

A person who really knows how best to communicate, with words, his thought and others may be likened to a master musician who, perhaps as an organist, not only strikes the right combinations of keys, but does this with the degree of touch that brings out the music's intended theme and story. Tone of one's words plus speaking the right words, are important, too.

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## Westchester Sewing Bees

A need and interest for a sewing group in Westchester village I started a group of women meeting for weekly meetings. Mrs. Henry Tiedeman of Middlebury lane who had several Singer sewing courses offered her time to instruct a group. Modeling with their daughters are (from left) Mrs. Richard R. Nette and Mrs. Walter W. Selover and Nancy; and Mrs. Jay H. Snyder and Suzanne. Starting their meetings last January the women were amazed in their

accomplishments of spring outfits in time for the Easter parade. The group has now dispensed with meetings until fall. Upon resuming their meetings Mrs. Tiedeman will instruct the group on the use of the different sewing attachments. Members of the sewing group are Mrs. Richard Nette, Mrs. Walter Selover, Mrs. Jay Snyder, Mrs. William Smeling, Mrs. Earl Morgan and Mrs. Ronald Filter.



On the bridge in the jungle patio at the Mai Kai are (from left) Carolyn Peterson of North Woodward, (yours truly) and Robert F. Thornton, owner and operator of the Mai Kai restaurant.

## It's Enchanting . . . It's Unique It's the Mai Kai, 'The Finest'

By SHIRLEY ADAMS  
Women's Editor

While vacationing in Ft. Lauderdale last week Carolyn Peterson and I dined at the Mai Kai in an atmosphere of far-away islands. The exterior was most impressive with colorful lights halting a startling 40 foot peaked roof and torch-bearing Polynesian idols beside a coral rock waterfall.

Once inside we discovered that we had a choice of five dining rooms: Samoa, Hawaii, Oahu, Tahiti or Fiji. Each authentically created another inflection of the island for which it is named.

**AFTER MUCH DEBATING** Tahiti won out with its waterfall, aquarium of exotic fish and tables made of Hawaiian wood panels.

The tempting Cantonese menu created another inflection . . . starting with Javanese beef saté barbecued baby pork ribs we worked into prime beef tenderloin and browned mandarin duck.

After successfully satisfying our appetites we moved on to the surf-board lounge where giant ceiling fans were featured and watched the sun and moon rise and set on an ever changing Polynesian scene.

While there we met the owners and creators of this unique Florida showplace, Robert and Jack Thornton. Later discovering that they are the sons of Mrs. J. Howard Reed of Foxchase road, Bloomfield township.

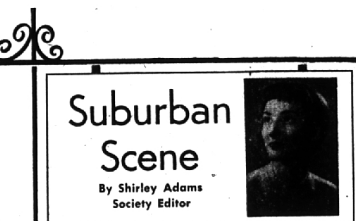
tree which twists into a gnarled vertical loop narrowly missing a glassed partition. Decorated with orchid leis and loaded down with souvenirs, we were assisted to our car by Leonie Piro, who is in charge of public relations; and Robert Van Dorp, manager of the Mai Kai.

**IN FLORIDA,** as in Polynesia, Mai Kai means "The Finest," and I feel that a more appropriate name could not have been chosen. So to the Mai Kai and to you . . . Aloha!

## Alums to Dance On the Green'

Alpha Omicron Psi, Birmingham alumnus, will invite their husbands to an outdoor barbecue and square dance Saturday at 7 p.m. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Patton of Yorkshire road.

Mrs. James Bain and Mrs. Craig Gassetter will assist Mrs. Patton. Dancing will be "on the green" or in case of rain, the party will move inside to the recreation room. Those planning to attend are the Craig Gassetters, the James Bains, the William Kamers, the James Freaths, the Glenn Sawyers, the James Sterlings, the Tom Wands, Dr. and Mrs. Al Canfield and the Ted McDonauds.



## Suburban Scene

By Shirley Adams  
Society Editor

### From Friends in Bermuda

In case you're wondering what's doing with friends away . . . the mail pouch is keeping us posted. Mr. and Mrs. Howard Reed of Foxchase road, Westchester, are bound for a pleasure-business cruise to the mid-ocean playground, Bermuda. Mr. Reed is executive secretary of the Automotive Electrical association who chartered the luxury liner for their manufacturers distributors conference to be aboard the Ocean Monarch.

The Harold Turners of Hickory Grove road, Bloomfield Hills, and the Russell Dawsons of W. 12 Mile road, Birmingham, are aboard the Furness Luxury Liner, S. S. Queen of Bermuda, off on a spring holiday cruise to the sunny Bermuda Isles.

**ALSO VACATIONING** in Bermuda were Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. Stansberry of Buckingham drive, Birmingham. Mr. Stansberry is with Taylor Garage Doors, Inc. However, even the best things must come to an end . . . the Stansberrys returned to their home last week.

