

# Torrance Herald

# GUIDE to FOOD and FUN

## HIGHLIGHTS

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Three exuberant groups of talented music-makers have been slated to make their first appearances at MARINELAND RESTAURANT on the Palos Verdes Peninsula, leading off with the Eddie Lawrence Quintette, which opened Tuesday in the "Porpoise Room."

The song-and-fun instrumentalists were signed by owner George M. Foster for a special two-week engagement. They play nightly except Mondays.

The holiday entertainment at Marineland Restaurant will also be comprised of The Celebrities, who open a limited engagement Dec. 12 and the popular Gary Sinclair and his VIP's.

The latter group, scheduled to perform from Dec. 24 through Jan. 5, will spark the tuneful entertainment Christmas and New Year's Eve.

All of the holiday shows billed for the "Porpoise Room," disclosed Foster, will feature vocal harmony, instrumentation and comedy.

"We serve the best martini in the world," is Frank Sinclair's answer to the most popular drink at The TACK ROOM. Frank, who mans the bar from 6 p.m. until closing at 2 a.m., performs his wizardry with gin and vermouth in front of a pastoral scene of groom and hose, which sets the theme of this new restaurant in Peninsula Center.

By the way, if you would like to buy a house while you're enjoying your martini, Frank works days in the real estate field.

Having a wedding? Banquet? Well, perhaps a luncheon? BREEN'S, only cafeteria in downtown Torrance, is offering a catering service which will accommodate 50 to 200 people either on the premises or in the home.

The catering service features the varied entrees

regularly served at Breen's which include stuffed sirloin, lobster thermidor, prime rib, baked chicken, grenadine of beef and other taste tempters.

THE PALMS, one of THE restaurants of Torrance will be closed today but the doors will open tomorrow and the same excellent food will come out of the kitchen where owner Roy Bell reigns as chef with Bert Gingerich. Just maybe the fact that Roy has been in the restaurant business 17 years has helped to create and hold the reputation of The Palms for food which never disappoints.

It's fun time 365 days of the year at SHAKEY'S PIZZA, where the pizza is hot and the beer cold and a 70 ounce pitcher comes to your table for only \$1.25.

Bart Earl of The RED ONION probably marked up a "first" when he went house hunting on the Palos Vedres Peninsula and ended up with a restaurant purchase instead.

In fact, Bart is having a problem generally keeping home and business separate. A grandfather clock purchased specifically for the entry hall of his home was deposited in the Red Onion until said hall was ready for said clock. Now, because patrons have commented so often about the clock to Bart, it looks as if "home" has lost again.

Order your steak by the ounce! The OLYMPIC ICE ARENA restaurants offers just this service. Nine or 10 ounce prime cut rings in at \$2.95 or you can go full scale to the 14 ounce for \$3.95. Children's plates are half price here. Don't know the ounce count.

Rene Bouter and Jules Erdely of PIGALLE'S, the elegant restaurant known for delightful French cuisine served in the intriguing atmosphere of "Gay Paree," are going as American as Thanksgiving turkey to honor the national holiday. In fact, the traditional Thanksgiving dinner will be served to guests from 4 p.m. to 10 today with an Americanized French flair.

Rene and Jules have completed remodeling which has increased their dining capacity to around 100 and they now offer banquet facilities.

PIRATES ISLE, "the only heated salt water swimming lagoon of its kind in the world," will be open seven days a week, 10 a.m. to six p.m. during the winter. Water which averages 80 degrees invites swimming as the air turns cooler. Pirates Isle also features a snack bar and dressing rooms.

Chefs Anders, John and Yan of the SWEDISH CORNER SMORGASBORD not only prepare the varied array of delicious dishes served daily, except Mondays, at this authentic Swedish restaurant, their talents may be brought into your home.

According to Curt and Jill Elming, owners, the restaurant offers a varied catering service and preparing a party for 100 guests, or more, or less, is no problem whatever.

CHARLEY'S, known for fine food, the blue cheese salad dressing alone wins a



LIVIN' IS EASY . . . Councilman Jack Hopkins and Teena Clifton, mayor, were among the Rolling Hills Estates officials to attend the opening of the new Rolling Hills Golf Club. Pat Chartrand, club pro (at right) gives an assist on club selection. Located at Narbonne and Palos Verdes Drive, North, in Rolling Hills Estates, the club is now open to the public dawn to dusk seven days a week.



SNACK BAR OPENS . . . Dennis Blow of Torrance, Marymount College food service manager, marks the opening of the college snack bar in the administration building by serving giant sandwiches, left to right, to Veronica Sindorf, Nancy Chadwick, and Maureen Jacques. The snack bar is open to all campus visitors.

