



Charity Ball: Name, Date

It's almost time to get your best bib & tucker spruced up - and Daddy-O's tux out of the mothballs. Riddle's annual Charity Ball will be Friday, June 9.

It'll be the "Trophy Ball" this year, trophies being closely connected with race horses. And the tab, which includes a champagne breakfast following the brawl - er, ball - will be \$15 per couple. Fence in the date, please. We'll expect you.

Media Riding Tall In The Saddle: Annual Horse Show April 29, 30

High on the agenda of April Riddle events is the Media Auxiliary's annual Horse Show scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, the 29th and 30th, come rain, shine, snow or prairie dogs.

Chairman Mrs. Lew Clark and Co-chairman Mrs. Kenneth Pusey have put together a two-day program that will provide variety, fascination and fun for all spectators, and challenges, ribbons and trophies aplenty for the participants.

The scene is the Bishop Hollow Stables in Newtown Square. The events begin at 9 am both days. A mere \$1 parks your car and admits everybody in it. There will be plenty of refreshments, provided by the members of the Media Auxiliary, who are already working hard on the project.

There will be at least 50 entries taking part in Saturday's English and Western events for children and young adults up to 21; and in Sunday's all-Western show, which will include games on horseback that should leave all visitors rolling in the aisles.

Anybody wishing to enter or seeking more information should call Mrs. Clark at LO 6-5869 or Mrs. Pusey at LO 6-8394.

UNDER WAY!

Riddle Memorial Hospital Is A Building; Contract Signed Foundation Work Has Started

That hospital you've all been working for so hard has taken the first physical step toward the actualization we've all been waiting for.

A contract for footings and foundations was signed Mar. 18 with Nason & Cullen of Philadelphia. And staking out of the ground began--as a happy omen--on the first day of Spring, 1961.

Progress on the work is a good ten days ahead of the schedule of procedure set up in December.

And it's going to stay that way, if Riddle's Board of Directors and General Manager Ed James have anything to say about it. An accelerated, carefully coordinated schedule of bidding, contract-signing and construction is now in operation.

The aim, Mr. James told us, is to get the building up and enclosed "before the snow flies next winter." And actual operation during 1962 is now probable.

Nason & Cullen were low bidders for the footings and foundations contract, which they were awarded following public bid-openings for that contract. Public bid-opening, incidentally, will be the practice on all construction contracts let by the Hospital; and the contracts will normally go to the lowest responsible bidder.

Thanks

....very much for you continuing cooperation in mailing and phoning items to the Riddlegram--and a special thanks for doing it on time!

Deadline for the May issue: April 19.

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FOR YOUR PLEASURE

. . . Coming Events

APRIL 19 - Middletown's APRIL LUNCHEON BRIDGE at the home of Annabelle Adams in Lavender Hill.

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APRIL 20 - Nether Providence's LUNCHEON at the Swarthmore Woman's Club. Paul Wynings of Sheffield (Furniture) Co. will discuss: "Furniture Arrangements and Traffic Areas". Lunch served from 12:30 p.m. \$1.50. Phone Helen Dunn, LO 6-6796.

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APRIL 21, 22 - Rose Tree sponsors the rollickin' mystery-comedy "THE GAZEBO" performed by the Country Lane Players at Penncrest High School on Barren Rd., Lima. Everybody welcome (in fact, urged to come). Tickets at the door or phone Chairman Mrs. Edward (Rocky) Arters, LO 6-6780, or Co-Chairman Mrs. Walter (Jane) Borkowski, LO 6-2267. \$1.50 for adults; 75¢ for children. Curtin: 8:30.

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APRIL 29 - Springfield's THEATER PARTY. "Susan Slept Here" performed by the Springfield Theater Guild, directed by Mrs. Earl Mullen. Curtain: 8:15. Tickets, \$1.50. FULL COURSE "BREAK-FAST" to follow at 11 p.m. in El Dorado Room of deVile Diner on Baltimore Pike. Also \$1.50. Mixed drinks extra. Contact Mrs. Harold Williams, KI 3-4350.

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APRIL 29 - BAKE SALE by Upper Providence from a station wagon parked at State & Plum Sts., Media, most of the day. Assorted goodies for your delectation.

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APRIL 29, 30 - Media's annual HORSE SHOW. Bishop Hollow Stables, Newtown Square. See story, page 1.

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MAY 6 - TREASURE HUNT!! ala Riddlewood. First clue: go to the Village Green Shopping Center between 7 and 8:30 p.m. That's the starting point. Wear old clothes. The hunt's on, rain or shine. So is the barn party afterward, location to be announced. \$5 per couple.

