

Woman's Club Sets Year's First Meet

First meeting of the new year for members and guests of Torrance Woman's Club will be marked by an especially enjoyable program, arranged by Mrs. Samuel V. Rauss, program chairman.

Featured speaker will be Mrs. George F. Turachek, first vice president of Los Angeles County Federation of Women's Clubs, whose topic is to be, "Communism."

Augmenting the program will be piano solos by Miss Anita Menni, talented daughter of a former club member, Mrs. Rina M. Menni.

Mrs. W. I. Laughon, president, will greet the clubwomen and preside at the brief business session.

Mrs. Brooks' Home Setting for Tea Party

Pine cones, redwood foliage and snow men, decorated Mrs. Willis M. Brooks' home at 1328 Portola avenue, last Wednesday afternoon when she entertained at a beautifully appointed Christmas tea.

Her guests were Mrs. Earl Anderson, who is assistant to the superintendent of nurses at Torrance Memorial Hospital, and approximately 30 other members of the nursing staff, laboratory and office personnel at the hospital.

At the tea table, lovely with lighted tapers and foliage, Mrs. Anderson presided.

Gateway PTA Council to Meet Monday

Members of Gateway P.T.A. Council will convene at the home of Mrs. William Hall, 1247 W. 21st street, San Pedro Monday morning Jan. 3.

Mrs. Marvin Owen, Tenth District president, will be guest speaker and an exchange of gifts and a belated Christmas party will be held.

Reservations must be made with Mrs. Hall for the luncheon which will follow.

RED CROSS BRINGS YULETIDE PARTIES TO MANY VETERANS

Nineteen Christmas shows in less than a week's time was the top-heavy schedule fulfilled by the Los Angeles Red Cross' community service to camps and hospitals division.

Bringing the shows to Veterans Administration and military hospitals of this area, Red Cross lined up star-studded variety acts to headline both afternoon and evening parties.

The Red Cross shows were brought to the West Los Angeles V. A. Center, Birmingham V. A. hospital in Van Nuys, San Fernando V. A. hospital, Long Beach and Corona Naval hospitals and McCormack General in Pasadena.

Topping the Red Cross "circus" was the "Yuletide extravaganza staged Thursday evening (Dec. 23) at the Birmingham hospital. Seven ward parties and an auditorium show were staged simultaneously with screen and radio stars comprising each group "to guarantee that every patient in the Van Nuys installation was contacted."

A total of 600 junior hostesses comprised the Red Cross crew at the various parties, with gay teen volunteers serving refreshments.

Sleeveless sweaters and gay colored knitted socks were given away as prizes to winners of various games played at the Christmas parties.

TIMOTHY BUFFALO ARRIVES AT L. B. HOSPITAL

Timothy Carl Buffalo, weighing 9 lbs., 1 1/2 oz. arrived at Community Hospital, Long Beach on Dec. 18.

The little fellow is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Buffalo, 2121 W. 248th street and grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Nick Buffalo of 2021 Lomita boulevard.

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Excitement, Bustle of Day Evident in Torrance Homes

Christmas in Torrance as throughout the nation was celebrated by reunions, open houses, quiet family dinners and trips to visit friends and relatives. Mr. and Mrs. George Peckham Sr. entertained at dinner Christmas Day for their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Cowan, Mary Lee, and Hamilton, of Palos Verdes Estates, their sons and daughters-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Peckham, Mr. and Mrs. George Jr. and daughter Georgina, all of Torrance.

Mr. and Mrs. M. N. Felker's holiday dinner guests included his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Felker and her mother Mrs. Claudine Defour of Redondo Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Hinshaw entertained at a buffet supper at their home on Cota avenue. Their guests were Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hinshaw of Pasadena, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Riswood, Los Angeles; Mr. and Mrs. J. Gordon Cumming and Christine, Glendale; Miss Agnes Horton of Torrance and Miss Jean Ehrlich, Pasadena.

Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Beale and her mother, Mrs. Bridget Coy entertained Christmas Day for Mr. and Mrs. Theodore D'Aleo, Mrs. Merta McCabe, Pasadena; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cody and Harry Beale, all of Whittier. Miss Jean Cullen arrived on Tuesday from Leechburg, Pa., to remain for several weeks at their home.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Johnston, 1404 Engracia avenue, dinner was served to their home guests, Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Cuthbert of Salem, Ohio; Mrs. H. C. King of Youngstown, Ohio; Miss Harriet Cuthbert of San Francisco, the hosts' daughter, Mrs. Jayne Miller and their granddaughter Sharon, of the home address.

