

# Lovely Example of Graciousness Is Fashion Expert, Wilma Hastings

"The road to self-improvement is an endless one," stated Wilma Hastings, lovely owner of the Wilma Hastings Finishing and Fashion Modeling School.

"Our basic aim at the school has always been finishing school training," she continued, "And during this training we endeavor to teach girls and women to help themselves by making the most of what they have to work with and we try to give them a keener understanding and appreciation of their potentials," she concluded.

**FOUNDED SCHOOL**  
Mrs. Hastings founded her school in Long Beach in 1945 with her late husband Glen, and has seen the school grow from a two-man operation to a school of 350 students and 12 instructors. Recently she added a book which is sent out to all parts of the world to assist those who cannot avail themselves of her teaching personally.

Her models are almost as famed as she, and no up-to-date designer or merchant would contemplate doing a fashion show without these lovely models.

Long a prominent figure on the southland fashion scene, Mrs. Hastings started the Long Beach Red Cross Fashion Show in 1952 and produced and directed it for the first four years, bringing it from a sparsely attended affair to a capacity house event.

**PRESENTS FASHIONS**  
Currently Mrs. Hastings presents about 500 fashions a year. She has produced the Miss Universe, which is now the International Beauty Congress, Fashion Show each year of the pageant.

Her school headquarters at 430 E. Ocean Blvd., Long Beach, is a busy place with constant demands of women and girls for admission to her classes and the incessant



Wilma Hastings, lovely model expert

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scheduling of fashion shows. Making trips to Europe to further study fashions and fashion modeling techniques as well as an annual trip to the New York fashion market, keeps Mrs. Hastings up to date on the latest in fashion.

**SPECIALIZED**  
Long Beach product, Wilma Hastings was one of the first students to attend City College when it first opened

and continued her college education in Oregon. She specialized in the fine arts and psychology. Later she taught Personality Development at the Long Beach City College. A very popular speaker for various organizations is Wilma Hastings, because the subject material she chooses involves self-improvement mentally, physically, emotionally, spiritually and socially.

# Woman's Club Tea Honors New Members

Thirty-one women will be accepted as new members and will be honored guests at the New Members Tea scheduled by the Torrance Women's Club, CFWC District 18, at the home of Mrs. William C. Crocker, 2742 Calle Aventura, Miraleste, from 2 until 4 p.m., January 24.

Hostesses for the day will be members of the executive board of the club. Mrs. B. W. Roberts, second vice president, will be chairman. Past presidents will preside at the tea table.

Among those new members who will be honored at this annual tea are Mmes. B. A. King, Lee Allen, R. L. Floyd, Clifford Tresize, M. R. Sloan, E. D. McKesson, C. B. Wiley,

E. B. Geisel, Woodrow Casebolt, R. W. Sawyer, J. C. Laird, and J. C. Orr. W. H. Speck, L. Peterson, R. Niquette, Irwin Kasten, David Lyman, A. W. Whittington, L. J. King, D. B. Kirks, F. G. Frenz, B. T. Kenny, Margaret Barth, D. Martin, B. A. Tatum, Pat Bennet, J. G. Laird, F. R. Willingham, A. H. Brown and Miss Carlita Reeve.

# Artists Perform to Aid Mental Health

A unique musical event, in the form of a duo-piano concert and reception will be held in the Harbor-South Bay Peninsula, today, January 15, 7:30 p.m. The stage will be the home of Redondo Beach resident, Miss Colette Nance, 121 Via Los Miradores, Redondo Beach.

It is fitting them, that the Harbor District Mental Health Service and the South Bay Mental Health Committee, in their efforts to evaluate community needs in developing guidance and counseling services for children and families in the Area, have enlisted the cooperation of Miss Nance and Dr. Philip Karr, two distinguished pianists residing locally.

Colette Nance has distinguished herself as a pianist, teacher and lecturer on music. She is a graduate of Julliard School of Music, has served as lecturer in music under the New York Board of Education and has coached with such masters as Alexander Lambert, Paolo Gallico, Sigmond Stojowski and Harry Kaufman.

Dr. Philip R. Karr holds the degree of Doctor of Philo-

sophy in mathematical physics. He is at present a leading consultant in certain areas of statistical physics and missile defense with the Thompson Ramo Wooldridge Corporation. He holds several special awards and patents and is the author of many technical articles.

While Dr. Karr's main profession is that of physics, he has participated in musical activities during much of his career, as piano soloists, accompanist, chamber music performer, dance orchestra pianist, and composer. Some of this activity has been professional. He has recently been studying with the famous pianist, Leah Effenbach.

