

Photo Fans' Work To Be Criticized By Abstract Artist

Well-known painter Clifford West will view the photo work of Bloomfield Hills camera club members tonight and offer his critique. Club members have been asked to bring both abstract and general category photo prints to the meeting at 8 p.m. at Cranbrook Institute of Science.

West, a Bloomfield Hills resident, is a photographer himself, as well as an abstract painter and teacher of art. The club invites photography enthusiasts to join them for the session.

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Teach

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Junior high should give the young a chance to "explode". Through her all-purpose class, she exposes the students to a variety of different situations connected with living.

And that, dear teachers, is all we parents could want.

"CHILDREN will do in their spare time what we are teaching in the classroom," she said. "I do think we are giving the children good things they can do so that they won't be getting into trouble."

Mrs. Thorp insisted that girls need two years of home economics. "I don't think that in one year you could begin to touch what they need," she said.

She told about a study she conducted several years before among home economics classes. When seventh grade girls were asked if they would like to take home economics another year, a majority answered "yes."

THEN CAME what she called the clincher for her profession. "It is one of the very few professions in which women do not compete with men," she emphasized.

She told me of Michigan state home economics department, where they had 133 job opportunities for home economists in television, food and textile research and consumer education. They were jobs that paid \$4,000 up to the almost unbelievable salary for a woman of \$14,000 per year.

BUT THERE is a shortage of home economists, and the MSU department was able to fill only 10 percent of the jobs with qualified personnel.

After making that point, the teachers turned to my criticism of the good-grooming lessons which I should contact Mrs. Charles Booth, Jr., 4342 W. Orchard Hill, Birmingham, secretary of the group, or Howard Matwicz, adult education director, Birmingham board of education.

When she's old enough, that's something I can teach her," I had said in my column, adding, "I want the schools to teach her the things I can't."

All-purpose teacher Miss Keeley said that since my daughter's experience, the practice of having representatives of cosmetic firms talk to the girls had been dropped.

IN PREVIOUS years, one or two saleswomen were asked to call and tell the girls about hair and skin care. Miss Keeley said the saleswomen also talked about cosmetics. When she asked the callers to skip the cosmetics comments, the make-up mad girls lost interest. So Miss Keeley dropped the practice.

Make-up is to seventh grade girls as candy is to babies, implied Miss Keeley.

"Isn't it worth it for the rapport of your class to answer their questions about make-up? You can't ignore them if you are going to be a good teacher," she added.

Mrs. Thorp lauded the home economics instruction in nutrition.

"I DON'T think anyone would deny the importance of nutrition, and how to choose balanced meals," she said.

Laatsch added that he thought boys needed the same teaching about sensible diets.

Said foods teacher Mrs. Stark, "I have had so many wonderful notes from parents this year. They say they are so glad their daughters are learning how to prepare simple meals."

They insisted I was wrong when I said my own daughter didn't need cooking lessons because she had been baking and helping at home since she was nine.

BESIDES, whether a girl marries or stays single, this teaching is so close to what she will be doing every day," said Miss Keeley.

Sewing teacher Mrs. Thorp took especial offense to my statement that a girl doesn't need to learn to make aprons and dresses because she can buy read-made clothes as inexpensively as she can make her own.

She is teaching her own daughter to make her clothes because she doesn't want her to grow up taking things for granted, Mrs. Thorp said.

I savored some crow and admitted that a girl who had the talent and know-how could copy a Dior or a Sophie original and have a \$250 dress for \$19.95 worth of material.

THE THREE teachers from Derby even included their arguments on this subject in their annual report to school administrators. They titled one section, "Why a Girl Should Take Home Economics."

That section contained some arguments they forgot to present: "A large portion of our schooling is directed toward educating the boy or girl to earn a living. It is not then also wise to devote a small percentage of this time to educating these boys and girls to handle this income in such a way that there may be some left for the pursuit of life's enrichment."

"In this day of boxed cakes and working mothers," they continued, "one loses sight of the fact that money saved by the homemaker is the same as untaxable income. It is possible that a leisure time activity such as sewing could add as much as one-tenth to an average income."

