

Events

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Birmingham Centennial Memorial Fountain Fund," according to Knowles B. Smith, executive director of the chamber.

The schedule for the fair is: May 14-8:30 to 9:30 p.m. May 15-2 to 10:30 p.m. May 16-11 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. May 17-1 to 9:30 p.m.

On the afternoons of Thursday and Friday, May 14 and 15, members of the chamber will distribute "bonus hour" tickets which will permit children to ride on "everything from the ferris wheel to the merry-go-round" at reduced rates.

THE CONCESSION booths are to be decorated in a centennial motif, with a trophy to be awarded by the Birmingham Eccentric to the organization with the most original decorations, dress of both personnel and good housekeeping of booth.

Business places, cooperating with the centennial's history and heritage committee, will have special window displays depicting the city's early history throughout the celebration.

FROM MONDAY, May 18, through Saturday, May 23, the three utility companies—Michigan Bell, Detroit Edison and Consumers—will have special exhibits in their offices portraying the theme of "Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow."

Also during that time there will be in Shain Park new playground equipment for children; a farmyard that is complete with a wooded and farm animals; and a chuckwagon, flower carts and popcorn-buffet vendors.

ON SPIRITUAL Foundation Day, Sunday, May 17, the churches will have special services, processions and exhibits carrying out the historical theme.

The churches also will observe open house from 10 to 3 p.m. Dr. Homer J. Armstrong, president of the Birmingham Council of Churches and chairman for the day, said ministers will be urged to preach "on our spiritual heritage as American people on this Sunday or to invite guest speakers to do so."

Some churches will set up window displays in Birmingham stores to depict their church history. Youth groups will invite older members to relate at evening services "historical incidents in the life of our community and our churches."

MAYOR OLEN V. Fry of Coldwater will tour Birmingham in the morning on Government Day, Monday, May 18. The mayor and his party will be guests at a civic luncheon and again at dinner with Birmingham city commissioners and their wives and will attend the city commission meeting that evening.

Members of the Newcomers Club will set up a mail on Henrietta St. at Maple on Hospitality Day, Tuesday. Dressed in appropriate costumes, they will serve free refreshments from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Music will be provided by the Seniors' Club and the Newcomers' Mrs. Edward E. Talbert is chairman.

"BIRMINGHAM Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow" is the theme of the joint service clubs' luncheon to be held at The Community House at noon on Livelihood Day, Wednesday. Chairman William Yaw said efforts are being made to arrange for a noted speaker. Open house at Birmingham's industries is tentatively scheduled.

With Walter Piel as chairman, the Birmingham Public Schools are expected to arrange for special school programs and contests on Education Day, Thursday.

The history and heritage committee, headed by James K. Plack, has arranged for a tour of historic sites and old homes in Birmingham for the morning of Heritage Day, Friday.

This will be followed by a Heritage Day Recognition Luncheon at noon at The Community House with the Senior Men's Club and the Senior Women's Club.

RECOGNITION awards will be presented by Mayor Charles W. Renfrew to the oldest resident, oldest native-born resident, oldest business in one family, oldest resident in the legal profession, a representative of three generations living in Birmingham, oldest resident in the field of education, oldest church organization and the oldest home.

In the afternoon, a dedication ceremony will take place at the site of the old grist mill at Maple and Baldwin. A bronze plaque will be placed on an old grindstone, with an inscription giving a brief history of the mill and a poem by Robert Louis Stevenson. Mayor Renfrew will dedicate the millstone.

SATURDAY, MAY 23, will be observed as both Youth Day and Centennial Day. Youth Day activities include a card fishing contest at Quanton Lake from 10 a.m. to noon and a bicycle race, sponsored by the Birmingham Optimist Club, at Eton Park at 4 p.m.

Arranged by the Jaycees, a parade through downtown Birmingham will start at 1:30 p.m. and will consist of bands, military units, police units, floats, scouts and other marching groups.

Following the parade will be the address by Gov. Romney. He will be introduced by Mayor Renfrew.

THEN THE Birmingham Chamber of Commerce will present its Fountain of Fashion Show on a stage in Shain Park, at 2:30 p.m. Marianne Barnett is general chairman.

The Michigan State University Band is tentatively scheduled to march in the parade and to give a concert in the park following the fashion show. Plans call for a Centennial King and Queen, to be chosen by the schools, to be crowned after the concert.

Same Mitchell is Centennial Day chairman; Don Martin, Youth Day chairman.

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The purpose of the workshop is actually two-fold: to provide that all-important sense of "going to work" that all adults require, and education of the general public to the reality that the retarded can be useful.

The workshop director will evaluate the capabilities of the employees and assign them to appropriate training, leading either to jobs in industry and business in the community or enabling them to work within the protected environment of the workshop. Piece work will be solicited by the workshop and any work that results will be mainly awarded on the basis of competitive bidding.

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Junior League Gives Gift, Support to 'New Horizons,'

The Junior League of Birmingham announced today that its membership has voted a grant of \$24,000 to New Horizons of Oakland County, Inc.

New Horizons, to be opened in the fall, will provide a sheltered workshop and vocational training center for mentally retarded young adults in Oakland County. The League's grant is earmarked for the salary of an executive director for the workshop; the funds to be used over a three-year period.

The interest of the Junior League in the field of mental retardation began two years ago with a study made by its health and welfare committee. This committee, chaired by Mrs. Henry E. McDonnell, Jr., King Richard Court, Birmingham, last year and Mrs. Arthur C. Henrie, Jr., 1818 Melbourne, Birmingham, this year, found that while many services were available to mentally retarded children in Oakland County, there was no specific place one could go to find out specific information.

THE COMMITTEE assembled information regarding schools, facilities, agencies and professional guidance for the retarded in a resource file which will be available at the office of the Metropolitan Advisory Committee for Retarded Children in Detroit. This spring the school census takers will deliver to every family in the Birmingham school district a flyer outlining the special education services available in the public schools.

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ON TUESDAY, May 26, the Birmingham League of Women Voters will present a symposium, entitled "SUFFRAGETTE 64—The Role of Women in Politics," at The Community House from 9:15 a.m. to 3 p.m. Mrs. George Romney, wife of the governor, will be the keynote speaker. Mrs. William T. Gossett is chairman of the event.

The Soldier's Monument, recently moved from Greenwood Cemetery to the northeast corner of the Birmingham Municipal Building, will be rededicated in a 9 a.m. ceremony on Saturday, May 30.

The Charles Edwards American Legion Post will place a Memorial Day wreath at the monument. James McGill is chairman.

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