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Just to eat and drink and sleep and work and then play a little is hardly meeting the full and demanding nature of human beings. Admitting the apparent miracle of life itself, how can one really say he has attained his rightful inheritance only by continuing his thoughts and activities close to mere physical existence? Even the animals do this... man's potential is divinely great!

Suburban Scene

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Let's Take a Christmas Walk

Six lovely Birmingham and Bloomfield Hills homes, festively decorated for the holidays, will be opened for a "Christmas Walk." The tour which will take place Dec. 16 from 1 to 5 p.m. is being sponsored by the Junior Women's association for the Detroit symphony orchestra. This is a new project for the Juniors, but with the enthusiasm already showing, it may well be an annual event. So delighted with the idea, Westwood Manor garden club decided to attend the Christmas Walk en masse as their December meeting.

GUESTS IN the Birmingham area will visit the Elizabethan manor home of the Max Fruehaufs on Brookside drive. She decorates every room and needs every member of the family to assist in the yearly decorating. Mrs. Fruehauf is going to be serving "Christmas Cheer" to those on tour in the English "Taproom," a brick-floored oak-paneled room just off the dining room. Featured here will be the traditional "Wassail Bowl" and a "Snadragon." This last is a flaming bowl of muscatel raisins and almonds, a holiday dish Mrs. Fruehauf knew as a child.

MR. AND MRS. Roger Keyes will use antique and modern themes in their home on 945 Cranbrook road. Decorative Japanese arrangements will accent the massive living room of the Ernest A. Jones' home at 940 Cranbrook road. Another home on the tour will be that of Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert F. Richards on Goodhue road. Mrs. Richards takes three days each year to make a ceiling height cotton Christmas tree which is approximately 10 feet tall. The lovely Williamsburg home of Judge W. Beardens on Tottenham road will have a traditional tree in the blue room ornamented in pink and silver. The game room will be done in reds and greens.

AT THE ELTON R. Awreys home on Covington road, guests will arrive to view many Dresden figures and decorations in pink and silver. The Birmingham committee headed by Mrs. Edward James Dore Jr. and Mrs. James F. Martin have been burning the midnight oil with their committee for the Christmas tour. The first envelope-addressing meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Dore in Foxcroft. Here, the group worked by the open fire and enjoyed early Christmas decorations.

THE FIREPLACE has turned into a committee tradition appearing at meetings at the home of Mrs. Edgar Farrell and Mrs. George McClellan, both of Lake Park drive, Birmingham. Birmingham members attending were Mesdames Carson Dalton, Robert Burton, James Chenot, David Demarest, Lee Berthing Jr., Walker Bagby, James Edwards, James Sheridan, Charles Dye Jr., and Miss Carol Fernwood. Ticket chairmen are Mrs. Dore and Mrs. James Martin.

Ballet Director to be Feted

Mr. and Mrs. Walker A. Williams of Glenagray road, Birmingham, and Mr. and Mrs. William H. McCaughey of Guilford road, Bloomfield Hills, will be collaborating hosts at a cocktail and dinner party at the DAC Saturday to honor George Balanchine, artistic director of the New York City Ballet. Mr. Balanchine will arrive early Saturday morning from the East to attend the Severo Ballet company's two performances for children at Ford auditorium that day.

Since Mr. Balanchine will return East Saturday evening, the cocktail-dinner will start at 5. Guests will be members of the Severo company; board's executive committee and other friends including Dr. and Mrs. Maurice Croll, Dr. (See SUBURBAN SCENE, 5-C)



Last Minute Details

Getting ready for a "Christmas Walk," a project sponsored by the Junior Women's association for the Detroit symphony orchestra are (left) Mrs. James Martin, 1270 Lake Park, chairman; and Mrs. Keith McKenney, 3571 Burning Bush, first vice president of the association. Six homes in the Birmingham area will be open for the tour by families noted for their taste and imagination. The Christmas tour is scheduled for Dec. 16 from 1 to 5 p.m. Proceeds will benefit the Detroit symphony orchestra.



President Feted at Oakland Hills

Oakland Hills country club President Joseph Carey and his wife (left) chatting with past President Joseph P. Baldez and his wife of Oakland drive, Bloomfield township, Saturday evening at the President's Ball. Mrs. Carey was attired in a red satin dress and Mrs. Baldez chose a dress designed with gold sequins.

Continental Dance Club's Gala Party

"The Candlelight Caper" will be the theme Saturday evening when members of the Continental dance group gather at Hickory Grove school for an evening of dancing.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Johnson of S. Berkshire road will entertain at a cocktail party before the dance. Their guests list include the Ken Muers, Jack Posters, George O'Brien, Robert Ritchies, Robert Radney, Robert Millers, Ward East, Arthur Randall, Frank Osterhoffs and the Sam Kocis.

Also entertaining will be the Loren O'Neills and the Jack Holmes. Their guests are the Owen Blatzloff, George Weirs, Peter Yoders, Bill Elliott, Robert Ranzillas, James Woods, James Greens and the John Massas.

