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By MARGARET MILLER
Women's Editor

Community theater is a family thing for Mrs. Rosemary Moorehead of Westland and her clan.

Six of her nine children have taken part in various productions of the Wayne Civic Players in the decade she's been a member, said Mrs. Moorehead who is directing the Players' current production of "Flowers for Algernon."

The other three are waiting their turn to be in a play. And even husband Edmund gets into the act, although, his wife explains, "actually he says he doesn't like community theater."

"But he said he would do it for me since I learned to play bridge for him," Mrs. Moorehead added. "He uses to do props and wound up taking parts because we needed him."

"He's the father in this play - don't you think that's pretty good type-casting?"

THIS WEEK is a busier-than-usual one in the always hectic Moorehead household while Mother puts the finishing touches on the drama that will go on stage in John Glenn High School in Wayne for three evenings beginning Friday, Nov. 5.

Rosemary and Edmund Moorehead will be spending a good share of time on the play, as will daughters Marilyn and Rosanna, both of whom have roles, and son Marty, a John Glenn student who is helping with the lighting.

Son Mark, a Henry Ford Community College student, is studying drama "and he'll probably be writing a tough critique on the play," said his mother.

And Mimi, 12, Rebecca, eight, and Alan, six, will be on the other side of the footlights. "They're anxious for their chance to get into a play," Mrs. Moorehead said. "Mimi was disappointed that she was a bit too tall for one role in this production."

Women on the Go

This Family Likes To Act Together In Local Theater



MRS. ROSEMARY MOOREHEAD goes over the "Flowers for Algernon" script with daughters Marilyn (left) and Rosanna. (Observer photo by Harry Mauthe)

TWO DAUGHTERS now married also have been in Wayne Civic Players productions. One of them, now Mrs. Karen Weingarten of Columbus, Ohio, began with a lead in "Picnic" several years ago, went on to study drama at Michigan State University, and now is teaching high school dramatics.

"More and more, community theater is becoming a family activity," said Mrs. Moorehead. "It's something the whole family can enjoy - there's no age limit and you don't have to be stagestruck to enjoy it. There are plenty of backstage jobs."

"We also enjoy reading plays together."

FOR ROSEMARY MOOREHEAD, the love of footlights began when she danced with a USO troop during World War II.

When her family was young,

she was active in things like politics and PTA and Girl Scouts.

"But I went through all those and have stayed with community theater because I enjoy it and so does the family."

With the Wayne Players she has played several roles and been director three times - "Barfoot in the Park" and a one-act play titled "Not Enough Rope" before the current production.

"I also played the part of the mother in 'Barfoot' with the Lafayette Park Players in Detroit," she said. "So I learned that play from both sides."

WHILE SHE prefers directing, she believes it's a good idea to get in to a play once in awhile.

"When you are acting you get totally involved in one

role," she said. "As a director you see the whole thing. And it's fun to read a play and then see it come alive."

Rosemary Moorehead works the Wayne Civic Players into a life that also holds plenty of family responsibility and includes a job with Pacer Manufacturing Co. of Plymouth.

"I'm their one-girl office," she explained. "I usually can finish my work in the early afternoon so I'm home when the family gets in from school."

Family responsibilities are divided in the household with each of the older kids taking one evening a week for babysitting.

"They know it's their job to be there and they accept it," she said. "Besides, they all know that one of these times they'll be the ones at the theater."

Jaycee Unit Plans Bazaar And Auction

Handmade items are "in" again this year for Christmas giving, and the Livonia Jaycee Auxiliary has the answer for those lacking the time or talent to make their own.

The auxiliary will be holding a bazaar-auction Sunday, Nov. 7, in the Community Room of the Livonia Mall, Seven Mile and Middle Belt.

Acting as auctioneers for some of the handmade items such as flower arrangements, candles, paintings, knits and crocheted items, will be Pat Duggan, past president of the Michigan Jaycees, and Russ Smith, past president of the Livonia Jaycees and currently a senator of Jaycees International.

Baked goods will be on sale, along with a host of other items.

Proceeds from the sale will be used for the community service projects of the auxiliary. These include a letter-writing campaign to free the POWs, monthly birthday parties for a ward at the Plymouth State Home, monthly entertainment at a local nursing home, sending home-baked cookies to soldiers in Vietnam and contributions to MAEDC (Michigan Association for Emotionally Disturbed Children) and to the Northwest Guidance Clinic.

