



SUN FUN—Coordinated knit done in a brief two piece swim suit and bulky beach-length sweater, by Jane Ford for Caltex of California. Available in yellow, green with white.

Tip to Toe

By Sylvia Miller
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Fun In the Sun
Facing the sun, and facing facts . . . about our figures . . . seem to go together about this time of year when the new-look bathing suits are beginning to show up in the stores.

February in California may seem a foolish month to locals to be fussing about swim suits . . . but the truth is, girls, the largest and smartest selections come in right now. Getting a head start, at least on looking, should give you a flying start toward that diet or those exercises you've been dreaming about getting to "some day."

All swim styles this year, whether one or two piece, are slim, trim, neat, chic. And your figure should follow suit! Bikinis are "in" . . . the teenies will be glad to hear . . . more varied, but perhaps a bit more modest than their European counterparts.

One piece, long-line maillots are also "in" . . . usually with exceedingly low backs, but more demure fronts, with better than ever controlled and contoured built-in bras.

And most "in" of all . . . the boy-leg two piece suit which yet manages to seem most lady-like and feminine.

There also are loads more ways of covering up after swimming than the good old fashioned terry cloth robe. These go-togethers range from tiny wrap-around skirts over bikinis, to torso sweaters and full length skirts.

We show such smart coordinates today in a check knit, two piece suit with double cord forming the shoulder straps of the top and threading through the waistline loops of the shorts. The fabulous, beachcoat length bulky sweater is of orlon and wool, and both parts come in yellow or green with white.

And just in case you think we've forgotten about looking pretty from tip to toe . . . we've spotted gay, delightful rubber toe flowers which, slipped onto the big toe and worn poolside will indeed make you lovely . . . or at least a conversation piece . . . from tip to toe!



MRS. MARK WRIGHT . . . receives national honor

—Press Photo

National PTA Honors Mrs. Mark Wright

"People get emotional about the 3% of our youth who get into serious trouble. My work is with the normal 97% . . . to provide them with good educational, recreational and welfare facilities. That's the best way to keep down the delinquency rate," said Mrs. Mark Wright, honored last week with a rare Life Membership in the National Congress of Parents and Teachers.

The surprise award was the feature of the Founders' day Program of the Torrance Council of Parent Teachers Associations.

Award Letter

The letter which accompanied the award to Mrs. Wright came from Mrs. James C. Parker, National president, and concluded with the words, "May this, your National life membership card, be for you a symbol of appreciation and gratitude from children whose lives hold greater promise because you have given them the greatest gift you have . . . yourself."

This ability to give of herself has been the touchstone of Grace Wright's full and productive life. When her children were young she was an active worker in PTA and Girl Scouting. When they were grown, she drew on her professional training and experience as a teacher, not to return to the classroom, but to bring better educational and child recreation facilities to her beloved community of Torrance.

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Her blue eyes spark with enthusiasm as she speaks of Torrance. "I'm not a native daughter, but I came close. My parents brought me here from Everett, Washington at the age of 2 . . . and I've been here ever since. "We're an excellent community," she continues, "far above the average in regard to control of juvenile delinquency and community interest in education



MISS BERTHA LOU FERN

Bertha Lou Fern Betrothed to Richard Johnson

Mr. and Mrs. Norman E. Fern, 1104 Acacia Ave., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Bertha Lou, to Richard L. Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul W. Johnson, 918 Acacia Ave.

The bride-elect received her ring Jan. 31.

Both are seniors at Torrance High School. Miss Fern plans to find employment as a secretary after her graduation in June. Her future husband is now with the Westrac Co.

No wedding date has been set.

Christian Society Elects Officers

The Women's Christian Aid Society of Lomita Christian Church installed Blanche Jackson at its new president.

Taking office with Mrs. Jackson were Margaret Sollars, vice president Sue Norvell, secretary and treasurer; Kitty Rivers, devotional chairman; Pear Cornell, missionary chairman; Eleanor Gibson social chairman; and Lola Crow, membership chairman.

The group have made plans to assist the city-wide church census to be taken Sunday afternoon. Sponsored by the Lomita Harbor City Ministers' Council and the Lomita Chamber of Commerce, census takers will visit the area of west of Eshelman Ave. from 239 St. to Palos Verdes Dr. N. Persons will be asked their church preference and invited to attend the church of their choice.

Mexican Lunch Set by Council

The Council of Catholic Women, St. Catherine Labourer Parish, will sponsor a Mexican luncheon tomorrow at 12 noon in the parish hall.