Five couples will be entertained at the Ray Slaughtens' home on Sanders road. They are the Henry Daniels, the William Foxs Dr. and Mrs. Lynn Allen, the Lloyd Sauters and the Eric Elmquist.

Alpha Chi Omega Plans Christmas Program Tuesday

"A Christmas Musical" will be the program for the December meeting of Alpha Chi Omega of South Oakland county. Featured soloist will be Mrs. Charlotte Thompson and Mrs. Caroline Towser.

The group will meet 8 pm Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Edward Burroughs, 235 Hamilton road. Chairman for the evening will be Mrs. Rosemary Kline.

Assisting the hostesses will be Mrs. Palmer Bollinger, Mrs. Patricia Anderson, Mrs. Robert Walls and Mrs. Max Baumgartner. Proceeds for a Christmas sale will go towards the sorority's national project, cerebral palsy.

Washington Evergreens Set Theme for Christmas Show

Double-needle evergreens from the State of Washington in the shape of miniature Christmas trees marked the entrance to the 23rd Christmas show staged last week by the Birmingham branch of the association at the Birmingham Woman's national farm and garden association at the Birmingham community house.

A blue ribbon was awarded to Mrs. Geo. O. Catter for her table suggesting "Serving Chowder at Midnight." She used a silver cloth set with Canton turquoise with six small bowls. With this she used blue and green greens with blue and green candles.

WISHING to create a two-dimensional effect, the greens were arranged both in front and behind a square of plate glass on which bits of fused glass had been attached. The fused glass was the work of Sues Kline an artist in our area.

Another ribbon was awarded Mrs. Clyde L. Hagman for her exhibit of "Around the Festive



President's Night Fetes Linn Walter

Meadowbrook country club members gathered Saturday evening for a double salute to President Linn Walter. Their annual President's Night was an occasion to honor Walter for his expiring term and his re-election for 1961. The event included cocktails, dinner and dancing.

Because President's Night was also the beginning of the festive season, Manager Reid Ferguson had the club decorated throughout with a Christmas theme. White and gold colors were carried throughout with several Christmas trees in white. James E. Ford of Southfield was named to the board of directors.

Other blue ribbon winners included Mesdames D. A. Sharielov, H. J. Lowry, William Beatty, A. H. Knorr, H. A. Carr, C. B. Harman, Jack Lawrence, Robert Fowler, Leon Jackson, R. A. Kunning, J. P. McConkie, Henry Gilmartin.

OTHERS WERE Mesdames Lloyd Lake, Hobart Andrew, Fred Watson, Vinton Birch, Geo. Dixon, Nelson Miles, Edward Sipe, Earl Cannon, H. T. Bretelle, W. J. Hargler, Russell Olin and T. E. Foote.



Umm, They're Good

... those hors d'oeuvre served at the cocktail party hosted by Oakland Hills country club president Joseph Carey and his wife. Casting an appetizing look are Mr. and Mrs. William Breech.

Boosters' Annual Party

A floor length gown designed with beads scattered on the bodice was Mrs. John Petrakis' choice for the Booster club's annual dinner dance Saturday evening at Pine Lake country club. Discussing the group's project to decorate and purchase furniture for the fathers' waiting room at St. Joseph's Mercy hospital are (from left) Dr. E. Gustafson, George Taylor, prosecuting attorney, Mrs. Petrakis and Dr. Michael Kozonis.

Yule Show Draws Capacity Crowd

Bloomfield Art association's Christmas show and sale drew a capacity crowd. Presiding at the refreshment table was Mrs. Marcus Cunningham.

Entertaining at dinner before the show were Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Moore of Bloomfield Hills. Their guests included Barbara Brock, Svea Kline, Maudie Kline, Mrs. Vera Mathes, Don Curtis, Walter Ludwig, Mr. and Mrs. Hal Brook, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Gordon and Mrs. Clara Spencer.

Radcliffe Club Attends Exhibit

The Detroit Institute of Arts was the meeting place yesterday for members of Radcliffe college club of Detroit, who gathered at 10 a.m. for a first, or repeat, viewing of the Flemish Art Masterpieces.

Birmingham officers of the club who attended the exhibit were president, Mrs. Leonard Grobow; vice president, Mrs. Lawrence Hyde Jr.; scholarship chairman, Mrs. Herbert Fisher and Mrs. George Notter. The group met at the home of Mrs. W. Thomas Love for coffee and an informal meeting followed the exhibit tour.

Anyone for Venison?

The 30th annual venison dinner of the W. Clifton Randall will take place Friday at his home on Shirley drive. Two of the six couples who were guests at the first dinner will be present this year: the Donald A. Nobles and the John Jans.



Ribbon Winners

Purple ribbon winners at the 23rd Christmas show staged by the Birmingham branch of the Woman's national farm and garden association at the Birmingham community house are (left) Mrs. Victor A. Brain, 6091 Franklin, for her mantle and tea table in the Ruth Shain room; and Mrs. George S. Dixon, 6223 Dakota circle, for the stage.