

Marty Teaches Dogs to Snap



PAMPERS but no spoiled, these three German Shepherd guard dogs make danger impossible. Einer, Schatzie and Knuffie posing here with their owner, Mrs. Lehr, aren't all business though. They love to play with children when off duty.

Marty Lehr's Job Too Hazardous For Insurance

Marty Lehr has insurance for the dogs she trains but none for herself. She takes too many chances to be a good risk.

The only woman member of the Security Guard Dog Handlers Association of California she has two goals, to see a guard dog in every police patrol car and to help children lose their fear of dogs through learning how to handle them.

Russia is the only country in the world that has women trained to do the work she does. "I figured if Russian women could do it, I could too," she said. "They're no better than I am," she added.

"It all started when I bought a German Shepherd for my son's birthday," she explained. "He bared his teeth and charged at me, I was afraid of my own dog."

Worked with other trainers she passed the Southern California Obedience Council for dog training after about 6 years.

Then one even she heard Milton Purdon of the Security Dog Handlers Association ask for dog handlers over TV. When he telephoned in answer to her letter he asked for "Mr." Lehr. "When I explained that I was Marty Lehr, he said he had no place for me," said Mrs. Lehr, before she agreed to let her act as decoy for the other member's dogs. This meant standing out in a field, firing blanks, and giving the dogs a leather sleeve when they charged for attack. "It was two hours a day of hard and dangerous work, I was covered with mud and mosquito bites," she continued.

Champion of Course With the completion of the training Mrs. Lehr became a champion of the guard dog cause. "If patrol men had dogs with them, they would have lots better protection," she states.

"The dog obey on command, practically sense danger and can knock down a criminal before he has a chance to react. With the use of the trained dogs, patrolmen wouldn't need to carry a gun," she added.

A trainer herself, qualified to use her dogs for tracking and guard work, Mrs. Lehr will be ready to train police dogs when the times comes.

In the meantime she is busy concentrating on her second aim, to see children learn to take care of and handle their own dogs.

Every morning at 8:15 she can be seen with her three German Shepherds and from 50 to 60 children on the way to school.

"I do it because I love kids," says Marty Lehr of these early walks to Halldale elementary school.

Mother Screamed At first the three large German Shepherds, Einer, Knuffie and Schatzie caused mothers along the way to scream "keep away from those vicious dogs" at their offspring. Now the mothers urge the children to join Marty and the dogs.

On the walk down Brighton St. and along the slough, Mrs. Lehr tries to give a different kid each morning a chance to hold a leash and race a dog. "It goes over real big," she says.

"Most kids have dogs that they just don't know what to do with," she adds. "The dog just sits in the backyard."

The children of Halldale are pretty well educated now thanks to Mrs. Lehr. Michael, her twelve year old son, has even put on a dog handling demonstration for the 6th graders.

Namesake Follows Interest Of her other 3 children, two of whom are married, her 8 year old namesake is the most likely to follow her mother's interest.

She has already won second place among 25 other junior handlers using the baby, Knuffie or "little button," as her entry.

Lynn Lehr, her oldest daughter, has added to the confusion of the many trophies at the Lehr home. She was Miss National Press Photography in 1955.

"She has as many trophies as the dogs, we can't tell which are hers," says Mrs. Lehr.

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Amy Savage and 'Opry Stars' to Present Skit

The Torrance Rebekah Lodge will accompany Mrs. Amy Savage, good fellowship chairman, to the Hollenbeck Lodge, East Los Angeles, at Chicago and 1st Sts., Nov. 22, to present a skit at the lodge's 'County Fair'.

On Nov. 26 the second nomination of officers for the year of 1959 will be held at the Masonic Temple, 2326 Cabrillo Ave.

Plans are now under way for the Torrance Rebekahs to join the Trio Odd Fellows in a joint Christmas party for the children of the Lodge on Wednesday evening, Dec. 17.

Kerbers Have Visitor From Pakistan

Mahmood Ali Khan Akter, a film producer from West Pakistan, was the recent guest of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kerber of 820 Terri Ave.

