

Monday, February 4, 2002

Meadow Brook Hall hosts Valentine's dinner

Make reservations now for a romantic Valentine's dinner at Oakland University's **Meadow Brook Hall** on Thursday, Feb. 14, and Friday, Feb. 15.

A champagne reception and tour of the historic, 110-room mansion takes place at 7 p.m. Frances Dodge's 1938 ice blue satin, Peggy Hoyt wedding gown and other items from the collection will be on view. Dinner will follow at 8 p.m. in the Christopher Wren Dining Room.

Guests have a choice of three entrées that include Chateau Briand (for two or one), Chambord Chicken or Pan Seared Atlantic Salmon. Dinner also includes an appetizer, salad, vegetable and wine. A sampling of Chocolate Mousse, Crème Filled Swans, Almond Ice Cream and Lintzer Torte Hearts will be served for dessert.

Cost is \$75 per person, which includes the champagne reception, tour of **Meadow Brook Hall**, dinner, wine, music, dessert, cordial, tax and gratuity. Prepaid reservations and menu selections are required and may be made by calling the hall at (248) 370-3140.

Meadow Brook Hall is the fourth largest historic house museum in the United States. It is especially renowned for its superb craftsmanship, architectural detailing and grand scale.

Built in the 1920s as the residence of Oakland University founders, Matilda Dodge Wilson (widow of auto baron John Dodge) and her second husband Alfred G. Wilson, the 80,000-square-foot, Tudor-revival-style mansion is complete with collections of original art and furnishings.

Listed on both the national and state registers of historic places, **Meadow Brook Hall** strives to preserve and interpret its architecture, landscape, and fine and decorative art so visitors may be entertained, educated and inspired by its history.

SUMMARY

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