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Artist Designs and Executes Murals Develops Own Technique In Glazing and Firing



THE PARKED automobiles are part of the auto mural in the lobby of the Detroit Brooch company. Svea Kline needed a straight line and a more quiet movement in the mural and introduced that section of parked cars. Two more recent pieces are the owls and the distorted horse and rider.

Engaged to Bruce Renfrew

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley G. Cathall came from Barrington, Ill., for a small dinner party at the apartment of their daughter, Louise Adair Cathall.

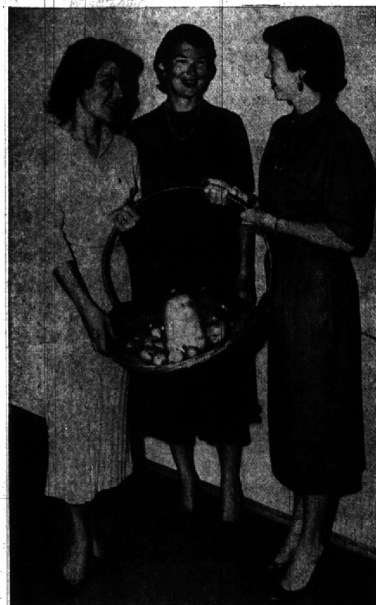
The occasion was to announce the engagement of Louise to R. Bruce Renfrew, son of the Charles W. Renfrews of Arden lane, Birmingham.

The bride-elect was graduated from Wells college, is a member of the Junior League of San Francisco and is presently working at J. Walter Thompson Co.

A member of Phi Kappa Psi, Bruce was graduated from the University of Michigan and OCS at Newport, R. I. He is an ensign aboard the USS Arnold J. Isbell out of San Diego.

Louise will return to Barrington where most of the entertaining will take place two weeks before the wedding.

Altar date will be Dec. 6.



Celebrate Founder's Day

Members of South Oakland chapter of Alpha Chi Omega leaving Devon Gables after the Founder's Day dinner Tuesday night are committee chairman (from left) Mrs. John H. Garner, Mrs. Donald V. Kogge and Mrs. Kenneth R. Hannah. The group celebrated the 73rd anniversary of the founding of the national sorority. Mrs. Stanley Birchard, South Oakland chapter president was hostess. Special guests included national officers, Mrs. Louis P. Gofford, province president; Mrs. Howard Stoops, district alumnae chairman and Mrs. Nelson C. Froland, Speech Therapist of the South Oakland Society for Crippled Children. Mrs. Aileen Law, talked to sorority members about working with handicapped children. Mrs. Stanley Birchard, south Oakland chapter president, was hostess.

An American Swedish-born sculptor and ceramist completed a mural for the new Flint Public library, which was hung this month in the children's room of the cultural center.

She is Svea Kline, 112 Brownliff, Birmingham, who is instructing sculpture and ceramics at the Flint Institute of Art and works on private commissions in her studio in Birmingham.

SHE HAS recently gone into art and architectural designs . . . such as the murals she designed and executed for the lobby of the Detroit Brooch company.

The first step was to consider the murals in relation to the architecture as something which belong to the building and not as an independent piece of art, so they would fuse into a functional and harmonious whole. It was planned to bring life and interest to the waiting room lobby.

THE THEME is based on the story of the Brooch company, using brooches as symbols. "As I studied them I saw them in creative form; human and small forms. The art of brooching opened an entirely new way of looking at art. The many forms, shapes and sizes of the brooches came to life. I have observed nature constantly as a source for new forms and ideas, but I must say these

forms also gave me a fresh viewpoint and inspiration," remarked Miss Kline.

MISS KLINE develops her own technique in her creative work. Tiles are fired in small sections, applying the handmade glaze in many layers in order to get a sculptured relief effect. She often fires four to five times at an extremely high temperature.

First, many idea sketches are made and a scale sketch of color, and later a full size cartoon of each section and whatever color sketch is needed for details.

As work comes out of the kiln, often colors are too intense or not strong enough, which means reglazing and refiring many times. The end results are a sculptural effect.

THE ARTIST received her early training in Sweden. After she studied and traveled extensively in Europe she had a scholarship to Cranbrook Academy of Arts, where she was a student and assistant to the sculptor, the late Carl Milles, and studied ceramics under Maja Cracliol, also of Cranbrook.

She has been represented in many national shows and has received numerous awards, the last one . . . first prize and bronze medal for a group of sculptures in Chicago; first prize in Detroit Ecclesiastical exhibit; and several one man shows.

Open Members' Show

Over 175 works of art are to go on display at the new show for Bloomfield Art Association members' work, opening next week.

"We know now that this show will be well worth seeing," said Larry Hill, chairman of the exhibit. "It represents a fine cross section of young artists to the work of mature artists well known in Michigan and on the national scene." The show will open its doors to the public on Oct. 19.

