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The Metamora and area gentry meet in the early mist on the meadow in Metamora to witness the annual event.

As the riders cantered in formal hunting attire — scarlet huntman coats or black hunting jacket and fawn breeches — the horses all seemed happy to meet again after the summer. The whippers-in and master-of-the-hounds brought in the closely formed pack of hounds for the Priest's blessing. Drinks of sherry were handed up to the riders to help them keep warm during the ride's rigors. A fox was "sighted" once, but none cornered.

Maury Brassert of Birmingham, who has been riding since he was 10, was aboard his bay, a grandson of famous champion Nashua. Patty Haseall of Troy and her daughter Grayson were riders in the hunt, as was John Mandich, all of Birmingham.

Among the onlookers were Jack and Sally Hofer (Sally used to ride in the hunt), Cindy Miner and Nancy Brussert.

After the blessing ceremony, the horn sounded, the hunt moved out with hounds giving cry, and the onlookers went on with Saturday business, refreshed with the charming ceremony.

Coalition against violence

B'nai B'rith Women, together with St. Vincent Sarah Fisher Center in Farmington Hills, will sponsor an event dealing with family violence.

"Conspiracy of Silence: Changing the Patterns of Family Violence" will be presented Oct. 26 at the Embassy Suites in Southfield.

On the committee are Lucy Gersten, Ellen Kershenbaum, Elsie Silverman, Soralee Brol-da, Janet Gubkin, Jacki Kelsey and Betty Speyer. TV2's Sherry Margolis will be the moderator for a distinguished panel.

An Evening at Bloomfield

Northwood Institute and the Detroit Chapter of the Women's Committee will present a gala fashion show with fashions by Judith Ann on Oct. 23.

Judith Sherman is chairwoman of the event, with Barbara Tucker as general chairwoman. Tickets for the show at the Bloomfield Hills Country Club are \$100 for factors and \$75 for patrons. The gala honors the Distinguished Women of Northwood.

Birminghamite Barbara Tucker will be named a Distinguished Woman of Northwood, on Nov. 9 at a Northwood Institute luncheon at the New York City Waldorf Astoria, along with nine other distinguished and well-known women. This marks with 23rd annual ceremony for various fields of education.

'Aspects of Love'

Stuart Gorelick presents an intimate musical production at his new Livonia theater. The top-rated Andrew Lloyd Webber's "Aspects of Love" opened Wednesday with a benefit for the Livonia Heart Fund. A benefit for hurricane victims will be tonight. Award-winning Webber hits include "Evita," "Jesus Christ Superstar," "Cats" and, of course, "Phantom of the Opera."

Stuart Gorelick and the Ritz Carlton Dearborn held a cocktail reception Oct. 1 in honor of 93-year-old George Burns, for whom the Livonia theater is named. Burns and Florence Henderson inaugurated the theater, with performances Oct. 2-4.

State of Israel Bonds

The Somerset Collection in Troy will host a fashion show and cocktail reception for the Women's Division of the State of Israel Bonds at 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 1, announced Meryl Podolsky, Metro Women's Division chairwoman.



A closer look: Sheryl Kammer admires Phebe Goldstein's head cover from north Thailand.



Happy family: Fred (left) and Barbara Erb chat with their son Fred Erb Jr. and his wife Debbie.

"This is an exciting event," Podolsky said. "The Somerset Collection is now the premiere shopping address between New York and Chicago. It makes a glamorous setting for the best in haute couture and, at the same time, supports Israel's economic development."

Co-chairs Reva Kogan, Myrna Partrich and Judy Verona will join special advisor Maddie Forbes in planning the reception-fashion show.

Attendance at the event is \$40, plus a 1992 Israel Bond purchase of \$500 or more.

Smorgasbord

Members of the Detroit-Swed-

ish Council enjoyed their 15th benefit smorgasbord recently at the Bloomfield Hills home of Bill

More than 90 members and guests were seated on the patio under tents, to savor the variety of foods prepared by their members.

When it came time for those old family Swedish songs Ingrid Berge and Bill Hoglund led the singing. Artist Sonja von Rels Cornell drew the winning number for her oil painting, donated for the fund-raising event.

The party benefits the Carl and Olga Milles scholarship for Cranbrook Art Academy.



Horses and hounds: After the blessing of the hounds, the Metamora Hunt begins to move out into the woods. Well-trained hounds stay in a close pack.



Ready for the hunt: John Mandich of Troy (center) and Maury Brassert of Birmingham (right) participate at Metamora. Brassert's boy is a grandson of Nashua.



Smorgasbord: Bev and Bill Hoglund host Swedish-American Council's recent Smorgasbord benefit.

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