

Southern Oregon Dancers Form Area Association

Representatives from seven square dance groups in the Rogue valley met Friday, November 6, and voted unanimously to form a Southern Oregon Area association which will affiliate with the Oregon State Federation of Square Dance Clubs, depending on approval of the individual clubs.

Officers elected were president, Ray Dallaire; vice-president, G. E. Cavin; secretary, Mrs. Robert Klumpp; and treasurer, Dr. Charles Coyle.

Another meeting will be held Wednesday, November 12, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Dallaire, 1060 Crater Lake avenue. Each local club or group is requested to send two couples as representatives.

Floyd Workman is teaching a square dance beginner's class at the Bellview Grange in Ashland Wednesday nights from 8 to 10 p.m. The classes are open to the public, and the course will consist of twelve lessons. Those interested may telephone Mrs. Floyd Workman, KE 5-1150, for further information. Registration in the class should be made by November 18.

Thursday, November 19, the Y Knot Twirlers will meet in the social hall at the Medford YMCA for a workshop dance. Kenneth Phillips,

president, extends an invitation to all square dancers. Ladies are asked to bring cookies, and coffee will be furnished by the club.

Friday night at Wilson school in Medford there will be a round dance class with Mrs. Douglas Fosbury instructing. Dances taught so far have been "Billy Bayou," "Git-Fiddle Two Step," and "Marcheta." This Friday the new "dance of the month," "Bye, Bye Blues," will be taught, and all dancers are invited to attend the class, which starts at 8 p.m.

First dance for the new club, Applegaters, will be held Saturday, November 14, at the Provolt Grange. Officers for the new club are president, Wallace Palmer; vice-president, Leon Offenbacher; and secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Lynn Stone, and club caller is Byron "Buzz" Dibble. Dancing will begin at 8:30 p.m., and potluck refreshments will be served.

Pioneers Square Dance club will hold their dance for the month Saturday, November 14, at the American Legion hall in Central Point. Kenneth Hood will call for the squares, and all square dancers are invited to attend.

Use of Time Topic for Unit

"Do something this year; it's the youngest year you have left." This was quoted by Mrs. Thomas Merrimen, when she and Mrs. Verner McCall presented the topic "Living Within 24 Hours" to the Wilson Park Home Extension unit.

The meeting was held November 3 at the home of Mrs. Gary Pree, 35 Chestnut street. Co-hostesses were Mrs. Ronald White and Mrs. Robert Chirish.

The topic was not a lesson on "how to do," but rather one which encouraged each person to look at herself critically and see if she is using her time to best advantage. The group was told to divide their jobs into three groups: "Got to do, Ought to do and Hope to do." "People often find hard work is nothing more than an accumulation of easy jobs they didn't do when they should have," was one quotation given the group.

During the business meeting the unit voted in favor of paying part of the expenses for the chairman, Mrs. David Shaffer, for her trip to the home extension national convention in Portland recently. Mrs. Shaffer and Mrs. Gary Conrad reported to the groups on their trip. All of the 50 states were represented.

December 1 is the date set for the next meeting. It will be held at 1309 Stewart avenue, the home of Mrs. Ronald Harding.

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Medford Women Hold Workshop

Members of Medford Toastmistress club conducted a workshop for a meeting of Council 4, International Toastmistress clubs, held November 8 in Grants Pass.

Mrs. William Eckhart, Albany, Ore., supervisor of the Northwest region, was a guest for the council meeting and Mrs. James VanDerSteen, Medford is council chairman. It is composed of clubs in Eureka, Crescent City and Yreka, Calif., and Grants Pass, Medford and Klamath Falls in Oregon.

In her talk, Mrs. Eckhart pointed out the significance of the triangle and its use in the symbol of International Toastmistress clubs. An educational panel on the "Art of Introducing" was presented by Mrs. Lola Roney, Grants Pass, as moderator.

"Are Your Files Showing?" was the title of the workshop given by the Medford Toastmistress club, Mrs. Roy Rolls, Mrs. Ellen Lynner and Mrs. Elmer Ness participated.

Ewauna Toastmistress club, Klamath Falls, was hostess for the meeting. Next Council 4 meeting will be held at Medford March 20. The Medford club will be hostess for the meeting which will be the annual speech contest.

Cancer Factor Survey Scheduled

Portland—UPI—An official of the American Cancer Society said Monday a big 25-state survey of some one million people in half a million families would be made to study possible factors contributing to cancer.

Dr. E. Cuyler Hammond, director of the research section of the American Cancer Society, said the survey was expected to reach between 11,000 and 17,000 persons in Oregon.

He spoke to representatives of 15 counties who will be among volunteers making the survey.

Dr. Hammond said the volunteer would keep track of the families they report on and give information to the research section later.

New York—UPI—Construction workers who finished the concrete work on the top floor of a new luxury apartment building Monday didn't get their usual beer and pretzel topping-out party. The building company putting up the 30-story Imperial House decided that the topping-out party for 400 workers ought to go along with the spirit of the building, in which annual rents will be \$1,000 to \$14,000 per room. Instead of beer and pretzels, they sent up champagne and caviar.

