

To be a good teacher is a challenge of a size that looms larger than being General of an army. For today's teacher, hampered in by the narrow prejudices of many adults, paid less than other professions, requires a sense of personal dedication greater than is popularly understood. "Man doesn't live by bread alone" . . . and many teachers deserve more dough.

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SECTION B

## Garden Pilgrimage Begins June 7

### 9 Area Homes Open For Two-Day Tour

Photo Story by Fran Maier, Women's Editor

Spring gardens are lovely gardens . . . and the Pilgrimage committee co-chaired locally by Mrs. George O. Cutter of Overhill road and Mrs. John Tebben of Metamora, has selected some of the most outstanding gardens in the Birmingham-Bloomfield Hills area.

A strip of tickets which entitles the holder to see all the gardens scheduled for the weekend of June 7th and 8th may be purchased at any one of the gardens listed. Proceeds go to the Detroit Garden center which sponsors the pilgrimage.

**GOOD LANDSCAPING** extends and enriches a personal way of life. The modern homeowner desires areas for recreation, terraces for entertaining and restful vistas for relaxation.

The modern trend is also to increase the hours of enjoyment in the garden by the proper use of concealed garden lighting—a step forward from the old-fashioned flood lights and mushroom fixtures. With garden lighting, the outdoor living area can now be as delightful after dark as in daylight—or maybe even more so!

**ALTOGETHER** nine gardens will be open to the public from 1 to 6 p.m. daily except for the William Beatty garden which will feature indirect lighting and hours will be from 8 to 10 p.m. each evening.

Each area has a separate committee with tea being served by the Bloomfield branch Saturday at the home of Mrs. Edward Wellock

on Kirkway. Others on her committee are Mrs. Felix Bruner, Mrs. W. B. Anderson and Mrs. Russell Strickland.

**TEA** by the Birmingham branch will be served Sunday at the Charles L. Stricker home on Gengary. Tea chairmen, Mrs. George Limp and Mrs. C. E. Nickel, will be assisted by Mrs. Joe E. Hainline, Mrs. Frank Howlett and Mrs. Richard W. Burgess.

Horticultural chairman, Mrs. Frank Webb, will be on hand offering information on plant material.

**CIRCLED** numbers on the map below give the locations of the various gardens open for the tour. First house on the list is that of Mr. and Mrs. Elwood H. Goldsmith, 3724 Oakland, Bloomfield township, featuring indirect lighting with equipment attractively concealed.

At the Gengary road home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Stricker, (2) a sunken patio area surrounded by interesting evergreen planting, will also feature indirect lighting. This is the Garden Center information headquarters.

**MR. AND MRS. Bruce Walker** have spacious grounds (3) with a garden incorporating a natural brook at their home, 115 Chesterfield, Bloomfield Hills.

Spacious grounds surround the contemporary home (4) of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Colman on Rathmor, overlooking a golf course.

Four acres surround number 5 home on the map adjoining the Lester Colmans. It is the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. Clay Chamberlin, with choice plant materials, perennials and azalea.

The W. H. Pettibone home (6), 1450 Epping Lane, Bloomfield Hills, has a beautifully landscaped garden featuring the swimming pool area.

The Kirkway road home of Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Wellock in Bloomfield township (7) has a lovely terrace with view overlooking lake. There is excellent landscape design and interesting planting of roses.

Another home with spacious grounds and well-designed plantings and a view overlooking the lake is number 8 . . . Dr. and Mrs. H. D. Scarney's residence, 5400 Pontiac Trail, Upper Straits Lake.

The last on the tour is Mr. and Mrs. William H. Beatty's home, 1302 Latham road, Birmingham, which is open at night only for a demonstration of concealed lighting.

Lawrence Smith, landscape architect, will present a walkie talkie tour of the garden which is principally on the upper level of a steep hill overlooking the valley of the River Rouge.

The effect of indirect lighting is given by having the light source hidden as much as possible. A specimen flowering crab tree is displayed by illumination from near its base.

One is guided along steps and paths by soft light from low inconspicuous fixtures. Background lighting is accomplished from the use of powerful floods hidden below the retaining wall of the terrace.

To prevent a washed-out appearance of certain colors under artificial light, true color illumination has been given through the use of corrective lenses on the fixtures.



**TOURERS WILL RECEIVE** a warm welcome from charming hostesses at each of the nine homes scheduled for the Detroit Garden Center pilgrimages June 7 and 8. This rock garden is one of the beauty spots in the Bloomfield Hills area where Mrs. Russell Strickland of Country club drive will assist other Garden club members in welcoming guests.

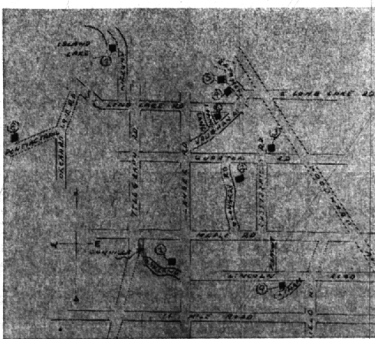


**THIS GARDEN OVERLOOKS** the ninth hole of Bloomfield Hills Country Club. Four acres surround the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clay Chamberlin which joins the Lester Col-



**MARKED CHANGES** will be noted in the Lester Colman gardens for those who saw it brand new five years ago. There are lovely plantings, choice materials and wonderful specimen trees. Unusual features which ac-

cent the gardens are four purple martin houses. Typical is this scene of Mrs. Colman as she works among the flowers at her home on Rathmor, Bloomfield Hills.



**CIRCLED NUMBERS** on the map give locations of the various area gardens. Tickets may be exchanged at any garden on either day for a tour map.

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