

# YOUR PROBLEMS

by Ann Landers

## 'It's Not Worth A Family Fight . . .'

Dear Ann Landers: We just returned from our honeymoon and I'm so mad smoke is curling out of my ears! After my husband and I left the wedding dinner my in-laws stopped the orchestra, got up on the platform and announced the engagement of their daughter.

My parents spent a fortune to put on one of the loveliest weddings this town has ever seen. I think it was just horrible of my in-laws to take advantage of the occasion to move their own daughter into the spotlight.

A friend of mine even made the comment that my in-laws were very clever to announce their daughter's engagement at our wedding because it saved them the price of an engagement party.

I am eager to get along with my husband's family, but after this galling incident I'm not sure it's worth the effort. Please tell me what you think of this sneaky little maneuver, J. S.

Dear J. S.: Announcements of this type are often made at gala events. There's nothing unusual about it. But it should not be sprung as a surprise on the host and hostess. As a matter of courtesy your in-laws should have asked permission to make the announcement.

Since it's over and done with, forget it. It's not worth a four-door family fight.

Dear Ann: You were so right in your answer to that numbskull who believes all women who work nights are running away from their family responsibilities and whooping it up with the boys.

I am one of those "bimbos" as she calls us, who works the night shift. My job is dispatcher for the police department. If nobody would agree to work at night, she and millions of other citizens would be in a heck of a fix.

Of course I'd prefer daylight hours but this important job demands night work.

It's no picnic working from 11:00 p.m. until 7:00 a.m. and running a home besides. And then to have some lunatic tell our husbands they are nuts to let us out at night is insulting! Thanks for taking our part.

—ANOTHER BIMBO  
Dear Bim: Yours was one of many letters expressing this point of view.

Interestingly enough I received almost as many letters telling me I was cuckoo to defend the "bimbos"—and that unless I had worked a night shift I was not qualified to comment.

Of course some night shift gals are jolly a bit with the boys, but they'd be doing the same thing if they worked afternoons.

Dear Ann Landers: I'm 22 and the mother of two small children. My husband and I have had numerous arguments about my attending baby showers, and an occasional club meeting in the evening. I usually stay home to avoid a fight.

I'm tied to the house all day because we can't afford help. The only opportunity I have to get out is when I attend a shower or club party.  
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## Marina Fine Arts Festival Set March 21

Marina District CFWC, 1963 Fine Arts Festival will be held March 21 from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. at the Neptunian Club, 920 Highland Ave., Manhattan Beach.

At noon a buffet luncheon will be served. In the afternoon, a "Chapeau Parade" will be held. All attending are urged to wear a hat made from vegetables, flowers, ribbons, etc. There will be awards for "most original," "most colorful" and "most becoming."

Mrs. Alma Smith may be called for reservations before March 18.



RECIPROCITY AND FEDERATION . . . Torrance Woman's Club welcomed district officers and club presidents at a tea and program at the clubhouse Wednesday. Here Mrs. J. P. Bay, president of the Torrance Club, left, and Mrs. Alma Smith, first vice president are shown greeting Mrs.

Ervin Graf, Marina district president; Mrs. C. H. Criley, Neptunian Club president; and Mrs. A. Ben Ellery, Marina district first vice president. Eversole, the Magician presented a program which was followed by the tea.

## Metasparks To Sponsor Luncheon Show March 16

A Spring fashion show and luncheon, sponsored by the Metasparks of the Redondo-Torrance Church of Religious Science, will be held at the church, 907 Knob Hill, Redondo Beach, at 1 p.m. on March 16.

Fashions and accessories will be furnished by a Peninsula Shopping Center Dress Shop and hats will be provided by a Hollywood Riviera shop.

Modeling will be Kay Hartigan, Edythe Lembka, Doris Corazza, and Annabelle Sprague. Teenage clothes will be worn by Ruth Mitchell and Suzanne Glazier. Pat Peck is serving as fashion coordinator and Nan Chittenden will be the commentator.

Door prizes will be awarded throughout the luncheon and show. The public is invited and tickets will be available at the door.

## Thomsens Will Visit Here on Way to Vietnam

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Thomsen and daughter, Katey, will arrive on March 30 for a 10-day visit with Mrs. Thomsen's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Don Wolf on Halldale Avenue. Mrs. Thomsen is the former Judy Wolf.

After their visit here, the Thomsens will leave for Saigon, Vietnam, where Mr. Thomsen has been assigned a two-year tour of duty with the State Department.

The Thomsens have been living in Arlington, Va.

## Old Friends Entertained In Laguna

Miss Helen Collier of Laguna Beach, a former Torrance High School teacher, entertained a group of long-time friends at a luncheon Thursday at her Laguna home.

Attending from here were Mmes. Charles A. Curtiss, Dan Mosher, and Paul Vonderahe; Mrs. Helen Tiffany Collins of Redondo; Miss Marguerite Jones of Palos Verdes, former Torrance High teacher; Mrs. Gwendolyn Miller King of Seal Beach, formerly of Torrance, and Mrs. Hanna B. Yoeman of Laguna Beach, who taught in the local high school in the early 1920s.

After the luncheon, the friends spent the afternoon reminiscing. The group talked with Ralph Bell, a Torrance High graduate, now living in Laguna. Mr. Bell was retired recently from the Jorgensen Steel Co in Los Angeles where he had been vice president.

It was also learned that Miss Ada Chase, who was head of the art department at Torrance High for many years and had moved to Laguna where she continued her interest in art, is now living in Ojai. She is continuing her affiliation with club and art circles.

