



ASSUME LEADERSHIP... In a candlelight ceremony at the new parish annex, the Nativity Altar Society installed its new leaders for the coming year. There are from left, Mrs. Elles Cook, president; Mrs. Jerry Saladin, vice president; Mrs. Rudy Hanke, secretary and Mrs. Eugene McGovern, treasurer.

Altar Society

New Officers Seated In Impressive Rites

An impressive candlelight ceremony highlighted the installation of newly elected officers of the Nativity Altar Society during the regular business on Jan. 2 at the Nativity Parish annex.

New officers are Mmes. Elles Cook, president, Jerry Saladin, vice president, Rudy Hanke, secretary, and Eugene McGovern treasurer.

High point of the ceremony was reached when the hall was darkened, with new officers and guild chairmen on stage, each with a lighted candle, forming a large cross, while Mrs. Edward Cutcher and Mrs. Marve Erickson, accompanied by Mrs. Charles Butterfield, sang the "Ave Maria."

The twelve guild chairmen included in the ceremony were Mmes. Walter Cason, January; Ray Montenegro, February; John Ariza, March; Frank Zboyan, April; Harry Kale, May; Robert Moffitt, June; Robert Wilson, July; Daniel Moore, August; Norris Carstenson, September; Laurence Jordan, October; Carroll Thornton, November; Elles Cook, December.

As installing officer, Mrs. James O'Brien presented each new officer with a beautiful corsage tied with colored ribbons symbolizing their respective offices. Assisting Mrs. O'Brien was Mrs. Fred Cameron.

Father John Cremens, pastor of Nativity Church, congratulated the new officers and wished a successful year. He then presented Mrs. Richard Lescoe, outgoing president, with a beautiful crucifix, and Mmes. Corwin Dean, outgoing vice president, Edward Cam'ra, outgoing secretary; Jerry Saladin, outgoing treasurer, with lovely rosary bracelets. He thanked them all for their loyal cooperation during the past year.

Taking charge of the business meeting the new president, Mrs. Cook, appointed Mmes. John Ariza, March guild chairman; Corwin Dean, publicity chairman; John Tweedy, altar boy chairman; and Frank Zboyan, spiritual chairman for the following year. Mrs. Cook also announced a membership drive will be held during February to be followed by a membership tea on March 6. Mmes. Harry Kale and Norris Carstenson will be chairmen.

The main purpose of the society is the beautification of the altars of Nativity Church. Two large rummage sales are sponsored each year by the group as a source of funds for this purpose.

Hostesses for the evening were Mrs. Robert Moffitt and members of the June Guild, including Mmes. Frank Kristufek, Leonard Young, William Cockran, Laurence Poeske, Edward Heatherman, Wayne Strittmatter, John Fedor, Richard Olson, T. Lamb, Richard Lescoe, Joseph Bagosi, and Mmes. Felice and Kathryn Shaughnessy.

Next regular business meeting will be held February 6 at 8:00 P.M. in the Nativity Parish Annex.

Big Bear Weekend

Spending a recent weekend at their cabin at Big Bear enjoying the snow were Mr. and Mrs. Roger Lockhart, 3902 W. 176th Ct. Their guests were Mr. Lockhart's mother, Mrs. Arthur M. Lockhart of Palos Verdes and an aunt, Mrs. Tina Elson of Long Beach.

Local Women Voter League To Be Organized Jan. 22

A group of women interested in formation of a League of Women Voters of Torrance will take the first steps toward setting up a Provisional League at a pre-organization meeting to be held on Monday, Jan. 22, at 9:30 a.m. in the Council chambers of City Hall, 3031 Torrance Blvd.

Purpose of the League, according to Mrs. Nadel, is to promote political responsibility on the local, state, and national levels. A grass-roots organization, the League is non-partisan, and is open to the public.

Following completion of pre-organization plans, the Provisional League of Torrance will be organized at a meeting slated for Feb. 26 at 8 p.m. at the Council chambers.

Guest speaker will be Mrs. David Ganssle, Southern vice president for the League of Women Voters of California, who will explain the fundamentals of the League and discuss organizing a provisional league in the community. Mrs. Ganssle will be introduced by Mrs. Albert Nadel, chairman of the pre-organization committee.

All interested women are invited to attend both meetings. Persons interested in learning more about the League are invited to contact Mrs. Nadel or Mrs. R. R. Christensen.

Advisor of the pre-organization committee is Mrs. Melzar Jones.

Weekend Guests

Mr. and Mrs. Towar Arnold of Southwick, Mass., spent the weekend here with Mr. and Mrs. Godfrey Nelson, 1744 Arlington, former Southwick residents. The Arnolds had been in Las Vegas and are now vacationing in Encino.

UCLA Club Meets Jan. 23

Dr. Blake R. Nevius, professor of English, will be the speaker for the January meeting of the UCLA Intersorority Mothers' Club. This meeting will be held at the Westwood Christian Church, 10808 Le Conte Ave., Westwood, at 10 a.m. on Jan. 23.

Dr. Nevius has selected as his topic "The Contemporary Novel" for this meeting. He is well qualified to speak on this subject as his special interest is American and contemporary literature, besides teaching courses on Modern British and American fiction. He has published a book "Edith Wharton—A Study of her Fiction," and is about to publish a biography "A Forgotten American Novelist—Robert Herrick."

Mrs. John R. Sloat, president of the Intersorority Mothers' Club will preside over the meeting, with Gamma Phi Beta, Alpha Phi, and Delta Phi Epsilon serving as hostesses.

