

Why Not Take Summit Talks To Lunch Table?

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Women's Editor

World tensions might be eased "if every time the men went to the conference table the women went to the lunch table."

That's the opinion of Mrs. Richard Hughes, wife of New Jersey's governor, who tried the lunch method several years ago when Nikita Khrushchev brought his daughter to the United States.

Betty Hughes described her part in the Glassboro College meeting between Khrushchev and former President Lyndon Johnson during a Farmington Town Hall talk last week.

Her praise for the feminine visitor was warm.

"I liked that girl," she told her audience in the Northland Theater. "I thought the Soviet government showed a great deal of confidence in her."

MRS. HUGHES said her part in the U.S.-Soviet meeting developed while she was spending some time in the Hughes family beach house with several of the family's 10 children.

"Dick and I both had been doing a lot of thinking about how to get these two proud men together," she said. "After the Glassboro meeting was arranged, it turned out that Ladybirds Johnson and Lynda wanted to plan something special for Mr. Khrushchev's daughter."

"One of the things she really wanted to see was a typical American home. And I was glad to offer ours."

Mrs. Hughes reported a few bad moments because everybody helping her with the luncheon at the beach house brought a bottle of vodka.

"I didn't have time to put them away," she said, "and figured I could leave them on the kitchen table."

"THEY, OF COURSE, the guest of honor wanted to visit the kitchen."

"She was very polite, though. She admired my matching yellow appliances and didn't say a word about the vodka."

"And when we told her you didn't have to be a governor's wife to have yellow kitchen appliances, I think she found some real insight into American life."

THE SPEAKER touched on a



TWO FIRST LADIES -- Mrs. Richard Hughes, wife of the New Jersey governor, compares notes on matters like sales taxes and executive mansions with Michigan's Mrs.

William Miliken, who introduced her to the Farmington Town Hall audience last week. (Evert photo)

wide variety of subjects in an interesting life, her marriage to the personable judge-turned-governor, living with a big family in a historical mansion, losing 60 pounds and conducting a daily television talk show.

She said she was a widow with three small boys and Hughes was a widower with four older children when they met in Halloween--we both were taking the children begging."

"I told myself that evening," she related, "that if this man does not marry me, it will not be my fault." The wedding was

six months later, she added "and we eked out a five-day honeymoon between graduations."

THREE CHILDREN were born out that marriage.

"I managed to avoid making any mention of the fact that our youngest was on the way until the day after my husband was elected governor," she remembered.

"The New Jersey Historical Society really held its breath then," Mrs. Hughes explained that

the governor's mansion in her state is 90 years older than the White House--and most historical of the chief executive residences in the country."

"The idea of our family moving in caused a bit of worry. But we did the third floor in motel modern as a dormitory for the older boys and things have worked out well."

The rule regarding family life in a governor's mansion, she said, is that when distinguished visitors come it's "get dressed or get lost."

HER WEIGHT LOSS, the speaker said, was achieved because of a diabetic condition

and by staying alone in an apartment near the hospital.

Living alone was different and lonely, she said, "but I could always find the scissors." Her diet consisted of a lot of rice, which without seasonings, "tastes like wet Kleenex."

Mrs. Hughes said her daily television program has been "more work than I expected," but interesting and worthwhile when she considers coming college expenses for a big family.

"I can't say whether woman's place is in the home or public life," she added, "it's so different for different women and at different times of life."

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Cyclamate Lament Won't Go On Long

Dieters thrown for a loss by the U.S. government ban on calcium cyclamates can continue to lose weight instead of their cool.

Mrs. Florine Marks, head of Weight Watchers, Inc., in this area, said Monday a new granulated sugar substitute, made without the forbidden chemical, is now on sale in New York and will be in Detroit area stores within three weeks.

Distributed by Weight Watchers International, it will be boxed with individual serving packets.

Mrs. Marks also said she had talked to heads of both local and nation-wide soft-drink firms and had been assured there would soon be cyclamate-less bottled pop on the market.

"But I do want to point out," added the lady whose telephone has rung almost constantly since the federal Health, Education and Welfare Department move was announced Friday night, "that diet pop is definitely not an essential part of the Weight Watcher program."

"Bread and meat are our staples. We do use the low-calorie drink to make dieting easier and for preparing desserts. But the Weight Watcher program certainly isn't based on products containing cyclamates."

There are about 30 Weight Watcher classes in the Observer area with between 1,500 and 2,000 dieters taking part in the program.



IN HOMECOMING COURT--Chris Robertson of Farmington, a freshman at Michigan Technological University at Houghton, was a member of the school's homecoming court this year. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Robertson, 24024 Farmington Road, she is a biology major.

Yule Ideas Shown

Canter area study groups will display Christmas decoration ideas during their annual open house from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 23, in the Geddes Road Hall, 44505 Geddes, Canton Township.

