

Society

DISTRICT MEETING HELD SUNDAY

The district meeting for both the M. O. C. and its auxiliary was held at Elkhart, Sunday. An election of officers for both groups was held with Mrs. Bob Butler elected as senior vice president and Mrs. Bob Wilson, junior vice president of the auxiliary, and in the M. O. C., commander Bob Butler, Bob Wilson and Jack McDonald were elected to office. At the auxiliary meeting it was announced that any officer who does not have her dues for 1964 paid is to turn in all papers to the president as they are no longer considered members.

MISS LORI LYNN GAY OBSERVES 1ST BIRTHDAY

Little Miss Lori Lynn Gay, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Gay, route 3, observed her first birthday with a party given in her honor Sunday afternoon. Many lovely gifts were presented to her before lunch was served to Susie, Randy, Debby, and Jimmy Johnson, Brad, Renee and Stan Beabout, Dan and Tom Werling, and Carolyn and Ladd Beabout.

DECATUR NURSERY SCHOOL ANNOUNCES OPENINGS

The Decatur nursery school announced today that it has openings in the 3 to 4 year old group that meets from 8:30 to 11 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday. Interested parents are to contact either Mrs. William McColl or Mrs. Wally Yeoman.

Monday at 7:30 p.m. the Gals and Pals Home Demonstration club will meet at the Pleasant Mills school.

The Guardian Angel Study Club will meet at the home of Mrs. Vernon Krugh, Thursday at 8 p.m.

Mrs. W. Guy Brown will be hostess to the Research club, Monday at 2 p.m.

St. Catherine Study club will meet Monday at the home of Mrs. Vic Hamrick at 8 p.m.

A business meeting will be held at the D. A. V. Auxiliary Monday at the D. A. V. hall, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

The Pythian Sister Needle club will meet following Temple at the Moose home, Monday at 7:30 p.m.

The Eagles Auxiliary will meet at the Eagles Hall, Monday at 8 p.m.

Mrs. Ermil Shiffrer will be hostess to the Salem Methodist W. S. C. S. Thursday at 1:30 p.m.

All ladies of the Union Chapel church are invited to attend a meeting sponsored by the W. S. W. S. January 9 at 7:30 p.m. at the church. Guest speaker for the evening will be Miss Shahnaz Zureshi, Rawalpindi, West Pakistan. She is presently living in Fort Wayne, teaching English at the Indiana Institute of Technology. A period of social fellowship will be held at the close of the meeting.

DORCAS CIRCLE MEETS AT McCONNELL HOME

The Dorcas Circle of the Decatur E. U. church met recently at the home of Mrs. Fred McConnell, with 12 members present.

Mrs. Ruth Seaman gave the lesson using "To Seek a Neighbor — Through the Grace of God" as her topic. She read from Romans 12:1-8 and gave some interesting facts concerning the religions, the people and customs of Southeast Asia. A discussion followed on the peoples from these countries.

Mrs. Hilda Stucky conducted the business meeting. The minutes were read and approved, also a letter from Miss Berdie Wackerth, a nurse, at Redbird Missionary Ky., was read.

Mrs. McConnell gave a report on the amount of money given by the circle. Mrs. Leone Gentis gave a report on church and spiritual renewal.

The meeting was closed with prayer by Mrs. Meta Hamman. Lovely refreshments were served by the hostess, assisted by her daughter, Mrs. Pat Hain.

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY HELD DEC. 30

Pythian Sister Sunshine Girls held their annual Christmas dinner party, December 30, at the home of their royal advisor, Mrs. Vera Barber. The long table was centered with a large green net Christmas tree topped with an angel. On each side of the tree was a silver candle holder holding a large white candle. Clinging to one side of the candle was a small figure of Santa Claus holding a banner saying "Merry Christmas." A small Santa or snowman nut cup marked each place. Beside the nut cup stood a bottle of hand cream. Another large table was decorated with a large Santa and snowman holding yellow candles. The smaller tables held choir boy candies as decoration.

Following the dinner, secret gifts were revealed and gifts presented. New members who didn't have a secret pal drew for their gifts. The entertainment committee consisting of Faye Ahr, Helen Walters, Connie Call, and Renaudia Harrell, led the group in playing many games and singing several Christmas carols. The girls then presented many lovely gifts to their royal advisor. Later, they gathered around a Christmas tree to have pictures taken.

Honorary mothers who attended were Mary Call, Mildred Smith, Edith Walters, and Jane Arnold, who, along with the counsellors, assisted in serving. Members present were Beth Ann and Debbie Snyder, Linda Fulton, Vicki Eichorn, Elaine Bowman, Donna Wolfe, Jane Ann Smith, Lee and Terri Anderson, Linda Hirsch, Connie Call, Carol Shady, Janet Gray, Thelma Walters, Sandy Wenger, Linda Affolder, Jean Ray, Mary Jane Knavel, Diana Durbin, Esther Feasel, Linda Bell, Joyce and Beth Bookout, Mary Call, Mildred Smith, Harriet Pollock, Faye Ahr, Edith Walters, and Evelyn Plasterer.

The next meeting will be held January 13, beginning at 6:15 p.m. at the Moose home. All members are urged to attend.

Births

At the Adams county memorial hospital:

Larry and Sally Marquardt Girardot, Monroeville, are the parents of a 7 lb. 5 oz. baby boy born today at 10:25 a.m.

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Mrs. Ned Arden Mitchel

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Ned Mitchel Claims Bride Recently

The Rev. Fred Luthy, pastor of the Six Mile Church of Christ, officiated for the wedding of Miss Judy Ann Bercot and Ned Arden Mitchel. Two large poinsettias and seven branch candelabra provided the decoration for the candle-light ceremony.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Louis Bercot, route 4, Bluffton, and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Mitchel, route 6, Decatur.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride appeared in a chantilly type acetate nylon lace gown with acetate peau de soie. Miniature seed pearls highlighted the scalloped neckline that dipped to a V back. The bouffant skirt was ballerina length. A white tiara type crown of miniature pearls and crystals held her short veil. The bride carried an arrangement of red and white carnations.

Phillip Lidy stood as best man, with Chester Bercot and David Schaefer serving as ushers.

For her daughter's wedding, Mrs. Bercot was wearing a light green suit with black accessories.

Mrs. Mitchel, mother of the groom, selected a cranberry and charcoal dress with cranberry accessories. Both mothers wore corsages of white carnations.

Immediately following the ceremony, a reception was held in the church basement. Serving at the reception were the Misses Sharon and Harriet Bercot, Diann Gerber and Annie Singleton.

The bride is a graduate of Adams Central high school. The groom, also a graduate of Adams Central is employed by General Electric, Fort Wayne.

The couple will make their home at 2541 1/2 South Anthony, Fort Wayne.

State Colleges To Collect Sales Tax

INDIANAPOLIS (UPI) — Colleges and universities will be required to collect the two percent state sales tax on textbooks, food and some housing accommodations under terms of a ruling made public today by the Indiana State Revenue Department.

Revenue commissioner James C. Courtney said the ruling would become effective with the start of the second semester. The subject had been debated with many state institutions of higher learning taking the position that they should be exempt from collecting the tax from their students.

However, the department said "all sales by college-owned and operated bookstores, including sales of textbooks and school supplies, shall be taxable in the same manner that sales by other retail merchants are taxable."

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