

Within the circle of the average person's friends and acquaintances there probably is a fairly complete representation of many human characteristics. Some are humorous, some too depressed, there are some with optimism, pessimism, selfishness, generosity, some gossip, others retain confidences. From among them you alone may choose your models.

# The Birmingham Eccentric

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SECTION C

## Spring Bustin' Out All Over as Franklin Prepares for Benefit



Model Mrs. Peter Finn, son John and Carrie Syme

"Franklin Spring Fancy," a huge fashion show and tea to be given April 7 in Franklin School is enlisting most of the village in preparation thereof. The festive event will benefit Franklin's P.T.A.

Tickets are being sold by Mrs. Robert Hampson, who says clothes will be from the two women's stores in Franklin and a children's shop in Birmingham. They will be modeled by youngsters, mothers and teachers from the school. Mrs. James Ginn (at right in survey) will be the commentator, and Mrs. Peter Finn (at left with wide-eyed son, John, and his pal, Carrie Syme) will be among the attractive models.

By tea time the day of the benefit, halls of the school will be transformed by Victorian decor and manned by hostesses wearing gowns of the period. Mrs. Howard Rex and Mrs. Charles Jordan are in charge of this project and have announced

that guests will be driven to the door from various parking areas by a surrey-with-a-fringe-on-top.

The later, recently spruced up with scarlet velvet seats, is being loaned by Dr. John Burger. Mrs. Richard Barnard, Mrs. Robert Kerr and Mrs. James Ginn (in picture at right) test it for size and comfort and come up smiling.

Decorating committee, of which Mrs. Robert Small is a member, is spending long spring afternoons putting together topiary trees (shown below) which, along with flower stalls containing fresh posies, will further add to the decor on the Big Day.

Other committee members include Mrs. Jack Perlmutter, Mrs. Philip Detweiler, Mrs. Richard Kern, Mrs. Carl Rasmussen, Mrs. Paul Ricker, Mrs. George Spindler, Mrs. Wendell Smith, Mrs. David Worth, Mrs. Frederick Gebb and Mrs. Donald Watkins.



Mrs. Barnard, Mrs. Kerr, Mrs. Ginn (from left)

### Treasure Hunt Launched To Benefit Fall Auction

So successful was the auction given last year to benefit Archives of American Art that a repeat performance is scheduled for next July, Sept. 25, at the Detroit Institute of Arts.

To this end, a number of Birmingham-Bloomfield women have launched a "treasure hunt," seeking rare and distinctive furniture, sculpture, paintings and objects d'art.

Co-chairman for the auction, with Mrs. Henry T. Bodman of Grosse Pointe, is Mrs. George Russell of Bloomfield Hills.

Working with her from this area are Mrs. Robert Taylor, Mrs. Richard Steding III, Mrs. Arthur Butterbaugh, Mrs. Harry O. Hoyt Jr., Mrs. Langley Smart, Mrs. Warren Booth, Mrs. Benjamin Brewster, Mrs. Robert Chambers, Mrs. Maxwell E. Fead, Mrs. D. C.

### Warm-Up Party Heralds Opening

Warm-up party for cast members of "The Constant Wife," which opens April 6 at St. Dunstan's Playhouse on Lone Pine Road, was given Sunday evening in the home of Mrs. Marian Crocker of Bloomfield Blvd.

Among guests who came for cocktails and buffet supper were Mrs. and Mrs. Franklyn Donagan (she's director of the show), Mr. and Mrs. William Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Coffey, Mr. and Mrs. Wendell H. Smith, Jr., the Robert Scotts, Mr. and Mrs. David R. Raymond, Mr. and Mrs. John C. Copen, the Walter Schovers, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Himeboth.

Winnie and Dean Coffin will entertain at a small gathering in their home on Cranbrook Cross Road before the 9 p.m. curtain opening night, and will be hosts again at a midnight supper on closing night, April 14.

### Local Area Women Included in Drive For Symphony

Season ticket committee for the Detroit Symphony Orchestra drive for new subscribers to open May 25 includes a number of local area women.

