

Oakland Hills manager retires

By GRETCHEN HITCH
John Brennan, manager of Oakland Hills Country Club for the past 10 years, retired Jan. 1. It was the second time around for Brennan, who managed the club in Birmingham from 1945 to 1949.


Birmingham called him back and in 1952 he returned to become manager of Birmingham Country Club. "It's been 27 years as a club manager and 15 years in hotels," said Brennan, reminiscing on his career the day of his retirement. Having been a line-in manager, Brennan and his wife will now have their own home, an apartment in Birmingham Farms Apartments. Brennan, who was president of the Club Managers

Association of America in 1961, will continue as a club consultant. "NATURALLY I think Oakland is the finest club in the world with the finest people for members," said Brennan. "They have been kind to me and my family." His wife, Helen, who infrequently attended the club's social events, was honored with Brennan at a reception at the club the last Sunday in 1974. Their 27-year-old son, Mike, also lives in Birmingham. Born in Peoria, Ill., Brennan began his career at the Creve Coeur Club in Peoria.

THE 1972 PGA Tournament held at Oakland Hills would have to be considered Brennan's finest hour. "You could say it was the highlight of my years in the business. As far as I know, the PGA at Oakland Hills proved to be the highest attendance on record for any golf tournament." Brennan was assisted in running the club by two assistants, Randy Gudnowski and Harry Hoag. Ray White, present manager of Red Run Golf Club, was appointed the new manager at Oakland Hills. He described Brennan as the "dean of hotel managers."

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CONSUMER PROTECTION Division, is part of the Oakland County Prosecutor's office investigating and prosecuting criminal fraud. Volunteers are needed to handle consumer complaints. Volunteers gather facts from both sides and attempt to resolve the problem. Volunteers are also needed in the office. Training is provided and a new session will start in mid-January. Four hours weekly is required.

LOURDES NURSING HOME, 2300 Watkins Lake Road, Pontiac provides long-term patient care. Volunteers are needed to run various activities for the patients. Volunteers are also needed to take patients to and from physical therapy, feed patients, read or write letters or visit. Hours are flexible.

OAKLAND COUNTY COOPERATIVE EXTENSIONS SERVICE, 1025 N. Telegraph Road, Pontiac needs volunteers to assist staff members with supplementary services such as transportation, sewing and small home repairs in the family living education program and expanded nutrition program for low income families. Volunteers are also needed to work with youth in urban areas through the 4-H programs in a variety of areas including drama, bicycle safety and dog obedience. Training and support materials are provided.

Hadassah to show Israeli fashions

Metropolitan Detroit Chapter of Hadassah will present the new Hadassah Fashion Show at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 4 at Adat Shalom Synagogue. The event is the annual Eye Bank Fund Raising Affair and admission is by a filled Eye Bank or donation. The show will present fashions emphasizing strong design with tailoring and hand-woven fabrics. Many of the fabrics are hand-beaded to translate Oriental motifs into modern designs. The designs are a full year's endeavor by some 35 students at the Hadassah Seligberg-Brandeis Comprehensive High School in Jerusalem. The students prepared the designs, the fabrics and did the sewing. Hadassah, an American women's organization with 350,000 members throughout the United States also conducts extensive medical, health, teaching and research, youth rescue and rehabilitation and land reclamation programs in Israel. The fashion show will be coordinated by Hadassah of Birmingham with Mrs. Ruth Seligson as commentator. Chapter president is Mrs. Jerome Kaufman and Chairman of the Day is Mrs. Sidney J. Wisner of Detroit. Members of the planning committee include: Mrs. Merle Solway and Mrs. Julius Young of Bloomfield Hills.

Mrs. Fred Garon and Mrs. David Surgin of Southfield, Mrs. Harold Hoffman and Mrs. Norman Rosenfield of Detroit and Mrs. Bernard Stollman of Birmingham.

Kappa Deltas plan Jan. 14 meeting

The regular monthly meeting of Kappa Delta South Oakland Alumnae Association is scheduled for 12:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 14, at The Easter Seal Society for Crippled Children and Adults of Oakland County, 1105 N. Telegraph Road, Pontiac. The group will make Valentine favors for the Children's Valentine Party.

Charity preview benefits hospital

Mrs. Lynn Townsend is chairperson of a special charity preview showing at the Detroit Auto Show at 6 p.m. Friday at Cobo Hall. Proceeds from the showing and a special buffet dinner will benefit Children's Hospital.

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