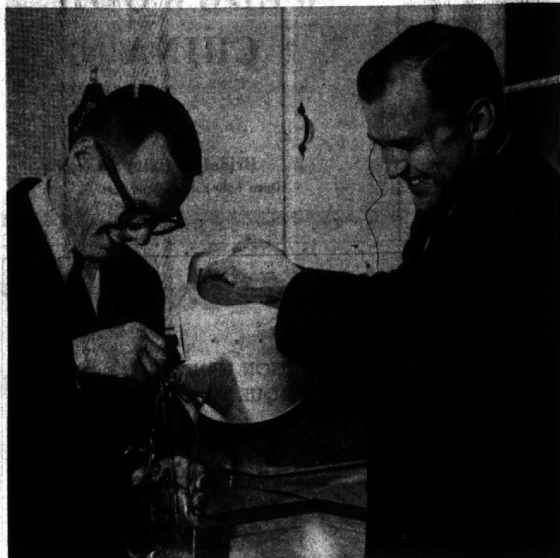


Think Session Produces Plans For Alumni Party



Refreshment Interlude: ROBERT N. WOODRUFF, JR., (LEFT) AND NED BEARDEN



Timeout for Fun: MRS. NED BEARDEN (AT PIANO), JAMES WILLIAMS AND MRS. JOHN ALBRECHT



Deep In the Throats: MRS. DAVE BRECK (FROM LEFT), MRS. JAMES A. WILLIAMS AND MR. BRECK

LATHRUP - CRANBROOK VILLAGE Recess Is Over For Square Dancers

By GLORIA JESSUP
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The Village Square Dance Club resumed its get-togethers this month after a short recess for the busy holiday season.

Heading the refreshment committee for this month's dance were Mr. and Mrs. John Kohl. They were assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Del Cadillo, Mr. and Mrs. Gil Eyseland and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Purchas.

Ed Carol was on hand to do the calling of the rounds and squares.

Guests of members included the Joe Davidson who were with the John Kohls; the Lloyd Wortons and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Darjis, who were guests of the John Levers. Guests of the club included the Les Murrella, the Nick Stocks, the Jack Shelby, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Joss and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Remkus.

and six, respectively, and at that tender age attended their first play. It was "Cinderella," staged at the Vanguard Theater.

The monthly meeting of the Cranbrook Village Michigan Extension group met recently in the home of Mrs. Roger Tyslan. The sixteen ladies who gathered enjoyed a talk on civil defense given by a member of the Oakland County Public Health Dept.

The members are busy making Easter toys for the 82 residents of a cottage they are sponsoring at Lapsee.

HAVE YOU met the new residents at 29700 Westbrook Parkway? They are Dr. and Mrs. Jerome Smith, who recently returned to the area from Boston. Mrs. Smith is the former Beverly Slavsky, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Slavsky of Rainbow, Lathrup Village.

Dr. Smith has just completed seven years with the Navy and is now in private practice in Pontiac.

The leisure time activities of the Smiths are varied. They enjoy painting with water colors and oils, bowling and golf. Mrs. Smith is a teacher and does some tutoring and dental assisting. Since the Smiths moved in Oct. 4, they have been busy. A recent houseguest was Dr. Smith's brother-in-law, Chase Fielding of Washington, D. C., who came for a short visit. To celebrate their second anniversary, the Smiths took some time off from their busy schedule for a relaxing weekend (See DANCERS, 3-C)

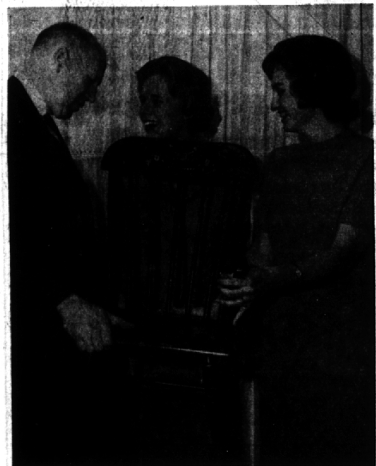
Youngsters To Hear About Camps

Maj. H. C. Gignilliat, superintendent of St. John's Camp for Boys and Nagawicka Camp for Girls will be at the Birmingham Community House Saturday at 3 p.m. to show films and slides of the camps, both of which are affiliated with St. John's Military Academy, Delafield, Wis. Refreshments will follow the presentation.