A piece by Marshall Fredericks will headline the sculpture side of the exhibit. Betty Farrell and Margaret Vojte, in charge of the sculpture wing, report that Fredericks' exhibit will be a piece executed in German language titled "Young Knight." Julie Webb, Svea Klein, and Pamela Stump, all well known artists in this medium, will also display their work, in addition to some 50 other works. Julie Webb's main exhibit will be an item which she calls "Welded Dancers."

DOROTHY Sidel is in charge of the painting side of the exhibit. About 90 canvases are already in and now being hung in the association's galleries. Guest artists are expected from such well known artists as John Coppin, Robert Thoms, Ingvar Davidson, Lars Coleman, Jane MacIntyre and Dorothy Sidel. The canvases vary widely in subject and theme, but all from the abstract to the realistic.

Dorothy Sidel states that "It is extremely hard to select any paintings in this exhibit for special attention. We have entries from many artists and on many subjects. Whether a visitor to the galleries is a newcomer to the art world or has a professional approach, there will be plenty to keep his eyes, and his emotions, quite busy."

Paul Neal Averill, president of the association, announced that the show will open with a reception for members at 8 p. m., Oct. 19, and subsequently during the next four weeks it will be open to the public on Saturdays 2-5 and 7-9 p. m. and on Sundays at the same hours. The Bloomfield Art Association galleries are located on Woodward avenue in Birmingham, just north of Maple road.

Liggett's Fair Gets Underway

Liggett school's Birmingham alumnae are interested in the annual fair at the school on Oct. 24 from 1:30 to 7:30 p. m. Object of the fair is to raise funds for the school's charitable contributions, including the United Foundation. Because these gifts, proceeds will be used for school improvements.

Parents, faculty and pupils are busy with booths. Nancy Smith, daughter of the Herbert Smiths, is working in the seventh grade. Mrs. W. W. Driscoll, mother of the North Woodward communities who are busy with preparations, are Mary E. Lewis, Martha Potter and Nancy Nakabedian, kitchen aides.

Sandra Jones, baked goods; Sue Blackmore, Lana Druar and Cynthia Gotsch, stuffed animals; and Leslie Potter, international gifts.

Players Open 36th Season

"Point of No Return," described by Henk Fonda who starred in the Broadway dramatic production as "the story of a man caught up in a competitive rat race who finally wins out without 'apple polishing or creeping,'" will be presented by Village Players the two weekends Oct. 17-18 and Oct. 24-25 at the Village Playhouse, 752 Chestnut street.

All performances are open to the public, with curtain time at 9 p. m. Tickets are on sale at Grinnell and Young's in Birmingham, and at the box office the evening of each performance.

Heading the cast which will inaugurate use of the substantial new stage facilities last summer, is Dr. John B. Haasberger, Birmingham, portraying the part of Charles Gray, a banker whose success in attaining his goal brings realization that it was not actually his dream.

HIS STAGE FAMILY includes: daughter Evelyn, a part played in different performances by John Stevenson and Carolyn Candler; son Bill, similarly played by John

Wakeman and Jerry Purdy; his wife Nancy, played by Elizabeth Boyne; and father and mother roles played by Charles N. Biant and Mrs. Gladys Rogers.

Other parts in a large cast directed by Albert and Alyce Richling, assisted by Wynne Brown, are carried by John A. Gilray, Jr., Lawrence C. Taylor, Morris C. Prady, Eliot W. Higgins, Jennie Koppits, Thomas H. Adams, Gertrude Thompson, Charles D. McCall, Norman K. and Patricia Porter, H. Gene Manley, Stratton S. Brown, Jean Wakeman, LeRoy Bralston, William J. Lambert and Jean Wilson.

Entertains Sorority

Mrs. Ernest Berger of Riverside drive, Birmingham, will assist Mrs. Earl Heaton on Tuesday in entertaining Group II of Delta Delta Pi. Time will be devoted to the project of OWB of making blocks for physically handicapped children at Children's hospital. Some of the members will sponsor a party at the Way County Easter Seal Center for handicapped children.

Newlywed Raymond Cracchiolos Honeymooning in Mexico City

Flowerings of alenon lace, seed pearls and tiny crystals accented the portrait neckline of the shimmering French taffeta gown worn by Jane Elaine Forton for her marriage to Raymond Michael Cracchiolo on Saturday.

The princess dome-shaped silhouette gown with scoop-neckline and butterfly bow and streamers sweeping into a chapel train. A Dior bow alenon lace held her veil of silk French illusion and she carried a white prayer book covered with white orchids, stephanotis and variegated ivy.

THE REV. Bohdan Kouckik officiated at the doubling ceremony on Oct. 12, Joseph H. Hurd, Lake Orion. The young couple received the papal blessing from Rome for their wedding.

Jane, of Grassfield road, is the daughter of Mrs. Louis L. Forton of Suttons Bay and the late Mr. Forton. Her husband is the son of Mrs. Joseph Cracchiolo of Gross Pointe Woods.

