

Manufacturers Offer Booklet For Old Card

What card game is won more often by children than by adults?

Did anybody ever actually look like the Queen of Hearts? What card game does President Eisenhower enjoy even more than his round of golf?

Can playing cards provide physical as well as mental exercise?

The answers, along with many other facts and fables about playing cards, are in a colorful 32-page booklet, "It's All in the Cards," just published by the Association of American Playing Card Manufacturers and offered in exchange for an ace of spades from an old pack.

This brightly-illustrated booklet is not a rules book telling you how to play cribbage or how to win at poker. Instead it is designed to remind you of the fun, the relief from care and worry, and the opportunities for family participation that a deck of cards can provide, the manufacturers say.

In a light yet completely accurate manner, "It's All in the Cards" traces the history of playing cards and tells you how the early Persians played their favorite card games with slender circular slices of ivory which they had decorated with symbols of the seasons. You learn that famous monarchs of the Middle Ages were the models for the earliest face cards.

Another section in the booklet tells you how to play concentration, an aptly named card game for both children and adults which, surprisingly enough, children usually win. The booklet also suggests ways to use cards in keeping the children happy on rainy days or when they are home sick.

"It's All in the Cards" tells you how to get physical as well as mental exercise out of a pack of cards by playing "Card in the Hat." In this game, you take a deck of cards and try tossing them one at a time into a man's felt hat placed on the floor ten feet in front of you. It sounds simple—but just try it!

There's a chapter dealing with famous people in history and their favorite card games. You discover that Napoleon preferred a game called piquet, one of the fastest-moving two-handed games ever known. President Franklin D. Roosevelt's favorite was a solitaire game called spider and President Eisenhower is said to be even better at bridge than he is on the golf links. Famed pianist Vladimir Horowitz finds that canasta exercises his talented hands.

These are only fragments of the wealth of information to be found in "It's All in the Cards." There are chapters devoted to card tricks that don't involve slight-of-hand, new ways to liven up some of the older games, and suggestions for utilizing old, worn-out decks.

You may obtain your copy of the booklet by sending the Ace of Spades from any old deck of cards in an envelope with your name and address to Playing Cards, 420 Lexington Avenue, New York 17, New York.

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The Bell Ringers and Christmas Carol choir of Miss Pat's Kindergarten appeared last week on a television program, and also at the First Methodist church. The kindergarten students also met for a Christmas party December 14, at the studio at 9:30 a.m. The party closed at noon when lunch was served to 65 children and parents. The students furnished the entire program using miniature Swiss bells. The selections were appropriate to the season. The children are left to right in the front

row, Trudy Courtright, Chris Wade, Kathy McNeil, Shirley Isaacs, Cherie Aldrich, Clover Hager, Terry Baker, Terry Kerr, Steven McAllister, Kenneth Lee Basquer, Julie Ann Haddon. Back row, left to right are Terry Grover, Nikki Joe Marshall, Larry Milligan, Tim Bowman, Kurtis Hamm, Rene Roethler, Cynthia Kronschof, Christine Berg, Susan Sutherland, David Patterson, Mike Knox, Rebecca Rickman, Dale Jones and Ginny Clark.

Pagan Symbols Of Christmas Topic for Club

Many Christmas customs, such as feasting, decking the homes with evergreens and mistletoe, exchanging gifts and the general merrymaking were all a part of pagan traditional celebrations long before the birth of the Christ child, according to research by Mrs. Edith Baker. Mrs. Baker gave a talk on this favorite subject at the annual Christmas party of Medford Altrusa club at the home of Mrs. Adrienne Dippel Thursday night.

Mrs. Baker said Christians had taken these pagan symbols and developed them into something beautiful and full of meaning, with hope, peace and good will to men as a fitting accompaniment to the feast of joy celebrating the birth of Christ.

Following the program, the group sang carols and exchanged gifts. Pictures of the group were taken surrounded by the gifts of food, clothing and toys assembled for the family adopted by the club as its chief Christmas project. The pictures will be made into slides and sent to the district convention to be held this spring when a contest will take place on projects sponsored by the clubs in ten states.