AS THEY summed up their report, the teachers said, "The criticism toward homemaking in the curriculum has been hard on the

homemaking teachers this last year. But even criticism had some value, they allowed.

"It has helped us to evaluate our community a little more carefully, and to ascertain that the things we are teaching will be those that will be the most beneficial to the students in years to come."

And that, dear teachers, is all we parents could want.

Great Book Group To Convene Oct. 10

The Great Books discussion group, co-sponsored by the adult education department of the Birmingham board of education and the Baldwin public library, will meet from 8 to 10 p.m. Monday, Oct. 10 to review Plato's "Apology" and "Crito."

The classes will meet at Groves high school, 20500 W. 13 Mile road, near Evergreen.

Persons interested in attending should contact Mrs. Charles Booth, Jr., 4342 W. Orchard Hill, Birmingham, secretary of the group, or Howard Matwicz, adult education director, Birmingham board of education.

Personnel Graduate

ORINAWA—Graduated recently from the basic personnel administration school at Camp Kiner, Okinawa, while serving with the Third Marine division, was Marine Lance Cpl. Robert L. Hawkins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Hawkins of 1276 Smith, Birmingham.

Before enlisting in August 1959, he attended Birmingham high school.

Mothers Club Party Planned At Marian High

Mother Mary Aquin, I. H. M. principal of the new Marian high school in Birmingham, will discuss the values and ideals of a Catholic education when the school's mothers club welcomes the mothers of the new freshmen at a coffee party at the school at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 12.

The officers of the club will preside at the coffee tables. They are Mrs. Sidney F. McKenna, president; Mrs. John Bode, first vice president; Mrs. William Corrigan, recording secretary; Mrs. Charles McDonald, financial secretary; and Mrs. Harold Pierce, treasurer.

THE MOTHERS will also be taken on tours of the school, which was opened in September, 1959, for freshmen only. The tenth grade was added this year. The junior grade will be added in 1961 and the senior grade in 1962. The present enrollment includes 275 freshmen and 128 sophomores.

The school was made possible through the cooperation of five neighboring parishes—Holy Name, St. Bede, Our Lady Queen of Martyrs, St. Hugo and St. Columban.

Guild Plans Tea

The diocesan altar guild of the Episcopal diocese of Michigan will hold its annual fall tea at St. John's church, Woodward at Montclair, at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 11.

The tea will be presided by a business meeting at 1:30 p.m. The board of directors of the guild will meet at 11:30 a.m. the same day at St. John's.

See Sewer Problem as Area-wide

It all boils down to one point—their trouble comprises a greater area than their neighborhood.

This summary was made by City Manager L. R. Gare in a report to city commissioners and residents Monday night on studies of sewer relief in three sections of the city.

In its study of a sewer problem in the Washington-Bates-Stanley section, between Lincoln and Northlawn, the city engineering department determined that a larger area was involved than that covered in a petition seeking relief.

As a result, Gare pointed out, a comprehensive study has been made of the area between Lincoln and 14 Mile road west of Grant.

"APPARENTLY, THE major problem in connection with this area," said the city manager, "is the size of the old county drains which receive the water from the area."

"We feel this is an area problem inasmuch as the drains which run down through Beverly Hills are also involved in the solution." Birmingham could solve this problem, he said, by constructing a new sewer on 14 Mile west to the Rouge river; but the cost probably would be too high and would have to be borne entirely by the city.

can be worked out soon between the county drain commission, Birmingham and the area south of 14 Mile.

A SECOND point of difficulty is on Penitence between Terry and Taunton. Residents had blamed an eight-inch sewer, but Gare said a study showed that the capacity of sewers below this block apparently are inadequate.

The DPW is restricting all drainage structures in this area to relieve flooding as much as possible. Basement flooding also has been reported on W. Ruffner. Gare said it is hoped a solution

Further study is being made of all three problem areas, Gare told the commission; and a more comprehensive report will be made later.

Guitar Stolen

A Silverstone model guitar and case, was taken from Grinnell Brothers Saturday. Steve Layman, 5395 Hickory Bend, Bloomfield township, told police he put the instrument near the door while he shopped in the store. When he returned, it was missing.

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