Many Projects Underway By Ashland Women's Club

Ashland—A number of events are on the calendar for Ashland Women's Civic club.

This week is being observed by the club as a CARE week and contributions for aid of the people of Greece are being sought. This is a state-wide project sponsored by the Oregon Federation of Women's club, and it is stated that the people of Greece are in dire need because of crop failures.

Club members will be sta-

tioned at the postoffice, First National bank and United States National bank to take contributions. The federation will present awards for the best results in this project.

The club plans a bazaar and food sale November 27-28, and in December a Christmas greenery sale will be held.

Monday the club held the first of a series of fund-raising luncheons at the club-house. These will be continued for the remainder of the winter, with luncheon served for a small price.

At the club's November meeting, a program on art was given. Mrs. Lurene Nye had arranged the program and introduced Mrs. Leonard Andrews, Gold Hill, former president of the Southern Oregon Society of Artists. Mrs. Andrews spoke on "Art as a Hobby." Mrs. Andrews spoke of the ease with which many artistic endeavors can be carried on, and mentioned some of the well known persons, such as President Eisenhower, and Winston Churchill, who have made painting a hobby.

Clarence Lane, long-time Ashland resident, exhibited a picture which had belonged to his mother, Jane H. Walrod and which was painted in 1860.

Following the meeting, the annual Saide Orr Dunbar tea was held.

Mrs. E. W. Hendrixson is president of the club.

Open House Announced

American Education week and open house will be observed at Lincoln school when Lincoln Parent-Teacher association meets Thursday, November 12.

At 7 p.m., the teachers will be in their rooms to welcome the parents and anyone who is interested in the school.

On display will be both work done by the children and materials used in instruction. Parents may discuss with the teachers any problems pertaining to the school.

At 8 p.m., the group will go to the gymnasium. Following the PTA business meeting, a program will be conducted by Oliver Erickson, teacher for the reading clinic. Mr. Erickson will demonstrate the audio visual aids that are used in the Medford public schools.

Following this program, refreshments will be served in the cafeteria.

FDA Issues New Order Concerning Sugar Free Foods

Washington—Improvement in the quality and labeling of foods for persons on sugar-restricted diets is the objective of a Food and Drug Administration order issued recently.

The new order establishes definitions and standards of identity fixing the composition of artificially sweetened jams, jellies, and preserves.

The new standards reduce the variations in the composition of these fruit products and specify the type of labeling to be used. The order is based on proposals of the National Preservers Association, Washington, D. C., and on comments received from interested persons.

To ensure that artificially sweetened products have a substantial amount of fruit ingredient, the new standards require at least 55 per cent by weight of the finished food to be fruit juice or fruit, FDA said. This fruit content thus will not be less than that required for the corresponding product made with sugar.

The standards allow the use of the following safe, non-nutritive sweeteners: Saccharin, sodium saccharin, calcium saccharin, sodium cyclamate, potassium cyclamate, calcium cyclamate, or any combination of these.

To protect persons on sugar restrictions against indirect addition of any significant amount of sugar, the standards also limit the amount of dextrose which may be added during processing. The addition of a small amount of dextrose may be necessary where pectin is used during the jelling process, FDA said.

Oak Grove Plans Event Thursday

Oak Grove school will hold the annual open house Thursday, November 12th, from 7:30 until 9 p.m. This is in conjunction with National Education week.

Parents of children in grades 1, 2 and 3 will meet with their teacher informally in the child's room, while parents of children in grades 4, 5 and 6 will go through an imaginary school day. A forty-minute movie will be shown in the gymnasium at 7:55 for the children.

Refreshments will be served continuously in the cafeteria with pies and cakes available to take home. The room mothers of Oak Grove Parent-Teacher association will be in charge of the cafeteria.

AAUW Membership Book Available

A membership eligibility booklet for American Association of University Women is on file at Medford public library, according to Mrs. Edwin W. Gebhard, first vice president of the Medford branch.

This booklet lists colleges and universities whose graduates are eligible for membership in AAUW.

Mrs. Gebhard said that several recent changes have made many women eligible who formerly were ineligible for AAUW membership.

One of the changes is that any degree from an AAUW-approved school is now acceptable. Also, many other Oregon schools have been approved, including Southern Oregon college, Eastern Oregon college, and Maryhurst college.

Women interested in AAUW but doubtful of their qualifications may refer to the membership pamphlet at the library or contact Mrs. Gebhard, NORmandy 4-1841.

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.

Tuesday:
7:30 p.m. — Lone Pine School Parent-Teacher association, at church.

7:30 p.m. — Wilson Park Home Extension unit basic dress workshop, McLoughlin Junior High school, room 8.

7:30 p.m. — Women's association circles, First Presbyterian church: Candlelight, Mrs. John Hatch, 944 Whitman ave.; and Vesper, Mrs. William C. Riley, 616 Stewart ave.

7:45 p.m. — Rogue Valley district, Oregon Music Teachers' association, home of Mrs. Karl Peterson, 448 Crowson rd., Ashland.

8 p.m. — American Legion auxiliary, 533 Edwards st.

