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OPENING DATE OF CONTEST CHANGED

Outdoor Xmas Display Will Start Dec. 24; Last Day for Entry, Dec. 23

Because of popular demand the date of the beginning of the Outdoor Christmas Display contest, sponsored by Highland Park Press, has been changed from Dec. 20 to Dec. 24, and the contest will continue until Jan. 4. The prizes include a portable sun lamp worth \$36.50; an electric clock valued at \$12.50; a waffle iron, \$8.50; desk lamp, \$7.50; and other prizes.

A committee of judges will be appointed to view the displays entered and decided upon the winners.

These judges will tour the community at some time in the duration of the contest to examine all the displays entered, and decide which ones shall be the winners of the valuable prizes offered. Contestants are warned to keep their displays up all the time from Dec. 24 to Jan. 1 as the rules specify, for it is not known when the judges will visit them. Entries close December 23rd.

Entries Coming in Fast

Entries have been pouring into the contest headquarters in rapidly increasing numbers, and advance figures indicate that a large percentage of local homes will say "Merry Christmas" with cheerful displays.

It has been estimated that 20,000 northern Illinois homes will have outdoor Christmas displays this year, and it appears certain that this community will have more than its share of them.

December 23 Last Chance

If you have not already entered your home in the contest, you are urged to do so at once, not only so you will have a chance to win one of the prizes, but so you, too, may experience the satisfaction of sharing the satisfaction of sharing.

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To Be Honor Guests at Reception Dec. 28

A reception under the auspices of the Women's Organizations of the Presbyterian church is being given for Dr. and Mrs. Louis W. Sherwin in the Presbyterian church parlors, Monday evening, Dec. 28 at 8 o'clock. A most cordial invitation is extended to all members of the congregation and friends in the community, to attend.

Highland Park Social Service
Old City Hall H. P. 4000
No bakery sale Saturday, Dec. 26. We have a man who will cane chairs.

Needs
Coal range; coat hangers.

Midnight Service At Trinity Church To Be Held Christmas Eve

The annual Midnight Choral Communion service at Trinity church will begin at 10:30 o'clock on Christmas Eve, Dec. 24, with the singing of Christmas carols by the men and boys choir.

The rector will be assisted by the Rev. Frederick C. Grant, Dean of the Western Theological seminary at Evanston.

Feast of Lights

As has been the custom for a number of years, a service called the Feast of Lights will be held in Trinity church at 4 o'clock, on the afternoon of Sunday, Dec. 27.

At this service the Church school presents at the altar its Advent Offering which then goes to the four organizations in the diocese which minister to children.

The service is in the form of a tableau in which the four evangelists receiving the light from the candles on the altar distribute it first to the Christmas tree, representing the homes, and then throughout the darkened church which stands for a world without the light and ministry of the Saviour of Mankind.

The music of this service will be sung by the girls choir.

This is perhaps primarily a children's service, but is incomplete without the presence of their earthly guardians.

All friends of Trinity church are invited to this service.

Ravinia Civic Assn. and Porcupines Meet to Discuss Zoning

A very interesting and instructive meeting of the Ravinia Civic association and the Porcupine club was held Monday evening in the Ravinia Village house, for the purpose of discussing the proposed zoning ordinances for the city. Owing to going to press early this week no extended report of the meeting is available, but the Press will be glad to print an account of it next week, if procurable.

Rifle Team to Form Nation-Wide Club

The Deerfield-Shields high school Rifle club, plans the organization of a Nation Wide Rifle club, after the first of the year. Those who are assisting in the formation of this club are James Butterworth, captain, Abbott Byfield, Maveril La Vere Hamilton, Donald Clark, Dick Gault, James Mundstock, Harry Eaton and Charles Nichols.

Rotary Club Has Its Christmas Party at Meeting on Monday

The annual Christmas party was the feature of the meeting of the Highland Park Rotary club Monday noon, at the Moraine hotel, and a fine time is reported. All the members exchanged fifty-cent gifts, each accompanied by a bit of verse written by the donor, and judging from these samples, it appears that we have some poetic genius among us. In fact, so good were some of these poetic effusions that it might be a good thing if their authors would go into the poetry business as a regular vocation, eh! what?

Dick Purnell acted as Santa Claus and a good one he made, distributing the gifts without fear or favor. All these gifts were later dispatched to the Dorcas Home for a children's Christmas party there.

The Rotarians were entertained at this meeting by a representative of a Chicago wholesale grocery house who presented motion pictures of the preparation of coffee for domestic use.

New Year's Eve Dance Promises Gala Event

The second annual Highwood Indian's dance, New Year's eve, promises to be a big event again as the plans are being made for first class entertainment.

Tom Brown's colored orchestra will feature and personages of athletic fame have been invited to attend, including Hony Kaufman and Tony Ronzetti, reknowned fullbacks of Marquette university.

The dance will be a typical New Year's celebration with whistles, caps, and holiday fantasies to welcome in 1932. Contrary to custom it will start from 9 p.m. to sometime in the next year, and the 12 o'clock hour will be heralded with a surprise acknowledgement.

Many Plan to Attend Junior Charity Ball

Plans for the Junior Charity ball at the Moraine hotel on December 28, are well under way and a large crowd of young folks is expected. Cope Harvey's orchestra, led by the popular leader, Al, will furnish the music. Refreshments will be served. Every effort is being made to assure the young people a good time.

The Northwestern Settlement will benefit by this event.

The patronesses include, the Mesdames William A. Gibson, Byron C. Howes, Frank Mercer, Herbert E. Nunn, Carl L. Odell, Walter E. Rutledge, Robert F. Walker and Charles A. Wright.

REMOVAL OF TREES CAUSE OF PROTEST

Petitions Filed with Council with Result that Commission Is Authorized

At the regular meeting of the city council Monday evening protests were presented by several organizations and individuals against removal of trees from Central avenue, east of Sheridan road, and urging that a commission be appointed to pass on matters pertaining to the beauty of the city and other matters of community welfare. Petitions were filed and accepted and appointment of the commission was authorized by unanimous vote.

One petition was presented by the North Shore chapter of the D. A. R. and another signed by about 400 individuals and groups read as follows:

Text of Petition

"The following organizations and individuals hereby register a protest at the recent destruction of the fine elm trees on Central avenue. They consider such trees not only an asset to the community but the property of every citizen.

"They think that no such wanton destruction should be permitted without the consent of the people of the community, and they request that the former Arts commission, consisting of Mr. Jens Jensen, landscape architect, and Mr. Jesse Smith, superintendent of School District 107, be re-appointed; and that all such matters relating to the beauty of the city and the interests of the community as a whole, be submitted to them before any action is taken."

"Fiesta" to Be Held at Village House

Plans have been completed for the Fiesta of the Southwest which is to take place on New Year's eve at the Ravinia Village House.

Mrs. J. C. Ewell and Mrs. M. G. Kettner are in charge of the decorations again this year and those who came to last year's party remember the fairy-like atmosphere which was created. This year, however, is to be a decided contrast. There will be gay, vital colors. Mr. Dudley Crafts Watson will lend some lovely Mexican pieces which he has collected and Mr. Fred Leighton, some beautiful Indian blankets. Many other Ravinians are lending their collections also.

An excellent five-piece orchestra has been engaged, and a very fine supper will be served.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Venning are in charge of invitations.