

# Manicured Gardens In Bloom For Annual Tour

## Bird's Eye View of Pilgrimage



Albert A. Clark Grounds: MRS. FRED M. HARLEY (LEFT) AND MRS. CLARK



At the Pedders': MRS. J. E. CROUSHORE (LEFT) AND MRS. R. E. WASHBURN

## SUBURBAN SCENE By MARY ELLEN MEAD

### Now Hear This!

According to Sue (Mrs. John) Sutton—Unless wind and rain manage to exceed the enthusiasm of women sailors who met at the waterfront of Orchard Lake Country Club Friday for the first sail of the season, they'll continue to pursue this sport each Tuesday and Friday till the end of August.

Over 20 skippers (some with three decades of sail boat racing experience on Orchard) and an equal number of crew are at on this year's roster.

Sailing Chairman Janet Jung (whose husband Mark is her opposite number for the men's sailing team) has announced a change in the racing schedule for this summer from afternoon to a morning starting gun at 10:30.

### Tough Task Master

Jim Young, former math instructor at Cranbrook who's back as sailing master for the fourth summer, supervises the drawing for boats a half hour before starting time and insists, despite members' insistence on favorites, that each of the 12 Minnesota "Y's" is equally sailable and swift—so no excuses, ladies, sailing savvy is the key to winning races!

A new sailing course, necessitated by Orchard Lake's current low water level, will offer an added challenge to skippers competing this summer in three series of six or seven races. Another innovation will be informal crew classes to improve efficiency in such tricky tasks as rigging boats and handling sails.

A committee to assist Mrs. Jung with such landed activities as post-series luncheons, crew round-up, publicity and prizes includes Mrs. George Miller, Mrs. Basil Brown, Mrs. Richard Sharpe, Mrs. Nicholas Rosiello, Mrs. Kenneth Cunningham, Mrs. John Ufner, Mrs. Calvert Thomas and our faithful correspondent, Sue.

### It's a Merry Pace

The International Inn, Washington, D. C.'s newest and most elegant hotel, boasts an outdoor swimming pool warmed summer and winter by an overhead golden dome—impressive as all get out, according to Mary Ellen and Dawson Taylor of Bloomfield Hills, who motored there recently for the graduation of daughter Denise from Trinity College.

With them were second daughter Christine, just graduated from the Convent in Bloomfield Hills; son Dawson, Jr., and Denise's fiancé, Joseph Patrick Martin, who recently completed graduate work at the London School of Economics and has returned from England to claim Denise as his bride, Saturday, June 27.

## BIRMINGHAM-BLOOMFIELD

### Smead Caravan Hits Road for Home

by MARTI CAHN

The Smeads, Lew (Mr.), Jean (Mrs.), Susan (Miss), Leslie (the cat), Demon (the horse), have returned from Sea Island, Ga., and arrived at their Middelet Road home at various intervals—but in the above order.

The requirement for daughter Susan to finish her junior year at Glynn Academy in Sea Island delayed the departure of the young student, her pet and mother, so they couldn't leave with Lew. His earlier departure was necessary to join his son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. James Smead, who came to Bloomfield for a few weeks' visit before returning yesterday to their home in Brussels, Belgium.

Back at home Demon and Leslie have a story to tell, for in Toledo, with a loud ripping sound, their trailer was almost detached. It appears that a marquee (in

front of an eating establishment) was erroneously marked "foot clearance," falling to take into account neon tubes added below which were sheared off by the trailer top. Demon heard an irate innkeeper shout to Mrs. Smead: "What are you going to do about it?" Her unoffending rejoinder?

"I'm going to eat."

MR. AND MRS. Pat Cornish have returned to their Birmingham home following an extended western vacation which took them to Fort Huachuca, Ariz., for a visit with their daughter and son-in-law, Lt. and Mrs. William B. Roberts, and their eighteen-month-old son, George. At Tucson the Cornishes visited Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Jeffrey, Mrs. Cornish's brother and sister-in-law, and enjoyed cocktails with

Denise and Pat will be married in the Jesuit Church of the Gesù at high noon, the Rev. Allan J. Farrell, S.J., former dean of the Graduate School of the University of Detroit, officiating. A reception will follow at the Detroit Golf Club.

