

Young Birmingham Anticipates Joy of Easter

Auction Day Spurs All-Out Search

"Fourth of May is Auction Day"—this slogan is uppermost in the minds of all members of the Village Woman's Club these days, as they search their homes for articles to be auctioned or for odds and ends to stock the Flea Market. Auction Day is fast becoming an annual spring affair for club members and their friends. It is the time when excitement runs high as the ladies vie with each other in bidding for some prized heirloom or antique, hoping to have the last bid before the auctioneer's gavel sounds with the word "sold". Although the auction provides

fun, the ladies are very serious about its purpose, for proceeds will further the educational, cultural and philanthropic projects of the club.

ONE OF THE special concessions at the auction will be the junior members' booth. Here will be found attractive handmade articles designed and made by these talented young women. They have been meeting at the clubhouse on Friday mornings to create hand-trimmed baby sweaters and bibs, unique and glamorous straw handbags, adorable stuffed animals to cheer young and old and garden gloves so clever that weeding will never again seem a chore. In charge of this workshop are Mrs. James Hubbard, Jr., 400 Townsend, and Mrs. William T. Collins, Jr., 632 Oak.

The auction will be held May 4 at the Bloomfield Hills High School. Lunch and other refreshments will be available. For those in search of auction treasures, flea market bargains, beautiful geraniums, maple syrup, or artistic creations in ceramic and silk screening, the fourth of May will be a day of reward.

Mad Mishaps Create Near Hysteria

If Willis F. Woods, director of the Detroit Institute of Arts, receives another invitation to speak in Birmingham, he will probably think twice before accepting.

As the guest of Friends of Baldwin Library at their annual membership meeting, Mr. Woods spent an eventful evening which was almost a comedy of errors.

FIRST, PRECEDING his talk on Twentieth Century Art at Baldwin Library auditorium, Mr. Woods and his attractive wife were entertained at dinner in the Ruth Shain Room of the Community House by board members of the Friends and their husbands and wives.

Mr. and Mrs. Woods arrived several minutes late after calling from the corner of Maple Road and Lakeside to inquire, "Where is Birmingham?"

Then, midway through dinner, the Birmingham Fire Dept. surrounded the Community House with flashing red lights while they coped with a smoking fuse box on the Community House stage.

NEXT, CASUAL dinner conversation following the Fire Department's visit revealed to Raimon Von Drehle, program chairman that the slides Mr. Woods had brought to illustrate his talk were not the size which fits the projector set up in the auditorium. The right size projector was found after a hasty call to Mrs. Charles Shain, who fortunately is a loyal "friend" of Baldwin Library!

Later on at the library, C. W. McLoughlin, president of the Friends, welcomed members of the Birmingham Art Association as special guests for the evening's program and asked Eliot

They Shall Have Music

A musical treat is in store for members of the Birmingham Community House Newcomers Club at their luncheon April 18. Mrs. Teruko Yamasaki, well-known local pianist, and Newcomer Mrs. Paul E. Rathgeb, Jr., soprano, will present a varied program of classical and contemporary numbers. Mrs. Jerome F. Cumiskey, also a Newcomer, will be accompanist for Mrs. Rathgeb. Reservations may be made by calling before noon April 15: Mrs. Horace Calkins, Mrs. Edmund Guyer, Mrs. William Holdsworth or Mrs. Herbert Jones. Prospective Newcomers may contact Mrs. Henry Greenley.

"THE HEMINGWAY STORY" will be reviewed by Mrs. Otis Dickey at the meeting of the Newcomers Book Review Group at 12:30 April 25 in the Isley Room of the Community House. Hostesses will be Mrs. Thomas J. George, Mrs. William Lampe and Mrs. Vincent Price.

The bowling season for the Newcomers was concluded with a luncheon April 9 at the Birmingham Country Club. New officers for next year include Mrs. William Holdsworth, president; Mrs. Paul E. Rathgeb, Jr., vice president; Mrs. Milford Schrecongost, secretary; Mrs. William J. Timmins, treasurer.



LUC GOEMANNE (FROM LEFT), MICHAEL MANN, MARK KOBELAN AND ROBERT MCCARTNEY.