Demonstrations are planned on wiring pine cones for wreaths, and making first nest tree decorations, antique candle holders and Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus figures.

Wanted - - A Woman With A Heart Of Gold

A search is on throughout Wayne, Oakland and Macomb Counties for women with proverbial hearts of gold.

Forty-two women's organizations comprising the Heart of Gold Award Council are joining forces to single out those who have made unusual and outstanding volunteer contributions to the Metropolitan Detroit community.

Working in cooperation with Women for the United Foundation (WUF), the council is planning its third annual award ceremony and luncheon for Feb. 10 in Cobo Hall.

ANY ORGANIZED group or individual in the tri-county area may submit a nomination prior to the Nov. 1 deadline according to Chairman Mrs. Joseph J. Hudak Jr. Only previous Heart of Gold winners will be ineligible for recognition.

Any woman in the tri-county area may become a Heart of Gold nominee providing her volunteer activities involve one of the following:

Child and family services including care of the elderly and work with teens or retirees.

Church, cultural, educational, political, health-related or war-related activities.

Involvement in citizens' groups.

Fund-raising, budgeting or planning for the United Foundation or its federations.

Unusual act of personal heroism, moral courage or simply being an unusual heroine.

A nomination must be made in a letter of 200 to 500 words explaining the volunteer's activities with emphasis on contributions made during the past year.

Letters must contain specific information, point up ways in which the service is outstanding or has benefited the community, and include both the name of place, address and telephone number where the work was done.

THE NOMINEE's name must be omitted in the letter but included along with her address and telephone number on a separate slip stapled to the letter.

The name, address and telephone number of the organization or individual making the nomination also must appear on a separate slip.

Forms for nominations may be obtained from the Heart of Gold Award Council, 1528 Woodward Ave., Detroit 46228, telephone WO 5-1100, to which all entries must be submitted by Nov. 1.

Schoolcraft Offers 'Second Career Seminar'

Observerland women interested in returning to work and feeling doubts as to the best way can get some close-to-home help in a special program planned at Schoolcraft Community College Tuesday, Nov. 11.

Called the "Second-Career Seminar for Women," the one-day session will marshal the background and experience of experts representing the Michigan Employment Service Commission, a social service

agency, area hospitals, industry, and the advice of three women who found a second career after staying out of the job market.

There is no fee for attending the meeting. The college cafeteria will be open for lunch according to Fred Stefanski, director of community services and director of the seminar.

THE DAY'S PROGRAM will begin at 9 a.m. with registration in the Liberal Arts

Building Theater. A general session is scheduled for 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Speakers for the morning session will include Stefanski who will discuss the purposes and objectives of the program; a spokesman from a hospital in the college district who will discuss employment opportunities and training requirements in hospitals; Ruth Dwyer, executive secretary of the Northwest TWCA in Redford who will discuss opportunities for volunteer work among social service agencies.

Other speakers will be a representative of MESOC who will discuss a job aptitude testing program offered by the commission; Robert Seelye, manager of the Detroit office of Kelly Services; and John P. Prodin, personnel and organization placement representative for the Ford Division of the Ford Motor Co. who with Seelye will discuss opportunities in the business and industrial worlds. Prodin is also an instructor in the Schoolcraft College evening program.

AFTER LUNCH, the afternoon session at 1 p.m. will start with a panel in which three women who have entered a career after raising families will relate their experience in returning to work.

From 2 to 3:30 p.m. participants will have an opportunity of singling out one or another of the experts for special interest conversations. The program will adjourn promptly at 3:30 p.m., Stefanski said. Free parking is available in the paved lot at the south end of the campus adjacent to the Liberal Arts Building. Those interested in participating may call Stefanski at 946-4400, extensions 264 and 265.

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A non-mother friend making a Saturday morning visit to our Grand Central Station remarked as she departed:

"This is absolutely the wildest place I know."

I can't for the life of me imagine what she could have meant.

Why, one of our crew wasn't even there at the time.

She was at camp for the weekend, and I'll admit her leaving was a little frantic. Held up by things like trains and traffic jams, I got home from work two minutes after estimated departure time and just made it to the meeting spot in time to say goodbye.

Then within the next hour or so we hurried one sister off to a football game and another to a roller-skating party and greeted the overnight guest of our only stay-at-home.

But back to the Saturday morning. All that happened while my friend was around was that one girl returned from her piano lesson and another zipped in from band work-day chores and went off to choir practice with another sister.

Oh yes, and I made a quick trip to inform the proper authorities that our camper wouldn't be on hand for church duties the next day and the plumber arrived for some extremely pressing repair work.

Now, who could possibly call that wild? Seems a pretty normal family Saturday to me.

—Margaret Miller