Among them is Mrs. Carl H. Zuber of Squirrel Road, Bloomfield Hills, who is season ticket chairman.

Others include Mrs. Cecil Akroyd, Mrs. James Drake, Mrs. Elton Erickson, Mrs. Philip R. Flansberg, Mrs. John Ganche, Mrs. Gunnar Karlstrom, Mrs. J. B. McChohan, Mrs. Harry J. Niederlander, Mrs. Frederick J. B. Sevald and Mrs. Donald Walton.

### Mrs. C. S. Maxwell Honors Husband At Birthday Party

Mrs. C. S. Maxwell of Highland Drive, Birmingham, entertained at a surprise dinner party Tuesday evening honoring her husband on his birthday.

Among the guests was Mrs. Maxwell's sister and house guest, Mrs. E. A. Lutz of Netherah, Wis.

Others included Mr. and Mrs. Richard Coville, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Eberhard, Mr. and Mrs. Donald King, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jessup, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ohler, all of Birmingham; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Strohm and the Frank Kellys, of Royal Oak.

### Juniors to Meet

The Birmingham Junior Woman's Club will hold its monthly meeting April 3 at the Community House at 8 p.m. Florist Joan Moss will be guest speaker.



Decorator Mrs. Robert Small

### Bloomfield Branch Plans Installation Of New Officers

The thirty-third annual meeting of the Bloomfield Hills Branch, Woman's National Farm and Garden Association, will be held at the Kirk in the Hills April 2 at 1:30. Mrs. Carl Larson, outgoing president, will install the following officers: Mrs. Russell S. Strickland, president; Mrs. E. J. Anderson, first vice president; Mrs. E. Govan Hill, second vice president, Mrs. John Q. Nages, recording secretary; Mrs. Henry Johnson, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Alan G. Leobourne, treasurer.

Mrs. Dean Draper, Mrs. Willis B. Anderson and Mrs. V. R. Liles will be on the new Executive Board.

Following annual reports, Robert Bates, musical director at Christ Church Cranbrook, will present a piano recital. Tea will be served.

## Workshop Series Geared to Opera

With an eye to the approaching opera season (May 21-26 in Detroit) Birmingham-Bloomfield women are determined to make seeing and appreciating the Metropolitan an easy, enjoyable experience.

Hence, as of April 2, an Opera Table will be set up in Grinnell's, Monday through Friday, for the purpose of public relations. It will be staffed from 10 to 12 a.m., helping those interested with any questions that arise, passing out brochures, selling tickets and registering people for the "Anatomy of Opera" workshop series to be held at Baldwin Public Library May 7, 9 and 11, from 9:30 to 12 a.m.

The series will make use of stereo recordings, librettos and guest lecturers. There is no admission charge but pre-registration is required. The series is sponsored by the Birmingham, Bloomfield and Franklin Committee for Metropolitan and the Baldwin Public Library.

Mrs. Elwood Enzel is chairman of the workshop series. Mrs. Paul J. Shine is chairman of the Opera Table, and co-chairmen are Mrs. L. T. Dickson and Mrs. Darrell Roberts. Some of the women helping to staff the table are Mrs. Hobart Munsell, Mrs.

Richard Meurer and the Boying Committee of the Junior League.

In the meantime, down in Detroit, Mrs. George Romney of Bloomfield Hills will be among panelists on the program "An Overture to Opera" to be presented April 12 at 8:15 p.m. in Rackham Memorial Auditorium.

### To Open Home For Garden Meet

Next meeting of Cranbrook Branch, WNFCA, will be held April 2, in the home of Mrs. James Little, 3027 Franklin, Bloomfield Hills. Hostesses for the dessert tea

will be Mrs. Charles W. Taylor, Mrs. Harold I. Tanner and Mrs. James Tenney.

Mary Esauke, of the Detroit Edison Co., will speak on "Garden Lighting."

This too, is open to the public without charge, the program including operatic selections by seven of the area's principal singers.

