

# YOUR PROBLEMS

by Ann Landers



## 'Back Zippers Plus In Some Marriages'

Dear Ann Landers: Your column has such wide readership maybe you can put the heat on the dress manufacturers to do away with dresses that zip up the back.

Whenever I'm in a hurry my zipper gets stuck right in the middle and I can't budge it. I've nearly strangled, I turn my neck out of joint and broken an arm trying to get a zipper up or down.

This morning I was late for work again because of a back zipper. It got stuck in the middle and I had to tear my way out. Of course the dress is ruined.

Will you join in the crusade to abolish dresses that zip up the back? — SALLY

Dear Sally: Sorry, but back zippers are a definite plus in some marriages. One man told me it was the only way his wife really made him feel important.

If back zippers are such a bane to you, resolve never to buy a dress unless it zips on the side or down the front.

I have long since sworn off dresses that go over the head and wreck the hair-do. Unless I can step into a garment I refuse to try it on.

Dear Ann Landers: My first wife and I were both professional cooks. In fact, we met in the kitchen of a large hotel. A few years later we decided to call it quits.

My present wife doesn't want me to set foot in the kitchen in our home. The minute I walk in, she quits cooking and walks out. I've tried to surprise her, but she refuses to eat a mouthful of anything I prepare. She claims she can't stand the sight or the odor of fish. If I want fish I have to cook it out in the garage on a hot plate. I also have to eat it there.

I don't ask a lot. All I want is the privilege of living in my own home and putting around once in a while, as other men do. What's wrong here? — HUMBLE SEEKER

Dear Seeker: There's more wrong here than appears in your letter. Your opening sentence suggests you are nostalgic about the days when you and Frau No. 1 held hands in the dishwasher. Your present wife perhaps associates your cooking with those days and she resents it.

You need outside help before you wind up eating ALL your meals in the garage.

Dear Ann Landers: I have two sisters-in-law who belong to the same church groups as I do. We are all active and attend prayer meetings, missionary classes and church socials. There's something to do at least twice a week.

One sister-in-law drives a car. She always picks up the other sister-in-law. I live right on the way. It would be no trouble for her to pick me up, too, but she never does. This has been going on for four years. I didn't pay much attention to it until recently when a friend brought it up. Now I am embarrassed.

I've never done anything to my sister-in-law to make her mad at me. She's the cold type so I've left her alone. Do you feel I should ask her to pick me up? — PASSED BY

Dear By: If your sister-in-law has been passing your house and ignoring you twice a week for four years it's by design.

You say you've never done anything TO her. Have you ever done anything FOR her? Perhaps she figures you're the cold type, so she's leaving YOU alone. A little friendliness is the best de-froster in the world. Try it.

To learn the difference between a marriage that "settles down" and one that "gets dull," send for ANN LANDERS' booklet, "What to Expect From Marriage," enclosing with your request 20 cents in coin and a long, self-addressed stamped envelope.

Ann Landers will be glad to help you with your problems. Send them to her in care of this newspaper enclosing a stamped, self-addressed envelope.

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OUTDOOR SUMMERTIME PARTY . . . Volunteers for Children, Harbor General Hospital, staged their monthly birthday party for hospitalized children on the hospital lawn Wednesday afternoon. The North High Clown Club, directed by Mrs. Lenore Anderson, school nurse, per-

formed and each child and 50 adults were presented gifts. Candy Strippers assisted. At the party are from left, Mrs. George Morehart, party chairman, Glenn Stacy Clown, and two children patients, Claude Bailey and Cynthia Hughes.

## Dianas Stage Festive Reno 'Casino' Party

It was as difficult to tell Torrance from Reno as it was Higgins Brick Yard from Harold's Club, Friday evening, July 27, as the Redondo Beach Dianas, Federated Junior Women's Club, Marina District, held their second big Reno Casino Party.

