

# It's Fun to Look Back While Focusing on the Present

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Renewing old acquaintances can sometimes (to quote a teenager we know) be a drag.

But from the moment Todd Perry stepped off a plane at Metropolitan Airport a few days back, his impressive title, Manager of the Boston Symphony Orchestra, and all the awesome contingencies THAT dredges up, went sailing out the window in favor of a personality the years haven't dimmed and a sense of humor that continues to be as dry as it is delightful.

Lots has transpired since the days Todd and his Grand Rapids high school fraternity brothers waited table at Point Nipigon (resort club on the Straits of Mackinac), but a partial recap was achieved at the cocktail party given in his honor by Paula and Woody Varner in their home at Oakland University.

As a matter of fact, Chancellor Varner and General Chairmen Mr. and Mrs. Semon Knudsen invited Todd back to Michigan to give Meadow Brook Festival board members first hand knowledge of the intricacies of Tanglewood—how to avoid pitfalls, plus suggested components for assuring success.

Since Tanglewood is serving as a pattern for the Meadow Brook series of concerts—July 23 through Aug. 15—Todd's wisdom fell on willing ears.

Incidentally, the demand for tickets, which may be purchased through the University office is mounting steadily enough to warrant shining up SRO signs—although in the case of Meadow Brook it won't be "a" as in standing—not with acres of lawn to sit on!

## Add Times Remembered

Additional nostalgia revolves around parties being given in this area for Mary Lou Cody, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick K. Cody, who'll become the bride of Daniel Miller on June 13.

Both young people live in Grosse Pointe—the wedding will take place in St. Paul's on the Lake—but until she was almost college age, Mary Lou called Birmingham home and has dozens of friends here who watched her grow up.

Among them is Mrs. Thomas Boltz, who entertained for the bride-elect May 14 at a luncheon and linen shower in her home on Arlington Road, and the Knudsens, who'll take time-off from Meadow Brook to honor both Mary Lou and Dan at a dinner dance to be given Saturday at Bloomfield Hills Country Club.

Mrs. Timothy Cruice of Birmingham will entertain for the bride-elect at a kitchen shower and luncheon May 27 and the rehearsal dinner, scheduled for June 11, will be given by her uncle and aunt, the Clyde P. Craines of Birmingham, and another aunt, Mrs. John Murphy, in the latter's home in Grosse Pointe.

## Prescription for Success

If Dr. John L. Wiant can eke out any leisure between house calls and office hours, it's a safe bet he's shopping this week for a new Tyrol, in order to display six shining medals won recently at the Canadian and Province of Quebec Skeet Championship.

The good doctor apparently shot like it was going out of style—winning 20 and 28 gauge sub senior titles, with 99 out of 100, taking first in the 28-gauge Class A and second with a 20 gauge in Class AA.

Jack competed with skeet shooters from all across the

country (20 from Michigan), he and Sally (Mrs. W.) driving up to Montreal with the Ralph Zimmermans (junior and senior) of Birmingham and the David Helms of Grosse Pointe.

This is the fifth year this particular sixsome has attended the shoot, headquartered, traditionally, at the Queen Elizabeth for a week's stay.

## People Are Talking . . .

About staff members of the Junior League Journal who've turned out the slickest "slick" we've seen yet . . . dedicated to Birmingham's Centennial . . . ads as well as copy geared to fun-all-the-way . . .

About small fry attending "Brigadoon" rehearsals in the Greek Theater at Cranbrook . . . well-behaved, to be sure, but last Sunday creating some concern as to WHO was in the act . . . baby sitters, argue!

About small Laura Simpson Raisch (tucked in her basket, she slept through the "Brigadoon" rehearsal!), who'll be christened Sunday afternoon at Christ Church Cranbrook . . . daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Simpson Raisch, tiny Laura will wear christening robes belonging originally, to her grandmother, Mrs. G. Lincoln Gibson . . . godparents are the Bruce Simpsons of Dearborn . . . Mr. and Mrs. Guy Tunnicliffe of Birmingham . . . Capt. and Mrs. B. J. Palmer, U. S. Marine Corps, of Santa Ana, Calif. . . a champagne supper will follow the ceremony . . .

About Mrs. William B. Bechman, Jr., who did a complete switch when it came to planning her new house on Lakeside . . . tradition-bound for years, Lo-ee went contemporary with smashing results . . . just ask alumnae of Connecticut College for Women who held their spring meeting there yesterday . . . among the group . . . Mrs. William Bullock, Mrs. Robert A. Dryden, Mrs. John B. Hubert, Mrs. Ralph A. Graham, Mrs. James A. Aliber, Mrs. Ted Willis, Mrs. William I. McClelland, Mrs. Ralph W. Tyson, Mrs. William G. Lerchen . . .

