

Localites Demonstrate How a Benefit Is Born



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V I P'S: CHAIRMAN MRS. SEMON KNUDSEN (LEFT), HARRY J. NEDERLANDER AND CO-CHAIRMAN MRS. RICHARD VAN DUSEN



VOLUNTEERS: BOB SLAUGHTER (FROM LEFT), MRS. EDWIN DEER AND MRS. C. E. HAYNES

Trend of the times all across the nation is an emphasis on benefits, socially speaking. Definitely in stride—if not a step or two ahead—is the Birmingham-Bloomfield area whose residents have been singularly successful in innumerable projects tackled. Currently over 100 volunteers are devoting the next two months to working on 'A Salute to the Romneys' which revolves around a special preview of the new Mary Martin musical, 'Jennie', to be held Thursday evening, Sept. 5, at the Fisher Theater. Proceeds will benefit the Oakland County Republican party. Today's pictures give a glimpse of what goes on behind the scenes as a benefit is born. Rolled up sleeves, telephoning and writing bumps where manicures used to show are all marks of the volunteer. Anticipated results, however, give promise of the most spectacular season-opener we've witnessed in many-a-moon.

Suburban Scene

It All Began

Long after the middle of last January, two Birmingham women met for luncheon in a Bloomfield Hills restaurant. With them was a member of the press, more or less invited as a sounding board to thumbs up or down the germ of an idea—an idea, it was hoped, with great potential.

At the end of a two-hour session, dessert and coffee were spooned up with sparks of enthusiasm that have been radiating ever since. And this is how a benefit was born.

When the women parted that history, wintry day, keloid that had been formulated, but then began months and months of groundwork, telephones chattered incessantly, notes were penned, chairman and co-chairman were sought, additional co-workers were solicited, dates were set and so-called, lists, lists, LISTS were compiled, local business men got into

Full House!

Co-chairman Mrs. Richard Van Dusen reports that the special committee has contracted to fill the entire 2,000 seats in the Fisher Theater for the evening, hence the early start on ticket sales.

Main floor reservations will be \$25 each and balcony tickets \$10 each. Mrs. Knudsen stressed that seat locations will be based on order of receipt and anticipates a sellout by mid-summer.

Invitations have been mailed to rest the project underway, but anyone interested can obtain full details from Republican Headquarters on E. Adams.

Besides Mrs. Knudsen and Mrs. Van Dusen, committee heads include Mrs. Harry J. Nederlander, Mrs. James B. Harcke, Mrs. Allen Strom, invitations; Women's Volunteers, Mrs. C. E. Haynes and Mrs. John R. Crissman; Mrs. John Wert, promotion, and Mrs. George E. Montgomery, publicity.

by MARY ELLEN MEAD

Wheels Turn

Early in April the first executive committee meeting was held at the BAC, where volunteers received specific instructions on respective chores, and the signal became "go" all the way.

More than 10,000 invitations went into the mail today for this largest benefit of the year, proceeds earmarked for the Republican Party of Oakland County. The date, Sept. 5, not only marks the special preview of Mary Martin's new musical, 'Jennie', but is the acknowledged opening of the fall "season"—it'll be that red carpet and glittering.

Chairman Mrs. Semon E. Knudsen says, "This will be a huge and gala evening in honor of the Romneys, and we're delighted to be able to offer localites the first glimpse of Mary Martin's new show, which will also star Dennis O'Keefe."



TICKETS, PATRONS: MRS. J. B. HARCKE (LEFT) AND MRS. H. J. NEDERLANDER

AAUW Sets New Slate of Officers

Birmingham branch of the American Association of University Women has elected Mrs. H. S. McFarland, president. Serving with her for 1963-64 will be Mrs. Lynn Townsend, Mrs. Douglas Keys, Mrs. H. K. Berg, Mrs. Howard Ketch and Mrs. Earl Cannon. Mrs. James G. Gorman, Mrs. Robert F. Kohr and Mrs. Raymond Giffels are the new directors beginning two-year terms.

The NEW OFFICERS, together with those from the 1962 club year and some 40 board members, met for lunch in the Bloomfield Hills home of Mrs. McFarland June 6 to make plans for the coming year.

It was announced that membership in Birmingham branch has now reached 500. New fashion show co-chairmen, Mrs. John Thomson and Mrs. Richard Lindgren, were introduced, and this fall's book sale co-chairmen, Mrs. G. Knight Houghton and Mrs. Charles Barker, reported on committee progress so far.

IT WAS ALSO announced that due to a successful fashion show and a very successful used book sale last fall, 16 teachers in the Birmingham and Bloomfield Hills school systems will study this summer with the help of funds provided by Birmingham AAUW. This will be in addition to the two fellowships awarded nationally by this branch.

Birmingham teachers studying this summer in graduate school

Deadline Is Friday. Deadline for all organizational news, weddings and engagement announcements for use on The Birmingham Eccentric's women's pages is 5 p.m. on the Friday before publication.