Play money passed from hand to hand many times, with millions being exchanged across the gambling tables. Proceeds from the party, a ways and means project of Mrs. James Mitchell, second vice president, will be donated to Diana philanthropies.

Top winner with over two million dollars—play money, that is—for the evening was

Tom Mitchell of Palos Verdes Estates who chose for his prize complimentary dinners for two at the Cockatoo Restaurant in Inglewood. Other winners included Mmes. J.B. Boggio, Reynolds Gorsuch, and Miss Sara Mitchell, Hollywood Riviera; Paul Nina, Harbor City; Barre Badenlos and Mrs. Norman Harlan, Lomita; Mrs. James McPherson, Palos Verdes Estates; Mrs. Paul Mitchell, Torrance; and Mmes. A. L. Hammond and Patrick Callahan, Redondo Beach.

Mrs. John Hansford, chairman of the event, was pleased with the number of couples attending.



MR. AND MRS. M. A. KEELER  
... Married 55 Years

## Open House Today Honors Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Keeler

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Keeler, 1828 W. 259th St., will be honored at an open house this afternoon at their home in celebration of their 55th wedding anniversary.

Refreshments will be served throughout the afternoon and friends of the couple are invited to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Keeler came to Torrance in November 1950 from Roseau, Minn. They are the parents of 10 children, six of whom live in the area. They also have 22 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

The party today is being given by the children, who reside in Southern California. Mrs. Louella Mack of Torrance, Dick Keeler, Torrance; Walter and Lawrence, Idyllwild; Dorothy Pope and Evelyn Hagglund of Pico-Rivera.

Out-of-state children are Roy Keeler of Butter Nut Wisc.; Mrs. Elda Vagle, Frazee, Minn.; Gladys Vagle, Seattle, Wash.; and Oliver Keeler, San Antonio Texas.

## Torrance Pioneer Is 103

Mrs. Elizabeth Lockhart, a pioneer resident of Torrance, is being honored at an open house today in celebration of her 103rd birthday, which is Monday, Aug. 6.

The open house is being held at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Roy Yewell, in Pico Rivera.

Mrs. Lockhart is the grandmother of Mrs. Don Hyde of Torrance.

Attending the open house from Torrance this afternoon will be Mr. and Mrs. Don Hyde and daughters, Gayle and Lynn; Mrs. J. W. Post; Mrs. Carl Warner; Mrs. Hazel Ward and daughter, Mrs. Gilbert Derouin.

## Club Will Hear Talk On 'Wigs'

"Wigs," the current trend in high fashion in hairstyles, will be discussed and demonstrated at the monthly luncheon meeting of the Torrance Welcome Wagon Club on Thursday, Aug. 9, at 12:15 at the Redondo Elks Club.

The program will be presented by Toppers of Glamour of Inglewood, Arlene, representing the firm, will talk on the current interest in wigs. Models will be present to demonstrate the wigs and samples will be available to be tried on by guests.

Reservations, which must be in by Aug. 6, are being taken by Mrs. James Flanagan of Torrance.

## Capt. Beeman Now Stationed At Hamilton

Capt. Beeman and son, John A. Beeman and son, John, spent last week here with Capt. Beeman's parents, Dr. and Mrs. John Beeman. They left Saturday for Capt. Beeman's new assignment, the Hamilton Air Force Base at San Rafael.

Capt. Beeman completed his internship at the Harbor General Hospital on June 30. He then went to Montgomery, Ala., for his indoctrination into the United States Air Force. While he was there, Mrs. Beeman and John visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Gill, in Alexandria, Va.



PATRICIA COCHRAN  
... November Bride-elect

## Local High Graduates Are Engaged

Culminating a Torrance High school romance is the announcement today of the engagement of Miss Patricia Ann Cochran and Phillip John Nickol.

Announcing the betrothal are the bride-elect's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Darres E. Cochran, 1727 Elm Ave.

Parents of the future bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Luke C. Nickol, 1730 Arlington Ave.