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MAY 10 - FASHION SHOW & LUNCHEON at Drexelbrook Tennis & Swimming Club by Springfield. Time: noon. Tickets: \$3. Fashions by: Dewees. Contact Mrs. William Kelly, KI 3-4726.

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MAY 11 - Rose Tree's ROSE FESTIVAL DESSERT BRIDGE at the home of Mrs. J. Lewis Kirk, Palmer Mill Rd., Media. 1 pm. Everybody welcome. Table prizes, many door prizes. Please make advance reservations through Mrs. Ralph Lindenmuth, LO 6-2017 or Mrs. Charles Kohler, LO 6-3907.

April's Calendar

R. M. H. WOMEN'S BOARD - Second Monday, at 1 p.m. in the Community Room of the Media Federal Savings and Loan Association. Mrs. Charles A. McCafferty, President.

COUNTRY FAIR - Third Monday, 10:30 a.m. at the Media Federal Community Room. Mrs. William A. Watson, Chairman.

BEATTY HILLS - Fourth Tuesday; at 10 a.m. Mrs. R. Y. Shetzline, President.

BOWLING GREEN - Third Tuesday; at 10 a.m. Mrs. Kenneth Welch, President.

GRADYVILLE - Second Monday, 10:30 a.m. at Clover Leaf Inn, Baltimore Pike. Mrs. Richard E. Cotton, President.

LIMA - Third Tuesday, at 8:30 p.m. at Wild Goose, Wawa. Miss Marion Weathers, President.

MEDIA - Second Wednesday, 8:30 p.m. at Media Federal Community Room. Mrs. Stanley Warwick, President.

MIDDLETOWN - First Wednesday, at 10:30 a.m. at the Clover Leaf Inn. Mrs. William P. Wilkinson, President.

MOYLAN-ROSE VALLEY - First Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. at the home of Mrs. Fielder Coffin, President.

NETHER PROVIDENCE - First Thursday, 8 p.m. Mrs. Charles Bakia, President.

RIDDLEWOOD - Fourth Wednesday at 8:15 p.m. in Media Federal Community Room. Mrs. Donald Bertolett, President.

ROSE TREE - First Thursday at 10:30 a.m. at the home of Mrs. Russell Case, Ridley Creek Rd. Mrs. Frank H. Jelinek, President.

SPRINGFIELD - Fourth Monday at 10:30 a.m. at the Township Building, Springfield. Mrs. Charles F. Mallon, President.

SPRINGHAVEN - Second Tuesday, 10:30 a.m. at Springhaven Club. Mrs. George F. Hornaday, President.

SWARTHMORE - Second Tuesday, 10 a.m. Mrs. Bartine Stoner, President.

UPPER PROVIDENCE - First Tuesday at 8:30 p.m. at the home of the President, Mrs. William F. Spock, 551 Walter Drive, Knowltonwood.

Fair Facts:

The Grand Concourse dates: May 20, 21. New feature: mileage marathon, sponsored by Atlantic Refining. Concourse Chairman Bill Baird needs men to help with preparations. Phone LO 6-7128... Fair's first prize: Parkwood Chevrolet from Kirk Chevrolet. Mary Kirk is co-chairman of the Country Store (Rose Tree) Booth... Second prize: a mink stole... Third prize: 3-day New York trip or \$150, courtesy AAA... Prize tickets will soon be on the market...

Added attraction: a Country Fair Kickoff Dance for teenagers Sept. 8, with Al Raymond's Orchestra. The Chester Musicians' Union is making a substantial contribution on to Musicmaker Raymond's fee. Becky Brohard, who is making the dance arrangements, will contribute a transistor radio as a door prize.

Swarthmore (Gingerbread Booth) will also exhibit a Mother Goose Zoo at the Fair, complete with geese, a spotted pony, "three little" pigs, kittens, hens, a black sheep, and other assorted creatures... The Soda, Hot Dog and Cake Booths will be on hand at the Grand Concourse. Come hungry...

The Country Store Booth needs pickles, jellies, cheeses, anything else you might find in a country store. Phone Chairman Evelyn Lindenmuth at LO 6-2017... Dot Yoder is going to do silhouettes at the Fair... Fanny Feaster is contributing a tombola for use at the Fair... A U.S. Marine drill squad will provide color, doing the Queen Anne's Drill....

Still Time

We hope we didn't mislead anybody in stating so emphatically last month that March 15 was the "absolute" deadline for reserving cabins for the Bermuda cruise in October. You can still get accommodations of all kinds on the "Bergensfjord" for the Oct. 14-19 trip.

