

This is the month of America's annual observance of a Day of Thanks. The incalculable variety of things that millions will be thankful for ought to, I think, place first on the list "a grateful heart for the gift of life itself; for the possession of conscience to guide us; for the existence of an Inner Light which, once bursting into illumination, may help to make one's life Divine."

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SECTION C



Time for Relaxing

Taking a breather before whirling to the music of Lyle Carlyle's orchestra at Pine Lake country club Saturday evening are (from left) Mr. and Mrs. Louis Hagopian of Puritan street, Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Livingston of Sodon Lake and Dr. and Mrs. F. A. Jeffers of Valley Vista.



'Pine Lake Calypso'

The room and guests were rockin' when (left) Walter Selover, 3135 Middlebury lane, and Thomas Watt, 3140 Middlebury avenue, presented a calypso number entitled, 'Pine Lake Calypso' at the club's Talent Night party.



Exotic Dancers Make Big Hit

A chorus line of eight exotic dancers (?) made a big hit Saturday evening at Pine Lake country club when they came on stage costumed to the teeth. Also featured on the show were Pat Morris, who got the crowd's undivided attention with "My Heart Belongs to Daddy" and Dr. F. A. Jeffers, who impersonated several well-known personalities in show business. M.C. was Lou Hagopian.

Gal Reporter Decides Sub Commander is Good 'Skate'

NITA HARD
Franklin Correspondent

Take it from me, being a girl is nice work if you can get it. At least, being a girl, you can blissfully live out your life without having to go to sea in a nuclear submarine... like a fella I met Friday night does.

Being a girl, you can have all the fun of being completely "snowed" by such a guy, especially when he's handsome, six foot two and wears enough gold braid to sink a fleet.

He's Capt. James Calvert who held 1,000 people spellbound when he talked for the Cranbrook Institute of Science's lecture series at the Rankin auditorium last Friday. He's commander of the Skat and USN Submarine division 102.

IT'S A LITTLE hard to get on a first name basis with such a dreadboat when you're firmly anchored to three sons and a pretty handsome husband.

However, I figured I had an edge over most of the other girls because I sold 18 copies of his book "Surface at the Pole" in the front lobby. He was manfully autographing copies backstage.

Frankly, I sailed into this story "cause Society editor Shirley Adams' afternoon interview cancelled when the Captain's plane was late.

Being a girl I ventured to imagine what it must be like for 97 crew members of the Skate and the nine civilian technicians and scientists who accompanied Capt.

Calvert on two historical voyages.

ABOARD THE relatively fragile, steel-skinned nuclear sub, they traveled beneath the frozen Arctic ocean in August, 1958 and again seven months later. Their cozy little domain should get the Good Housekeeping seal of approval. All three layers of the sub are kept "sterile-clean" because dust fogs the delicate machinery.

In the top two layers, where the control rooms and living quarters are located, the competition for space is so keen nobody would dream of leaving so much as a dirty sock around. Stacked in tiers of four, beds are "hot-bunked"—or shared by two men on alternating shifts.

The lowest layer is for storage. When you must feed a hundred or more grown men three squares a day, or a total of 18,000 meals on a 60-day trip, there's not much room for surplus. Garbage is disposed of neatly in nylon bags and shot up a bronze tube through a series of very tricky doors.

It may be a little hard to understand why men will volunteer for duty in murky seas. Some have not completed their high school education; most of them are hand-picked, thoroughly screened and extensively trained to perform highly technical tasks flawlessly. Botted up with a ceiling of ice overhead and craggy updrafts of submerged mountains below, men on the Skat are all reflex, and slightly over-coffee'd.

Though the Skat is no Taj Mahal, it is spacious by conventional

submarine standards. It carries an unlimited supply of fuel in a relatively small space. Large supplies of oxygen are not carried, because no air is needed for combustion and only a comparatively small amount is needed for breathing. Space is used instead for the millions of control devices that oscillate, palpitate, blink and burp.

FOR THE SQUAMISH, sea-sickness is non-existent. Cruising along at about 16 knots, 300 feet beneath the surface of the sea, there is no sense of motion.

The first voyage of the Skat began with the crew ambitious to beat sister ship Nautilus to the North Pole. Morale dropped a few fathoms when they learned their real objective was to develop surfacing techniques under the ice pack at the pole. Pinpointing an open area (a polynya or lake), from beneath treacherous pressure ridges, they realized that theirs was the greater challenge and the Nautilus could jolly well chase itself around the North Pole.

NINE TIMES in 10 days, the Skat popped its sail. (A heavily reinforced conning tower modified to hold periscopes, antennas and sundry gadgets.) At such times, the men "enjoyed" a brief hike across the slushy ice floes, temporarily warmed by the mid-August sun.

