

200 SKATERS TO PARTICIPATE

Gay 90's Forms Backdrop For Eton Park Ice Show

The "Gay 90's" will be the theme of the eighth annual ice show sponsored by the City of Birmingham's Recreation Department at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 29, at the Eton Park municipal ice skating rink.

Several children skaters from the show will be guests of Miss Flora on the CKLW-TV program "Kop-er Room" at 11 a.m. Wednesday. They include Alicia Peifer, Christopher Lock and Janet and Roland Olin, all of Birmingham, and Kurt and Karen Hunter of Royal Oak.

The ice show is the climax of each year's skating program in Birmingham. This year the cast includes 180 children who participated in skating instruction classes

offered by the Recreation Department and 20 adults who are members of the department's Figure Skating Club.

THE SHOW IS more an artistic than a sports program. Gay 90's backgrounds built and renovated by the Birmingham Department of Forestry will provide the settings for 18 group, duet and solo skating numbers. Each number is completely costumed, choreographed and stage lighted.

Only 30 hours of ice preparation time is required to produce the performance. In the past the show has been produced without any budget. This year \$200 has been allotted for production expenses.

THE ICE SKATING program in Birmingham sets the example for many communities establishing their own programs. The show provides an opportunity for amateur skaters to perform under professional conditions.

The staff at Eton Park includes Pat Huseman, 1368 E. Lincoln, rink supervisor; Mrs. Majorie Hauck, 17395 Wilshire, Lathrup Village, skating instructor; Fred Petrucci, 1410 Bowers, rink guard; Dan Dobbins of Detroit, rink guard; and Arthur Fitch, 1650 Cole, rink and golf course foreman.

Poets Hear Reading as Round Robin

A round robin reading of "The Love Song of J. Alfred Prufrock" by T. S. Eliot will be the Feb. 20 meeting of the Birmingham-Bloomfield Poetry Club at Alban's Bottle and Basket, Birmingham.

Hard Sean Monk welcomed old and new members to the club's second invitational meeting.

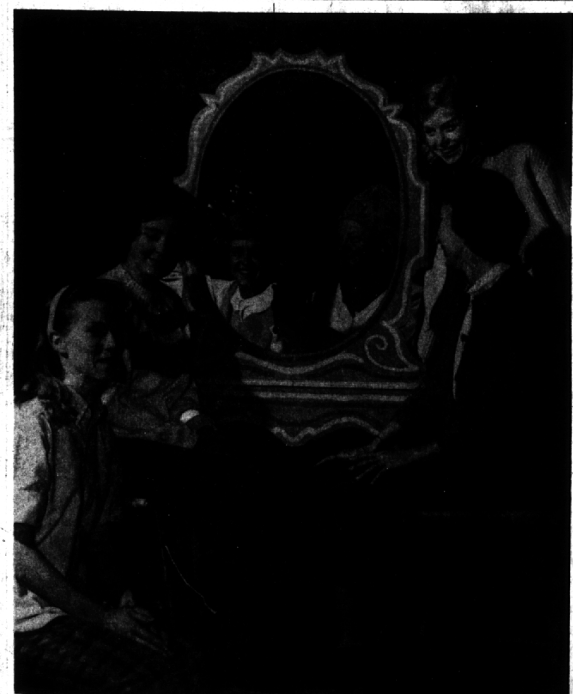
It was agreed to read a semi-annual review of the club's scrap book, being compiled by the secretary, Mrs. William Deering. All members are eligible to contribute to the book, but admission is by majority vote, Monk explained.

CRITICS' CHOICE for the evening was again Robert G. Green, youthful political science student at Bard College, New York, who lives at 1030 Covington, Birmingham. By request, Green read his own "Sanctum Sanctorum," followed by a trilogy bearing titles in Gaelic, his "Keren-tigues."

They were "An Howf, Coin-nich" and "A Buaidh na Dea." He also read "Sonnet," which he composed in 1968 at the age of 15, and "A Childish Fancy."

Monk's original contribution, "Fighter Pilot — 1940," commemorated the 50th anniversary of the birth of his brother, who was killed while serving with the RAF in World War II.

