

Obituaries



PATRICIA JOAN DENK
... Dies Here

Patricia Joan Denk

Memorial services for Mrs. Patricia Joan Denk, 26, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Blackmon, 1526 W. 215th St., will be held Saturday in Halverson-Leavell Chapel, with the Rev. Ronald Potter of Christ Church Unity officiating.

She died of cancer in Torrance Memorial Hospital, Tuesday, after a long illness.

Born in Santa Barbara, she lived here since 1937. She attended Lomita Elementary School and was graduated from Narbonne High School in 1949. A member of the first class at Harbor Junior College, she was a charter member of Rho Delta Psi, service sorority.

An accomplished pianist, she studied under the late Kathryn Buffington and belonged to Pi Mu music sorority.

She is survived by her husband, Joseph, San Diego; son, Richard, 6; brother, John and Stephen, of Torrance; and grandmother, Mrs. J. J. Strather, Torrance.

William G. Gibson

Private funeral services were held for William Gilbert Gibson, 49, 1659 W. 253rd St., Harbor City, in Halverson-Leavell Chapel. He died Friday at his home after a long illness.

A native of Los Angeles, he moved to Avalon at the age of four and later was employed by the city of Avalon. He returned to the mainland 12 years ago because of illness.

Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Gibson, Harbor City; brothers, Clyde, Harbor City; George Long Beach; and Jack, La Puente; sisters Mary Gaylord, Los Alamitos; Myrtle Deffenbaugh, Bellflower; Helen Artman, Pasadena; and Florence Franklin, Lynwood; uncle, Milo Gibson, La Crescenta; and several nieces and nephews.

Ella Ostrander

Tuesday rites were held for Ella Hydorn Ostrander, 89, 2011 Gramercy Ave., in Stone and Myers Chapel, with R. E. Happy officiating. She died Sunday in Hermosa Beach.

A native of Illinois, she lived in California 56 years and 21 years in this area. Burial was in Bakersfield.

Survivors include a daughter, Louella Curler, 2011 Gramercy Ave.; sons, Clyde, San Diego; Clare, Willowcreek; and Lurel S. Ostrander, Dale; sister, Grace G. Bates, Nortonville, Kans.; nine grandchildren; 14 great grandchildren; and one great great grandchild.

Esther Ledin

Funeral services for Mrs. Esther Josephine Ledin, 67, mother of Mrs. Harriet Bravich, 1509 W. 233rd St., will be held Saturday at 1 p.m. in the First Lutheran Church. She will lie in state until noon Saturday at Halverson-Leavell Mortuary.

A native of Minneapolis, Minn., she lived at 1130 C Walk, Wilmington. She died in Los Angeles. Pastors Robert Gronlund and Norman Shively will officiate at the services, and burial will be in Green Hills.

Survivors include her husband, Arvid; sons, Adrian, Wilmington, Vance R., Oklahoma; Charles, Illinois; daughters, Mrs. Bravich, Gladys Carpenter, Celeste Wisocki, Ada Schlink, all of Minnesota, and Ruth Walters, Washington; sisters, Ruth Sauleen and Bertha Lindquist, both of Minnesota; 18 grandchildren; and 11 great grandchildren.

Rebecca Elliott

Recitation of the rosary for Rebecca Elliott, age 74, was Sunday, March 23rd, at 8:15 p.m., in St. Monica's Catholic Church, Santa Monica, followed by requiem mass, on Monday.

Mrs. Elliott was born in Tennessee and came to California 17 years ago and lived at 4710 Darien St. She died Thursday in Harbor General Hospital.

She is survived by two sons, Edwin L. Milliken, Santa Monica, and Charles M. Milliken, North Hollywood; daughter, Ethel Edwards, Torrance; six grandchildren; and two sisters, Julia Urady and Elizabeth Wallace of Hornbeak, Tenn. Pierce Brothers Inglewood Park Mortuary was in charge of arrangements.

Betty A. O'Briant

Final rites will be held today at 2 p.m. for Mrs. Betty A. O'Briant, 45, teacher at Perry School for the past 11 years, in White and Day Chapel, Manhattan Beach. She died Monday of a kidney ailment.

A native of North Carolina, she taught for six years in that state before coming to California. She joined the Torrance Unified School District when it started in 1947 and taught third grade. She taught until March 13 when she entered a hospital. She lived at 231 28th St., Hermosa Beach.

"She was one of the finest teachers in the district," declared Principal John W. Strom.

One of her daughters, Mrs. Maude Watkins, is a former teacher at Hillside School, and another, Betty Jane O'Briant is a senior at UCLA, majoring in education.

She also is survived by her husband, Hubert, and a son, Hubert Jr.

Brownie Troop 404

Brownie Troop 404 sponsored by Madrona PTA enjoyed a snow trip with their parents to Lake Gregory, where they roasted hot dogs.

From the Lake they went on to Snow Valley where lots of fun was in store.

Families attending were Mr. and Mrs. John Beahan, Pete Almeida, William Breaker, Norris E. Carstenson, Edward Dahlen, Don Harding, Harold Hayes, and Robert Major.

Community Chest Leaders Honored at Annual Dinner

The festive rewards of a job well done was garnered by Harbor Area Community Chest volunteers last week when they held their second annual installation and awards banquet at the Hacienda Hotel.

Guest of honor and main speaker for the affair was Ernest J. Loebbecke, president of the Welfare Federation of Los Angeles. Loebbecke who was elected to the office last year is also president of Title Insurance and Trust Co., America's largest title company and Southern California's oldest trust company.

Chairmen Cited
Among those honored at the banquet were the 100 per centers. Special awards were given to all chairmen of the Harbor area who made a 100 per cent

or more of their quota. Following the awards formal installation of newly elected area Welfare Federation board members was made. Assuming offices for the new board were J. A. Robinson, re-elected this year as chairman; Ed Patterson, San Pedro executive, first vice chairman; Glenn Koger, Torrance, second vice chairman.

New Board
New board members include Mrs. John Guss, Gardena; Mrs. Kenneth Smith, Gardena; Glenn Koger, Torrance; Mrs. Bernice Goodwin, Torrance; Vincent Metzger, Gardena; Dr. Francis Clark, San Pedro; Boyd McElroy, Wilmington; and Cliff Yeomans, Wilmington.

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The church will dedicate its special quarterly offering to

Also formally installed were the members of the Harbor Area's new executive committee which will assure representation on the area board of every Harbor city. They include Wesley Waldorf, Gardena; James Munson, Lomita; Mrs. Wallace Lebkicher, Palos Verdes; George Bradbeer, Rolling Hills; Stan Sweeney, San Pedro; Frode Kilstofte, Wilmington; and Dr. Ernest Tarr, Torrance.

help provide a Christian center in the town of the Savior's youth.

"Nazareth today is a large city. It has modern apartment buildings and an up-to-date business section. Yet within its borders deep poverty reigns," said Pastor M. V. Campbell, president of the

Adventists' Southern European Division, writing to Adventist churches of the need for Christian work in Nazareth.

Part of the funds received at the special missions-emphasis service will also provide facilities to begin mission activity in two countries previously unentered by Adven-

tists. These countries are French Guiana, in West Africa and the Central African country of Ubangi-Shari. Adventists currently conduct missions activity in 185 of the world's 205 officially recognized major countries.

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