## THE ANTARCTICAN SOCIETY

## Notice to Members

The Board of Directors has called a special meeting of the membership to consider the incorporation of the Society and the resulting changes in the By-laws. The meeting will be held at 8 p.m. on 25 May 1965 at the National Academy of Sciences, 2101 Constitution Ave., N.W. Copies of the proposed Articles of Incorporation and By-laws are enclosed.

Following the special meeting there will be a program of unusual interest. Major Francois Bastin of the Royal Belgian Air Force and formerly leader at Roi Baudouin Base will show and narrate a film on Belgian activities in the Antarctic during 1959-60. There will also be a display of paintings and photographs by the United States Navy on Operation Deep Freeze. The customary social hour will be held after the talk, and members will have an opportunity to meet Major and Mrs. Bastin.

The Board of Directors is also happy to announce that the Smithsonian Institution has made available the Belmont Estate at Elkridge, Maryland, for the Annual Garden Party to be held on 5 June 1965. Recently acquired by the Smithsonian, Belmont was formerly the residence of the Honorable David K. E. Bruce, currently Ambassador to the Court of Saint James. The original manor house was built in 1738 by Caleb Dorsey, an ironmaster, and has been in the family of Mrs. Bruce since its foundation. Members are urged to bring families and guests to see this historic estate. For the party, which will begin at 5 p.m., picnic clothes are proper attire. As usual, suitable food and refreshments will be served. The Elephants Foot will be on hand to receive contributions of \$3.00 per person.

A map showing how to reach Belmont is enclosed. The following instructions are suggested for use with the map. At the intersection of Route 1 and Montgomery Road, the landmark is the new brick building of the Elkridge National Bank (on the left going north). Turn left (west) at the bank building, following Montgomery Road 0.8 mile to a single-lane concrete road which will be marked by a "Belmont" sign. Turn right and follow Belmont signs 1.0 mile to Belmont. Follow parking signs to parking field.

So that the Committee on Arrangements may plan accurately, it is requested that those planning to attend call or write before 5 p.m. on 3 June indicating the number in their party.

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## ANNUAL GARDEN PARTY

Through the generosity of the Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution, the historic Belmont Estate at Elkridge, Maryland, has been made available for the Annual Garden Party on June 4. Belmont was formerly the residence of the Honorable David K. E. Bruce, currently Ambassador to the Court of Saint James. The Original manor house was built in 1738 by Caleb Dorsey, an ironmaster, and remained in his family until it was acquired a few years ago by the Smithsonian. Members are urged to bring families and guests to see this historic estate and to join in the festivities.

For the party, which will begin at 5 p. m., picnic clothes are suitable attire. To cover the cost of refreshments, the Elephant's Foot will be on hand to receive contributions of \$4.00 for each adult and \$2.00 for each child.

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So that the Committee on Arrangements may plan accurately, it is requested that those planning to attend call or write before 5 p. m. on 2 June indicating the number in their party,

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