Sherrell Beadles Feted On Silver Wedding Date

Mr. and Mrs. Sherrell E. Beadle, 24121 Huber Ave., were honored at a reception on Jan. 6 at their home in celebration of their 25th wedding anniversary. Hosts for the affair were Mr. and Mrs. Jack L. Combs.

The honored couple were married on Jan. 2, 1937, at the Central Evangelical Church here. They have lived in Torrance all of their married life. The Beadles have one daughter, Cynthia.

The reception, held from 2 until 5 p.m. was attended by approximately 40 relatives and friends who showered the celebrants with gifts.

A silver and white anniversary cake was the centerpiece on the dining table which was also decorated in the silver and white theme.

Attending the party were Messrs. and Mmes. Raymond Beadle, Charles Mearing, Sam V. Ward, Marion H. Newman, Bill Lebeck, Jess Walls, Lowell Shelhart and Mrs. Esther Smyth of Torrance; Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Lundquist, Wilmington; Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Bales, Bellflower; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cheshire, Long Beach; Mr. and Mrs. Bob Widrig, Randy, Clyde and Mark, Gardena; Mr. and Mrs. R. Battershell, Ronnie and Mary, Long Beach; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Combs, Peter, Nancy and Andy of Canoga Park.

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**YOUR PROBLEMS**  
by Ann Landers

"It CAN Kill the Guy..."

Dear Ann Landers: I won't sign my name - not because I'm ashamed of having written this letter but because I hope millions of men who read it will think it came from their wives. I'm sick of hearing about women who lose their men because they "let themselves go." The phrase invariably means "she got fat." A woman in her 40's can have a face like three yards of coriander but if she has a 22-inch waist she is considered "youthful."

What about husbands? They eat (and guzzle) themselves into shapeless hulks. Rolls of blubber hang over their belts and the seams in their trousers scream for mercy. But still they stuff their fat faces.

When I married my husband he weighed 185 pounds (5'10") and everyone said he was "movie-star handsome." Today he can't weigh himself on our bathroom scales because it only goes up to 250.

His big complaint is that I must be getting old because our life isn't what it used to be. Why don't men realize that 70 pounds of fat can kill off any romance? Please speak this piece for all wives, everywhere. - ELOISE

Dear Eloise: Seventy pounds of fat can do more than kill a romance - it can kill the guy. The overweight person places a burden on his heart which often shortens his life. Imagine, if you can, what it would be like to carry around a 70-pound bag of cement.

Obesity produces back trouble, feet trouble, vein problems and a host of other ailments which are often blamed on something else. The man who loves his stomach more than he loves his wife and family is selfish and often has an underlying emotional problem which should be explored with a specialist.

Dear Ann Landers: Never before have I been moved to write to an advice columnist, but today's letter did it. I refer to the sister who vehemently denied that she was pregnant and attributed her size to "a thyroid condition." A few months later the baby was born.

I don't agree with you that the woman knew of her condition and wished to surprise her family. I believe that even though the doctor may

Sisterhood Plans Award Luncheon

The main auditorium of Southwest Temple Beth Torah, 14725 S. Gramercy Place, Gardena, will be the scene of the Sisterhood's "Academy Award Luncheon" on Tuesday, Jan. 23, at 11:30 a.m., reports Mrs. Paul Singer, membership chairman.

As a bonus for paying the National Women's League dues, the Sisterhood will reward such members with a free luncheon show with members of the Sisterhood modeling authentic costumes from the Civil War up to the Flapper era.

Also at the luncheon, Mrs. David Rabin, Torah Fund chairman and her committee will collect all Torah Fund pledges that have been made and as part of the program for the afternoon, there will be a Torah Fund Bank Breaking ceremony. Torah Fund is a fund-raising event in behalf of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America in New York City which trains rabbis, teachers, and lay leaders. It also helps to maintain the Seminary's nationwide interfaith, youth, programs, Eternal Light radio and TV programs, and its West Coast branch, the University of Judaism in Los Angeles.

Members of the Mothers Club of Serra High School, 14830 S. Van Ness Ave., Gardena, will be entertained at their regular meeting Monday evening, Jan. 22, by students representing the school's Speech and Debate Club, directed by Bro. Frank Maguire. Dramatic and humorous interpretations, original oratory, impromptu and extemporaneous speeches will be presented by club members Daniel Healy, John Baratti, Adolph Buena, Sam Brakel, Peter Henry, Vincent Lombardo, Michael Carter, Thomas Fitzpatrick, Richard Coeman. Members of the speech group have represented the school in numerous oratorical and debating contests and have won an impressive number of trophies. The Mothers Club contributes substantially to the financial support of the speech club, and Mrs. Jack Williams, program chairman, promises that the mothers will be impressed by the quality of the talent they are helping.

Students to Entertain Mothers Club

The meeting is scheduled for 8 p.m. at the school, and the program will be followed by a brief business meeting during which plans will be presented for the next project, a Fish-Fry Dinner to be staged by the freshmen mothers Feb. 23.

have told her repeatedly that she was pregnant she refused to accept the fact. A woman who becomes furious and "screams denials" has a psychological block.

Many women who become pregnant in their 40's are so unhappy about it that they refuse to accept the reality of the situation until the child is born. It matters not how large they become, how often the doctor repeats the diagnosis.

The sister who was "deceived" should not be angry. She should offer instead, understanding and compassion. - AVID READER

Dear Avid: Thank you for a superb letter. You have presented a fascinating possibility with which several of my consultants agree.

This column, and its readers, are enriched by thoughtful contributions such as yours. Again my thanks. - ANN

Confidential to CAN'T GET A BREAK: Stop moaning. You'll find the harder you work the "luckier" you'll get. Substitute some backbone for wishbone and keep at it.

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