Miss Cochran and her fiance were both members of the 1960 Torrance High graduating class.

She is employed by the Blue Chip Stamp Co. in Hawthorne and he is an employee of the Space Technology Laboratory.

A November wedding is being planned.

## Entertains

Mrs. J. L. Harmon entertained her bridge club last Monday at her home, 23701 Western Ave.

Luncheon was served followed by the games in which Mrs. W. L. Norman held high score and Mrs. Alan Moore, second.

Mrs. Harmon's guests were her daughter, Mrs. H. L. Henschell of Springfield, Ill., Mmes. Alan Moore, H. J. Osborne, D. J. Quinlivan, Wade Johnson, and Don Wolf.

## Northern Trip

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Holmka will return early this week from a two weeks vacation spent in San Francisco and northern California.

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FOR YOUTH OF THE AREA . . . Proceeds from the many summer ways and means projects, totaling \$3,800, were presented by check this week to the Torrance Scout Center by the Junior Woman's club. At the presentation are, from left, Hal Laudeman, building commission representative, Mrs. Ronald Forestal, Junior Club president, W. E. Walton, Center business manager, and Mrs. James Morgan, Junior ways and means chairman.

## Off to Hawaii

Miss Marcie Gitschier, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Gitschier, 217 Vista del Parque and Dotti Desmond, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Desmond, 136 Vista del Parque, Hollywood Riviera, will leave today by jet for Hawaii for a two weeks vacation. The girls will stay at the Princess Kaiulani and their tour includes visits to the outer islands.

## Leave for Fair

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Jones of Waleria and their son, Tom Jones and his children left Friday for Seattle to attend the World's Fair. They will also visit relatives in Tacoma, Wash., before returning home the latter part of August.

## Lyden-Williams Nuptials Recited in Church Rites

Miss Victoria Lyden, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George P. Lyden, 18403 Yukon Ave., Torrance, exchanged wedding vows with Edward Williams in a 7:30 o'clock ceremony at the South Bay Church of God on Saturday, July 14. Parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Edward Williams, 16333 Wilton Pl., Gardena.

Wearing an Alfred Angelo wedding gown of silk organza and Chantilly lace over taffeta, the bride came to the altar on the arm of her father. The gown was fashioned with a Sabrina neckline enhanced with sequins and pearls. The full skirt fell into a chapel train. The silk illusion bridal veil was secured by a crown of pearls and crystals. White orchids and valley lilies formed the bouquet.

Miss Karen Jean Lyden was her sister's honor attendant. She wore apricot chiffon and taffeta and carried Talisman roses. Bridesmaids were Andrea and Karen Governale, Diane Magnante, Phyllis McLain, Lynda Geronimo and Kitty Weiss. All wore apricot and chiffon and carried Talisman roses. Tammy Lou Conklin, in blue nylon, was the

## Main Philanthropy

## Junior Club Gives Scout Center Check

Torrance Junior Woman's Club, Marina District, CFWC, announce proceeds from ways and means projects for the Summer totaling approximately \$3,800 have been donated to the Torrance Scout Center, which is the main philanthropy for the club.

Under the chairmanship of Mrs. James Morgan, the club's next ways and means project will be a booth at the fairgrounds during Rancho Days through August 5th.

The Scout Center is co-sponsored by the Torrance Junior Woman's Club and the Civitans. Ground was broken for the building in 1958 on land leased from the city. A major portion of the actual work on the building was volunteer labor of service clubs and individuals in Torrance. It is available for numerous activities, including troop meetings, adult training, district and neighborhood meetings, Scout dinners, parties and overnights.

## Indiana Guest

Mrs. Kenneth Hyde of Gary, Ind., is spending two weeks here visiting with her relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Don Hyde, in Torrance, and Mrs. Marie Baker Smith in Redondo.



MRS. EDWARD WILLIAMS  
... Former Victoria Lyden

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