The bazaar begins at 12 noon and the auction at 2 p.m.

Livonia Y Plans Ski Fashion Show

A fashion show featuring women's ski clothing from the Viking Ski Shop in Livonia and apres-ski wear from a shop in Northville will be held at the Livonia Family Y Wednesday, Nov. 10, at 10 a.m.

Bill Cameron, Observer ski columnist and executive director of the Y, announced that the fashion show will kick off the popular ladies ski day offered by the Y.

Last year 125 women registered for the program held at Mt. Brighton Ski area.

YW To Hold Supper Nov. 7

Free water shows and a community pancake supper will be held at Northwest Branch YWCA, 25940 Grand River, Detroit, on Sunday, Nov. 7, between 5 and 7 p.m.

Tickets for the supper are \$1.50 for those over 12 and 75 cents for those younger. They are on sale at the Y.

The shows will begin at 4:30 p.m. in the new YWCA pool and will be presented by members of the Redford Union Ruettes (a synchronized swim club) along with YWCA participants.

The shows are planned to give persons in the community an opportunity to view the new pool and see some of the aquatic programs offered there.

each Thursday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

A special price of \$6 is offered, program participants, which includes a lesson, equipment and low fees. Gene Hill, owner-manager of Mt. Brighton, will be present to answer questions.

Registrations will be accepted at the Y, located at 14255 Stark Road, all week, but all interested women may attend the fashion show. Donation at the door will be \$1.

Millionaires' Party Set

The Redford Suburban League will hold a Millionaires' Party Friday, Nov. 5, in the UAW Local 157 Hall in Livonia. Mrs. Carol Metevier is chairman.

Proceeds from the gala will go to help mentally handicapped children.

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Delta Zetas To Hold State Day

The annual Delta Zeta sorority state day will be held Nov. 4 at the Kellogg Center, East Lansing.

Students from Wayne State University and the University of Detroit are expected to attend along with alumnae from the metropolitan Detroit area.

Those interested in attending are asked to contact Mrs. Donald Larson, 23209 Haynes, Farmington. Plans are also being made for interested persons to spend Nov. 5 at the center.

Workshops will be presented and the new province collegiate director, Mrs. John T. Osting of Albion, and the new province alumnae director, Mrs. William Walter of Detroit, will be introduced.

Among those attending will be Mrs. Lyman Baker of Westland; Mrs. James Berry, Mrs. Donald Anderson, Mrs. Norman Browning and Mrs. Charles Mills of Livonia; Mrs. Harry Spencer of Garden City; and Mrs. Michael Frederick and Mrs. Donald Massey of Plymouth.

COAC To See Korean Film

"Korean Legacy," a film about Korean children who may be adopted, will be shown by the Council on Adoptable Children at its meeting at 8 p.m., Friday, Nov. 5, in the Newburgh United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia.

All interested persons are welcome. Dessert will be served.

She's Pledged

Kathy Keen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack D. Keen of Mason Avenue, Livonia, has been pledged to Alpha Phi Chapter of Sigma Sigma Sigma sorority at Central Michigan University, Mount Pleasant.



THE ALUMNAE SISTERS of Delta Zeta sorority had two presents to give to the Northwestern Guidance Clinic in Garden City last week. There was a six-foot felt board, constructed by Lyman Baker of Westland, and a lamp to be used in the clinic's teen corner. On hand when the gifts were presented were (from left) Joanne Torma, clinic director; Mrs. Lyman Baker, current president of the Western Wayne Delta Zeta alumnae; Mrs. Douglas Myers of Wayne, one of the founders of the chapter; and Mrs. Delora Yori, board president for the clinic. (Observer photo by Bob Woodring)

CEW Plans 2 Panels

Students in some non-traditional fields of study for women will talk about their experiences in two conversations planned at the Center for Continuing Education of Women, 330 Thompson, Ann Arbor.

Wednesday, Nov. 10, from 3 to 5 p.m., a panel of women students will discuss medicine, law, engineering and architecture. The second conversation Dec. 1 from 3 to 5 p.m. will highlight anthropology, computer and communication sciences, public administration and business.

Both informal discussions will deal with academic requirements, when to get started, what others think about women in the field, job availability and combining study with family involvements.

All interested women may attend. Title of the conversations is "Preview the Future: Think About Your Next Degree Now."

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