Refreshments were served by the December hostess committee, Miss Lotus Eaton, Mrs. Betty Plannery and Mrs. Bertha Haskins. A second Christmas party, a luncheon at the Elks club, will be held at noon Thursday, December 29.

4-H Club News

Central Point Club

The organization meeting of Crater 4-H Clothing club of Central Point was held recently in the home economics room of Crater high. First in the order of business was the handing out of project record books.

Officers elected are: President, Phyllis Taylor; vice president, Gwen Moore; secretary, Janet Anderson, and reporter, Joan Dobrot.

We are to work on Christmas gifts for our mothers.

Our leader, Mrs. Vera Ashton, then adjourned the meeting. For our work meeting we met at the home of our leader. The president and Mrs. Ashton planned this year's program while the other members worked on their Christmas projects.

Joan Dobrot, reporter.

Gold Hill Club
Gold Hill Sewing Birds 4-H club met at Mrs. Newland's on December 15. Present were Lyndell Munday, Linda Nauman, May Brown, Betty Brown, Jenny Lou Thompson and Jan Newland.

Next meeting will be on January 5.

Jenny Lou Thompson, Reporter.

You'll have time on your hands if you make these chocolate Ting-a-Lings. Just heat one package (8 squares) candy-making chocolate in the double boiler on the top burner of your gas range. Stir until entirely melted, then add two cups of cornflakes. Mix lightly until completely coated with chocolate, drop from teaspoon on waxed paper, and cool one to two hours or until firm. You'll have 2½ dozen delightful holiday novelties, with delicious flavor and crunch.

Annual Christmas Musicale To Be Given By High School

Medford Senior High school's annual Christmas musicale will be presented Wednesday evening, December 22. Allan Lehl, director of vocal music at the school, and John Drysdale, orchestra director, have planned a varied program of sacred and secular music.

The sixty-voice a cappella choir will be featured in two groups of selections. The first is made up of "Pat-a-Pan" a Burgundian carol and three numbers from Benjamin Britten's "A Ceremony of Carols." The second group includes an arrangement of "Be-the Star" by Dawson, the Czech "Carol of the Drum" and the traditional American "Jingle Bells."

The Orchestral portion of the program will include "Christmas Carols Fantasy" by Sopsin, the prayer from "Hansel and Gretel" by Humperdinck, and "Christmas Fantasy" by the contemporary Leroy Andersen.

The Madrigal Singers, directed by Mr. Lehl, will present "Twas The Night Before Christmas." This ever-popular poem by Clement Moore has been set to music by Ken Darby of the Fred Waring organization and has increasingly become popular with participants and audience alike.

Among selections to be offered by the Boys and Girls Glee clubs are two Scandinavian Carols, "Joyous Christmas Song" arranged by Paul Christensen and "Thy Little Ones, Dear Lord" arranged by Dale. These two groups will combine with the choir in an all-vocal finale "Lo How A Rose E'er Blooming" the beautiful Praetorius melody arranged by F. Melius Christensen of the famed St. Olaf choir.

A sauce for any meat course is "gingerbread pears." Take three pounds of cooking pears, two cups of brown sugar, the grated rind of a medium-sized orange, seven tablespoons of fresh orange juice, and one teaspoon of ground ginger; pare and core pears and cut in quarters. Then put remaining ingredients into a large saucepan and bring them to a boil over the direct flame of your top burner. Add pears and simmer until the fruit is tender. Do not mash; serve hot or cold.

India and Brazil are the largest producers of sheet music.

Charter Presented To Gold Hill Cubs At Meeting of PTA

Gold Hill—A new Gold Hill Cub scout unit was chartered at a meeting of Gold Hill Parent-Teacher association December 9. The president, Mrs. Fred Lester, presided.

Wendell Apfen, neighborhood counselor for Scouts, presented the charter and Fred Lester accepted it on behalf of the P.T.A.

Mrs. Ferd Jones gave a brief talk on 4-H club work.

A committee of Paul Malloy, chairman, Fred Lester, Ogden Kellogg and Bruce Bennett, cub master, and the den mothers, Mrs. Fred Lester and Mrs. Paul Malloy, were introduced.

