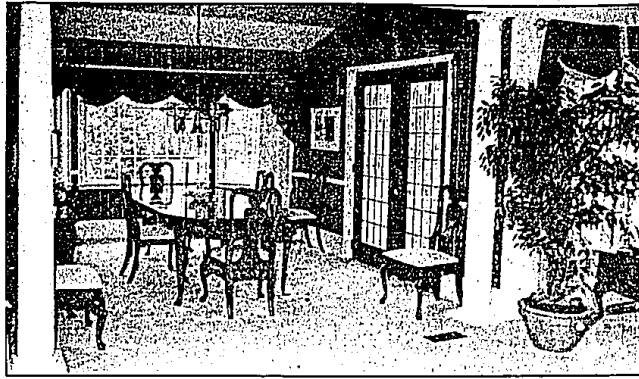


Beautiful bedroom: The decor and furnishings, such as the small white flowers on the wallpaper and the white furniture, in the guest room in the Atwood house are in harmony.



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Delightful dining: The Atwood home, one of the seven on the Crittenton holiday tour, is both elegant and comfortable. The dining room, added on to the house, features an angled ceiling and a lot of window exposure.

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Proud performer: Solo ballet dancer Tammy Dominick, whose teacher/therapist is Patrice Morris Weaver, was one of the performers at a recent Arc/MFMC music festival.



The auxiliary renders service to the hospital and its patients, including volunteer services, fund raising and public relations activities.

Uptown message

Supporters, performers and audiences of the Michigan Federation of Music Clubs/Arc Music Festival have plenty to smile about, thanks to clowns Florall and Lardie.

At the Birmingham Musicals program Thursday afternoon in The Community House in Birmingham, Marcia Stoll and Judy Basso presented a check for \$5,000 to the Arc of Oakland County to perpetuate music festivals for youngsters with special needs. The money was raised in two "Musicanzas" featuring the clowns and other performers. Skip Gelder, festival chairwoman and founder, and Tom Kendzioriski, Arc executive director, accepted a giant replica of the check.

The Musicals was the first National Federated Music Club to

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establish a junior club for the developmentally disabled. Participants will perform next spring in what Gelder refers to as the "Junior Olympics of the Performing Arts."

"Thank you," Gelder said. "This is very, very special to all of us. The junior club is an outstanding achievement . . . Now these festivals will continue forever."

The Arc of Oakland County works directly with developmentally disabled people. The Birmingham Musicals, a member of the MFMC, works to stimulate musical interest and promote community service. These two non-profit groups have jointly staged the MFMC/Art Music Festival since 1985.

Through the efforts of many people affiliated with the Musical, MFMC and Arc of Oakland County, more than \$45,000 has been raised specifically earmarked for the festival.

Philippine exhibit

The Belian Art Center, 5980 Rochester Road at Square Lake Road (call 828-1001), is presenting "Remembrances . . . Surprises," a multimedia display of works by recognized Filipino and Philippine-American artists, through Nov. 23. The exhibit gives a glimpse of rural and urban life as well as a variety of artistic styles.

Some subjects are presented in sunny settings and vibrant colors. Others are in softly dramatic

shadow. Still life, rituals, street scenes and abstract images are among the features in the show.

Family affair

Howard and Hans Nordlund have an unusual father-and-son business: a studio/gallery called Back in Birmingham. The gallery, 359 S. Woodward in downtown Birmingham, had its grand opening recently (call 334-5989).

The cozy setting is filled with art by the two men. Howard Nordlund ("the elder") paints sunny, colorful, impressionistic scenes, some of which incorporate rocks or other elements. Hans Nordlund ("the younger") paints religious themes, adding objects to give them a three-dimensional effect. For example, his painting of a golden calf features an arrangement of jewelry hanging in front of it.

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the designs to be at the eye level of a child. For youngsters in another part of the exhibit, labels encourage touching the surfaces and feeling clay, and explain ceramic terms. Bright, imaginative ceramic works made by youngsters who have taken classes at Pewabic may be held too. There's a bit of history in this section as well: featured is part of a

series of tiles designed by Stratton for children. Bazil pointed out the clear "Please Touch" in the children's area of the display. "This is the whole point, for them to touch," she said. Call the library at 948-0460 for more information.

Meadow Brook sets holiday events

A holiday tradition continues at Meadow Brook Hall at Oakland University in Rochester Nov. 28 through Dec. 12. The joy of Christmas at Meadow Brook

Art grants offered

Artworks Fund grants of up to \$1,000 are now available to non-profit organizations to assist in the exhibit or purchase of works by Arts Midwest's 1993-94 Visual Artist Fund recipients, or to include these artists in future series, residencies or workshops. For more information and Artworks Fund application materials, call Bobbi Morris, Arts Midwest director of funding programs, at 612-341-0765.

Artworks Fund is a matching grant program for non-profit organizations including galleries, museums, art centers and educational or community institutions.

It encourages activities featuring 30 Midwest sculptors, crafts artists and photographers who received Arts Midwest Visual Artists Fund fellowships in August 1993. Artworks Fund grants are awarded on a first-come, first-served basis.

"The Artworks Fund has been extremely successful in encouraging organizations to utilize and share the talents of Midwest visual artists with their audiences."

The Artworks Fund is designed to create new audiences and appreciation for high-quality work by artists in the Arts Midwest nine-state region of Michigan, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Minnesota, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota and Wisconsin. Visual Artists Fund recipients who benefit from the Artworks Fund are selected from more than 1,000 applicants for outstanding work in sculpture, crafts and photography.

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