A menu of enchiladas, pork with green chili sauce, fried beans, salad, and fruit will be served.

Mrs. James Banks is luncheon chairman. Her committee comprises Mmes. Robert Mattes, Henry Drapeau, Fred Vigil, Charles Settle, and Samuel Pascale.

Methodist Men to Fete Sweethearts at Dance

The Methodist Men's organization of Alondra Park Methodist Church will fete wives and sweethearts at its Sweetheart's dinner party Saturday evening.

A smorgasbord will be served at 6:30 in the social hall of the church. Assisting with decorations is Mrs. Glen Peddicord.

Master of ceremonies will be Donald Davidson, Gardena attorney. The Coronettes will provide music for dining, dancing, and singing.

The Methodist Men will pick their Sweetheart of 1960. A coronation ceremony, supervised by Mrs. Ralph Best, will be a highlight of the evening.

Plans for the event have been directed by Walter Klasse and Donald Davidson.

League President to Address Women Voters

Mrs. Robert J. Phillips, president of the League of Women Voters of the United States, will speak to southern Leagues today at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, according to Mrs. Allen Curtis, delegate from Hollywood Riviera.

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PTA News

Dads to Be Honored

"Dear Old Dad" will be the theme of the Hillside PTA meeting at 7:30 p.m. this evening in the school cafeteria. Bill King, chairman of men's membership, is in charge of the program.

Founder's Day will be observed under the direction of Grace Barker, who will present the surprise Honorary Life Membership Award. Tribute also will be made to all past presidents of Hillside PTA.

A preview of the forthcoming "Gay Nineties Review" will be seen, including a scene from "The Villian's Last Stand."

The program is scheduled for Feb. 25 and 26 in the Hillside school cafeteria and will feature talent from the Hillside area. Tickets may be obtained by calling Mrs. John Derry, DA 6-2082.

New Parking Lot

Amanda Wilhelm, Halldale School principal, told a PTA board meeting last Wednesday that the Board of Education had purchased parking facilities for staff members.

It also was announced that four teachers had been added to the school faculty due to the increase in enrollment for the spring semester. They are Robert Ducey, Marianne Michels, Bernice Hutchison, and Sally Fanning.

Mrs. William Sather, juvenile protection chairman, announced that a drive was underway to check on the comic book situation. She said that complaints from parents indicated that the number of undesirable comic books in the area was increasing.

On April 12 the association will sponsor a spaghetti, according to Mrs. B. N. Kellam, ways and means chairman.

Bazaar Planned by Clubwomen

Plans for a bazaar in Waverly Park, April 9 and 10 were made yesterday at a meeting of the Waverly Business Women's Club.

The group also discussed its scholarship program and acquainted new members with its Camp Fire, Girl Scout, and Brownie activities.

for and about Women

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GREEK THEME—Julie Lipkowski of the Bishop Montgomery Mothers' Club poses in Grecian garb to accent the decor of the

group's Black and Gold Ball, slated Feb. 20. Assisting her are Mrs. W. B. Hamilton (left), Mary Laski and Mrs. Roger Le Pont. —Press Photo

Mothers' Club Slates Black and Gold Ball

The Mothers and Fathers Club of Bishop Montgomery High School will hold its annual Black and Gold Ball Feb. 20 at 175 N. Hawthorne Blvd. Hawthorne.

Mrs. Harry E. Payne, event chairman, has announced that the dance theme this year will be Grecian. Mmes. Howard Scott, Harry Sweet, and Lee Carroll are decor chairmen.

Eddie Truax and his Rhythmaires will play. The dance committee includes

Architect to Talk at Fuchsia Group

Allen Tunstill, landscape architect, lecturer and writer will speak on landscaping the garden and care of roses at the Lomita Fuchsia Society meeting tomorrow at 8 p.m. in the American Legion hall 24702 Narbonne Ave. Lomita.

Tunstill is director of public relations for the California National Fuchsia Society and an authority on many phases of gardening.

Admission is \$5 per couple. For reservations call DA 9-3436 or DA 6-5193.



COOKIE SALES UP—Johnny Johnson of the Torrance Flower Shop will have a full cookie jar if he succumbs to salesmanship of Girl Scouts Cheryl Austin (left), Sherry Beaty,

Vicky McPherson and Susan Wahlgren. Leader Delores Shreeve approves transaction. Scouts and Brownies will keynote cookie drive tomorrow. Proceeds benefit scouting. —Press Photo