8 p.m. — AAUW Shakespeare study group, home of Mrs. Don K. Auxier, 408 Windsor ave.

8 p.m. — Beta Sigma Phi City council, home of Mrs. Gerald McGrew, 4250 Jacksonville highway, Medford.

8 p.m. — Nevita chapter, Order of Eastern Star, Masonic temple, Central Point.

8 p.m. — Pythian club, home of Mrs. W. A. Grochok, Coleman Creek rd.

8 p.m. — Alpha Beta chapter, Beta Sigma Phi, home of Mrs. George Polski, 1501 Lenora drive.

Wednesday:
10 a.m. — Evelyn Thomas circle, First Southern Baptist church, home of Mrs. Katie Perkins, route 1, box 292A1, Glen Echo Way, Central Point.

11 a.m. — Medford Townsend club, Carpenters hall, 123½ West Main st.
12:30 p.m. — Chapter AA of PEO Sisterhood, home of Mrs. C. W. Lemery, 200 Windsor ave.

Roxy Gardeners Change Meeting

Roxy Garden club has changed the monthly meeting from Wednesday, November 11, to Thursday, November 12. It will be at the home of Mrs. Robert Stokes, 247 Vernada place, at 1 p.m. Mrs. George Thomas will assist Mrs. Stokes.

Mrs. E. J. Lathrop will give a program on "Wintering Over."

Meeting Announced For Past Presidents

Past presidents of the auxiliary to the Fraternal Order of Eagles will meet at the home of Mrs. Kenneth Brown, 166 Quince street, Friday, November 13, at 1:30 p.m.

Members are to take aprons for the auxiliary bazaar.

Foundation Seeks Causes Of Widespread Deafness

By GAY PAULEY

UPI Women's Editor
New York, Nov. 3—Mrs. Hobart C. Ramsey, who for 20 years lived in the silent world of deafness, now is devoting her life to keeping others from suffering the same affliction.

"I once made a promise to God," said the 41-year-old socialite from Short Hills, N.J. "I am trying to keep that commitment."

Mrs. Ramsey, the wife of the board chairman of the Worthington corporation is founder and president of the Deafness Research foundation, the first National voluntary layman's group furthering research on this major health problem.

Some 17 million Americans have impaired hearing, Mrs. Ramsey said. At least three million are children. "More people suffer from the invisible handicap than the combined total of those with cancer, heart disease, blindness, polio... well, the 10 major diseases," she said, in an interview at the foundation's New York headquarters.

The foundation, financed by contribution, endowment and grant, underwrites hospital and university research, and hopes to educate the public to the need for yearly hearing tests, early diagnosis, and methods of prevention and cure.

Mrs. Ramsey, a native of Nashville, Tenn., said she was just turning into her teens when an abnormal bony growth in the middle ear began to impair hearing. Her father and mother had to face up to asking for a front room seat for her in the classroom, to asking teachers to talk louder when they addressed her, and to have her teachers eventually suggest she drop her courses in Spanish because the nuances of a foreign language were beyond her.

Career Scarred
Then she said, began "my whole career scarred with doctors"... with her parents checking out every clue they heard to a deafness cure. When her mother died, her father sent her to New York to live with an aunt and to see more specialists.

"All told me that I would just have to get used to a world of semi-silence... ultimately total silence," she said.

Another illness which would call for a spinal operation ultimately led to restored hearing. While taking some tests at the Mayo clinic, Rochester, Minn., she heard of Dr. Julius Lempert, a New York ear specialist who had developed the "Fenestration" operation... creating a "window" to let sound waves through.

"I thought, ears first and spine second, as I hurried

east," said Mrs. Ramsey. "I don't believe in bargaining with God. But I pledged that if the Lempert operation worked, I would do all I could so that others might also hear. And I also promised that if it didn't... the chances then were about one out of three, I also would accept deafness."

She had the operation in her right ear in 1952... on her left a year later, when it started further deterioration. Both were successful, giving her what she called "practical" hearing... "it never will be perfect."

Six months after the second ear surgery, she was back in the hospital for the corrective operation on the lower spine. "I believe things have a design," she said. "I had time in the two years I was recuperating from the spinal fusion to work out details for the foundation. I even had time to pay off an old grudge... I took Spanish lessons while I was in the hospital."

Mrs. Ramsey, a tall, striking brunette, is the mother of two daughters—Collette, 21, named for her, and Janet, 18. She had told her husband of her deafness before their marriage and said that all through the years of silence, he was her "ears"... "I would love him forever for that alone," she said.

"But you can't know what a joy it is to hear, once you have lived with deafness. To hear rain... birds singing. The tenderest things have to be said softly. You can't shout 'I love you'. I missed hearing my babies cry... hearing their first words."

"Now I am just eternally thankful. I can't wait to get up in the morning and start listening."

In the Medford area attention is focused on the problem of the deaf through the work of Medford Junior Service league. The league's major continuing project is operation of a kindergarten for children with hearing and speech difficulties.

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Washington—Rapid cooking of cabbage by electronic microwaves resulted in much higher retention of ascorbic acid than in conventional cookery, according to experiments at Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

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