They found the drifting IGY station, Alfa, by using a new technique of inertial navigation and soundings from the Puff-butt of the Alfa's motor boat as it raced around a small "meitid ice lake". (See SUB, 2-C)

Suburban Scene

By Shirley Adams
Society Editor

Here's the Date . . . Don't Be Late

It isn't unusual for guests to arrive late at bridge parties despite what Emily Post and Amy Vanderbilt say about the importance of punctuality. However, there will be one occasion when all guests make a special effort to be on hand well ahead of the appointed hour.

The occasion is Bloomfield Country Day school's "telephone card party" which starts at 1 p.m., Wednesday at many different homes throughout the area. Late-comers will be whisked to their chairs and handed cards before they take off their coats.

THE REASON for such promptness . . . every party starts at the exact time and the first person who bids and makes a grand slam or a small slam calls in their lucky hand to one central number. This year the number is that of Mrs. William F. Fioch, chairman. For those playing of Pinochle and gin rummy, there will be two prizes for each game; one for the highest score, and one for the second highest score.

Proceeds will benefit the new school building, which was dedicated last spring. Mrs. Paul McKenney is serving as co-chairman. Opening their homes will be Mrs. Reed Jenkins, who will have her regular bridge club which meets every two weeks. Among those attending will be (See SUBURBAN SCENE, 2-C)

Art in Fashion Highlights Invitational Christmas Show

The Young Peoples Art Center's Invitational Christmas Art Fashion show is slated for Nov. 22 in the lower galleries of Cranbrook Academy of Art.

Background music will be provided by Glen Michaels, YPAC art instructor. The Junior League choral group will sing Christmas medleys. A Christmas motif will prevail with two festively decorated tea tables, at which the following officers of the league will preside:

MESDAMES William Bachman Jr., Sidney Smith Jr., Robert Seil-

er, Frederick Booth, Robert Prick, Nelson Noland and Miss Mary Taylor. Chairman of the fashion show is Mrs. Robert K. Schaffer and her helpers are Mesdames Forest Shea, A. J. Mestier Jr., Charles Dellebridge Jr., Richard Hintermeister and Robert Wood. Commentator will be Mrs. Maxwell Matthews.

Decorations will also include a large Christmas tree, around which the adult models will place their holiday accessories. Students of the YPAC classes will have some of their art work exhibited by the children who will be modeling in an attempt to bring art into everyday living.

er of YPAC, will give a history of the background of this art project (See SHOW, 2-C)

Burkett, Garrison Engagement Told

Mrs. and Mrs. H. D. Burkett of Lakeswood, Ohio, and Orchard Lake, recently announced the engagement of their daughter, Barbara Beth, to Michael Garrett Garrison, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Garrison of Charnwood road, Birmingham.

MRS. ROBERT Wardrop, found.

Mrs. L. Jerome Fink of Quanton road, Bloomfield Hills, entertained at a tea Saturday afternoon in honor of Mrs. Djoewari, AFS secretary of Jakarta, Indonesia. Mrs. Frank Wickham of Meadowlake, Birmingham, will act as co-chairman.

Alums Plan Men's Night

The Birmingham U of M alumnae are inviting their husbands to their annual "Men's Night" 8 p.m. Tuesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Jones, 950 Cranbrook, Bloomfield Hills.

Purpose of this meeting is to answer many of the questions that arise in the minds of men as well as the alumnae concerning the financial situation of the university, how a new state constitution may effect the support and identity of the university and how new facilities should be financed.



An Afternoon Party

Members of Oakland county Republican Women's club attending a bridge party to benefit the club are (from left) Mrs. George Hodges, president; Mrs. William Broomfield, Mrs. Wayne Grimm and Mrs. John Austin.



Show Opens Sunday

Sunday will mark the 13th annual antiques market sponsored by the Junior group of Goodwill Industries. The show will be held through Nov. 16. Committee members looking at articles which will be on display are (from left) Mrs. Charles Gilbert, 970 Top View, Mrs. Robert Reid, 344 Tilbury and Mrs. Neil Hyde, 465 Tilbury.



Bridge Party Coming Up

Participating in Bloomfield Country Day school's first money-raising project for the year, a telephone card party, are (from left) Mrs. J. D. Richardson Jr., of N. Glenngary road, Mrs. Drew Haneline of Broadway boule-

vard, Mrs. Jesse Judd of Glengarry road and Mrs. Arthur Brandt of Kennesaw drive. The party will be Wednesday at various homes throughout the area.