Christmas breakfast was enjoyed by Mrs. Frances Clark at the Rolling Hills' home of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. F. Herwood Clark, where her grandchildren Judy and Frank Harwood III were the center of attraction. Later Mrs. Clark joined her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. William Parsons at their Beverly Hills home for dinner and remained for an open house party in the evening for family members and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl A. Miles' home on Andros avenue was the setting for a family reunion attended by their sons-in-law and daughters, Messrs. and Mmes. Robert D. Adams of Hermosa Beach; Charles H. Hutcherson and children Jean, Jimmy and Johnny, Torrance; their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Miles and Bobby; Mrs. Miles' mother, Mrs. Della Moon of the home address and Mrs. Jane Adams of Redondo Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Ashley spent Christmas eve and Christmas Day with their son's family, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Don Ashley and children Donnie and Richard, in Long Beach. Mr. and Mrs. William G. Phillips for the first time in a dozen years left their home on Christmas to join their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Harry W. Phillips and daughters Margie, Joan and Patty of Crenshaw Park. They planned to remain for several days following the holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. Loton B. Buckley were guests Christmas eve at the home of Mr. and Mrs. N. G. Hovild on El Dorado avenue, where they were joined by their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Buckley, Davey and Diane. Next morning with the W. E. Buckleys they motored to Escondido to be guests of Mrs. Buckley's brother-in-law and sister.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Rufus Page's dinner guests were their son and Mrs. George Jr. and Mrs. Wilson Page. Also present was the host's younger son, Eddie Page, who is a student at Compton Junior College. Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Cook and grandson George Cook Boscon spent Christmas eve as dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Boscon (Grace Bueck Cook) of Lakewood Village, where George joined his brothers Richard, Jimmy and Jack. The Cooks and their grandson dined Christmas Day at the home of her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Ratliff, 1407 W. 220th street.

Gathered for dinner at Mrs. W. C. Moyer's home were her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mowry and Janet; her daughter Miss Barbara, a civil service employe at Sawtelle Veterans' Hospital; Tom Cole, a student at USC; and Mrs. Hattie Wissler, of the home address.

Mr. and Mrs. George A. Bradford Jr. and children Maurine, Richard and Frank attended an annual Christmas Eve party at the Lomita home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Hodge. The popular Torrance couple next morning entertained at breakfast at their home, 1323 Beech ave., for her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Steinhilber and Wallace Steinhilber, (a student at Utah State College, where he is studying forestry); Mr. and Mrs. Jean Bordeaux and Jeanne Marie, of Monterey Park. Their Christmas dinner guests included the same group and Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Hodge and Mrs. Emma Hogg, of Lomita; and Joe Kosikoff, of Seattle.

Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Derouin's holiday dinner guests were Mr. and Mrs. Conyers Stewart and sons Jamie and Billy, of Raton, N. M.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lee E. Allen, 2004 Kathy Way, were gathered his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Irvin E. Allen; and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Homolka and Roland.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lukes spent the holiday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Riley, of Oxnard and formerly of Torrance.

Home for the holiday week-end was Miss Lois Jayne Allen, physio therapist at Los Angeles General Hospital, who joined her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Allen and their guests, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Kluseman; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Cornell, all of Los Angeles; Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Allen and Bobby and Mrs. Corabelle Potts, all of Torrance.

Col. and Mrs. W. B. Keefe, Karen and Rip, were breakfast hosts to his parents Mr. and Mrs. John Keefe.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Goff arrived from La Jolla to spend Christmas with Mrs. Mary Goff and son George. Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Barkdull's home was the setting for a large family dinner party. Their guests included Mr. and Mrs.

MOTHERSINGERS' REHEARSALS TO BE RESUMED JAN. 3

Rehearsal of the Torrance Mothersingers will resume Monday evening, Jan. 3, at 7 o'clock. The group represents the Torrance Council PTA and meets as an adult education class at the high school.

Mrs. Geneva Sheffield, president, urges all charter members to resume their active participation after the two-week vacation, as the group is to sing for the PTA early in January. The president extends an invitation to all ladies of the community who may be interested in choral singing to join the Mothersingers. "It is not necessary to be a mother, nor a trained singer," Mrs. Sheffield states. "We offer an opportunity to enjoy group singing under an excellent director, Anthony Vazzana, and we look forward to several public appearances both locally and at the district and state PTA conventions."

Other officers of the Torrance Mothersingers include Mrs. Lois Gongwer, vice president, and Mrs. Nadine Nichol, secretary-treasurer. Mrs. Van Belletrian is piano accompanist.

The group was started this fall through the efforts of Mrs. Nickol, music chairman of the Torrance Council PTA, and F. A. Applegate, principal of the Torrance adult education classes.

METHODIST WOMEN PLANS MEETINGS FOR ENSUING WEEK

Mrs. Sara Hogue will entertain members of Circle No. 1 at her home, 2115 Gramercy avenue, at 1 p.m., Friday, Jan. 6.