The Kerbers are taking part in the international hosting program offered by the Torrance Junior Woman's Club. They were introduced to their visitor by Mrs. Clifford Trezise, International Hostess for the Torrance Juniors.

Widely traveled and speaking fluent English he shared his experiences in recent film work with the Kerbers. He is also active in film production and exhibition.

Some of the countries he has visited include Singapore, Indonesia, Malaya, Burma, and Thailand.

After leaving the Los Angeles area he will visit San Francisco.

Hi Neighbor Club Exchanges Gifts

A white elephant gift exchange was held at the Nov. 20 meeting of the Hi Neighbor Club, at the home of Mrs. Sander Olsen, 2019 W. 180th St.

The exchange of gifts netted \$108 for the club treasury.

A special door prize of a string of Christmas lights, was announced for the special Dec. 3 meeting.

Three new committees were formed. Serving on the ways and means committee will be Mmes. Ralph Madden, Jess Huerta, Richard Fleming and Harold Bloom.

On the entertaining and planning committee will be Mmes. Louis Ambriso, Sander Olsen, David Brades and Alton Nigh.

Serving on the meeting programs committee, Mmes. Frank Oldt, Robert Godward and Robert Dean.

Secret Pals to Be Revealed

The regular Christmas party of the Past Noble Grand's Club of the Torrance Rebekah Lodge will be held at the home of Mrs. Warren Powers, 2127 W. 247th St.

Secret Pals of the last year will be revealed and gifts will be exchanged.

At the last meeting held at the home of Mrs. Belva Brase, 2435 Border Ave. the following officers were elected for the coming year. Mmes. Fronia Branagh, president, Maude Milburn, vice-president, Ruth Deems, secretary and Anna May Isbell, treasurer.

The new officers will be installed at the January meeting to be held at the home of the outgoing president, Mrs. Glada Yost, 17030 Atkinson St.

"Harvest Moon Hop"

The Piouettes of South High School held a "Harvest Moon Hop" at the Torrance YWCA Nov. 21.

The YWCA was decorated in yellow and black to go with the dance theme.

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Special Merchants' Lunch 85¢ Bowl-O-Drome 220th at Western



AS THE PIED PIPER, Einer, Knuffie, Schatzie, German Shepherd guard dogs owned by Mrs. Marty Lehr, gather children along the way on their early morning walks to Halldale Elementary School.

As many as 60 children join Mrs. Lehr and her dogs before reaching school. Everyone takes turns holding the leashes and no one is ever late.

Hoy and Klingbeil Exchange Vows At Flower Decorated Church

Baskets of white flowers and bows of white ribbon decorated the First Baptist church, Nov. 22, as Jackie Elizabeth Hoy became Mrs. Charles Arthur Klingbeil at a 2 p.m. wedding service.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Hoy of 1835 W. 216th St. The groom is the son of Mrs. Jewel Wilkins of Pasadena.

Rev. Morgan Gates performed the wedding rites at the double ring ceremony. The bride was edged with lace and swept from a pearl and sequin crown.

The bride wore a waist-length gown, with a princess-style bodice of Chantilly lace and a high neckline. The skirt was of white satin, covered with an overskirt of tulle and Chantilly.

Her fingertip-length veil was edged with lace and swept from a pearl and sequin crown.

The bride carried a single white orchid on a white Bible and a cascade bouquet of stephanotis.

Gayel Hoy, maid of honor and sister of the bride, wore a gown of blue chiffon over taffeta. Her head piece was white with a blue veil. She carried pink carnations.

Bridesmaids Cheryl Wells and Milly Lewis wore dresses identical with that of the maid of honor and pale pink carnation bouquets.

Penny Hoy served as flower girl and wore a white dress with an overskirt sprinkled with pink rosebuds. She carried a white basket filled with pink flower petals.

Both the brides and the grooms mothers wore dresses of lace over taffeta. The brides mother chose dusty rose with brown accessories and wore a corsage of Sterling Silver roses. The grooms mother wore brown with beige accessories. Her corsage was of deep pink roses.

Peter L. Edwards served as best man with ushers Allen McColloch and Gene Esquibel completing the wedding party.