Mary Christine Taylor will be her sister's maid of honor and bridesmaids will be Kathryn Martin, sister of the bridegroom-elect; Carolyn Kroha and Mary Helen Taylor, the bride-elect's cousin.

Declan O'Donnell will be best man and seating the guests will be the bride-elect's brother, Dawson, Jr.; her cousin, James Taylor; Hugh Dean, Jr.; Paul Williams, Edward McCraty III and Dr. Daniel Scanlon.

Christine will honor her sister at the spinner luncheon at the Detroit Athletic Club June 21 and on June 25 the bridegroom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph E. Martin of Birmingham, will be hosts at the rehearsal dinner at Red Run Country Club.

Among those who've already entertained for Denise are Mrs. George Cheadle, Mrs. Frank Brady, Mrs. John Steiner, Mrs. Hugh Rader, Jr., Mrs. Lawrence Kroha and Carolyn, Kathy Martin, Mrs. B. D. Connolly and the James S. Connollys, Mr. and Mrs. Hanley Taylor and Mary Helen.

### People Are Talking . . .

About St. D's rain-check audience Sunday night . . . which, even when the heavens parted during the middle of the first act, didn't budge . . . watched "Brigadoon" through a mist NOT manufactured back stage and performers whose only sign of wilting was evidenced in costumes and hair spray . . . a standing ovation from both sides of the stage climaxed a production pegged the greatest! . . .

About those kissin' cousins who'll be romping through Birmingham Country Club's annual Talent Show Saturday night . . . there'll be moonshine out of jugs the revenue-ers forgot and gravy soprin's on the table . . . for this hillbilly gala that's become tradition . . .

About "Symphony in the Sun" . . . theme of this year's splash party to be given by Junior Women's Association for the Detroit Symphony . . . Fun begins at 10 a.m. July 1 at Mrs. David K. Wirth's pool in Franklin . . .

About Cranbrook's annual alumni party Saturday . . . starting with cocktails at Cranbrook House . . . climaxed by dinner at Headmaster Harry Hoye's . . . Kingswood alumni (there's NEVER been a break in this brother-sister relationship) will be special guests . . . so will Cranbrook's class of '39 . . . celebrating its 25th reunion . . . Wheels at the helm include Don Harness, Bob Seller, Bill Douglas, Allan Warner, Tony Underhill, Bill Howlett, Jerry John . . .

### Have You Met

The residents of 16190 Lauderdale? Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Nichols, Jr. and their children, Tony, 10; Denise, 8 and Janice, 6, moved here from Arlington, Texas last August. Mr. Nichols is a wage and salary administrator for the Michigan Division of Ling-Temco-Vought. Mr. and Mrs. Nichols are graduates of the University of Texas. Mrs. Nichols is affiliated with Delta Zeta and is a member of N.E.A. Mr. Nichols likes to hunt and his wife enjoys sewing and gardening.

former Birmingham residents Mr. and Mrs. Jack O'Gorman. Following a week-end visit at the Tuback Valley Country Club, Tuback, Ariz., Mr. and Mrs. Cornish drove to San Antonio, Tex., to attend the wedding of their son, John, to Lyn Schraub, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Malford Schraub.

Other family members attending the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Cornish of Pontiac and Lt. and Mrs. William Roberts. Jeff was his brother's best man. Patti Roberts was a bridesmaid and Lt. Roberts a groomsman. (See CARAVAN, Page 2C)

### Have You Met

The residents of 2327 Tilbury Place? Mr. and Mrs. M. O. Alsager and their son, Mark, 6, moved from Milwaukee last December. Mr. Alsager is employed by Pontiac Division of General Motors as a director of cost, factory and general accounting. Both Mr. and Mrs. Alsager are graduates of the University of Minnesota. Mr. Alsager, Bud, has his Masters degree from M.I.T. She is affiliated with Alpha Gamma Delta Sorority.

### Have You Met

The residents of 3940 Adams Road? Mr. and Mrs. Paul Spurlock and their son, Billy, 8, moved from Pontiac on April 4. The Spurlocks also have two married children. Mr. Spurlock is employed by Pontiac Motor Division of General Motors as a quality control engineer. The Spurlocks are members of the First Baptist Church in Pontiac. He belongs to the Pontiac Roosevelt Lodge 510. They hope to have good luck cultivating flowers in their yard.

