

Seaside Ranchos

By Mrs. Evelyn Hyder

The New Year was welcomed in with much fanfare here in S. R. There were fireworks, horns, sirens, and many parties. We could never mention all the festive affairs, but here are some:

Harry and Lois Greenwood entertained their friends with dancing and refreshments, both liquid and food—hard to be exact. From Torrance were the Angus McViears, Boyce Johnsons, Mark McVainies, and the Wilsons, the Dave Colvilles came from Norwalk, and the Joe Thomases from Long Beach.

Margaret and Paul Roettger had a cooperative affair that turned out to be lots of fun. The mistletoe was very popular with some while others were quite interested in their card games. Enjoying the party were the Fred Knouses, Douglas Horns, Hal Wheelers, Paul Bartis, Bud Mewborns, Bo Suters, and the Carl Lankins.

The Gerald Smiths of Sharyne Lane had a watch party and invited some of their neighbors including the Clinton Starks, Pierce Venables, Art Arndts, and Leo Zimmermans. A buffet supper was served and charades were played during the evening.

Bill and Helen Schmitz greeted the New Year with their friends, Mary Conover, Steve Watkins, Wally and Della Lein, Betty and By Rowan and Bob Wilson. Cocktails and a coop steak dinner were served (that sure sounds like a swell idea, it should work fine for a barbecue too.)

Earlier in the evening the Bill Schmitzes, Paul Roettgers and the Harvey Spellmans attended a cocktail party at the Don Stewarts in Hollywood Riviera. Later the Harvey Spellmans attended a party at the R. H. Blakeleys in H. R. returning with the guests to their own home to complete the evening.

Lower Sharyne Lane held open house at three different homes—the Frank Hanovers, Dr. and Mrs. Gene Hurst and the Harris, the guests from each of these "rotating" to the other parties.

The Hanovers had nine guests from out of town and started the evening off with a buffet supper entertaining Gene and Mary Jane Miller, the Harris, and Bernice Brown.

We had fun too. Thelma and Bill Shockney and Betty Lou Sparks joined us in celebrating. It seemed we never did get around to our "Tripley" game, though.

New Year's Day was rather quiet. But the day of the Rose Parade started at around 8 a.m. for many of our television owners. Many people entertained their guests with the parade in the morning and the game in the afternoon.

We started the day with a waffle breakfast with our early morning guest, Mrs. Doris Pratt, and daughter, Billie Jo, from Lomita and neighbors Mr. and Mrs. Fred Knouse and family and Mrs. Belle Marland joining us later. Our afternoon guests were Mr. and Mrs. Howard Wells from Torrance.

We understand the Schooleys saw the parade and attended the game later.

Margaret and Paul Roettger were also fortunate enough to get tickets to see their home town team play California.

Shirley Parrish has spent the holidays visiting her grandmother in Alhambra.

The Arthur Arndts entertained at dinner recently for Mildred's brother-in-law and sister, Donald and Naomi Cleveland, from Downey and Donald's mother and father, the Leroy Cleavelands from Monterey Park and Art's brother Dean from Los Angeles.

The Joe Merolas spent New Year's Day in Colton where they celebrated Bea's birthday. They entertained many guests Monday, among whom were Mary De Benedictus and Rose Veranos, Mrs. Von Hershey and son Von Jr. from Redondo.

Please don't burn your Christmas trees yet. The Gray Y's and the Senior Girl Scouts are planning a tree burning and wiener roast and will be around to pick them up before Saturday.



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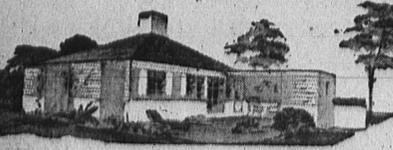
Canasta and Smorgasbord

Mrs. Wilda McKenna, owner-operator of Park Hotel, was a gracious holiday hostess when she entertained at a canasta party New Year's Eve. At midnight, guests were served from an attractive smorgasbord table laden with delectable foods. Present were Messrs, and Meses, Michael Nackerman, A. Sauer, Gamby Boss, and Mmes. Frances Hunn, Anna Shriver, and Jewell Colgrove.

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