In the concert he will join Colette Nance in a wide range of music for two pianos. In addition he will present a solo group of 18th century selections, by Mozart, D. Scarlatti and Paradisi. Miss Nance will present a group of 19th century solos by Chopin, Brahms, and others.

The benefits from the concert will be used to complete publication of "Our Community's Mental Health," a brochure.

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# Installation Ceremonies Scheduled For Officers of Gardena Emblem Club

Gardena Emblem Club 257 completed another year which had been a happy successful one but saddened by the death of one our beloved officers and sisters, Mrs. Dean Saddler, a charter member of the club, reported Mrs. James Allgood, press correspondent.

On January 31 at the Elks Hall, Gardena, installation will be held at 8 p.m. for the newly elected officers.

**INSTALLING OFFICERS**  
Installing officers will be Mrs. Robert Harris, president of the Supreme Emblem Club of the United States; and Dorothy Cox, supreme marshal of Las Vegas, Nevada, club 114. Jane Kenemer, supreme corresponding secretary of 114, will also be in the installing suite.

Officers are: Mmes. Esther Popp, president; Mae Francia, junior past president; Emma Allgood, first vice president; Shirley Keenan, second vice president; Lillian Zeigler, financial secretary; Esther Harris, treasurer; Lucy Garrett, recording secretary; Jean Knapp, first trustee; Margaret Miller, second trustee; and Marge Haines, third trustee.

Mmes. Sena Trinkle, fourth trustee; Mildred Perry, fifth trustee; Clara Anderson, first assistant marshal; Dorothy Swanson, second assistant marshal; Mary Luther, chaplain; Eileen Wilson, organist; Judy Cloud, press correspondent; Evelyne Miller, historian; Vera Kelly, first guard; and Geraldine Monahan, second guard.

Appointed officers are Rita Miller, corresponding secretary; and Harriett Erickson, marshal.

**NEW CHAIRMAN**  
Mrs. Knopp announced that her new chairmen for the coming year include: Mmes. James H. Allgood, Richard Keenan, Marvin Knapp, Lucille Ketchum, William Fallick, Marion Clark, Ruth Cassel, B. Downey, H. F. Bernhard, Norman Burr, Edwin Swanson, Al Luchsinger, Mae Francia, Ress Bone, Al Smith, and Hal Sproule. William Hallstrom, Ralph Halliwell, Cecil Barry, William Trinkle, Joseph Stephens, Max Zeigler, Richard Keenan, Marvin Knapp,

and all past presidents.

In giving reports it was told that the clock room donations swelled the charity pot by \$329.33 collected over the year. Mattie Johnson reported that \$110.50 was raised in her department; and Mrs. Edwin Swanson, cards and gifts, told of \$105.30 profit from sales.

Mrs. Richard Keenan, welfare chairman, announced 26 baskets had been given at Christmas three turkeys. Over 1,597 hours were donated for community service. Mrs. Max Zeigler, financial secretary, stated that \$1,547 had been spent for charity which is the main purpose of the club.

**NEW MEMBERS**  
Thirty-two new members were brought into the club in the past year reported Mrs. Dave Chrig.

On January 19 at 6:30 p.m. at the Elks Hall, a free potluck social is planned. Mrs. Richard Keenan, chairman of the month and her committee will be in charge of the event.

On Valentine's Day, the secret pals will be revealed and a prime rib dinner will be served. Lucille Ketchum, chairman, revealed that there were 43 ladies in her club.

Mrs. Clayton Erickson, supreme district deputy of 12 southern district Emblem clubs performed installation ceremonial at the Compton Emblem club 141. Several members of the Gardena Club accompanied her on the evening of January 12.

# Regular Services Set at Greyfriars

Regular services will begin today at the Greyfriars Orthodox Presbyterian Church, 22511 S. Figueroa St., Torrance.

Dedication services were held last Sunday afternoon. The Reverend David Calderwood is pastor of the church. Worship services are held at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday School convenes at 9:30 a.m. "God of Elijah" will be the topic of Rev. Calderwood's sermon. Soloists for the services will be Mrs. Petronella Lowe and Rod Dougall.

# Finishing Touches Given Torrance Woman's Club Drama Presentation

By popular request, the comedy farce, "The Campbells Are Coming" which was presented for two evenings last March at the Torrance Woman's Club, will be repeated on February 3 for the benefit of the Torrance YMCA at the Torrance High School Auditorium.

Tickets may be obtained from the YMCA or from any member of the cast. The cast includes many well-known local men and members of the drama section of the Torrance Woman's Club Dist. 18, CFWC and the entire proceeds will go to the YMCA.