Sister of the groom, Roma Marie Cracchiolo and sister of the bride, Mrs. Ronald Ervin were maid of honor and bridesmaid, respectively.

THEY WORE champagne colored tulle gowns with scoop-necklines and harem skirts accented with narrow Dior bows. Their bridesmaids wore circular veils and they carried beige tulle mums, lily-of-the-valley, stephanotis and celosia foliage.

Thomas Cracchiolo was best man and Ronald H. Ervin, brother-in-law of the bride, served as usher.

FOR HER daughter's wedding and reception, following at Devon Gables, Mrs. Forton wore a smoky blue dress draped with complementing blue accessories. The groom's mother chose rust lace. Both



Suburban Scene

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'First Nighter' Dinner Parties

Many Symphony lovers will find themselves enjoying a superb dinner at the Stockholm prior to the opening concert of the Detroit Symphony orchestra at the Henry and Edsel Ford auditorium this evening. With the Stockholm only a few blocks from the auditorium, concert-goers can have a leisurely dinner and reach the program in time.

Among Birmingham and Bloomfield Hills families eagerly looking forward to Maestro Paul Paray's return to the city and the first concert are Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Swanson. Dining with them at the Stockholm will be Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Ray III, Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Raich, Mr. and Mrs. Francis T. M. Loud and Mr. and Mrs. Stephen C. Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur B. Tilton will have as their guests Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Jinnette.

Mrs. Gunnar Karlstrom will entertain Mr. and Mrs. Hugh H. Loud, Mrs. James B. Weber, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. Daniel W. Goodenough.

Mrs. Julian G. Wolfner will dine with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. E. Steven Bauer. . . the Frederick M. Olivers will be with the Walter Seibels. . . and Mr. and Mrs. Whitling W. Raymond will dine with Mr. and Mrs. Leroy G. Vandaveer.

Mr. Arvin L. Wheaton, president of the Women's association for the Detroit Symphony, along with her husband will also be dining with friends at the Stockholm.

KKG Luncheon

When the North Woodward alumnae association of Kappa Kappa Gamma meets for a 12:30 p. m. luncheon on Oct. 28, they will hear an address by Dr. Joseph N. Shaeffer, head of the Rehabilitation Institute of Metropolitan Detroit. The Founders' day luncheon will be at the home of Mrs. Stewart Cram, 1580 Oxford. Hostess for the day will be Mrs. Richard Henne, Mrs. Franklin Boucher and Mrs. J. S. Cummings.

'Comparative Education'

George A. Roeper, head of City and Country school of Bloomfield Hills, who returned from Russia last month, will address the Birmingham Smith college club at the home of Mrs. Harry D. Hoey of Cranbrook today. Mr. Roeper's topic for the opening meeting will be "Comparative Education in America with Europe and Russia."

Lawyers' Wives Organize

Mr. and Mrs. Brent K. Hogshhead of Henrietta attended the Michigan State Bar convention in Grand Rapids this month, at which time a women's auxiliary was formed. If the size of its charter membership is any indication, its bound to be a growing success. Called the Lawyers' Wives of Michigan club, membership in less than a month is 700.

On Lecture Series

Mrs. Harry L. Winston, 483 Aspen, Birmingham, and Rocco Di Marco, 400 Dunstan road, Bloomfield Hills, will be on the Detroit Institute of Arts' Lecture series which begins its season at 8:20 p. m. Tuesday in Lecture hall.

Faculty-Parent Conference Set

A Faculty-Parent Conference is being presented again this year at the Southfield high school on Oct. 28 in cooperation with the PTSA. The meeting is scheduled for 7:45 p. m. in the gym.

Teachers, counselors and administration will discuss high school regulations, activities, social standards and academic problems. Refreshments will be served by Mrs. Charles Covrea and 12th grade mothers.

Momma's Helper Is New PTO Handbook

WING LAKE—In conjunction with the year-long centennial celebration of Wing Lake school, work of the PTO executive board will come from the printers this month in the form of a "Parent's Handbook."

The cover will carry the dates 1859 to 1959 and throughout the copy reference will be made to "this, our centennial year."

The handbook will serve as an information guide to parents and will be mailed to every family in the Wing Lake school. The 16-page booklet will contain such information, as school starting time, lunch hours, time bicycle riders leave school, calendar of the year . . . indicating holidays, teacher's institutes and special teacher's meetings, school policies, scout programs, and PTO officers and programs.

When these handbooks arrive in the mail, Mrs. Richard Reynolds, 4160 Valley Forge, PTO president, suggests that they be read and kept available as a source of information.

She also stated "The PTO feels the book will eliminate many inquiry calls to the school if put to use properly."

As another part of the centennial observation, in February, Mrs. Geneva Forslund, principal, will give a talk to the PTO on "The Past 100 Years."

Climax of the centennial year will be the fair in May.

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