

FOR AND ABOUT TODAY'S YOUTH



In the Spotlight

Marie Exner is among eighth grade students at Barnum who will take part in "Bird's Christmas Carol" tonight at the school. Proceeds from the program will go toward purchasing footlights for the auditorium.

BLOOMFIELD COUNTRY DAY SCHOOL

Four Girls are Chosen To Organize Activities

By SUSAN BIRD, Special Writer

There has been a social committee organized at Bloomfield country day school to help plan school activities. The girls given this responsibility are Carol Blodgett, Janet Watt, Susan Jordan, and Barbara Jenkins.

Marionette Salles, Mrs. Max Richter, Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. Watt, and Dr. and Mrs. James Blodgett chartered the dance.

The west wall of the all-purpose room was decorated with a huge horn-of-plenty put up by the social committee. Refreshments were served.

RECENTLY the girls decided to form a charitable organization to help others. One representative from each class was chosen to plan the work of the organization. Representatives are Peggy Kingsbury, Marjorie Johnson, Janet Watt, Jo Ann Shays, Angela Kountoupes and Barbara Konzelman.

On Friday, a meeting of all the girls from the seventh through the twelfth grades was called to choose a name for the newly formed group. After many suggestions the name "Les Damessees" was chosen.

The main project for the year's work has not yet been chosen. Plans are underway for Christmas, however, and the girls are making favors, Christmas decorations and bringing gifts for other people.

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GROVES HIGH

Holiday Party Adds Glamor To Calendar

By BETH KOENIG and JAN TARACKS, Special Writers

The Student government at Groves is presenting its first formal Christmas dance, for senior girls only, on Dec. 16, from 9 to 12 p.m. in the school gymnasium.

The name of the dance is "Wonderland in White," and the theme will be brought out by the decorations and through the music of the Jerry Fenby Five. Members of the concert have been appointed as chairman of various committees which are beginning preparations for the coming event.

Certain groups have enlisted the help and co-operation of school clubs in order to carry out the dance successfully. Lee Eyer is general chairman. Dick McIntyre is managing the ticket committee, which has priced the tickets at \$3 per couple. Pat Taggart is head of the decorations committee.

Although plans have not yet reached the definite stage, white Christmas trees will dot the gym in accordance with the theme. In charge of the refreshment committee is Jim Hohmeyer. Chairman of choruses is Frank Jankovic.

The varsity cheerleaders, who will be operating a checkroom, will have their own set of hot-line wraps. Kathy Lutz and her committee are handling publicity. Chorus plans are being handled by Bob Rice.

The seventh, eighth and ninth graders have been observing the senior high preparations and are planning an activity of their own similar to this.

MEMBERS AND EDITORS OF THE TALON YEARBOOK STAFF, UNDER THE GUIDANCE OF MR. PETRIE, HAVE BEGUN WORK BY STAYING AFTER SCHOOL AND WORKING DURING FREE PERIODS.

Included are: Frank Jankovic, Elaine Chapin, copy editor; Rene Hunter, sports editor; Bob Winkel, feature editor; Bob Newman, business manager and Robyn Anderson, layout editor.

The business staff, Lin Boynton, Sue Bredlove, John Keier and Bob Newman have been assisted by homeroom representatives in selling yearbooks.

Cindy Mott is responsible for administration and faculty. Leslie Bouwman for organizations, and Beth Koenig for classes. Individual pictures of students will be part of the "Talon" again this year. They will be taken in December or January.

DERBY Students Pose For Annual Yearbook

By NANCY PRICE, Special Writer

It was a busy week at Derby when we had our pictures taken for the yearbook. The "Cyclists" will be on sale through Dec. 9. Full cost is \$2.25, but a small deposit of \$1.00 is now being accepted. Students will receive their book in June.

THE TURKEY Trot was the name of the school dance at Derby Friday, Nov. 18. The dance was held in the cafeteria with Mr. Vardano as our disc jockey. The dance contest was won by Andrea Peterson and Kenny Hill. In second place were Bonnie Hunt and David Usher. A vote of thanks is due to the Art Club who sponsored the dance.

MUCH EXCITEMENT has been created by the announcement of the honor roll. Students study this as parents study the stock market page. The ninth grade leads with 25.9 per cent of the students with a B or better average and no 3's. The seventh grade follows closely behind with a 25.6%. The eighth grade trails with a percentage of 20.4%. Many other students are working hard in an attempt to make the honor roll this marking period.

Cranbrook Offers Scholarships For Coming Year

BLOOMFIELD HILLS—Scholarships in amounts up to \$1500 are now being offered by Cranbrook school for boys, for the 1961-62 academic year.

Any boy may apply for a grant if he is eligible for entrance into grades seven through 11 in September, 1961. Candidates should meet the following requirements: Above average academic record; good school citizen and leader and proven need for financial aid.