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Parents Take a Break from Daughters

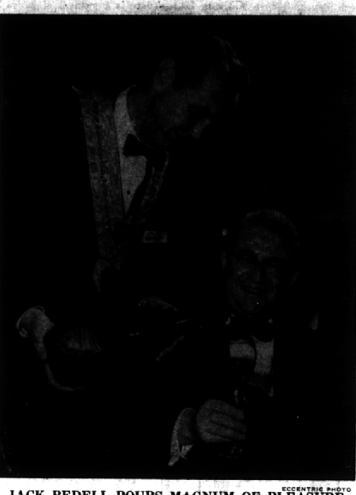
Mrs. Edwin W. Deer as the mother and Gordon Jaynes as the father take time off from their teen-age daughters to attend a costume ball in "Take Her, She's Mine" being presented Feb. 28-29 and March 6-7 by the Birmingham Village Players. Also shown at rehearsal are (from left) Mrs. Jack Harned and Vivian Ross as college roommates of the elder daughter, Mrs. L. A. Stoll as the elder daughter and Mrs. William Morse as the younger daughter.

This year the show will include four group numbers, five soloists, four duet numbers, a comedy routine and a guest artist, Duane Maki, 16, of Detroit.

AMONG THE SOLOISTS are Eric Broadus, 20, of 1288 Humphreys, who is currently on call for the Ice Capades; Jack Dow, 15, of 1963 Cole, a ninth grader at Derby and a Figure Skating Club instructor; Leigh Martiner, 12, of 1510 Buckingham, who has skated in three Eton Park ice shows; Jeff Platzer, 13, of 2860 Lanerigan drive, Birmingham, member of the Detroit Skating Club.

Marilynn Perry, 18, of 340 Whippleton, who has skated at the rink for eight years; and Nancy Whitcomb, 12, of 926 S. Reading Road, making her first appearance in the Eton Park ice show.

A comedy number will star rink guards Petrucci and Dobbins and Beverly LaBonde of Dearborn, who instructs "Slim-and-Trim" classes (See ICE SHOW, 7-D)



JACK BEDELL POURS MAGNUM OF PLEASURE For Les Gruber of Detroit's London Chop House

BAA Faculty Show Is Comprehensive

Reviewed by KATHARINE SMITH

The Faculty Art Exhibition, through Sunday at the Birmingham Art Center, is drawing a large crowd of students of all ages because this is a notable chance to compare a teacher's words with his works.

If you have been struggling to grasp the elusive principles which a particular instructor has been expounding in class, here to explain the statement in paint, to explain or expand these principles.

This is a comprehensive show as one would expect since it draws upon the talents of a large group of "professionals," but the emphasis is principally on painting, with sculpture, drawing, ceramics and weaving playing a small but not unimportant role.

SVEA KLINE, whose reputation is international, presents a group of six intimate pieces — no crescendo here — but a very quiet sensitivity and pleasure in the use of different materials to capture a fleeting emotion.

A small bronze titled "Listening" is accompanied by a handsome preparatory sketch.

"Plaza Venetia Cal" is an assemblage of small copper and steel strips which manages to convey antiquity, whimsy and old-worldliness simultaneously.

Christos Papadopoulos is represented by three small, figurative bronzes whose message I found too elusive to attempt to explain. I would like to have spent more time with them.

His ceramic bottles are technically fine, but I don't feel that they contribute anything new to the scene.

ON THE OTHER HAND, James Purter, by the very size of his ceramic pieces with their daring glazes, draws a gasp of admiration. What could be plainer than a plate—but with size, color and texture he makes a large blue one unique, beautiful and, therefore, memorable.

Betty Conn shows a new look in fused glass — a restrained design of varied amber and nearly clear pieces, visually textured with lines that look like natural incisions; these in low relief, set off by a background of opaque whitish shapes with quiet accents of small pebbles in a slightly higher relief — the pebbles held in spidery metal grooves.

Woman's Club Sets Program On Antiques

Gerald Gibson, curator of decorative art at the Henry Ford Museum, Greenfield Village, returns to the Village Woman's Club, Bloomfield Hills, at 1:30 p.m. March 2, to open the spring series of lectures on antiques.