## 'Moon' Opens Dec. 6; Runs Thru Jan. 11

"The Moon Is Blue," F. Hugh Herbert's three-act comedy will open at The Chapel Theatre Friday, Dec. 6 at 8:30 p.m.

Directed by Fred West of Los Angeles, who is also playing the role of the Irish policeman-father, the cast includes Frank Vrooman, Don Gordon, and Miss Larry Gale.

The comedy records the progress and defeats of a young architect, Don, played by Gordon, in his pursuit of a naive but outspoken young lady, Patty, played by Miss Gale.

Production crew consists of: Barbara Vrooman, assistant director; Lynda Gorchester, producer; stage manager, Dick Obert; set design, Steve Sands; light design, George Bingham; Becky Sis and Dana Anderson, lighting technicians; sound, Dick Obert; props, Kay Pone; set dressing, Phyllis Palmer; and posters and foyer display, Lyle Smith.

The comedy will close Jan. 11, with the theatre being dark during the weekend before Christmas day, Dec. 21 and 22nd. Reservations are available at the box office, FR 2-9636, with the exception of Dec. 12, 13 and 15 and Jan. 5 and 9, which have been sold out. Special rates are offered for clubs, organizations and parties.

## Lotte Goslar on Hollywood Stage

Lotte Goslar, of the Turnabout Theatre of some years back when she and Elsa Lancaster shared billing, is appearing at the Huntington Hartford Theatre in Hollywood through Sunday.

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## 'Red Mill' To Feature Early Show

Dutch holiday songs, dances and games, with Hollywood guest stars and St. Nick himself hosting, will be presented in an hour pre-show "Festival of St. Nicholas" during the run of "The Red Mill."

Victor Herbert's delightful Dutch musical, "The Red Mill," which stars FiFi D'Orsay and

El Brendel with a cast of 30, opens next Thursday, the day when children in Holland traditionally are visited by their Santa.

Dutch clubs and organizations throughout the Southland are being invited to participate in this impromptu "bit of Dutch Christmas" and many, in authentic costumes, are expected to attend.

The event has been given the blessings of the Netherlands Consul General in Los Angeles and further interest is being shown by such leading firms as Holland-American Lines, KLM Royal Dutch Airlines, Netherlands Tourist Office, Van de Kamp Bakeries, and others.

"The Red Mill," directed by Charles Rothlein, will be presented four times only, Dec 5 to Dec. 8 at 8 p.m. at Gardena Auditorium, 182nd Street and Normandie, for benefit of Gardena Valley Kiwanis' fund for retarded children. Tickets and reservations at all Allied, Liberty and Wallich's Music City Stores or phone: 323-9274 and 326-3367.

## Senior Class At North High Slates Drama

"Seventeenth Summer," the story of a high school girl and her first romance, will be presented by the North High senior class on Dec. 5, 6, and 7, in the school cafeteria.

Tickets for the production will be placed on sale Dec. 2, with a general admission of \$1. Students with Associated Student Body cards will be admitted for 75 cents.

Cathy Dean plays the young girl, while Bill Whitehead will be seen as her first love.

Others in the cast include Sue Oldt, Maureen Bereskin, Nancy Pennington, Sue Doty, Kris Whitley, Linda Kern, Steve Plakos, Kelly Sims, Len Jackson, and Harvey Cohen.

Curtain time for all three performances is 7:30 p.m.

## Italian Festival Opens Next Week

Street songs of Naples, gondola serenades from Venice and operatic melodies from every corner of Italy will resound through Philharmonic auditorium for the "Italian Festival Concert," introducing Vincent Sorrento and his Neapolitan orchestra Dec. 6, at 8:30 p.m.

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## Footlight to Present John Patrick Play

"The Curious Savage," comedy by John Patrick, will be presented by the Footlight Theatre three consecutive weekends beginning tomorrow evening.

Directed by Herman Goodman, the cast is headed by Irene Conry.

Sponsored by the Torrance Recreation Dept., this play which concerns a widow's efforts to turn a \$10 million fortune into a "happiness fund," will run at the Torrance Plaza, 3331 Torrance Blvd. tomorrow and Saturday evening and Dec. 6, 7, 13 and 14. Curtain time will be 8:30 p.m. Reservations and group rates are available at DA 9-5338.

## Golf Course Sets Senior Citizens Day

Mondays have been designated as "Senior Citizens Day" at the new Dominguez three par golf course at 19800 S. Main St.

Pro Dick Stenard will be on duty at the new 18-hole public golf course. Senior citizens will be allowed a round on the course at reduced rates each Monday.

The course also announced the start of its first women's tournament, which will begin Wednesday with some 50 members of the fair sex teeing off.

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