

EVENTS

Cactus and Succulent
The Michigan Cactus and Succulent Society will participate in a hands-on workshop on transplanting cacti at 2 p.m. Sunday, June 1, at 5601 Coomer Road in West Bloomfield. There is no charge for the event and guests are welcome for information or directions to the meeting, call (248) 681-4193.

Victorian America
Take a historical adventure in Everyday Life in Victorian America, a class 7-9 p.m. Monday, June 2, at Rochester Community House, 818 Ludlow. Participants in the class, conducted by author Jason Louis Klavava will experience the daily rituals performed by our ancestors more than 100 years ago. Fees \$20 for registration and other information, call (248) 651-0622.

FASHION
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"She just wasn't as worried about knocking everyone's socks off (with what she wore)." In her work at Cranbrook, Weller came across a number of intriguing and exciting items. An example is a calico work dress from 1845 - a rare find, she said.

"People don't save work dresses. When you get your hands on something like that, you treasure it."

An exquisite dress from 1910-15 features a black lace overlay on dark blue satin, a tulle inset and three layers of

lacy material in the sleeves. A taupe lounging dress has gold thread, and a floral ornament on the belt.

The presentation showed the variety of jackets in the collection. There was a shrug, with a paisley pattern, long chenille fringe, and darts that make tiny pockets for the fingers, and a cream and taupe caped with a graceful cutout design and pleating at the collar.

Also shown was a velvet jacket that would have been very snug, with its fitted sleeves and the waist. Inside to go around the waist. Yet another type of jacket, despite its elegant appearance, was to be worn only while combing hair.

"A sign of haute couture is if you turn the garment inside out and the inside is as beautiful as the outside," Weller said as she held up a hooded, red velvet opera cape and showed its deep golden lining.

would actually fit over a bustle. Bustles were puffed with wicker cages or padding.

Weller said, Corsets were typically sewn on the lining of longer skirts where they would trail on the ground, to give them better wear.

Weller estimated that Ellen Booth's dress size would be what is 4 or 6 today. When the family put on a little production as part of the Booths' 50th wedding anniversary, a 10-year-old granddaughter was the only person who could fit into the wedding gown.

Booths she found indicate that Mrs. Booth bought a number of garments from Julia's, which was the premier dress shop in Detroit at the time, Weller said.

Cranbrook House and Gardens

■ **What:** The English Arts and Crafts style major home of Cranbrook founders George and Ellen Booth, and the more than 40 acres of gardens that surround it.

■ **Where:** 480 Lane Pine Road, east of Telegraph and west of Woodward in Bloomfield Hills. Free parking on Lane Pine Road or in the Christ Church Cranbrook lot.

■ **Hours:** Cranbrook House will be open for tours June through October, 3 p.m. Sundays and 11 a.m. and 1:15 p.m. Thursdays. Groups of 15 or more may arrange a house tour between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. weekdays.

■ **Cranbrook Gardens** are open for self-guided tours now through Labor Day, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sundays, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. daily in September, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. weekends only in October. Pre-arranged guided tours are available for groups.

■ **Admission:** To Cranbrook House, \$10 for adults and \$8 for seniors and students. To Cranbrook Gardens, \$5 for adults, \$4 for seniors and students, free for age 5 and under.

■ **Lunch:** Lunch is served Thursdays only for an additional \$15; reservations required. Luncheon at Cranbrook House may be arranged for 20 to 50 people; four weeks notice required.

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'FUTURE OF THE PAST'

Exploring clothing and textile design is an adventure. Weller explained how clothing styles and trends have been influenced by events of the time.

Ready-to-wear clothing came about during the Civil War, when uniforms had to be distributed quickly. Clothing sizes were set up so people didn't have to go for personal fitting.

"Make do and mend" was a motto during World War II. To save fabric, the number of pockets and pleats in outfits were limited, and men's suits came with one instead of two pairs of pants.

Weller mentioned helix sewing, which uses only

natural fibers, and shell or glass buttons instead of metal or plastic snaps so they won't rust or melt. Natural fibers don't turn yellow with age, she said.

Weller urged the auxiliary - which serves as caretaker of the Booth family estate - to maintain what she called "the future of the past."

This includes continuing cataloging and rehousing, and such tasks as lining closets with acid-free materials so the wood won't damage clothes and sewing muslin around the tops of hangers so clothes won't slip off, she said.

Weller also encouraged

auxiliary members to think of ways of sharing the clothing collection with the public.

Among her suggestions were to have an exhibit comparing Cranbrook's collection with other collections from the area, and to invite a sewing group to have a retreat at Cranbrook.

Anyone interested in helping with cataloging, rehousing, interpretation projects or other work at Cranbrook should call Mark Coir, director of Cranbrook archives, at (248) 645-3581.

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