Members of Kappa Alpha Theta alumnae club of Birmingham were busy gals during the past week distributing 300 tickets which they purchased for opening night of "The Bloomingham Eccentrics." Proceeds will go to Camp Oakland Girls' Ranch.

Welcome mats will be put out at many Birmingham area homes this evening when guests arrive for cocktails, dinner and dessert before the performance.

Neighbors will be greeted at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wallick of Oakhills drive for a pot luck dinner. Among those attending will be the Ben Raglands, William Heckmans, Howard Schwartz, Frank Thompsons, John Dunbar, Urban Woodhouses, John Whitings, Fredrick Merners, Cletus Colloms, Carl Henrichsens, the Edward Halls, the Samuel Trudes, the Henry Houstons and the Warren Peases.

**DESSERT WILL BE SERVED** at the home of Dr. and Mrs. William Pierce for Dr. and Mrs. John McLaughlin, the Curtis Pooles and the William Burr Andersons.

The Butternut Hill drive home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry E. McDonnell, Jr. will be opened for a small dinner party and Mr. and Mrs. John Roehm of Washington drive will entertain six couples for dinner and cocktails.

Attending a cocktail party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Tegarden will be the Richard Miners, Rutherford Hayes, George Roebucks, Arnold Thomsons, Thomas Urganharts, Andrew Neigers and the William Osborns.

**TEN WILL BE** the number arriving at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Macartney of Burnley drive. Gathering at the dinner table will be the Michael Redfields, A. J. Rosboroughs, Jr., Robert Neumanns, Robert Saffels and the Loren Spademanns.

The red carpet will be rolled out tomorrow evening before the second performance at many homes.

Entertaining Friday will be Mr. and Mrs. George W. Smith at a dinner party. Their guest list includes Dr. and Mrs. Arnon Riker, Dr. and Mrs. Warren Gately and Dr. and Mrs. C. T. Ekelund.

**MR. AND MRS. EDWIN M. Beresford** are entertaining the William D. Crims from Ann Arbor for dinner and the play. June 12 will dot the calendar for Mr. and Mrs. Edward T. Bennett of Bennington drive when they entertain at a dinner party honoring the Melville Linquists, who are moving to Denver.

### Farewells Extended

Farewells were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Arnold W. Runge of Hickory Grove road, Bloomfield Hills, at several dinner parties before they moved to Cincinnati, Ohio. Mr. Runge has accepted a position as vice president in charge of sales with the Cincinnati Designing Co. and Associated Engineers.

Mrs. Runge, the former Luisa Franceschi, well known opera star, has been indirectly associated with Cincinnati's Zoo opera company for more than 20 years. She has taught many singers, including Winifred Heidt, Eugene Conley, Zinka Milanov and Mary Curtis-Verna.

**WHILE IN CINCINNATI** recently on a house-hunting expedition, the Runoges were entertained at dinner by the Samuel Hicks. Mr. Hicks is president of the Zoo Opera association.

Before leaving Bloomfield Hills, Mrs. Runge entertained friends at a dessert luncheon. Included were Mrs. Erwin Rogers and the senior Mrs. Rogers, Mrs. Reed Dewey, Mrs. Granville Ryan, Mrs. Dia Grann, Mrs. Lou Whirl and Mrs. Richard Sloan, all of Birmingham.

**OTHERS WERE** Mrs. Lincoln Cavalliere of Iathrup Village, Mrs. Norman Klemp, Mrs. Charles Brook, Mrs. Alfred Swart, Mrs. L. W. Ward, Mrs. James Conlon, Mrs. Howard Cardwell and Mrs. Stephen Valentine, all of Bloomfield Hills.

On May 16 Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Swart entertained the Runoges at dinner. Joining the party were the Norman Klemps and the Charles Brooks.

### Cruising Down the River

A record turnout of 210 members and guests attended the opening cocktail party and Memorial Day activities at the Old Club, St. Clair Flats.

During the afternoon the activities were the Warren S. Booths, the C. E. Briggs, the Henry Earles, the Charles B. DeVliegs, the William Slaughters, the John Spencers, Comadore and Mrs. Clete Welling, the William Breeches, the Ray Vogels and the Wendell S. Smiths.



Planning details of the Kitchen Tour which will highlight the local observance of the 75th Jubilee Year of the Needlework Guild of America are Mrs. Robert H. Porter (left), president of the area chapter, and Mrs. R. H. Taylor whose unique kitchen will be opened for the Tour. The home at 1010 Orchard Ridge, Bloomfield Hills, was originally the gate house of a large estate. The kitchen was done by Warren Platner, Eero Saarinen, architect for the GM Tech Center.