## Meets March 25

Literature Section of the Torrance Woman's Club will meet Monday, March 25, at 10 a.m. at the home of Margery Norman, 1109 Cranbrook Ave. A book review will be given by Mrs. Hazel Ward.

## Weekend Trip

Mr. and Mrs. Robert West and children, Nancy, Robbie and Billy and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Farnsworth and three children of Palos Verdes spent a recent weekend at the Paramount Lodge at Big Bear.

## Mr., Mrs. Robert W. Roy Establish Lomita Home

La Rambla Presbyterian Church in San Pedro was the scene of an eight o'clock wedding on Friday evening, Feb. 22, when Miss Neva Marie Languis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd G. Languis, 23119 Dana Ave., became the bride of Robert William Roy, Parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Armand Roy, 1013 Plaza Del Amo, Torrance.

The Rev. Robert Henderson officiated at the marriage at the candlelighted altar. The church organist played the nuptial music and accompanied Claudia Glover, who sang "Because" and "The Lord's Prayer."

Mr. Languis escorted his daughter to the altar and gave her in marriage. She wore a gown of white Chantilly lace with a scalloped neckline, long pointed sleeves, and a bouffant skirt, which fell into a chapel train, attached to five lace roses. The elbow

# Social World

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TAKE THE REINS . . . victor Woman's Club installed its new officers for the coming year at a dinner meeting Tuesday evening at the Palms restaurant. Using a "rose" theme, Mrs. Roger Orman conferred the duties of office on each new officer. Installed were from left, Mmes. Stewart H. Kulp, president; Jim Bruno, third vice president; Roy Wiseman, second vice president; Roger Orman, secretary; and Richard Champion, first vice president.

## Women Educators Hear Panel on Typical Child

A panel discussion on the topic "A Typical Child" was presented Tuesday evening at the meeting of the Gamma Gamma Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma, national organization of women in education.

Membership in this local chapter is made up of women in the harbor area. The meeting was held at Bonita school, with Mrs. Miriam Teaff, school principal, as hostess.

On the panel were Mrs. Lucille Frohne, Basil Debnokoff, Mrs. Victoria Henderson, and Glenn Putnam. Discussion concerned the children who differ from the "typical" child and the methods used by schools in helping these children.

Mrs. Lucille Burkhalter, president, conducted the business meeting.

## Art Class, Instructor See Exhibit

Vera Grube, South Bay artist and instructor, will leave Wednesday, with her painting class, for Newport Beach to see Morris Graves retrospective exhibit at the Pavilion Gallery in Balboa.

Miss Grube remembers a number of years back when Morris Graves, part of the Seattle Art Museum staff, hung Miss Grube's first one-man show. He complimented her work and encouraged her to continue.

## Chapter Sets March 14 for Style Benefit

"Shower of Fashions" is the theme for the fashion benefit to be staged by the Eta Mu chapter of Epsilon Sigma Alpha sorority, to be held at the Western Avenue Club on Thursday, March 14, at 8 p.m. Proceeds from the benefit will be used to further the chapter's philanthropic work at a home for elderly women and other charities.

Annelma Lemon will serve as narrator of the show when 10 models parade in new fashions.

Refreshments will be served. Tickets will be available at the door.

## In Las Vegas

Mr. and Mrs. Don Wolf spent three days last week in Las Vegas. They were guests at the Flamingo Hotel.

## Patricia Bench Becomes Bride of Ronald Moquin

Miss Patricia Bench, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Bench, 1513 W. 256th St., Harbor Coty, exchanged her marriage promises with Ronald E. Moquin, also of Harbor City, in an early evening ceremony at the Wayside Methodist Church on Saturday, March 2. The bridegroom is the son of Mrs. Alfred Dube, Fall River, Mass.

Miss Sharon Bench was her sister's honor attendant. She wore a gown of peacock blue chiffon and carried a bouquet of pink carnations.

The bride came to the altar on the arm of her father. Her traditional wedding gown was a Mori-Lee original of silk bombazine and Chantilly lace. The fitted bodice had a square neckline, embroidered with pearls and sequins, and long pointed sleeves. The billow skirt of bombazine was edged in Chantilly lace and was caught at the back and front by small bows. The waist length illusion bridal veil cascaded from a coronet of orange blossoms.

Joe Miller performed the duties of best man and ushers were Frank and Gerald Burton.

Wedding music was played by Mrs. C. Malcolm and Mrs. Frank Collins sang "Because" and "O Perfect Love."

The Rev. Harold Byrn officiated at the marriage service. A reception for the 125 guests was held in the church hall followed by a buffet

## Newmans Greet Fourth Son

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil E. Newman of Toppenish, Wash., are announcing the birth of their fourth son, Paul Wright, on Feb. 15. The Newmans, who lived in Torrance until seven years ago, have three other sons, Virgil Jr., Harley and J. D. Mr. Newman was a member of the Torrance Fire Dept. He is now employed by the Carnation Milk Co. in Toppenish.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Harley Newman, 2732 Gramercy, Torrance, and Mr. and Mrs. Raleigh Heitzman of Granger, Wash.

## Smorgasbord Set For St. Pat's Day

A complete smorgasbord, featuring approximately 150 hot and cold dishes will be sponsored by the Women's Council of the St. Philometa Church on March 17 from 3:30 until 5 p.m. in the school hall, 21900 S. Main St.

This is a dime-a-dip affair, stated Mrs. Mike Marinovich, president. No reservations are needed and the public is invited.



MRS. RONALD E. MOQUIN . . . Weds in Methodist Rites (Portrait by Seeman)



MRS. ROBERT W. ROY . . . Former Neva Languis (Portrait by Seeman)