A reception was held immediately after the wedding at the social hall of the church.

The bride is a senior at Narbonne High School. The groom graduated from John Muir High School and is employed at Douglas in the timekeeping department.

The couple will reside at 2211 1/2 Gramercy.

Christmas Dinner Planned by Fun Club

The annual Christmas Dinner of the Fun and Fun Club of the Torrance Rebekah Lodge will be held at the Masonic Temple, 2326 Cabrillo Ave., 12 a.m. on Dec. 3.

The dinner will be similar to a pot luck with the turkey provided by the club and the members contributing the other dishes.

At the last meeting the following officers were chosen for the coming year: Mrs. Lucille Taute, president, Mrs. Mae Aggola, vice-president, Mrs. Irma Powers, secretary and Mrs. Anna Rollamson, treasurer.

The installation of these officers will take place at the first meeting in January.

Cubs Compe in Racing Derby

Pinewood Derby was held by Torrance Fire Department sponsored, Cub Scout pack 656 C, Nov. 22, at the Newton School Cafeterium.

The father and son project featured racers carved from solid blocks of wood to meet certain qualifications and decorated to represent almost every type of racing car.

E. B. Anderson, assistant submaster built a large track, complete with automatic flags for the competition.

Winners of the first inter-den race were: Ronni Hull, Gregory Mitchell, Richard Coburn, Philip Witte, Mike Criss, Bruce Calkin, Chris Johnson and Dennis Waldrop. Each of the winners was presented with a loving-cup trophy.

The winners from each den then raced against each other. Ronnie Hull of Den One took first place. Others winners were as follows: Bruce Lotts, Webloe, second place; Chris Johnson, Den Seven, third place.

Vows Recited by Swedish Bride at Baptist Church Wedding

Halde Ellsabeth Karlstedt of Stockholm, Sweden was the recent bride of Jim York, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl York, of Torrance, at a Nov. 25 wedding at the First Baptist Church.

The Swedish bride met her husband during a sightseeing trip to Disneyland.

She arrived for her first visit to the United States Jan. 14 and had been employed as a governess in Balboa.

Before coming to California, she had visited most of the European countries and had worked for a time at a London hospital.

For the wedding ceremony, she wore a white ballerina-length gown of satin with a chiffon overskirt. Her veil was attached to a matching tiara and she carried a bouquet of white carnations with an orchid centerpiece.

Gigili Adolfsen, the bride's best friend, served as maid of honor, representing the family in Sweden who were unable to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Karl Karlstedt, parents of the bride, are looking forward to a summer visit of the couple. It will be the groom's first visit to Sweden.

The couple are now residing at 20607 New Hampshire Ave.

The groom is a graduate of Gardena High School and now works with his father in the construction business.

The bride studied both in Sweden and England and had planned to work in the United States for a year before returning home.

'Toy Day' Meeting Held

"Toy Day" was observed at the Nov. 18 Dolores St. PTA meeting when members brought toys to be given exceptional children.

Officer Box from the Compton Highway Patrol was guest speaker. He spoke on safety around the school areas.



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Shriners to Dance and Dine at Annual Christmas Party, Dec. 5

Christmas will come a little early for the members of the South Bay Shrine Club, Dec. 5 is the date set for this year's holiday dinner dance at the Elks Club in Redondo.

The affair will be semi-formal. A social hour at 7 p.m. will be followed by a steak dinner at 8.

Dancing to music provided by the Dixieland Combo will begin at 9 p.m. and last until 1 in the morning.

Special introductions will be given the officers for 1959 and new members and their wives.

In observance of ladies night and in the holiday mood, Christmas corsages and favors will be presented each Shriners wife.

Over 200 guests are expected to attend.

Essay Read by Student at PTA Meet

The North High School PTA held its regular Nov. meeting at the school cafeteria.

Rosemarie Simons, a student, read an essay entitled "To America To Fray."

During the program Mrs. Mary Smerdel talked on student counciling and Mrs. Elizabeth Motley discussed World Heritage.

Senior parents served the refreshments following the meeting.

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