According to Mrs. Ned Neisinger of Westwood Drive, Birmingham, who has a youngster in the girl's camp, both camps include a fully accredited summer school as part of their program. Those attending may make up credits or review any subject they desire. Typing and remedial reading are also included. The land and lake facilities of the Academy are available to all campers, including a nine-hole golf course, 12 tennis courts, a fleet of motor boats and a riding academy. Modern dance and the arts are also featured.

Soroptimists Slate Myrtle Labbitt

Radio personality Myrtle Labbitt will be the guest speaker of the Soroptimist Club of Birmingham tonight at 7:30 p.m. at Devon Gables. Her topic will be "Europe by Car Without Reservations." Miss Labbitt was women's editor of OKLW radio and the hostess of the "Myrt and Doris" show. Dinner reservations may be made through Mrs. Nina Noble between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m.



Chair, Anyone?: THE REV. JOHN ALBRECHT (FROM LEFT), MRS. ROBERT N. WOODRUFF, JR., AND MRS. RICHARD MABEE

Local Women Plan Benefit For Washington Cathedral

At a meeting held recently in the home of Mrs. George H. Cary of Timberlake Road, members of the National Cathedral Association discussed plans for a benefit performance of "A Man for All Seasons" April 21 at the Fisher Theater.

Proceeds from the project will be used to provide additional musicians at Washington Cathedral.

Wednesday a luncheon was held at the Cathedral Center, Detroit, which was attended by the entire board and chairman. The Hon. Hugh S. Cumming, Jr., president of the National Cathedral Association, was here from Washington as guest speaker.

TB Society Awards Posts To Women

Five Birmingham women were awarded executive posts on the women's committee of the Tuberculosis and Health Society at the group's annual meeting last week.

Mrs. John Richardson, 1435 N. Glangary Road, was elected to the newly-created office of executive vice president.

MRS. JESSIE P. Judd, 1322 N. Glangary Road, was elected vice president, and Mrs. John Demman, 2812 Covington Place, was named corresponding secretary.

Serving on the executive committee is Mrs. Packer Avis, 1001 Glangary Circle, Mrs. William Scripps, 692 Bennington Drive, Bloomfield Hills, served on the nominating committee.

Home Movies Mirror Fun For Travelers

From now till there's a break in the weather, colored slides and movies come into their own as casual entertainment for Birmingham-Bloomfield stay-at-homes.

Cherishing their library of films are the Charles Huntoons of N. Williamsbury Road, whose holiday visit to Jamaica provided not only exotic background material but first pictures of tiny granddaughter, Marilyn Grace Parkin Marr, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Marx (Carolyn Huntoon) who live at Abingdon.

THE HUGE SUGAR plantation where the Marrs are in residence belongs to John's family. The Great House (living quarters for the family) faces on the Caribbean (a breathtaking view, claims Grandmother H.), with the cane fields stretching out in back for miles, then disappearing up into the mountains.

Conversation place on the estate is the brass mill (our version of a windmill) made of coral rock—four feet thick and inscribed with the date, 1700.

It was harvest time when the Huntoons were at Abingdon and, reports Mrs. Huntoon, "we watched the whole process, from the donkey's back to the mill."

Interesting, too, was attending a 200-year-old Anglican church in nearby Lucas, where the music was hauntingly familiar "but had a slight swing." Hymn books contained no printed music, just the words.

Small Marilyn Grace, who was christened while her grandparents were visiting, was born last August.