Dr. S. E. Messenger, professor of psychology at Southern Oregon college, talked on factors which go into making up a personality and showed a film on mental health.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bell, H. D. Force and Mrs. Ogden Kellogg served refreshments.

Travelers Take Caribbean Cruise

Mrs. A. Z. Dean and Mrs. Frances P. Flinn returned last week after spending the past five weeks on a Caribbean cruise. The two women visited the Dominican Republic, Venezuela, Trinidad and Jamaica, traveling by ship, plane and train.

They also made stops in New Orleans, La., and Mobile, Ala., before returning home.

Family Leaves For California

Mr. and Mrs. William E. Ruffner and daughter, Diane, and son, Bradley, 2512 Lyman avenue, left this morning for Topanga, Calif., south of Malibu beach, to visit for a week or 10 days with Mr. Ruffner's mother.

The Ruffners entertained at pre-season egg nog party at their home Friday evening, attended by 16 persons.

CALENDAR

Calendar notices and news for the society section of The Mail Tribune must be submitted in writing and deadline for the Sunday edition is 1 p.m. Friday. Deadline for the weekly calendar is 9 a.m. of the day of publication, and for week day news is 5 p.m. the day before publication.

Sunday

2 p.m. — Party for children of members of the Pocahontas lodge.

2 to 4 p.m. — Alpha Rho chapter of Beta Sigma Phi sorority, children's party, Lone Pine school.

3 p.m. — Children's party, Crater Lake VFW auxiliary, VFW hall.

6:30 p.m. — Jacksonville Rebekah and IOOF lodge Christmas dinner, IOOF hall.

Monday

7 p.m. — Eagle Point Community Christmas tree, Eagle Point Teenage club.

8 p.m. — Alpha Rho chapter, Beta Sigma Phi sorority, home of Mrs. Mamie Sleeter.

8 p.m. — Dance sponsored by Department of Oregon auxiliary to Veterans of Foreign Wars, at Camp White domiciliary theater.

Tuesday

10 a.m. — Shady Cove Home Extension unit, Mrs. R. Bartus, Rogue River dr.

1:30 p.m. — Rogue River Valley Navy Mothers, Girls Community club.

1:30 p.m. — Butte Falls Federated Garden club, home of Mrs. Fred Kincaid.

7:30 p.m. — SPEBSQSA, Room B, YMCA bldg.

8 p.m. — Chapter BE, PEO, Mrs. A. A. Lausmann, 200 Medford heights.

Wednesday

12:30 p.m. — Mistletoe club, Girls Community club.

7 p.m. — Talisman Rosebud Council, Pythian Sunshine Girls, Pythian building.

8 p.m. — Reames chapter, OES, Masonic temple.

CHECK ORNAMENTS EARLY

New York — (U.P.) — Unpack your Christmas tree decorations early so you will have plenty of time to purchase replacements and clean all lights and ornaments. Clean light bulbs several days before Christmas, wiping them with a sudsy sponge if they're heavily soiled. Make sure they are disconnected during cleaning.

Sunday, December 19, 1954

MEDFORD (OREGON MAIL TRIBUNE)—FIVE

Pupils Presented In Piano Recital

Piano pupils of Mrs. Horace Doolen were presented in a recital Friday evening, December 10 at the home of Mrs. Doolen. Those who played were Diana Vinzant, Eileen Ballance, Joan Gervais, Karen Ballance, Kay Lent, John Yoakley, Carolyn Kent, John Gervais, Karen Steinmetz, Barbara Baccus, Linda Flood, Sara Linn Hinkle, Janette Jones and Julianne Yoakley.

About 30 parents and friends attended. Refreshments were served.

VFW Auxiliary To Hold Party

The auxiliary to Crater Lake post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, plan a Christmas party for children of members and invited guests today at 3 p.m., at the VFW hall.

Santa Claus will be there to give treats to the children and entertainment will be furnished by the auxiliary-sponsored Girl Scout troop. Eve Prentice's accordion band also will furnish music and dancers from the Colleen Hope studio will entertain. Refreshments will be served by the auxiliary.

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