

China Wall LWV Topic

Professor Allen S. Whiting of the University of Michigan Center for Chinese Studies will be speaker for the annual dinner meeting of the Plymouth-Northville League of Women Voters April 24.

The program will be held in the Jacob Room of Hillside Inn, Plymouth. Cocktails will be served at 6:30 p.m., with dinner at 7 p.m., the talk by Prof. Whiting at 8 p.m. and a business meeting at 9 p.m. Tickets are \$6.50, and reservations should be mailed to Mrs. Marvin Kornegger, 9324 Morrison, Plymouth.

Mothers Club Meets April 17

"Twin Discussion" will be held the first half hour of a meeting of the Western Wayne County Mothers of Twins Club at 8:15 p.m., Monday, April 17, in the Real Life Nursery Building, Ford Road west of Beech Daly.



BUSSES STOPPED AT five institutions to pick up patients for the Passover celebration hosted by the Co-operative Council of the League of Jewish Women. This year it was held in the Labor Zionist Building, Farmington. Guests came from Northville, Lapeer, Plymouth, Ypsilanti and Wayne County General hospitals for the luncheon.

Pregnant Women Now May Get Jobless Pay

Unemployed pregnant women who were previously unable to obtain unemployment benefits during certain weeks of their pregnancy may now be able to receive benefits, S. Martin Taylor, director of the Michigan Employment Security Commission, has announced.

Until now, the Michigan Employment Security (MES) Act had provided that unemployed pregnant women were ineligible to receive benefits beginning with the 10th calendar week before expected confinement, as determined by a physician, and extending through the sixth calendar week following

the termination of pregnancy. But this provision was ruled unconstitutional and "discriminating on the basis of sex" by Michigan Attorney General Frank Kelley.

SPECIFICALLY Kelley stated that the previous law was in violation of the equal protection clause of the 14th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution and therefore invalid. Kelley's opinion, issued Feb. 18, came at the request of Rep. Alma Stalworth, 15 District.

In essence, the attorney general's ruling means that unemployed pregnant women will be treated like all other

unemployed persons and will be required to meet the eligibility criteria that all other unemployed individuals must meet in order to receive unemployment benefits.

Thus, pregnant women must establish that they are unemployed, seeking work and able and available to work full-time.

As a pregnant woman approaches confinement, she may not be able to meet the requirement of being able to work and will not be eligible to receive benefits. If there is any doubt that a claimant is able to work, during or after pregnancy, a medical report will be requested.

THE OPINION does not affect a claimant who is on a leave of absence granted at her request or one whose contract with her employer provides for a mandatory pregnancy leave of absence. However, when a contract is permissive, or in the absence of a contract, a leave of absence cannot be imposed by the employer without a specific request by the individual involved. Women who quit their jobs because of illness due to pregnancy and were not allowed to take a leave of absence also may qualify for benefits.

Style Show To Give Aid To Osteopaths

The Wayne County Osteopathic Association Auxiliary, will present a luncheon and fashion show in the Holiday Inn of Farmington, 10 Mile west of Grand River, at 12 noon Tuesday, April 18.

Spring fashions will be displayed by Harvi's Suburban Casuals, and Emily Murphy will be coordinator.

Mrs. Arthur Levine of Southfield is chairman and Mrs. Frank McDevitt of Farmington is decorations chairman. Committee members include Mrs. David

Lucht of Livonia and Mrs. Nicolas Sella of Plymouth. The auxiliary is composed of wives, mothers and daughters of osteopathic physicians who practice in the Wayne County area.

Members plan to give fashion show proceeds to the American Osteopathic Association's scholarship fund, and loan and research fund as well as to the osteopathic progress fund and the Michigan College of Osteopathic Medicine foundation fund.

Button, Button

Helen Goodwin will speak on Goodyear Buttons during the regular monthly meeting of the Mayflower Button Club at 12 noon Saturday, April 15, in the home of Connie Fitzer, 1150 Roosevelt, Plymouth.

Members are asked to bring a sandwich for lunch, and dessert and coffee will be furnished.

Club members will sell antique buttons during the Antique Car Owners annual sale from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, April 16, in the Dearborn Youth Center, Michigan and Greenfield. Proceeds from the sale will be used to purchase books about buttons and their history for the libraries of club members home communities.

Camp Fire Girls Dine With Dads

The WaNoSu district of Camp Fire Girls, including most of the Observer area, will hold its annual father-daughter banquet in Roma Hall at 6 p.m. Wednesday,

April 18. Tickets for \$3 per person are available through Camp Fire group leaders. The Primo People, made up of four boys and four girls

from a Detroit family, will furnish the entertainment. Additional ticket information is available through Calvin Strom, 15796 Blue Skies, Livonia.

Lamaze Film Delta Zetas Plan Show

The Childbirth Preparation Association will show the film, "American Natassence: A Journey with a Friend," at 8 p.m. Friday, April 28, in Christus Victor Lutheran Church, 25535 Ford, Dearborn Heights.

Later there will be discussion of the Lamaze method of childbirth. All couples interested are invited.

The Metropolitan Detroit alumnae of Delta Zeta sorority will hold a luncheon and fashion show in Meadowbrook Country Club, 40941 W. Eight Mile, Northville.

The event, entitled "Flame Fantasy," will begin at 12:15 p.m., Saturday, April 22. Luncheon tickets for alumnae and friends are available at \$7 each from Mrs.

William Kamm, 1841 Huntington, Grosse Pointe.

Mrs. Douglas Myers of Wayne and Mrs. Donald Anderson of Livonia are chairmen of the event.

Proceeds from the luncheon will be given to the Detroit Speech and Hearing Center.

Douglas Brown of Wayne will provide the music.

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