THERE'S LITTLE doubt that the Rev. and Mrs. Edward Birmingham were married in Birmingham, where they are mulling through picture albums, too, for on their recent visit here they managed to find with in a trip to Okego—where dramatic backgrounds make foraging a must.

The former Joan McBride and her husband, both formerly of Birmingham, were married in Christ Church Cranbrook just a couple of years ago. Since then their home has been the rectory at the National Cathedral School where she teaches and he is the chaplain.

While home on vacation, they were guests of Jean's grandmother, Mrs. J. E. McBride of Cranbrook Road, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis J. Schneider of Lower Long Lake.

They skied with Ed's brother and sister-in-law, the James Schneiders.

Suburban Scene

There's Going to Be A Ball— So They Say

by Mary Ellen Mead, Society Editor

According to a couple of metropolitan papers, there's going to be another Meadowbrook Ball.

The girls downtown claim (and we believe 'em) that this oh-so-exclusive wing ding will follow the same old pattern except for the date, which has been changed from May to June—this having something to do with keeping the \$100 per couple customers comfy. Seems that, somewhere amidst the glamorous trappings surrounding the event, a tent is involved and last year's May breezes chilled the carriage trade.

Although news of this year's annual party came to us and Eccentric readers second hand, we have, of course, always been aware that proceeds are turned over to Oakland University's scholarship fund and Sub Scene, along with the rest of Birmingham-Bloomfield, is in hearty accord with this splendid gesture. There aren't many suburban communities that can boast an outstanding university on their doorstep and we aim to support it.

On Again, Off Again

Because, however, our invitation to last year's ball was rescinded ("for security reasons" it was explained, which left us wondering whether to laugh, cry or go ahead and attempt some minor filching), we have seldom seen Mrs. Alfred G. Wilson's famed estate lighted at night for a party, rarely seen the fabulous fountains spewing colored mist into a star-filled sky or walked through the fragrant, colorful gardens at their height.

Fortunately, we're able to enjoy vicariously. So after-the-ball-is-over we'll be tuned in, hopefully, to dozens of reports. Since the preponderance of guests supporting the party is from this area, we anticipate a sparkling kaleidoscope version. And if we don't get it, we can always pick up, according to the committee, a national magazine which features "the party-of-the-month." Meadowbrook will be included in the June edition. And who knows, maybe it IS important that Oakland gets through to the Ivy League.

Guiding Lights

In the meantime, hats off to cochairmen Mrs. William T. Gossett (whose press luncheons make Twenty-One look like an automat!) and Mrs. R. Jamison Williams. They have surrounded themselves with an outstanding committee, including Trudy (Mrs. George) Hubner, whose cast-encased broken leg has only slightly deterred her from doing volunteer PR work.

If the valiant Trudy needs pro help on a nonprofessional basis, we venture to suggest our personal list of local women fitting the bill. This would include Helen (Mrs. Ben D.) Mills, Honey (Mrs. Ray) Perring, Lucille (Mrs. Don) Ahrens, Jeanne (Mrs. Harry) Neiderlander, Florence (Mrs. Semon) Knudsen, Hazel (Mrs. Jerry) Flanigan, Ruth (Mrs. Phillip) Flanders or Marilyn (Mrs. Dorman) Dickerson.

Each of these gals has her finger planted firmly on the local pulse, each has the best interests of her community at heart and, consequently, none has ever been guilty of a breakdown in local communications—no matter what the media.



BAC Honors Outgoing President

Frank G. Murphy, Jr., outgoing president of the BAC, was honored by club members Jan. 16 at the Past President's Ball, a gala evening including cocktails, dinner and dancing. William Leckie is stepping into Mr. Murphy's shoes. Pictured during festivities are the new president and his wife (left)

and Mr. and Mrs. Murphy. BAC'ers are now looking ahead to the Swimmers Booters party scheduled for Feb. 1, a winter reunion of poolside addicts. Chairmen of the event are Mrs. Margaret Maxon and the John Gibsons.