

Find The Twelve Days Of Christmas

Every family that enjoys putting up special decorations at this season would delight in the Richard Mallow home on Beacon Hill Drive in Plymouth.

There, if you look hard enough, you can see some decor representing every one of the 12 days of Christmas.

Well, not too many maids-a-milking or lords-a-leaping or ladies dancing, though all are represented in a 12-tier stand in the front hall and on the Christmas tree skirt and special decorations fashioned by Diane Mallow.

BUT THERE are drummers drumming in a toy display in the playroom, swans, (not swimming) but filled with Christmas greens, and pipers piping in a charming stairway arrangement.

Also there are five gold rings entwined for a coffee table decoration, live calling birds, French hens in straw nests, turtle doves in a dining table centerpiece and several partridges in pear trees, including one that uses dowels, real pears and Christmas cookies.

THE DECORATION even includes an outdoor tree for visiting partridges and other feathered friends.

Probably the calling birds started the whole thing. The Mallows are parakeet fanciers and have several cages for them built into their home.

So when the Plymouth branch of the Women's National Home and Garden Association needed another stop for its Dec. 1 Christmas walk with a holiday song theme, the Mallow home and "The Twelve Days of Christmas" seemed a natural. After all, one day already was built in.

MRS. STEPHANIE LaGOSH, branch president pictured below with the French hens, worked with Mrs. Mallow and an able committee to create the imaginative decorations, and the home became one of the major attractions on the Christmas walk.

And, with a few replacements of greenery, the home has kept its "Twelve Days of Christmas" flavor all through the holiday season.



MRS. DIANE MALLOW puts the finishing touches on her "Twelve Days of Christmas" tree.

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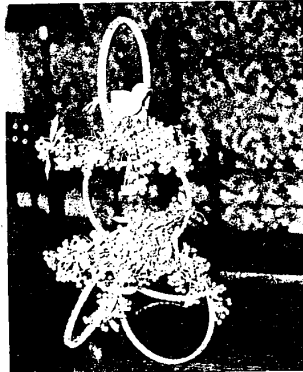
THE MOUSE WASN'T STIRRING in this Christmas arrangement by Mrs. Keith Willoughby of Farmington any more than he was in the famed "Night Before Christmas" poem. But four-year-old Julie Meade still found him a delightful herald of the holiday season. Mrs. Willoughby entered her arrangement "Not Even A Mouse," in a Christmas flower show conducted by the Hill and Dale Garden Club earlier this month in Farmington. (Photo by Fran Evert)

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Seven Pipers Piping



Five Gold Rings



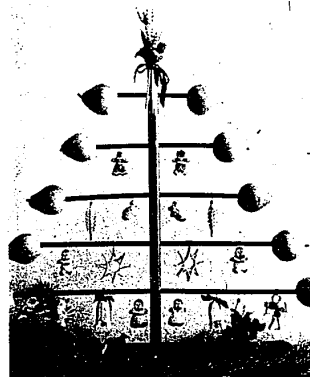
Four Calling Birds



Three French Hens



Two Turtle Doves

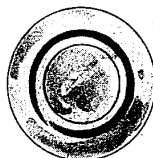


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