In response to a request from last year's class, he will show especially prepared slides of colonial wallpaper, fabrics and ornaments.

The series continues at 1:30 p.m. March 17, with a tour of the collection of Tudor furniture at the Detroit Institute of Arts. This show has been brought from England especially for the Shakespearean festival and only will be shown in Detroit, New York and Charlottesville, Va. The group will be limited to 45 persons.

At 1:30 p.m. March 30, Francis Robinson, curator of medieval art at the Detroit Institute of Art, will speak on "Early French Canadian and Detroit Silver."

Silver was only made in Detroit for six years. As a consequence it brings a high price and is considered a collector's item.

"EUROPEAN AND American Glass" will be the subject at 1:30 p.m. April 20, when Paul Perrot, director of the Corning Museum, Corning, N. Y., will close the series.

These lectures on antiques are open to the public and may be subscribed to individually or as a series. For further information, call the Village Woman's Club, 190 E. Long Lake Road.

The third of the lectures in the Junior Living series, which is sponsored by the Junior Members, will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday, Feb. 28. At that time Mrs. Yolande Chambers, vice president and personnel director of Davidson Brothers (Federal Department Stores), will speak on "Job Opportunities, the Problem and the Challenge."

Mrs. Chambers graduated from Yale Law School, practiced law in Virginia and in 1960 managed the Kiefer-Ford Neighborhood Conservation office, Detroit Housing Commission.

Rescheduling Told For Ciardi Lecture

Birmingham Town Hall announces that the appearance of Prof. John Ciardi, editor of the Saturday Review and host of CBS-TV's "Accent," will be delayed one week to Feb. 27 and 28.

Next year's program will be outlined at that time for season-ticket holders, and ticket applications will be mailed next Thursday.

Luncheon reservations made for today and Friday will be honored on the new dates unless Town Hall is notified.

Gourmet Society Meets and Feasts

By ETHEL SIMMONS Arts Editor

With the rap of a gavel, the meeting of the Michigan Chapter of the Confrerie de la Chaine des Rotisseurs solemnly was called to order Sunday at Bedell's in Bloomfield Township.

And the order of business was food, a three-hour gourmet feast which was accompanied by magnums of Dom Perignon champagne. Dessert itself was fresh California strawberries marinated in cherry-flavored liqueur, with sour cream dip.

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A LINE OF white-gloved waitresses served the dinner with the precision of a Rockette chorus line, all the while keeping their silence as required by the Chaine, an international gastronomic society founded in 1248 in France and chartered by Louis IX.

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Guests from the Birmingham-Bloomfield area were Paul Neal Averill, publisher of The Birmingham Eccentric, and Mrs. Averill, and attorney Bill Roberts, a Birmingham city commissioner, and Mrs. Roberts.

THE EVENT WAS black tie and watered-silk ribbon, each ribbon indicating by its color, along with attached metal and chain, the organizational status of the wearer.

The professionals were ribboned differently from the gastronomes, and the officers of the Chaine also were specially decorated.

Preceding dinner, St. Raphael aperitifs from Paris were served, along with such hors d'oeuvres as stuffed grape leaves and mushroom caps filled with crabmeat.

Where were the fried bees, chocolate ants and similar delicacies? Said Barbour, "We don't go in for oddities. I don't know why they got to be called gourmet foods."

'Wing Ding' To Feature Jazz, Folk

Oakland University seniors are staging a "Wing Ding" at 3:30 p.m. Sunday in the Intramural Building on the campus at Rochester.

What's a Wing Ding? According to the student sponsors, it's the most exciting performance of jazz and folk music ever to be offered in the Rochester area.

The seniors will present the show in conjunction with the Ford Caravan of Music, to raise funds for library books which will be a gift to the university from the April graduates.

WING DING will feature Nina Simone, jazz pianist-vocalist, and her quartet; Herbie Mann, flutist, and his sextet; Ron Eliran, folk-singing artist; and the Moonshiners, a folk music trio.

Mrs. Simone, who has several best-seller record albums including "The Amazing Nina Simone" and "Little Girl Blue," has appeared at (See WING DING, 7-D)

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