

Sunday, September 17

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE, MEDFORD, OREGON

AAUW Patio Tea Has Hawaiian Theme; More Than 100 Attend

The Medford branch of the American Association of University Women held its annual membership tea on Saturday, September 9, at the Windsor avenue home of Mrs. Theodore P. Barss. More than 100 members and guests attended the informal patio tea which had an Hawaiian theme this year.

The table, arranged by Mrs. Edwin Gebhard and Mrs. Vernon Gebhard, co-chairmen for the tea, was decorated with fish-netting, shells, tropical leaves, and flowers. Hawaiian punch, fresh fruit and molded salads, and nuts replaced the usual tea fare. To carry out the theme guests were given leis of fresh flowers to wear and their name tags, made by Mrs. Calvin L. Smith and Mrs. Ralph Wiese, were made in the shape of pineapples.

Study Groups

During the tea those interested registered for the various study groups. Mrs. Ray L. Caserline, study group coordinator, emphasizes that eligibility for AAUW membership is not a prerequisite for joining one or more of the study groups. This year the groups and their chairmen are as follows: applied arts (morning),

Mrs. Vernon Gebhard; applied arts (evening), Mrs. Everett Lasher; appreciation of the fine arts, Mrs. Dan Doty; book reviews, Mrs. William Cousineau; great decisions, Mrs. Joseph Clark; interior decoration, Mrs. John Ness; international relations, Mrs. Justin Smith; modern dance, Mrs. Vernon Gebhard; Shakespeare, Mrs. Leonard Halfhill, and group composed of recent graduates, Mrs. Glenn Scheirman. Any woman interested in registering for these groups should contact the chairman for further information.

During the afternoon background music was provided by Mrs. DeVere Taylor, Mrs. Earl Fichtner, and Mrs. Kenneth Brown who played the organ.

Past Presidents Pour

Mrs. W. F. Roemer, president, and Mrs. Emerson T. Anderson, Mrs. A. J. Johannson, Mrs. Gordon Mackenzie, Mrs. Justin Smith and Mrs. Frances Willett, past presidents, poured. Mrs. Calvin Smith, vice president, was assisted in greeting the guests by Mrs. John Burg, Mrs. Douglas Phillips, Mrs. R. V. Dill, Mrs. Bruce Nelson, Mrs.

Fred Rankin, Mrs. Hans Hess and Mrs. Thomas Upton.

The co-chairmen for the tea were assisted in their preparations of food and flowers by Mrs. Dana Collins, Mrs. Erling Loveness, Mrs. Willett, Mrs. Lloyd Bishop, Mrs. Rankin, Mrs. William Cobb, Mrs. Fitzhugh Brewer, Mrs. Hans Hess, Mrs. Roemer, Mrs. Calvin L. Smith, Mrs. Everett Lasher, Mrs. Johannson, Mrs. Dan Doty, Mrs. George Johns, Mrs. William Cousineau, Mrs. Joseph Clark, Mrs. John Ness, Mrs. R. W. Dill, Mrs. Glenn Schierman, Mrs. Ralph Wiese and Mrs. Alan Markee.

The next meeting of Medford branch AAUW will be October 4. Mrs. Jack Love is planning a progressive dinner for the occasion.



Mrs. W. F. Roemer, president of the Medford branch of American Association of University Women, pours punch for cochairmen Mrs. Vernon Gebhard (center) and Mrs. Edwin Gebhard (right) at annual membership tea of the organization last Saturday. Shown with them is Mrs. Theodore P. Barss

at whose home the event was held. This year's event was in the Hawaiian theme with fish-netting, shells, tropical leaves and flowers for decorations. Others who poured during the afternoon were past presidents of the local branch.