## Needlework Guild Marks 75th Jubilee Year With Tour of Unusual Kitchens

Kitchens large and kitchens small, kitchens old and kitchens new, kitchens pink and kitchens blue—and all of them "dream kitchens"—will be included in the novel tour planned by the Birmingham branch of the Needlework Guild of America June 16, between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m.

The kitchen tour is part of a fund raising drive celebrating the seventy-fifth anniversary of the Needlework Guild, one of the oldest volunteer organizations in the country.

**TICKETS MAY BE** purchased at the League Shop, 165 Pierce street, through the directors of the Guild, or by calling Mrs. Robert H. Porter, 1010 North Glenhurst, Birmingham branch president. Twelve kitchens will be opened for the event including early American, ultra-modern, traditional, provincial, and kitchens recently remodeled in older homes.

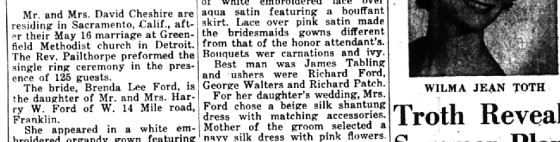
The coral, soft yellow and brown tones of the kitchen of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Young, 591 Rudgate road, Bloomfield Hills, will be a delight to those making the tour. This kitchen is the ultimate in careful planning, each cabinet, cupboard and drawer carefully designed to save effort and steps in the compact work area. One countertop cupboard conceals the electric timer, with planned storage and outlets for all small kitchen appliances.

**THE KITCHEN** of the William Shattuck, 551 Marblehead drive, Bloomfield Hills, was designed for the needs of a family of seven. The spacious modern feeling is softened by the use of blues and browns. Blue wallpaper with butterflies in a geometric pattern, dark brown exposed beams, and the contrast of stark white provide a charming background for the many practical features of this kitchen-dining area.

Remodelers will be interested in the just completed remodeling of the Kenneth Conn's kitchen, 1184 Yorkshire, Birmingham. The kitchen and family areas are on two levels. The family area features a tremendous fireplace with a handsome beam set into the brickwork, a large bay window, and easy access to the garden area through a hospitable Dutch door. Wood and cabinet work are knotty pine with a handrubbed wax finish, perfectly complementing the red and olive green colonial wallpaper and curtain fabrics.

**THE WHITE PANELING** of the authentic farm kitchen at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Damon Lindley, 1179 East Maple, provides a perfect setting for antiques collected by the family, including a rare paneled tinware pie safe. The fireplace, comfortable chairs, and a music area are the graciously inviting center for family and entertaining activities.

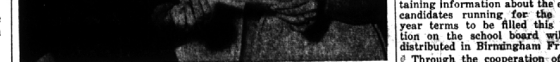
An interesting contrast will be found in the French kitchen of Mr. and Mrs. John Shennfield's delightful home at 601 Bennington road, Bloomfield Hills. This kitchen



A three tiered bouffant skirt. A pearl tiara secured her French inspired veil. A bouffant in carnations, white roses and ivy completed her bridal outfit.

**HONOR ATTENDANT** was Eleanor Osterberg and bridesmaids were Joan Wunkula and Candace Ford. Maid of honor wore a gown of white embroidered lace over mauve satin featuring a bouffant skirt. Lace over pink satin made the bridesmaids gowns different from that of the honor attendant's. Bouquets were carnations and ivy.

Best man was James W. Ford and ushers were Richard Ford, George Walters and Richard Patch. For her daughter's wedding, Mrs. Ford chose a beige silk shantung dress with matching accessories. Mother of the groom selected a navy silk dress with pink flowers.



Wilma Jean TOTH

**Troth Reveals Summer Plans**

An August 15 wedding is planned for Wilma Jean Toth and George L. Montie of Haynes street, Birmingham. The bride-elect is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph G. Toth of East Lansing. Her fiancé is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Montie of Byron Center, Mich.

Wilma, a fifth grade teacher at Adams school, is a graduate of Michigan State University. George is also a Michigan State graduate. He teaches chemistry at Birmingham high school.

**Voters Guides To be Distributed**

Ten thousand voters guides containing information about the candidates running for the two-year terms to be filled this election will be distributed by the Birmingham branch of the League of Women Voters.

Through the cooperation of the school administration, each elementary child will take home a voter's guide. Friday, all super-markets in Birmingham, banks and the commuter train depot will be staffed with Leagueurs handing out Voters guides.

Mrs. D. V. Doane, 1451 Cedar, is chairman of Voters Service committee which publishes a voter's guide before each election.

## Check for Child Clinic

At a Kappa Kappa Gamma luncheon on May 26 Mrs. Robert J. Fisher (left) the sorority's philanthropy chairman, presented a check for \$500 to Mrs. Olivia Thomas, director of the Birmingham Child Guidance Clinic. The money was raised through a benefit performance of "The Potting Shed" at St. Dunstan's.