

# News of the North Shore Clubs

## Cottage Studio Is Erected as Memorial

Nurse of Edward MacDowell, American Composer, Honored at Peterborough

News from Peterborough, N. H., that charming spot where the MacDowell association has its Art colony, always carries interest to many persons here, members of the North Shore MacDowell society. A quaint studio cottage is building there, a memorial to Anna Maria Baetz, nurse of Edward MacDowell, famous American composer.

The little studio is the gift of Miss Baetz' sisters, of Mrs. Edward MacDowell, whose friend and companion she was, and her friends, who number many among the Peterborough colonists. It is fashioned after the quaint little houses in Alzey, Germany, where Miss Baetz' father and mother were born. The little gabled cottage is to have a molded roof of soft red, wood green shutters held back by wrought iron fastenings, and small-paned windows. From the cottage may be seen, "Hillcrest," the MacDowell home, with its beautiful garden cared for by Miss Baetz as long as she was able. In the studio a rough, hand-polished oak table is to be placed, the gift of Miss Baetz' friends in Peterborough, and the chairs are those brought from Germany in 1888 by Edward MacDowell.

From 1905 until 1923, Miss Baetz was a close friend and companion in the MacDowell household, the composer's devoted nurse during his tragic illness, and after his death, his widow's most devoted friend. "For fifteen years," to quote an article telling of the memorial, "after Mr. MacDowell's death, when his wife was carrying forward the plans to make Peterborough a free place for inspiration for all creative artists, Miss Baetz gave generously of unswerving devotion. She tried to stand as a buffer between her and trouble. When the history of the Colony is written, the name of Anna Baetz should be written large."

## Richard Halliburton to Give Lecture in Chicago

The Chicago League of Women Voters' forum is sponsoring a lecture by that brilliant young travel writer and speaker, Richard Halliburton, a graduate of Princeton university, whose search for romance has, through his "Royal Road to Romance," and "The Glorious Adventure," fascinated numberless readers.

The lecture will be given in Orchestra hall, on the evening of October 17.

Mr. Halliburton recently has been chosen as the speaker for the annual convention of the American Booksellers' association and has appeared before the National Geographic society in Washington, where he received an ovation from 2,000 super-critical members.

Exchange tickets are now on sale at the League headquarters at 203 North Wabash avenue, and regular tickets will be on sale at the box office in Orchestra hall on and after October 10.

## Quilt Exhibition and Luncheon Will Open Woman's Club

The Winnetka Woman's club will start its year October 4, with a luncheon, which will be followed by a very interesting talk by Miss Elizabeth Wells Robertson on "The American Art—a History of Quilt Making." She will exhibit her own fine collection in illustration.

Miss Robertson is the head of the art work in the Chicago Public schools. She first became interested in quilt making through watching a friend of her mother, who was putting a conventional and ugly rose pattern on a quilt. The idea occurred to her that quilts ought to be Colonial in spirit, but modern in design. She proceeded on that theory, and her first four quilts took the Rosenwald first prize for textiles at the applied arts exhibit at the Art institute in 1917, the first time the award had been given to a textile other than weaving. Since then her quilts have been exhibited at the Carnegie institute, Pittsburgh, at an international exhibition at Letchworth, England, at the School of Arts in Leicester, and at the College of Arts in Edinburgh.

She believes that the art of our grandmothers' time is far more beautiful in modern form, and she advocates keeping the spirit of it, but applying to it modern principles of color and design.

## Recitation and Musicales Opens Neighbors' Season

The Neighbors club of Kenilworth opens its fall activities on October 4, with a recitation to new members. A musicale will follow under the direction of Mrs. A. B. Spach. The pianist of the afternoon, Mme. Ella Spravka, a member of the Bush Conservatory faculty, is well known to north shore audiences, having given many delightful performances in past seasons. Last year she was heard with the Czornyky trio and she ranks among Chicago's leading pianists.

Mrs. Gilbert Smith of Evanston, soprano, who will sing a group of songs, will be remembered with much pleasure as the singer in the Theatre guild's productions last season of "Fashions" and "The Duenna."

Miss Ebba Sundstrom, violinist, has achieved the distinction of winning the prize in the contest given under the auspices of the Society of American Musicians, in Chicago, and her appearance is anticipated with considerable pleasure.

## At Catholic League

The North Shore Catholic Woman's league opens its season Tuesday, October 13, in the Winnetka Woman's club. The program will consist of a dramatic presentation by Mrs. Arthur Whitely of Evanston, and a musicale.

Another musicale will be given in November, and the annual benefit card party will take place November 13.

