

# Sojourners Welcome New Residents to City, Celebrate Anniversary

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President . . . of Sojourners, Mrs. Allan L. Ferrin, left, greets Mrs. Merrill Fleener, who recently moved to Salem from Albany. Friendliness is keynote of Sojourners, which is a social organization with primary purpose to acquaint newcomers to the city. Mrs. Ferrin moved to Salem several years ago from St. Paul, Minn., with her medico husband.



Charter members . . . were honor guests at the Sojourners anniversary party Thursday at the Salem Woman's Club. Birthday cake was served to a large crowd and pictured by the birthday table are a few of the charter members present. Left to right are Mrs. Irvin Bryan, Mrs. Lee Thomas, Mrs. Jacob Foss and Mrs. Lawrence Ballmer. Other charter members living in Salem and not pictured are Mrs. Sam Campbell and Mrs. Arthur Jensen.



On arriving . . . at Sojourners parties members are greeted and name-tagged. Left to right are Mrs. M. A. Titus, name plate chairman, who formerly lived in Tacoma, Mrs. C. H. Cole, a newcomer from Mercer Island, Wash., and Mrs. A. L. Leonaitis, who moved here from Waukegan, Ill.



Bridge . . . is the popular card game for Sojourners following their luncheons. Four of the present officers, above, enjoying a hand of bridge, left to right, are Mrs. Ed Lewis, formerly of Portland, who is telephone chairman; Mrs. Edward Cowan, who came here last year from Denver and is now treasurer; Mrs. Vincent Fletcher, a past president of Sojourners and board member; and Mrs. Joe S. Bonawitz Sr., publicity chairman.

Dessert luncheons . . . are a feature of the Sojourners semi-monthly meetings. A group of recent newcomers, at the right, attending the anniversary party Thursday are, seated left to right, Mrs. J. H. Stewart, who moved here from Bend, Mrs. Kermit Stewart, a former Portland resident, Mrs. Burton W. Dunn, who came to Salem from Corvallis, and Mrs. B. F. Crissler, whose former home was Glendale, Calif. Pouring coffee is Mrs. Ferd Hueneke, who was chairman of the anniversary party.



### They Make Friends..

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Sojourners is an organization aimed at helping women, new to the capital city of Oregon, make friends and become acquainted with the community.

The group holds dessert luncheons and card parties twice a month at the Salem Woman's Club, with as many as 75 attending. Other social affairs augment the calendar during the year and include two dances, no-host dinner parties and a picnic in the summer.

Members represent all parts of Oregon, the Northwest and many other states. Members may maintain their membership as long as desired, but can only hold office the first two years. Membership is by invitation and newcomers are sponsored by a member.

Sojourners was organized eleven years ago by nine women, six of whom still reside in Salem. Friendliness is the keynote of the group and a constant stream of new arrivals keeps the ranks filled. There is a frequent turnover of membership as members begin to feel "at home" in Salem and other activities lead members to other interests.

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