Emphasis in the discussion and selections will include many of the seven operas which the Metropolitan will present while here.

## Suburban Scene

By Mary Ellen Mead  
Society Editor

### Culver Coming to Town

Thirty teen-age hearts (feminine) will beat just a little faster come Easter Eve, April 21, for that's the night Culver Military Academy's famed Lancer Platoon will be performing at Bloomfield Open Hunt Club.

Currently, an adult committee is ironing out details of where to host the boys down (they'll be staying in private homes during their twenty-four hour visit here) and lining up dates for them for the buffet supper and Sock Hop which will follow their exhibition.

Competition in the ring will include jumping—Culver vs. B. O. H's A Team—and two chukkers of polo. All 80 cadets, members of the elite Black Horse Troop, will participate in the colorful close order drill, to be climaxed by thrilling jumps through rings of fire. Enough to make any female heart flutter!

Local area boys who will be coming on for the event include Stephen Wetherby, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lyman C. Wetherby, and Bill Hartman Jr., whose parents, the senior Hartmans, were hosts to committee-meeting adults Sunday evening in their Lasher Road home.

Included in the group were the Wetherbys, Mr. and Mrs. Maynard Andree, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Olsen, Dr. and Mrs. Robert Lytle, Mr. and Mrs. G. Tom Christiansen, Dr. and Mrs. Phil Huber, the Howard Madels, Robert Sauer, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Jackson and Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Zerasa, of Dearborn—he's president of the Culver Father's Association.

Incidentally, the night of the exhibition will serve two purposes. Anyone interested in Culver for his youngster welcome; plus, it's an opportunity for Culver graduates to reunite.

### Repeat Performance

On sound advice from Birmingham-ites Pete and Ina Welty, the Robert J. Fishers of Bradway Blvd. took off a year ago to vacation at Good Hope, Jamaica. So entranced were they with the British resort, it's become as important a jaunt on their holiday calendar as it has to the Welty's—who've been going back and forth for the last 12 years.

Second-time-around took place for the Fishers last week when they boarded Delta for Miami and thence to an uncluttered two-week respite.

Good Hope is a working plantation near Falmouth, where guest cottages accommodate only 25 at a time, where sugar cane, coconuts and cattle are raised, where over 200 miles of marked trails make horse back riding an adventure and where swimming and sunning can be done pool-side or along 10 miles of private ocean beach.

When Kay and Bob left for their mountain shangri-la, they were accompanied by two wide-eyed young ladies: daughter Janet and her seventh grade "best friend" Lisa Parde, whose parents are Mr. and Mrs. Morris C. Purdy of Glenbury Road. The girls expect to return with plenty of material for "Social Studies," a tropical tan, and maybe just a hint of British accent.

### Travel By Bus

Ev Fisher, of Bloomfield Hills, has long laid claim to being the only non-professional bus driver in this vicinity, his glamorous vehicle having toured guests to fishing haunts, hunting reserves, and even as far as Dixiana (the Fisher farm near Lexington, Ky.) for Derby Day.

His position was challenged over the week-end, however, by Hazen Carroll of Beverly Hills, who now owns a gray (See SUBURBAN SCENE, 3-A)

## Teen-Agers Turn Out for Assembly Party



John Liles and Sue Wiant, both of whom attend Bloomfield Junior High, were among members of Assembly who danced the evening away at the Community House Saturday night. Live music, a floor show and refreshments all add up to fun for youngsters from the 10 junior highs in this area.

Cafe tables instead of the traditional line-up of ballroom chairs provide young people with plenty of space for casual conversation following a bout on the dance floor. Here from left) Brenda Ebersole, Derby; Pat Cronin, Brother Rice; Jody Cronin, Holy Name, and Bruce Naylor, Barnum, relax.

What's a good party without a stag line? The Assembly has one, although the threesome above looks as if too much "twisty" might have got to them. Ted Morley (from left) Rocky Otis and Chuck Webster all attend Barnum and have been card-toting members of Assembly since its inception last fall.