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Bridge Luncheon Set by WNFGA

MEADOWLAKE — Through the courtesy of Mrs. Howard C. Hamilton, members of the Meadowlake branch of the WNFGA will gather at Pine Lake country club for a bridge luncheon to wind up the current season.

Preceding the party, Mrs. C. E. Bozice, of Crestway drive will entertain the group at a cocktail pour.

On May 23, members enjoyed a visit to the Jack Rathbun estate on Lake Angelus, touring the Oriental gardens, greenhouse and spring gardens.

DOWN TO EARTH

Get Your Lawn Ready for Water Shortage

"What can I do about my lawn? It's brown due to lack of water."
"This is the usual phone call these days. You might as well face it: We are in for plenty of water trouble this season because we've had a lack of both heavy snow in winter and of hard spring rain.

YOUR LAWN will benefit from a top dressing of Michigan peat. This acts as a sponge, holding moisture and will not sprout weeds like a top dressing of top soil does. Test it around and then rake it with a leaf rake. It will also help if you cut your lawn no shorter than two inches and apply fertilizer toward the end of June for a second application this season. If you use fertilizer with weed killer in it you will save man-hours. And cut the lawn often enough so you can allow the cuttings to fall back in the soil to form nature's mulch. Of course, if you wait too long, the "hay" has to be removed.

AND THEN WATERING. If you do it daily you'll find that the grass roots willow in so much attention and go no deeper than just below the soil line. If you water once a week and do it thoroughly, the roots will grow deep and the lawn will survive if you have water trouble later in the season.

This advice, of course, is for established lawns. A new lawn needs unlimited watering until all of the seeds are accounted for and well started.

A good, thinking gardener al-

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ways has peat handy to place around his trees, shrubs and perennials when a water shortage comes. We use black Michigan peat for top dressing our lawns, but baled Canadian peat for our plant beds.

An open bale of peat is as important for the gardener as salt and pepper is for the cook.

THOSE who are moving into a new home and have a lawn to build have to decide whether to buy top soil or build what they have. The cost of building up existing soil is a third that of buying top soil. Research has been done by the foremost seed company on how to build soil. You spread fertilizer at four times the usual rate and follow up with monthly feedings during the first three summers. This technique avoids the weed needs always present in top soil. There is no labor charge for spreading top soil, and by the end of the three-year period the sub-soil grass will have added enough humus from its own root growth to make a top soil tailored to its needs.

I MOVED a large spreading evergreen the other day and watered it with Transplanone to prevent too much root shock at the base and sprayed the needles with Wilt Proof, which is a plastic substance to prevent escape of too much water vapor from the needles.

Research has shown that if you get tomato plants in plantable pots they will have twice as many tomatoes as those grown in a flat and sold from this source. As space is often a consideration, this technique appeals to me. The tomatoes could be planted any time. Be sure to select a sunny location. I have had many inquiries from persons who wish to direct young people into the study of horticulture. "Careers and Training in

Mrs. Carl Metz Entertains Club

BLOOMFIELD HEIGHTS — The May meeting of the Bloomfield Heights branch of the WNFGA met at the home of Mrs. Carl Metz on Tully court yesterday. Co-hostesses were Mrs. Kenneth Burmaster and Mrs. Spencer Hinds. Guest speaker was Lloyd Hearns of Eugene flower shop who demon-

Garden Club Meet

Riverwoods branch of the WNFGA will meet at the home of Mrs. Leon Dechem, 25406 Ingleside drive, June 3 at 12:30 for a dessert luncheon. Co-hostesses will be Mrs. Irvin Vollbrecht and Mrs. C. P. Nixon. Program, plant sale and recipe exchange.

Stratified flower arrangements. The club presented a gift to past president Mrs. Richard Harris.

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Berkshire WNFGA Installs Officers

BERKSHIRE — The Berkshire branch of the WNFGA will meet at the home of Mrs. Al Kacy on LaSher road June 3 at 12:30 p.m. for a smorgasbord luncheon and installation of officers.

Installed will be Mrs. John Calhoun, president; Mrs. George Freyer, first vice president; Mrs. Arthur Newman, second vice president and program chairman; Mrs. W. T. McAuley, recording secretary; Mrs. J. R. Fortune, corresponding secretary; and Mrs. George Ruiz, treasurer.

Chairman for the day will be Mrs. Arthur Newman and Mrs. Robert Groves will hold the installation. Appointed to the board are Mrs. L. O. Heidrick, television chairman; Mrs. E. J. Van Dyk, conservation; Mrs. Buck Sullivan, education and finance; and Mrs. Orso Grob, historian.

Others are Mrs. Arthur Newman, horticulture; Mrs. Robert William Kreis, international cooperation; Mrs. George Wright, marketing; Mrs. Hope Clarke, marketing; Mrs. T. J. Connel, membership; Mrs. Paul Drogen, publicity; and Mrs. S. Hammer, revisions.

Club Appoints Board Members

VALLEY WOODS — Newly appointed board members to the Valley Woods branch of the WNFGA are Mrs. Robert Beasley, program; Mrs. John Hefflin, ways and means; Mrs. Harry Klumshy, hospital; Mrs. Ray Yoss, membership; Mrs. Robert Foley, revision; Mrs. Michael Gilme, historian; Mrs. Emil Schmale, photography; Mrs. Lewis Dempsey, conservation; and Mrs. Raymond Gorman, international cooperation.

Monday Mrs. Robert Beasley of Eastlady road was hostess to the newly elected officers and appointed board. Programs for the coming year were discussed and also the coming state meeting in Lansing.

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Maplebrook Party
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