

News of the North Shore Clubs

Woman's Club Opens Year With Luncheon

Jessie Harding Enthralls Audience With Her Readings in Renovated Clubhouse

BY A. G. L.

On Tuesday, October 2, the Winnetka Woman's club opened the season of 1928-29 with its customary luncheon. The occasion was made doubly enjoyable by the fresh background and by the very charming program which Miss Jessie Harding presented following the business meeting.

As had been suspected, fairies had been exceedingly busy in the clubhouse during the summer and when we 30, 50, 70 year old children, curious, impatient children, at last were told that we might peek, what loveliness was found. Grudgingly we admitted that our beloved fairies could not have accomplished such wonders alone and then it was disclosed that it was Mrs. William O. Green, loyally assisted by Mrs. Warren Shoemaker, Mrs. Rudolph Matz, Miss Rebecca Giles, Miss Edith Kohlsaas, and Mrs. James Pole, who directed those artistic sprites and brought the work to its completion. Some of the committee had to confine their contributions to the task undertaken, to early suggestions, because of later absence from the village, but Mrs. Green, Mrs. Matz, and Mrs. Shoemaker remained in Winnetka to shop and direct the work and their faithful effort is apparent in the success that was achieved. However there were yet other mere mortals aiding and abetting the fairies. Mr. and Mrs. William Otis, to whom the club so frequently has appealed in time past, gave never failing consideration and help upon the secret problems shared with them. There was another, Arthur Duncan, whose generosity won the heartfelt gratitude of the house committee.

The alterations have been so artistically tempered that upon first glance there is no sense of strangeness but rather, one feels one's self back among familiar, freshly starched friends. But very soon, a lively bit of color, a newly opened door, a pleasing light, discovered, and we realize that no little change has taken place.

Possibly the most pronounced change has been the reopening of the Oak Street entrance which hereafter will be used regularly. Another difference is the remarkable transformation of the Property room into an inviting, comfortable, smoker for men. Fresh, gay cretonne now hangs at the windows, new slip covers adorn couch and chairs, and there is warmth and coziness lent by the prevailing rose tints that is most appealing. Among the more obscure improvements are the new balls added to the bowling alley, a new lighting system for the stage, in addition to an adequate refrigerator and more shelves in the kitchen.

With all these delightful improvements, it is felt that the clubhouse is now properly conditioned for both formal and informal occasions.

After inspection of all of the new charms of the clubhouse the members gathered in the assembly room and there were served a most attractive luncheon. Late summer flowers adorned the tables and the yellows of marigolds mingled with the pinks of snapdragons blended beautifully into the mellow light that sifted through peach toned window curtains. Mrs. Frank T. Crawford was chairman of the committee that was responsible for

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Southern Woman's Club to Open Nineteenth Year

The Southern Woman's club of Chicago will open its nineteenth year Thursday, October 11, at 12 o'clock, in the Red room of the Hotel La Salle, with a luncheon and program.

Guests of honor at the meeting will be Vladimir Rosings, artistic director of the American Opera company; Grace Viall Gray, president of the first district, I. F. W. C.; Mrs. Bessie Bragg Pierson, president of the Illinois Women's Athletic club; Mrs. David A. Lambright, president of the Chicago Culture club; Mrs. Walter Edward Scwind, president of the Irving Park Woman's club; and Ruth Peebles of the American Opera company.

Isabelle Walke Kuehne and Roberta Walter Riley, sopranos, with Robert R. Birch, accompanist, and Edna Means, artistic entertainer in readings and impersonations, "Day by Day," will give the program.

The officers of the Southern Woman's club this year are Mrs. Edgar Foster Alden, president; Mrs. George Hanley Nippert, vice-president; Mrs. William Echols, second vice-president; Mrs. Joseph L. McCarthy, recording secretary; Mrs. Richard L. Crofton, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Joseph Johnson, treasurer.

Mrs. Bion J. Arnold, Mrs. P. M. Bridges, Mrs. David Lee Parker, Mrs. Daniel R. Schock, Mrs. P. D. Bowler, and Mrs. William H. McCog, are directors.

Winnetka O. E. S. to Hold Grand Lecturer's Night

Winnetka chapter number 942, O. E. S. will hold a Grand Lecturer's night next Monday evening, October 8, at 7:30, at the Masonic temple. Mrs. Louise G. Replogle will be acting worthy matron. John P. Garner, who is past worthy grand patron, will be acting worthy patron and Mrs. Nellie R. Myers, past worthy grand matron, will be the guest of honor. A cordial invitation has been extended to all O. E. S. members.

Winnetka chapter, O. E. S. is planning a food sale to be held on October 27, at Eckart's Hardware store, 735 Elm street, at which home made jellies, pies, cakes, cookies, and candies will be sold. It has announced that anyone wishing to order any of the above may do so in advance by calling Mrs. Richard Webster at Winnetka 1684.

Glencoe D. A. R. to Honor First President-General

The Glencoe chapter of the D. A. R. will meet at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon of Monday, October 8. The meeting will be in the home of Mrs. Ervin L. Roy, 34 Lakewood drive, Glencoe and Mrs. George Mieth, regent of the chapter, will preside. Mrs. Earl Sisson Vinton, state chairman of national defense, will be the speaker for the afternoon.