Bloomfield Man Claims His Bride

Stephanie Earle Stein of Midland, Mich., was given in marriage to Lt. David Lloyd Wentworth, son of the Harold Arnold Wentworths of Bloomfield Village, Saturday at the Memorial Presbyterian Church in Midland.

She is the daughter of Mrs. Earl Rosee Stein and the late Earl R. Stein. She was given in marriage by her brother, John R. Stein.

The bride-elect wore white re-embroidered imported lace over white silk satin in princess style. Her headpiece had a long veil of pure silk illusion.

VICKI LYNNE Stein, the bride's sister, was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Judy A. Eichen, Judy A. Bistler, Caroline S. Humble and Billee Jo. Shetzley.

Michael Justin Wentworth, brother of the bridegroom, served as best man. Ushers were Harold A. Wentworth, Terry Stein, Douglas J. Sherson, Gary Hoffman and Geoffrey E. Hogan. A reception for 300 guests was held at the Midland Country Club. The couple is now honeymooning in Nassau. They will live in Manhattan, Kans., while Lt. Wentworth is stationed at Fort Riley, Kans.

Shower Fetes Susan Wright

Randall Lutsch of Sebring Court, Bloomfield Hills, and Linda Fiebing of Traverse City entertained in Miss Lutsch's home yesterday at a dinner and personal shower for Susan Wright of Craig Drive, Bloomfield Hills, who will become the bride of Jon Whitman of Birmingham Saturday.

Among the guests were Mrs. Lloyd Wright, Phyllis Benicke, Mrs. Richard Benicke, Jane Hangstoffer, Mrs. Thomas Hangstoffer, Mrs. Edward Chadik and Mrs. William Lutsch.

Tell Troth

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Cockrell Gallaudet of Shadow Lane, Bloomfield Hills, announce the engagement of their daughter, Andrew Brevard, to Edward Malcolm Smith, Jr., son of Mrs. Edward Malcolm Smith of Wilmette, Ill., formerly of Detroit, and the late Mr. Smith. Miss Gallaudet is a member of Sigma Gamma Association and made her debut in Sept. 1959. She attended Smith College in Northampton, Mass., and will be graduated this summer from Michigan State University where she is affiliated with Kappa Kappa Gamma. The bridegroom-elect attended Michigan State University and is a member of Psi Upsilon fraternity.



LIST COMPILERS: MRS. AUSTIN HARMON (FROM LEFT), MRS. FRANK EGAN AND MRS. WILLIAM B. BACHMAN, JR.

Judy Sanden in Spotlight As 'Belle' of Dinner Party

By MARTY CAHN MI 6-2890

Judy Sanden, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth B. Sanden, is described as "America's Favorite" by Kingswood School classmates. Sandy Sanden describes his sister as "Birmingham's Brigitte Bardot." To us, Judy appeared as a charming Southern belle last Thursday night.

The occasion was a dinner party given by the belle in a private dining room of the Oakland Hills Country Club. A Southern garden scene was created for the party-goers. The room was decorated with pink geraniums and massive planters of green foliage, in harmony with the wallpaper motif.

THIS WAS the setting for Judy to wear her very first floor-length formal, a beautiful gown of white Irish linen lace, accented with a blue velvet sash encircling her tiny waist above the bell-shaped skirt.

Following the dinner party, the guests attended Cranbrook School's commencement dance. Bob Dearth was Judy's escort. Bob's Wesleyan University mate, Hard Spoehr of Haverhill, depicted popular Carol Charles, Kingswood School's Michigan Counsel of Churches exchange student, from Bangor, North Ireland.

WILLIAM F. Cartwright is a young man appreciated for many reasons by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William H. Cartwright. Take Friday night, Mr. and Mrs. Cartwright, Flo and Bill, were watching a television program at their Overhill Road residence when they heard an unexpected opening of a door. In and behold, there was son Bill, who had driven 450 miles to be with his parents for two days before returning to the University of Wisconsin where he is attending summer school doing research work for a doctorate degree in organic chemistry.

Rites Held At Church On Hilltop

The hilltop setting of University Presbyterian Church in Christian Hills near Rochester was the scene of the June 4 wedding of Christine Helen Pederson and Alexander Muir Duffield, Jr.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Howard Peterson of W. Frank, Birmingham. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Muir Duffield of Stoney Creek Farms, Rochester.

THE BRIDE GOWN a classic floor-length gown of antique white satin fashioned along princess lines. A simple crown touched with pearls secured her shoulder-length veil of silk illusion. She carried a cascade of white orchids, stephanotis and ivy.

Attending her sister as matron of honor was Mrs. William A. Rupp. Bridesmaids were Margaret and Nancy Talbot.

The bridegroom was assisted by his brother-in-law, Richard Clark. Ushers included Roy Erickson, Jr. and Rick Crano of Birmingham.

EXCITING TRAVELS are on (See SANDEN, 3-C)