The cast includes: Ma Brannigan, a hillbilly grandmother, played by Emma Roberts who is well-known for her characterizations in past comedies. Betty Sandstrom, who was in many high school dramas, church plays and club plays, will take the part of the hillbilly servant, Catalpa Tapp. Betty Brannigan, Ma's youngest granddaughter, will be played by Terry Jacobson who has appeared in club and school plays, and has performed monologues. She appeared in last year's cast.

Dick Brannigan, her brother will be played by Noel Shire whose name will be familiar to local theatre goers as he has been in most of the High School Plays, "Sorry Wrong Number," "Our Hairy Were Young and Gay," and

when he played in "Francois, he was nominated the best supporting actor of the year. He has been with the Pasadena Players all this past summer, and is at present studying at El Camino College.

Bildad Tapp, a real hill-billy and Catalpa's father will be played by Bob Johnston who was a member of the Accent Theatre Group in Torrance and has acted in "Stalag 17" and "The Crucible." Alan Moore, a teacher in South High will have the part of Cyrus Scudder who wants to marry Ma. Moore has had lots of experience in the theatre, directing as well as acting and was charter president of "Little Theatre" in Dauphin, Manitoba, Canada before coming to California. Marquette Goff, a newcomer with the drama section will play the part of Kaye Brannigan Ma's eldest granddaughter.

Richard Greenlaw, will have the part of Kingston Campbell, Kaye's fiance, and his mother, Mrs. Augusta Campbell, will be played by Mrs. Flora Nelson drama chairman of the Torrance Woman's Club and director of the play. Mrs. Nelson has directed several one act as well as three act plays and was a member of the Accent Theatre in Torrance and the "Curtain - Timers" a little theatre group in Mass. before coming to California four years ago.



E. K. Cunningham

# Local Man Heads Fund Raising Drive

Appointment of E. K. Cunningham of Torrance to head the Rancho San Antonio fund-raising drive for the Torrance-Lomita-Redondo Beach area was announced this week by Lyle J. O'Hara, grand knight of the Los Crusados council of the Knights of Columbus.

Cunningham, a resident of Torrance for over ten years, is a Fourth Degree member of the Knights of Columbus, and has held office in the Bert S. Crossland Post of the American Legion. Mr. and Mrs. Cunningham are the parents of a son attending Bishop Montgomery high school and of a daughter enrolled in Marymount high school.

Funds collected during the four-month drive will be employed to maintain and improve Rancho San Antonio, "Boys' Town of the West," another name for the Rancho, is a home for rehabilitation, social and spiritual, for boys from broken homes or misdirected environment. It bears the endorsement of the Los Angeles Board of Education, the Juvenile Courts and the Bureau of Public Assistance. "Kick-off" for the fund-raising drive will follow the showing of films of Rancho San Antonio at Los Crusados council chambers, 214 Avenue I, Monday, Jan. 16, at 9 p.m.

# Sorority Mothers Host Benefit Affair

Alpha Phi Mothers' Club of USC held its annual Dessert-Benefit last Tuesday, at the chapter house, 643 W. 28th St., Los Angeles. Entertainment was provided by Ann Reher, who spoke on the topic, "How to Cope." Among those present from this area were Mmes. Robert Thornburgh and Edmund R. Goss.

# Anniversary Observed by Hospital

Observing the first anniversary of their opening January 3, the Little Company of Mary Hospital in Torrance held open house from 2 until 5 o'clock. Officers and chairmen of the Auxiliary were hostesses for the tea and served as guides for the interesting tour of the hospital and its facilities.

Mrs. Frank H. Forester, president, and Mrs. Clarence Van Lingen, first vice president, presided at the silver services, a Christmas gift from the Auxiliary to the hospital. Seasonal colors of red and green were effectively used at the beautiful tea table, with floral centerpiece of red carnations in a tiered compote arranged by Mrs. Benstead. Vieing with it was the cake which was a replica of the hospital, and a petit point banquet cloth which graced the tea table. Mesdames A. J. Daly, John L. Wilson and Lyle C. Peters assisted at the tea table, while charge of the guest book. Mrs. Ben L. Bear was in

Actually visiting some departments, with a look through glass doors into others, guests were given insight into the workings of a large modern hospital. Department heads gave explanations where visiting was permitted, the tour included: kitchen, laundry, emergency, laboratory, x-ray, medical, pediatric, business offices, doctor's library, and the sister's chapel. Officers turned guides for the afternoon were Mesdames Kurt Millsap, Ben Kruchar and Raymond Reed.

Both date and time of day have been changed for the January meeting of the Auxiliary, scheduled for Wednesday evening, January 25, at the Elks Club in Redondo Beach. Msgr. Thomas J. McCarthy, pastor of Nativity parish, will be guest speaker.

