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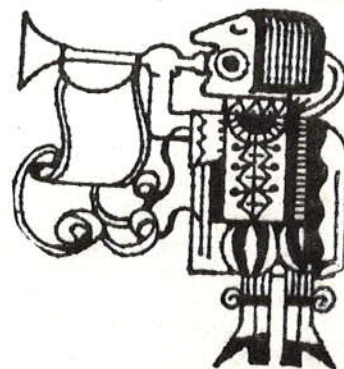
JANUARY MEETING

First Step

- ° A facility for abused and battered wives.
- ° Cooper Elementary School

7:00 p.m.

January 9, 1985



Coming Attractions

- ° February 13, 1985

Orientation of New Members
Fran Saenz's Home
7:00 p.m.

- ° Executive Board Meeting prior to February 13 meeting at 6:00 p.m.

- ° March 30, 1985

Birthday Luncheon for the Metro Council
Grosse Point War Memorial
All are invited.

29 and HOLDING



We dedicate this space to those who are officially 1 year wiser!

Deborah Ervin, November 2
Joan Fredericks, November 20
Sherry Green, November 10
Barb Broadley, December 12
Simonne Grzesik, December 30
Candy Vaphiadis, December 2
Pat Nelson, January 10
Georgie Watson, January 21

Oops! You were wiser, but we weren't! Apologies and belated Happy Birthday:

Shirley Donn, October 17
Alice Duke, October 21
Laurie Pocock, October 12

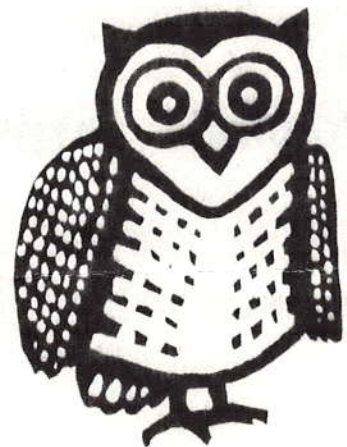
Name A Member Who * * *

_____ has received an Educator of the Year Award, and is also a Duplicate Bridge Player.

_____ was nominated to the National Honorary Society of Librarians.

_____ has been a Channel 56 "Go-Getter".

_____ taught in the Hawaii Public Schools.



1. Pat Nelson married this summer.
2. Would the person who traveled to Hawaii please contact the Editors?????????
3. Marcia Wiss Scarr is now a Principal in Walled Lake.
4. Harriet Larson, Sherry Green and Abby Roach are interested in genealogy.

Answers from the October/November "Name A Member Who . . ."

A "Big Hand" to Gamma Alpha

We met new people, and shared in the fellowship of old friends.

We enjoyed the music of talented children.

We supported the Voc Tech Center and the future "Julia Child's of America"!

We learned about each other; our interests, talents and hobbies.

Many thanks to all the Gamma Alpha members who made this year's auction a huge success.

In particular, "A Big Hand" to the Research and Music Committees for such an organized and well run auction . . .

We earned proceeds of over \$1,200 !!!

Barbara

TIME PASSES QUICKLY

Here's a helpful hint for next year's auction. An interesting history follows . . .

MODERN CITRUS POMANDER

Allow yourself a week to punch all the cloves into the fruit. If your thumb gets sore, poke holes in the fruit with a knitting needle, then press the cloves into the holes.

1 orange, lemon or lime
1 to 2½ ounce boxes whole cloves
4 tablespoons orrisroot powder

Punch cloves into the fruit so closely together they touch. Put the clove-scented fruit into a mixing bowl, and sift over it the orrisroot powder; scoop up and pour the powder until the fruit is completely coated white. Place it in a brown paper bag and set it away in a dark closet to dry out and ripen. Wrap first in muslin, to keep the orrisroot from brushing off, then in another prettier wrapper for giving. In time, the pomander will become completely dry and can be unwrapped if you want to wear it as the Elizabethans did!



HISTORY OF THE POMANDER

The original pomander - pomme d'ambre - was a small apple-shaped lump of ambergris, a strongly scented fixative. In time the name, which is French for "apple of ambergris," referred to the exquisite gold, silver, ivory, wood, or crystal cases in which these fragrant balls were placed. Hung from necklaces or belts, the purpose of the pomander was to protect the wearer from foul smells and to avoid infection.

In the early days of England, tinkers carried bracelets and necklaces of perfumed gums, which were threaded together with lengths of string. Elizabeth I usually carried a pomander made in the shape of a ball and composed of benzoin and ambergris. She also owned "a faire gyrdle of pomanders." Mary, Queen of Scots, owned a similar pomander, still displayed at Holyrood House in Edinburgh; it is silver and was hung from her belt by a silver chain.

The pomander we buy commercially today, a china ball perforated with small holes and filled with fragrant herbs, is a replica of an earlier type of pomander and can be seen in an illustration published in 1502 in "Boat of Foolish Women" by Jodocus Badius.

The pomander most commonly made for Christmas-giving, an orange stuck with cloves, is similar to the one Cardinal Wolsey used-on visiting days he carried it with him tied to his belt to keep away the evil odor of the streets and of his parishoners.

Pomanders are always welcome holiday gifts. Make them 3 weeks before giving, and wrap them in muslin, then in a big square of red or green netting tied with gold ribbons and tiny bells. Placed in a big silver bowl close to the front door, they are very festive, and as guests depart, give each one a pomander. The fragrance of a citrus pomander kept closed in a drawer is cloves-plus, a spicy scent that holds for years.

-from POTPOURRI AND OTHER FRAGRANT DELIGHTS