In preparation for the celebration of Easter, youngsters across the country are raising their voices in song, earnestly attending stepped-up choir practice, carefully keeping vestments spic and span and, in free moments, caroling the scale with nice, rounded "o's". Typical is the group above, elementary students from Our Lady Queen of Martyrs Church. They will sing at all masses Easter Sunday and on

Good Friday. As for their younger brothers and sisters, they're thinking in terms of colored eggs, frothy baskets, the Easter Bunny and maybe even a live chick or two. With wide-eyed enthusiasm, they've also tagged along on shopping sprees, lending small voices in the matter of choosing new outfits for the Easter Parade.

Suburban Scene

by MARY ELLEN MEAD

Double Celebrations

There'll be added impetus for festivity in the John F. McLean, Jr. family over Easter, for daughter Lora will be "14 on the 14th," indicating a combined celebration—same to take place at Oakland Hills Country Club with the honoree's seven brothers and sisters on tap to keep it gay!

Another birthday girl, diminutive Robbie Risdon, will also be opening birthday presents Easter Sunday. Candles on her cake will number two and helping to blow them out will be her parents, the Joseph E. Risdons of Bloomfield Hills (hosts at the family party in their home); Mr. and Mrs. Charles Risdon, Jr. and their family of Grosse Pointe; Mrs. Risdon Broeman and family, of Detroit, plus Robbie's brother, Joey, and three sisters, Lynne, Karen and Toni, and her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Phillips of Detroit.

Only member of the family missing will be fifteen-year-old Mary, who has already left via the airways to spend Easter on Bimini with the George A. Lyons, Jr. in their winter home there. Mary's vacation-time roommate and traveling companion is Wynne Lyon.

It's Reunion Time

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest A. Jones are back from a trip to the West Coast (combination business and pleasure) in time for Easter dinner at Bloomfield Hills Country Club. Daughter Christine accompanied them to California—on vacation from Kingswood—and will join her other brothers and sisters at the family reunion.

Biff will be home from Xavier University on spring vacation and Steve, Janet and Mark will also be present.

Mrs. M. M. Burgess is also back in town following a three-month stay in Delray Beach, Fla. Incidentally, she was in Palm Beach the night of the Fred Waring fiasco (see March 27 edition of Time magazine) and her first question was "How did the concert here go?" Since Mr. Waring is one of her favorites, she was pleased to know Birmingham not only accepted him with gusto but continues to evidence good manners!

Mrs. Burgess will have Easter dinner with her son-in-law and daughter, Dr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Torgerson, and their two youngsters, Tommy and Richard.

Everybody's Doing It

Other family dinners include those being given by Mr. and Mrs. Roy A. Frushauf, Mr. and Mrs. Don Ahrens, the William J. Scripps, Mr. and Mrs. John F. Gordon, who'll be with their son-in-law and daughter, the Henry Whitings, Jr.; the Paul McKennys, just back from two weeks in Arizona; the Ed Lerchens, who have dinner reservations at Orchard Lake; the William H. Baldwins, Mr. and Mrs. John K. Stevenson, recently back from Florida; the Howard F. Fitzgeralds and the Raymond T. Perrings.

Mrs. Perring will be home Saturday after spending the week in Grand Rapids as a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Claire Van Dusen in their country home, "where," bubbled the ebullient Honey, "accent is on RIDING!" We figure if she'd never seen a horse, the indomitable Mrs. P. would take it in stride.

No Armchair Travelers, These!

Mr. and Mrs. Russell McBride of Bloomfield Hills are recently back from an island hopping junket which took off from Honolulu and covered Maui, Hawaii and Kauai. They headquartered at the new Sheridan Maui Hotel—just opened in January—where celebrities Billy Graham and Lana Turner were also staying.

En route back to Michigan, they stopped in La Jolla to visit former Birminghamites, Mr. and Mrs. Macklin Hannan, and in Los Angeles to see Mr. and Mrs. Charles Beals and their son Dick (voice of Alka Seltzer fame) who used to live here on Brown Street.



Added decor: MATTHEW NAYLOR PREPARES EASTER IN COLORFUL WINDOW AT PARMENTER'S.



In her Easter Bonnet: RUTHIE WATKINS.



Toyland: KATHY GARGARO (ON SLIDE) AND MARA JANE HART WISTFULLY TAG SUGGESTIONS FOR EASTER BUNNY WHEN HE HAPPENS INTO GAMES IMPORTED.