The Detroit Garden Center Pilgrimage Tour is scheduled for this week end in Birmingham-Bloomfield, with eight local gardens—all at the height of their beauty—on display Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Arthur K. Hyde, general chairman of the annual event, is being assisted by Mrs. Fred Harley, co-chairman; Mrs. Harris O. Machus, publicity, and Mrs. James Croushore and Mrs. Roy Washburn, hostesses.

Assisting committee heads Mrs. Croushore and Mrs. Washburn will be women from every WNGA Branch in the area, including Beverly Hills, Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills, Bloomfield Village, Brookside, Chapel Hill, Concord Green, Cranbrook, Foxcroft, Franklin, Northwoods, Osage, Royal Oak, Wing Lake Shores and Westchester.

Gardens on tour include the following:

DR. AND MRS. Maurice R. Weiner, 30600 Lasser Road, where a spectacular view of the winding River Rouge, bridged and surrounded by a lovely swimming pool and specimen trees, serves as background for 600 magnificent roses in many varieties.

MR. AND MRS. Lester Newborn, 3903 Oakhills Drive, Birmingham. A newly created garden and lovely patio with rockledge separating its upper level. Variegated dogwood and interesting planting arrangements present an inviting entrance to this beautifully cared for garden. Completely owner maintained.

MR. AND MRS. John C. Stearns, 105 Harlan Drive, Bloomfield Hills. Elaborate plantings of numerous varieties. This six-year-old garden features a beautiful patio and a most unusual layer rock garden leading to the upper level of the garden.

MR. AND MRS. Frank E. Voorhis, 681 Bonington, Bloomfield Hills. A charming French Provincial home nestled in a woody area well-suited to a bird's desire to establish a win-

sanctuary. A patio and lovely terraced grounds with its garden featuring oriental poppies and annuals.

MR. AND MRS. James Pedder, 355 Cranbrook Road, Bloomfield Hills. A lovely bit of French formal gardens highlights the entranceway, with Globe Elm trees framing the doorway. Formal plantings of yews with large urns in the center filled with pink geraniums. Patio features two unusual ivy bowls.

MR. AND MRS. Richard O. Ruppel, 159 Guilford Road, Bloomfield Hills. A secluded location with redbud trees framing the front of the home. A charming stone wall is background for the swimming pool and its garden features a Japanese maple tree giving an oriental affect. A lovely espaliered apple tree covers the chimney of this charming home.

MR. AND MRS. Albert Clark, 5025 North Adams Road, Bloomfield Hills. A beautifully cared for garden in a spacious country estate featuring a charming one hundred year old home. Perennials and annuals used in profusion in the beds leading to an inviting lower level lawn and flower bed area. A small pool lined with ivy and ageratum greet the visitor entering this lower level. A nostalgic, lovely brick-floored

patio at the rear of the home is delightful. Its spacious grounds feature a tennis court and a wild flower garden contained by a split fence.

MR. AND MRS. Nathan Reiss, 6100 Windrush, Birmingham. A completely owner-maintained garden exclusively featuring choice specimen trees, shrubs and plants.

### Rev., Mrs. Towne Reveal Daughter's Approaching Rites

The Rev. and Mrs. Harold E. Towne of Fox Chapel, Pa., formerly of Birmingham, announce the engagement of their daughter, Judith Marie, to Warren Thomas Wootton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Lewis Wootton of Buckingham, Va.

Miss Towne was graduated on June 22 from Baldwin-Wallace College in Berea, O. Mr. Wootton is a graduate of the University of Virginia School of Engineering.

The wedding, which is being planned for August 22, will be held in the Fox Chapel Episcopal Church.

## The Birmingham Eccentric

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Ever notice that it's not the number of people who attend the funeral of a departed one, but rather the nature of their demeanor that reveals the character of the stilled one. Of course, many people of wealth, those who have held important public office, or leaders in some profession do attract many at their funerals. But not the depth of character, the usefulness, the kindness of a departed one that attracts saddened mourners? (GRA)

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