A boarding and day school, Cranbrook enrolls 380 boys from throughout the United States and several foreign countries. It is one of six Cranbrook institutions, a non-profit education and cultural center which occupies 400 landscaped acres in Bloomfield Hills, 10 miles northwest of Detroit's city limits.

Applications are due March 1. Interested persons should write to Howard West, director of scholarships, Cranbrook School, Bloomfield Hills, Mich.

KINGSWOOD SCHOOL

Expert on Greek Art Here for Lectures

By BETSY WRIGHT, Special Writer

Kingwood was honored to have as its guest from Nov. 28 through Nov. 23 the noted archaeologist and expert on Greek art, James Dimitri Liakos. Mr. Liakos gave a series of three lectures open to all Kingwood students on the subjects of Greek art, Greek architecture and prehistoric and classical Greece.

Mr. Liakos, who makes his home in Athens, Greece, was graduated from the American college in Athens. He divides his time between assisting at archaeological excavations and teaching archaeology, and in addition has made numerous tours of Greece, the Middle East,

Holland and recently, America, giving lectures on Greek Art.

For the past five weeks previous to his visit here, when he stayed with Clifford West, of Bloomfield Hills, Mr. Liakos has been teaching classes of ancient history, the history of early art and art appreciation at Western Illinois university.

MARY OLSEN, a representative of the United Community Services of metropolitan Detroit, was the guest speaker in assembly Monday, Nov. 21. In her talk, Miss Olsen defined the meaning of service and pointed out the benefits received not only by those who are the recipients of aid, but also by those

BARNUM JUNIOR HIGH

New System Promotes Out-of-Town Games

By KAREN L. PIEL, Special Writer

Basketball practice has started at Barnum again this year. The seventh, eighth and ninth graders will play schools outside of Birmingham. They will be playing under the varsity system instead of the usual intramural one. This has scholastic eligibility requirements which enables Barnum teams to play outside the Birmingham school system.

The 10 boys on the seventh grade team are Jim Canham, Craig Moorehead, Tim Wilcox, Bruce Landino, George Miers, Dave Wells, Dick Lowrie, Larry Kirchner, Rich Piel and Chip Beel. The eighth and ninth grade teams will be announced at a future date.

INDIVIDUAL pictures of the "Mapletonian," Barnum's yearbook, will be taken Tuesday, Dec. 6. They will be taken on the stage of Barnum's gym, as in the past. Students will be scheduled through the Language Arts and English classes, with each to arrive at an appointed time.

Barnum is the only secondary school in Birmingham whose yearbook has individual pictures of all of the students, not merely those in the top grades of the school. Students helping with the pictures will be Holly Knox, Don Outman, Jim Hinkam, Jim Watson and Linda Stubbs, all of whom

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ENTHUSIASTIC seventh, eighth and ninth grade girls are currently practicing for tryouts for Barnum's swim club the Catalinas. On Dec. 2 approximately 40 girls will be chosen. They will work primarily on the water ballet show to be given in March.

THE OLD TIMER

"People who are living beyond their income should be getting acting their wage."

who have offered their services. Urging Kingswood girls to participate in the summer volunteer programs already enjoyed by many others, she listed several positions which will be open to girls in areas conveniently near their homes.

Some of these services available under the auspices of the Community Service agency are: Assistants with recreation for children in arts and crafts or playground games; receptionists, typists or clerical workers in offices; nurse's aides or department aides at hospitals, and various positions in convalescent homes and homes for the aged.

ALTHOUGH OUR Thanksgiving vacation consisted of only four and a half days, most Kingswood girls managed to fit a great many enjoyable activities into the small amount of time allowed.

The majority of boarding students returned to their homes for the traditional family dinner, but other boarders spent the long weekend with relatives and friends closer to school.

A few Kingswoodites used the Thanksgiving vacation as an opportunity for taking short trips to well-known vacation spots. Junior and Lynne Carey and Jenny Greene flew to Florida, and Tricia Yingling, a resident of Wichita, Kans., left school early to visit New York City before returning to her home.

Lee Tallman, a sophomore, traveled first to Boston and then her home in Charleston, W. Va.

Recipients of where it was spent, we all enjoyed this Thanksgiving. Now we can't wait 'till Christmas.

Authority to Send Naturalists Here

Rainer Brocke, naturalist for the Huron-Clinton metropolitan authority, will be a guest speaker at Eastover elementary school in Bloomfield Hills today at 1 p.m. Students will hear lectures entitled "Wild Animal Neighbors" and "Winter Wildlife."

The authority, a five-county park and parkway agency serving Livingston, Macomb, Oakland, Washtenaw and Wayne counties, is sending another speaker to Birmingham on Dec. 5.

Students at Greenfield will hear naturalist Charles Damm speak on "Adventures in Conservation," Metropolitan Birds and "Pond Life."

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