## Harvest Dance October 1

Sunset Ridge club now is making reservations for the annual Harvest Home dinner and dance occurring this year on Saturday evening, October 1. On of the special features of the club activities are the children's dinners given Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

## Winnetka Girls Officers of Town Girl Association

Miss Helen Hubsch of Winnetka was elected president, and Miss Roberta McDonald, also of Winnetka, secretary, of the Town Girls' association of the National Kindergarten and Elementary college at the opening meeting last week. Miss Hubsch, a junior this year, has been a very active member of the association, and Miss McDonald, a freshman, already has made a place for herself among the students. Other officers of the association are Miss Anne Barratt of Evanston, vice president, and Miss Marie McCarthy of Chicago, treasurer.

The Town Girls' association, which is open to all non-dormitory students, was organized in 1921 for "sociability" and to give the students outside the dormitory an official voice in the affairs of the college. It has achieved its purpose fully. Through dances, stunt parties, and competitions it has given its members many opportunities to become acquainted and has aroused a splendid interest and enthusiasm in college affairs.

## North Shore Women Attend Club District Conference

North shore women were included among the directors of the Tenth district, Illinois Federation of Women's clubs, who met September 20, at the home of the district president, Mrs. Harry S. Gradle, 154 Vine avenue, Highland Park.

Names of the delegates of the forty clubs represented in the district were presented at that time to department chairmen. Mrs. William Lill is vice president of the organization; Mrs. Henry Price of Evanston is treasurer; Mrs. Ernest Nolting of Highland Park, recording secretary; Mrs. Jarvis O. Newton of Chicago, corresponding secretary.

North shore committee heads are Mrs. John Howard Jones of Evanston, formerly of Kenilworth, historical research; Mrs. John Vennema of Winnetka, art; Mrs. Joseph Joyce of Kenilworth, co-operation with war veterans; Mrs. S. I. Kaufman, Wilmette, law enforcement.

## Win in Playfield Match for Two-Ball Foursome

Five foursomes entered the two-ball foursome tournament for women held September 13, at Skokie Playfield. Mrs. Viola Smith and Mrs. Richard N. Puetz won first low gross, with 97-15-82. First low net was won by Mrs. W. F. King and Mrs. A. Bushey. Gross was 109 and the handicap 30, making it 79. Second low gross prize went to Mrs. V. G. Cartier and Miss Eunice Stoddart. Their gross was 104 and handicap 20. Second low net was won by Mrs. George W. Perrigo and Mrs. Dayton Powell, with gross 105, handicap 24, and total 81. Mrs. R. B. Robinson and Mrs. Charles Carlstrand won consolation prizes.

The last tournament of the season will be held September 27, and those in charge hope that all players will enter it.

## Country Club New Venture of Women

Woman's Country Club "On the North Shore" First in Chicago

An innovation in the world of women's clubs is the Woman's Country club, "On the North Shore." The first of its kind in Chicago and the Middle West, and the second, it is announced, in the United States. It is entirely a woman's venture, and will be conducted entirely for the pleasure and recreation of its feminine members, although men will be allowed to participate in the activities of the women.

Plans are under way for the erection of a beautiful clubhouse of Spanish architecture.

The plan of development includes two eighteen-hole golf courses, with rustic bridges crossing the little winding brook flowing through the 247 acres which the club is to own, part of which is thickly wooded; tennis courts provided with complete tournament facilities, with shower baths adjoining; bridle paths through grounds and encircling the golf course; a large Roman plunge to afford opportunities for swimming meets as well as out of door recreation, and archery courts for the sport fast increasing in popularity among women.

Residential accommodations for members and a limited number of guests will be included in the plans, it is announced, and a wing of the club building will be devoted to the use of men guests. A dancing pavilion set in the landscaped gardens, and a children's playground, fully equipped, are to be special features planned for those who may wish to spend vacation periods at the club.

It is announced that work will commence soon on the first eighteen holes, and the club will open next year. The grounds, lying between the North Shore Electric railroad tracks and Green Bay road, a little north and west of Waukegan, are accessible to two North Shore Line stations, within easy walking distance of each. It is reached easily by motor, as well.

The reason for this project is expressed in the following announcement, which reads, "Because women are not admitted to the full rights and privileges of membership in the 167 golf and country clubs now existing in the immediate vicinity of Chicago, the need for a country club for their personal use caused the birth of this new organization. Here, at their own club, they will have the opportunity to play at any hour they may choose."

Mrs. William Severin, founder-president of the Illinois Women's Athletic club is one of the leaders of the Woman's Country club. "On the North Shore." Mrs. Zella N. Fowler is co-chairman of the invitational committee.

## Speaker at Meeting

The Missionary society of the North Shore Methodist Episcopal church will meet on Tuesday, September 27, at the home of Mrs. Charles O. Aspenwall, 1195 Tower road, Hubbard Woods. Mrs. H. O. Cadv, of the New York Foreign Mission board, will be the speaker of the afternoon. Her tonic is to be "Present Conditions in China," and she will devote a few minutes to "Home Missions." Mrs. Aspenwall will be assisted by Mrs. Edwin Carlson, Mrs. G. H. Haines and Mrs. William Carey.