Mrs. Lillian VanDeventer, 2202 Carson street, will be hostess to members of Circle No. 2 at 1 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, Jan. 5.

Members of Circle No. 3 will be entertained at Mrs. Lucille Bender's home, 917 Beech ave., at the same hour on Tuesday, Jan. 4.

Election of a chairman, secretary and treasurer; and appointment of missionary, education, devotional, and hospitality chairmen will constitute the principal business at each of the reorganization sessions, when the year's programs also will be discussed. Tea will be served.

John Kearney (Julia Quayle) and Mrs. Effie Quayle; Mrs. Bessie V. Myers, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Meskimen and Miss Alma Fleet, Long Beach; Mr. and Mrs. N. R. Bernard and Joy, Pasadena; Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dean Barkdull, and son David.

At Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Barrington's home dinner was enjoyed by Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Barrington, Miss Frances Barrington, on vacation from Mills College; Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Gooden, Mrs. Marian Beulah and son Mike, all of Long Beach; and Miss Yvonne Chandler, of Beverly Hills.

Mr. and Mrs. N. F. Nackerman joined a group of friends at the Los Angeles home of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Barro.



ENGAGED — Miss Marlow Ross, whose engagement to Mr. William A. Stogsdill was announced at a family party.

Engagement Announced on Christmas Eve

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin B. Brown, of 2404 Gramercy avenue, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Marlow Rose, to Mr. William A. Stogsdill of San Francisco, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Stogsdill, of Alhambra.

Announcement of the engagement was made at the Brown home on Christmas eve at a party for family members. No wedding date has been set.

The bride-elect is a sophomore at George S. Pepperrine College where she is receiving training as a park recreation director. She is Tau Lambda Tau.

Mr. Stogsdill, a Phi Beta Chi who attended Pepperrine College for three years, is employed in San Francisco with Schmidt Lithograph Company.

Townsend Club News

Members and friends of Torrance Townsend Club No. 1 will dance the old year out and the New Year in at Torrance Woman's Clubhouse, 1422 Engracia avenue.

Jack Rich and his four-piece orchestra will arrive at 8:30 to provide music for old-time and modern dancing.

Refreshments will be served. All club affairs are open to the public, according to Mrs. Vera Creighton, secretary-treasurer.

CIVIC LEADERS HONORED WITH YULE RECEPTION

A reception in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Carson in San Pedro following the Los Angeles Philharmonic Orchestra concert at San Pedro High School especially honored directors of San Pedro Chamber of Commerce, Junior Chamber of Commerce and subscription committee members.

Attended by 75, the Carson home was festive in decorations in the holiday motif with varicolored lighted Christmas tree arrangements and a large cluster of candles centering the refreshment table.

TORRANCE WOMEN ARE INCLUDED ON REBEKAH STAFF

Silver Crest Rebekah Lodge No. 295 elected officers at the December meeting held in the Woman's Clubhouse, Redondo Beach.

Those elected were Margie King of Torrance as vice-grand; Minerva Keller as noble grand; Sarah Neukaemper, recording secretary; Nella Dion, financial secretary; Agnes Morgan of Torrance, treasurer; and Alice Tibbet as trustee. Public installation will be held Jan. 24.

The group met for their annual Christmas party in Redondo Beach. A purse of \$25 was made up and donated for blankets and sleeping bags for the children of the Orphans Home at Gilroy.

A sure test of a man's sense of humor is whether he will be angry when accused of lack of humor. — Chinese.

Women of Moose Tell of Holiday Activities

Members of Torrance Chapter No. 44, Women of the Moose, have been busy during the holiday season with many activities directed toward caring for less fortunate members of the community.

Preparation and presentation of large baskets contributed to the welfare of their recipients. Muriel Hull, hospital chairman, reports that 50 outing flannel bed jackets, powder and other gifts were received by patients in a ward at Los Angeles County Harbor General Hospital. In addition, the women decorated trees for two other wards at the hospital.

Social activities for members included a pot luck supper party for 40 at the home of Senator Regent Elsie Smith. Following an exchange of Moose Pal gifts, bunco play concluded the evening with prizes awarded for high score holders. Centering the buffet table was a large, beautifully decorated Christmas cake.

Another enjoyable affair was the annual Christmas dinner held in Torrance Woman's clubhouse. The table was beautiful with decorations made by Social Service Chairman Dorothy Smith. The decorated tree used at the party later was presented to two shut-ins who are being cared for by the chapter. Arrangements are being completed for the organization's first card party of the year, set for Wednesday Jan. 5. Everyone is invited according to Mary Calitri, publicity chairman.

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