

## New Committees Working on Square House Restoration

The Rye Historical Society announced this week the formation of a new Fine Arts Committee and an addition to the Restoration Committee for the Square House. Mrs. Elizabeth Holton has accepted the chairmanship of the Fine Arts Committee which will seek out and acquire antique furnishings and establish policy on acquisitions for the museum collection. Members appointed to serve with Mrs. Holton include Mrs. Gordon Walker, Dr. Robert Mallory III, Mrs. Joseph Traphagen and architectural historian Daniel M. C. Hopping (ex-officio).

Robert W. Crozier has joined the Restoration Committee as consulting architect.

Mrs. Holton has been working for several years decorating and furnishing the Bartow-Pell Mansion Museum in the Bronx which is owned by the City of New York and is the home of the International Garden Club. She is a graduate of the New York School of Interior Design, a member of the American Institute of Design and runs her own decorating business with a shop in the Arcade Building next door to the Square House.

Mrs. Holton considers a winter spent with David Belasco on stage design and two years with painter Robert Henri as very helpful to her work. She was associated with the founding of the Westchester Cotillion and the Children's Opera at the Metropolitan. Long a resident of Pelham, Mrs. Holton has been a resident of Rye for three years. She is listed in Who's Who of American Women.

Mrs. Gordon Walker, Mrs. Holton's daughter who says she "grew up doing leg-work for my mother," worked with another New York City restoration—the Van Cortlandt House Museum in Van Cortlandt Park, the Bronx. She helped with the restoration, furnishing and re-

furbishing and set up the management and custodial service after the completion of restoration. Mrs. Walker has taken specialized courses at the New York University and Columbia.

Dr. Robert Mallory III is a practicing physician with an interest in pewter as an avocation. He has a countrywide reputation as a collector authority on American metals and has lectured at Colonial Williamsburg, at the Henry Ford Dearborn Restoration and at symposiums such as a Pennsylvania statewide meeting of antiquarians last summer. Dr. Mallory is associated with the departments of obstetrics and gynecology at Grasslands Hospital and United Hospital. He is on the staff of the clinic of Planned Parenthood for Eastern Westchester, and practices medicine in Rye.

Mrs. Traphagen is a graduate of Parsons School of Design in New York and has been an active volunteer at the Square House working up exhibits and caring for museum acquisitions.

Mr. Crozier is head of the firm of Robert W. Crozier & Associates in Rye, which has designed over 500 homes in Westchester, Connecticut and Long Island as well as institutional and commercial buildings throughout Westchester. A few of his structures in Rye are the Recreation Center, additions and alterations to the High School, Osborn and Milton Schools, and his own new home on Manursing Island. Mr. Crozier, a nationally registered architect, is a member of the American Institute of Architects, having been president of the Westchester chapter, and a director of the New York State Association of Architects, president of the Rye Lions Club and has served on various local committees.

Other members of the Square House Restoration Committee who have been serving for nearly two years are: Daniel M. C. Hopping, architectural consultant; Goddard Light, chairman; Arthur Remling, draughts and plans; Daniel B. Thomas, building consultant; Mrs. Oscar W. Heimlich, research and publicity; Mrs. Richard Morgan, re-

search and genealogy; Mrs. John J. Lofin, research—deeds and wills; Mrs. Norman C. Curtin, typist; and William Dornbusch, ex-officio.

## Mrs. Palermo Elected Garden Club President

Mrs. Maurice Palermo, outstanding flower arranger and enthusiastic promoter of civic beauty in Rye, has been elected president of the Ceres Garden Club. Mrs. Palermo is the winner of numerous tricolor and creativity award ribbons in competition throughout the county, and for the past two years has headed the committee responsible for the hanging baskets on Purchase Street, as well as being chairman of Operation Rye Beauty.

Other members on the Ceres slate which was elected last week were: Mrs. Francis Archibald, 1st vice president; Mrs. Leroy C. Peters, 2nd vice president; Mrs. F. T. Kemple, recording secretary; Mrs. Leonard J. Schindo, Jr., corresponding secretary; and Mrs. Harry J. Galland, treasurer. The new directors are Mrs. Kenneth Leonard, Mrs. John H. Albert, and Miss Marion Tuthill. The meeting took place at the Rye Nature Center, with Mrs. Leonard, president, presiding.

Mrs. James Rahman was chairman of the nominating committee, assisted by Mrs. Edward L. Chapman, Mrs. Henry Desforges, Mrs. H. H. Gibb, Mrs. Gregory Mantik, and Mrs. Harry Takvorian.

The program for the April meeting featured Mrs. M. W. Wien of Boonton, N. J., who spoke on "Tricks and Techniques of Drying Flowers," and Mrs. Madeline Holden of Pompton Beach, N. J., who demonstrated tinsel painting on glass.

In spite of a cold spring, a small horticulture show was held. Mrs. Schindo came away with three blue ribbons, while Mrs. Galland and Mrs. Takvorian won two each. One blue ribbon was awarded to Mrs. John Baltz, Mrs. George Bowling, Mrs. Peters and Mrs. Mantik.

Tea was served by Mrs. Oswald Gellert and her committee.

## Influence Of Rye YMCA Explained To Kiwanians

Teaching responsibility among younger boys in its various activities is one of the greatest functions of the Rye YMCA, which is now in its 48th year and has a membership of 1200 members ranging from six to more than 70 years of age. But most of the members are boys from six to 12 years of age.

This was pointed out by Joseph O'Brien, director of physical education at the YMCA at the Kiwanis Club meeting at the Rye Golf Course Tuesday night. Mr. O'Brien, who has been active in the "Y" since he joined the staff in 1947, traced the growth of the organization through the years since the late Louis "Pa" Cope helped to found it and direct it for many years.

"We try to teach everyone to play the game and enjoy it, regardless of being winner or loser," he explained. Begun as an institution for young men, the "Y" today serves young people and women as well as men. He said the fact that the young people engaged in nu-

merous activities in other organizations, such as Little League baseball, in no way interferes competitively with their activities at the YMCA.

Manuel Boccini, Kiwanis program chairman, introduced the speaker.

Club President Daniel Gia Quinto announced that next Tuesday night a program with a speaker and motion pictures dealing with Russia would be presented, arranged by Robert J. Goghnov of the U.S.S.R. UN delegation, a former summer resident of Rye.

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