About Mrs. Dean Coffin, convalescing at home, FINALLY, after being in St. Joe's for too many days . . . a result of a nasty automobile accident en route to B'ham from her home in Lake Orion . . .

About Kingsbury School's oldtime Country Fair which always draws dozens of Birmingham people to the private school near Oxford . . . scheduled for this Sunday . . . noon to 5 p.m. . . .

## LATHRUP - CRANBROOK VILLAGE

# Square Dancers Choose New Leaders for 1964-65

By GLORIA JESSUP  
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Village Square Dance Club members have put away their dancing shoes for another season. They met for the final dance of the season on May 9 and elected the new officers for the 1964-65 season.

Taking the reins as chairmen will be Mr. and Mrs. John Paulus.

Their cochairmen will be Mr. and Mrs. John Leever, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Maza will handle the treasury and Mr. and Mrs. Steve Adams will be membership chairmen.

CHAIRMAN OF the final dance were Mr. and Mrs. Jim Worten. Their committee consisted of the Bob Grivins, the Joe Davietta and the Steve Adams. Guests of the club were Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sipple and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Boosa. The Carl Ehrenfelds were guests of the Edward Baribeaus.

The new members who enjoyed the last get-together and will look forward to the new season in the fall were the Dick Saunders, the Ed Lindloffs, the Sam Petrix and the Glenn Schoonfields.

AT A RECENT meeting of the Optimist Club of Southfield, there was an election of officers and three new members were appointed to the board of directors. Wayne McDonnell was elected president, Irvin Bahne will serve another term as vice president; Emanuel Christensen is also a vice president; and Carl Bell was elected treasurer.

The three new board members are Leon Avedisian, A. B. Morse and Mike Rolph. Other officers will be appointed by the president at a later date.

PLANNING TO attend the state convention in Lansing this week end are Mr. and Mrs. John Anger, Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel Christensen, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Kuhns, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Stobbe and Wayne McDonnell.

Joe Reeke, who is a member of the mayor's citizens committee to beautify Southfield, will be the guest speaker at tonight's meeting.

His topic will be, "A Tree Ordinance For The City of Southfield."

# Groom's Brother Reads Witherpoon-Kelly Rites

Double ring ceremonies at St. Owens Church, performed by the brother of the groom, Rev. Patrick J. Kelly, united Edna Kay Witherpoon, and G. Terrance Kelly Saturday at an 11 a.m. mass.

Parents of the newlyweds are Mr. and Mrs. George Witherpoon, 6181 Dakota Circle, Birmingham, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kelly of Indianapolis, Ind.

The bride wore a floor-length white organza gown accented with imported Swiss motifs on the neckline and long sleeves. A large bow secured the chapel train.

Linda Witherpoon, sister of the bride, served as maid of honor. Attendants were Mrs. G. A. Godwin, sister of the groom; Jean Blanton and Geraldine Leonard, both of Detroit.



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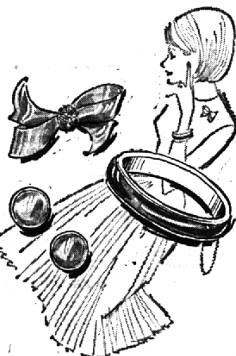
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Jack Kane of Cleveland, Ohio, served as best man.

Ushers were Lawrence Padgett and Michael Hardin, both of Indianapolis, and Patrick Witherpoon, brother of the bride.

The mother of the bride was attired in an orchid pink fashion, while the groom's mother wore a pale green dress. White orchids completed their ensembles.

FOLLOWING A reception at Forest Lake Country Club, the newlyweds left for a trip to New Orleans. The bride wore a pink silk linen suit with white accessories for her traveling costume. The Kellys will make their home in Birmingham.

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## Kiwaniqueens

The Southfield Kiwaniqueens will hold their annual spring card party May 28 at 8 p.m. in the Youth Center located in the new Southfield Civic Center, Evergreen and 10 1/2 Mile Roads.

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## June Bride

Mr. and Mrs. Kenyon T. Bennett, 963 Puritan, Birmingham, announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer, to Richard Sass, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Sass of Des Plaines, Ill. Miss Bennett attended Michigan State University, where she was a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma. Her fiance attends Michigan State University, where he is affiliated with Psi Upsilon. A June wedding is planned.



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