas Luncheon

A Christmas luncheon is scheduled for the Maplebrook branch of the WNFCA tomorrow at 12:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. F. Wyczak, 155 S. Williamson road. Co-hostess is Mrs. Joseph Morosan, and Mrs. Tom Perkins will report on the Christmas project.

Beverly Hair's Truth Revealed

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hair of Maryland boulevard, Birmingham, announce the engagement of their daughter, Beverly Jean, to Walter Anderson, Jr., son of the senior Andersons of Detroit.

The bride-elect attended Wayne State university. Her fiancé is attending Wayne and attended the University of Michigan.

A January 23 wedding is planned.

Mary Chase Procter Plans For April Altar Date

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Alexander Procter of Wing Lake announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary Chase, to Creighton Wilson Runnette, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander C. Runnette of Pittsburgh, Pa.

A member of Tau Beta association, Mary is a graduate of National Cathedral school, Washington, D. C., and attended Bradford Junior college. Her fiancé is a graduate of University of Pittsburgh.

Plans are being made for an April wedding.



MARY PROCTER

Suburban Scene

by
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Glamour for The Aged

A woman is a woman, is a woman, is a woman . . . no matter what her age.

And a quote I like to use from Lily Dache's Glamour book is "Sell Glamour." "I think I have been doing this all my life because glamour is more important to me than bread and meat. This perhaps sounds foolish, because, as my old cook has pointed out, you cannot live on glamour. Perhaps not. But without glamour I would not want to live. Without it there would be no excitement to life."

There's going to be plenty of excitement Dec. 16th at St. Elizabeth Briarbank Home for the Aged, Bloomfield Hills. Every lady there will have a new "harid" and manicure (done professionally) for the 17th annual Christmas party sponsored by Briarbank society. Besides their new coiffures, they will be dressed in their best "bib and tucker" for probably their biggest party of the season.

There's to be another special surprise for the ladies . . . local florist has his ingenious mind set on creating an outstanding centerpiece which he hopes will recall some of their youth.

Besides Mrs. John B. Hammond, president of the society, some of those helping to make the party possible include Mrs. John Mahony, Mrs. Charles Kleinsmith, who is responsible for the new hairstyles; Mrs. J. J. Edwood, Mrs. Everett E. Fisher, Mrs. James Q. Goudie and Mrs. J. J. Shannon.

Tree, Surprises and Goodies

Another interesting celebration will be in the year which marks the 20th anniversary of the Sisters of the Dominican Sick Poor. To aid the sisters, who as registered nurses, minister without pay in the homes of the poor needing nursing care, a Christmas tea is planned for Dec. 21 at St. Ann's Convent, 700 Boston boulevard, west Detroit. This is the third year for the annual event which will be from two until six o'clock.

Arrangements are being made by the auxiliary board of directors under the direction of president Mrs. William Levine.

Others from the area working to make the program a financial success are Mrs. Clarence Grix, Mrs. Edward H. Kelley, Mrs. Albert F. Boening, Mrs. Harry Randall, Mrs. Frederick Selman and Mrs. Arthur Grix.

A musical program has been planned by the Dominican choir group and Frank Gillen, who will play for the afternoon.

There will be the traditional tree and surprises and Christmas goodies prepared in the kitchen of members.

Christmas Music At Adams School

The evening of Christmas music at the Adams school Thursday at 8 will consist of both instrumental and vocal music. Harold Jones will conduct the band composed of fifth and sixth graders, and Alma Fassbender will lead the choir of fourth, fifth and sixth graders.

A rendition of the Echo Carol, sung by four voices, will be one of the features. Charles Welch's sixth graders have prepared a Christmas mural as a stage backdrop for the occasion.

The primary grades will perform Friday at 10:45 a.m. under the direction of Mrs. Sylvia Miller. The "Little General" will be narrated by Brint Hannay and performed by a cast made up from the primary grades.

Trip to Maryland

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Minting of Humes street, Birmingham, recently returned from Aberdeen and Baltimore, Md. They visited their daughter and two sons.

A Person to Person Christmas Means Giving a Lot of Yourself

By RUTH VOGT
Special Writer

This recipe for: "How to keep the next few weeks" has't been patented. Anyone is welcome to borrow it and use it freely. One warning should be issued before it's tried, however. It's quite expensive.

"In Money!" someone might ask and then wonder who'd had the courage to push onto an already inflated market another commodity requiring a lot of dollars. Especially at a time of the year when the purse is full one hour and is completely depleted the next.

It demands (this recipe), two ingredients. A person's own self, mind well, and thoroughly, and another precious item labeled "time." You know—moments, minutes—maybe even a full hour? Sometimes more.

"OH, WELL," another might say and then wonder who'd had the courage to push onto an already inflated market another commodity requiring a lot of dollars. Especially at a time of the year when the purse is full one hour and is completely depleted the next.

Before a decision such as this is made, remain for just a few moments. "There you are—time a-gal!" to see how simple it works! And what wonderful results occur!

you write nothing more than "Hi, Myrtle. How's Fred and your children this year? Think of you often."

THE PERSON-to-Person Christmas theme creeps in. It tends to enlarge the heart. In a good way.

Next, don't let a shopping day pass unless you become aware—of something more than the merchandise spread out on counters. Be brave and look beyond. To the sales person holding her book in hand.

With a little practice it's easy to hand over, with your coin plate a bit of—yourself. Time needed?

Yes. Perhaps a couple extra seconds. But you and she: the lady who assisted you? Both will have experienced a touch of "wonder" called Christmas.

ABOUT THE PARTIES subscribed too. (One business man admitted he was tied to 27 cocktail-does between now and then.) Don't be a business man. Not at this time of year. Refuse to crowd in more Open-Houses than you are capable of handling.

Unless a bit of yourself is left

at each one what's the use of stuffing on tid-bits and standing in a full parlor? Some insist that talk is forbidden at such functions, just chatter allowed. If that's the case, your dog Rover could be sent in your place and no one would miss you!

"Hello. How have you been all fall? And instead of drifting off to another guest, remain steadfast, in one spot, to hear the answer. Don't be fearful of discussing more than the mad rush now-days. Offer yourself. Takes time? Sure! But is given, again, that wonderful holiday touch. The personal.

FINALLY THIS last mixture to my recipe calls for a quiet spot. Your bedroom. Your church, (or even in the basement while cleaning up.) It demands you empty the head and mind of all thoughts except one: Why Christmas occurs each year.

This is the one where a whole hour flies so quickly. This is the one which really opens up, to its fullest—the heart!

A Person to Person Christmas is, indeed, a most wonderful thing.