As requested by the national society, this day will be a memorial for Caroline Scott Harrison. Mrs. Harrison was the wife of Benjamin Harrison and was the first president-general of the D. A. R.

Vassar Club Hostesses

Mrs. William S. Bennett and her daughter, Miss Florence Bennett, 2046 Sheridan road, Evanston, will be hostesses to the members of the North Shore Vassar club Wednesday afternoon, October 10. Mrs. Duane Peterson of Winnetka is secretary of the organization.

On Sale Committee



Mrs. Wyndham H. Channer is chairman of the finance committee for the Rummage sale to be conducted by the Woman's guild and auxiliary of Christ church, Winnetka, on Thursday, October 18, at the Parish House, 482 Linden avenue.

American Indian Program Opens Friends in Council

The Friends in Council of Evanston, whose membership includes residents of the north shore, opened its season Friday of last week with an American Indian program. Miss M. Austine Stanley gave a talk on "Indian Welfare," and Mrs. L. A. Peck spoke on "Indian Tradition and Superstitions." The reading of the poem, "The Indians' Salute to the Flag," also was included in the program.

Chicago and its history will be the high-light of the next meeting on Friday, October 12.

The officers serving this year are Miss Margaret Hawkins, president; Mrs. Tucker Hardy, Mrs. Auguste Babize, vice-presidents; Mrs. Julius Schoeninger, corresponding secretary; Mrs. William Weldon, recording secretary; Mrs. George Spalding, treasurer.

Food Sale Today

The Ladies' Aid society of the North Shore Methodist church at Glencoe is having a food sale today from 10 in the morning until 3 this afternoon at 332 Park avenue, Glencoe, in the vacant store formerly occupied by Walter P. Smith and company. It has been announced that there will be all kinds of home made food on sale at unusually reasonable prices.

TO OPEN CLUB SEASON

The first meeting of the year of the Worth While club of Winnetka and Glencoe will be held on Wednesday, October 10, at the home of Mrs. J. Sherman Root, 385 Palos road, Glencoe. The new officers will preside at this meeting. They include Mrs. Robert Walker, president; Mrs. William Baehr, vice-president; Mrs. J. Sherman Root, secretary; and Mrs. Charles Budd, treasurer.

The Wilmette board of the Infant Welfare society will meet at 11 o'clock Monday morning, in the home of Mrs. John Fisher of 826 Greenwood avenue.

Winnetka Woman's Society Hears Talk

Miss Eleanor Robertson Speaks on Quilting as Expression of American Art

By O. H. A.

The Woman's society of the Winnetka Congregational church met last Wednesday afternoon at Community House.

Mrs. Ayres Boal, the president, extended greetings to the members and expressed pleasure at the large attendance. Judging by the activity and interest shown at this first meeting, the outlook for the coming year is most encouraging.

The opening formalities over with, Mrs. Warner Robinson, accompanied by Mrs. William McAdams, sang several songs which were greatly appreciated. Several important announcements were made: the farewell reception to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Goodwin to take place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ayres Boal Thursday evening, October 4; and the one for Mr. and Mrs. James Austin Richards at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ferry on Friday evening, October 12.

Mrs. John R. Montgomery, chairman of the Holiday Shops, announced that they will open Tuesday evening, November 20, and Wednesday evening, November 21. Tea will be served on Tuesday evening and a dinner on Wednesday evening.

Mrs. R. O. Ely was in charge of the devotional exercises, after which a delicious luncheon was served by the hostesses of the day, Mrs. Marcus Richards and Mrs. Edmund Bartlett assisted by a most efficient committee.

At the close of the luncheon, Mrs. Boal turned the meeting over to Mrs. Morris Wilson, chairman of the program for the day, who introduced the speaker, Miss Eleanor Wells Robertson. Miss Robertson is well known in Winnetka, having recently spoken before the Woman's club.

Her subject, "Quilts," as an expression of American art, was full of interest, especially to many who are reviving this art of our foremothers. It was stern necessity which developed the inventive genius of these gentlewomen. Very few things could be brought with them to this country in the small ships, and in time these wore out. Every scrap had to be saved and used in one way or another. Out of these scraps came the "crazy quilt." Later on their innate love of color and design were brought out, the design taking the shape of flowers so familiar to the mothers who, in those days, were also gardeners. These patterns such as the rose, the tulip, and peony have been traditional and tradition plus personality developed the few choice possessions.

From Virginia and the New England colonies this expression of American art spread westward, and we find today in Ohio and Indiana wonderful quilts and quilters.

Miss Robertson became interested in this subject while marooned in her home on account of illness. Her ability as an artist enabled her to produce these wonderful quilts which were shown at community house. Her first quilt combines the old and the new ideas, the design being the modern "bluebird of happiness."

Miss Robertson's collection has been exhibited far and near, and we understand has been secured for the World's Fair of 1933. Miss Robertson closed her interesting talk with John Taylor's "Praise of the Needle."