March 15 was the last day on which Riddle people had exclusive rights to the available accommodations. But there are still cabins left, and you can still earn \$10 for Riddle through each reservation you obtain--with the credit going to your auxiliary.

So keep trying. Phone for reservations or information to Charles Sena, Adams Travel Bureau (which has made this fine fund-raising opportunity available to the Hospital), LO 7-7000. Be sure to mention Riddle when making reservations.

PROFILE

Mrs. Robert W. (Ruth) Graham

Paradox: one of the ablest and hardest-working Riddle "auxiliaries" will probably never hold a major office in the organization.

That's Rose Tree's Ruth Graham, and she's her own paradox-producer. She won't accept 'high office', preferring to labor mightily in the ranks for Riddle. And this she has done and is doing, even though her "official" activities include only chairmanship of the erstwhile "White Elephant Booth" (operative before Rose Tree Auxiliary was formed), a stint as Rose Tree Publicity chairman, co-chairman of last year's Charity Ball, Rose Tree representative on the Women's Board, and (currently) corresponding secretary of both Rose Tree and the Women's Board. "only" did we say?

Ruth Graham started life in Chicago a few years ago, and arrived at her present Paxon Hollow Rd. address via Bronxville, Philadelphia (where she worked for the Blum Store for seven years), Rosemont, Wallingford, and a farm near Phoenixville.

On January 25, this year, she and Bob Graham celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary, an event duly appreciated by Leslie, 14, a student at Indian Lane Junior High, and Bruce, 11 a Rose Tree School pupil, to say nothing of those other members of the family, "Tippie" (a beagle) and "Jet" (feline).

Ruth came into the Riddle family through her long friendship with Ethel Mitchell, first Rose Tree president and first Women's Board president, and Rose Tree and Women's Board officers have been grateful ever since. Ruth Graham, they know, is a person who will do the jobs nobody else wants (like addressing 760 Charity Ball invitations and straightening out the Riddlegram's mailing list) and do them without prodding or procrastination.

"When you give Ruth a job," Women's Board President Miriam McCafferty told us, "you can forget it. You know it'll be done, and done right." Ruth herself simply says: "I'm a kind of odd-job person."

Another invaluable "odd-job" person is Bob Graham, one of the most active husbands in Riddle Auxiliary annals. His current stint: the Country Fair programs, one of the key jobs on the agenda. In his spare time, Bob Graham is learning to paint. Ruth's recreational interests are largely dancing and swimming. And together, they make a team that is serving a worthy cause worthily and well.

FAIR THEME

Theme of the Country Fair will be "Paris Race Track,"

Have You Heard ???

...that the Clarence Warfels of Middletown Road graciously and generously offered their estate grounds (23 acres) for the Country Fair, gratis...that Lima's St. Patrick's Dance was sold out well in advance...that Ann Fuselli is now a member of the Springfield Auxiliary...

...that Beatty Hills' Fanny Feaster is seeking white "elephants" for the "Flea" Market. How do you get an elephant into a flea market? (Some joke)...that Middletown's Kitty Wilhoyte and husband Jeff are off to Hawaii April 1st to visit Kitty's father...that the Riddlegram's mailing list is now up to 813--a good barometer of the Auxiliaries' growth...

...that at one point at Riddlewood's recent "kidnap breakfast at Ellen Kelly's, 22 moppets were playing together in the middle of the room, while a collection of come-as-you-are Mommies sat around sipping coffee and getting acquainted. Marnie Velimesis was chairman of the highly successful event...that Walton Nason of Nason & Cullen, who won the footings and foundations contract, is a Riddle neighbor, a resident of Swarthmore...

...that Anne Cooper is the new chairman of Media's Soda Booth...that Tom's Cafe on Baltimore Pike just opposite the Hospital Grounds is hung with photos of famous Riddle horses (we learned through the Riddlewood News)...that potted plants will be on sale during Bowling Green's tour of the Clarence Jordans' gardens May 6...

How About This For A Useful, Informative, Inexpensive Lark?

On May 17, 18, and 19, the Middle Atlantic Hospital Convention will be held in Atlantic City. There will be many sessions helpful to us "auxilians" and a large number of exhibits of hospital equipment and supplies, which can help show us "how complex an institution we are creating here," as General Manager Ed James put it.

It sounds like a fine go-down-in-the-morning-come-back-that-night trip for groups of Riddle auxilians--fun with profit in the margins. Mr. James will be happy to provide additional information to anybody interested in going themselves or making up a party. The more we know about hospitals, the better members of the Riddle family we'll be.

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