# Film Festival Slated Sunday

Temple Menorah Sisterhood will present a film festival for children on Sunday, Jan. 15, at 2 p.m. at El Retiro Park, Redondo Beach. The film "Littlest Hobo" has been recommended by the Parents Magazine for children. A cartoon short will also be shown. The donation also includes a bag of popcorn. For further information, inquirers may call, Mrs. Arthur Jurmain, FR 8208.

# Court St. Catherine To Host Card Party

Members of Court St. Catherine, Catholic Daughters of America, are brushing up on their bridge in anticipation of the court's annual card party, set for Thursday evening, January 26, at Nativity parish hall. The usual card games will be played, with prizes for all games, and door prizes will be awarded at intervals to make the evening an interesting one. Play will begin at 8 o'clock.

Under the co-chairmanship of Mrs. J. W. Crew and Mrs. Frank J. Quinn, committee members are busy wrapping prizes and lining up their favorite party cake recipe to make that evening. Assistants include Mesdames F. Consentino, Wallace Eelhiot, Eugene Erbetta, George Klimck, John McVey, G. Wellstead, Joseph Turkman and F. W. Rick.

Although no particular charity has been assigned to benefit from the card party, Court St. Catherine has many favorite projects for which its members work diligently and enthusiastically. The adopted ward at Harbor General hospital, World Mission program, assisting with the education of a priest brother, and confraternity work are among their charities.

Committee in charge of the card party also served refreshments at the January business meeting of the court, with Mrs. Donald W. Bryant, grand regent, presiding. Mrs. Robert Aguilar, ways and means chairman, told of progress on the restaurant book sales, and Mrs. F. W. Rick of the welfare committee gave an account of the Christmas party at Harbor General; Mrs. Don Cowden made a corsage for each patient in the ladies ward.

Mrs. Richard Ban and Mrs. Joseph Cemore who represented the court at the Cardinal's Christmas party for Children at the Ambassador hotel, told of this enjoyable affair staged annually for children from orphanages and homes in this area.

Several new members will be initiated into the local court on January 24 at Court Compton at reception ceremonies under direction of Mrs. Richard Ban of Torrance as district deputy.

**GUESTS OF HONOR**  
Hosting a table of friends were Mr. and Mrs. Philip whose guest of honor, Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Doty of Torrance, were observing their fourth wedding anniversary.



PARTY PLANS—Are being made by members of Court St. Catherine, Catholic Daughters of America, for the annual card party scheduled for January 26. Putting finishing touches on gift-wrapped prizes are Mmes. J. W. Crew, chairman; F. C. Rick, and Laurence R. Derouin, committee members. Play will begin at 8 o'clock at Nativity parish hall, 1447 Engracia Ave., Torrance.

# Flame Fantasy Theme for Delta Zeta Annual Benefit Luncheon Fashion Show

"Trends in Fashion" will be featured at the regular meeting of the South Bay chapter of Delta Zeta sorority Wednesday, Jan. 18, 8 p.m. Members will gather at the home of Mrs. Merton Leinberger, 9206 4th Ave., Inglewood, for a private showing on the latest styles in women's clothes.

During the business meeting, the South Bay chapter will finalize plans for "Flame Fantasy," the Southern California Council of Delta Zeta's benefit luncheon fashion show to be held Saturday, February 4 at the Beverly Hilton Hotel. Gail Patrick Jackson, television producer and Edith Head, costume designer, both Delta Zeta alumnae, will participate in the program, as well as June Van Dyke, fashion coordinator.

Philanthropy to benefit from this event is the Uni-Betic Camp for diabetic children, conducted for two weeks each summer in the San Bernardino mountains and sponsored by the Los Angeles Metabolic Clinic, a non-profit organization. Through Flame Fantasy Delta Zeta alumnae have contributed over fifteen thousand dollars to the building of a second camp for older children which was completed last summer. Dr. William H. Grishaw, a

# Toastmasters Hold Sessions At Elks Club

Sparked by W. A. Monahan of Manhattan Beach as moderator, Southbay Toastmasters Club 280 presented their first program of the year. Impromptu table topics winner, speaking on "My Two Resolutions," was Tom Eadie of Torrance.

Speaking on "Advertising Resolutions of 1961," James Coyle of Manhattan Beach won first place honors in the prepared speech contest. Second place winner was John Chadwick of Redondo with "A New Ring For the Redwoods." Chief program evaluator was Robert Norland of El Segundo.

"How to get action from words" will be the theme of next week's meeting; other programs in January will stress influencing your audience through word power. Toastmaster clubs are composed of men who meet weekly to improve their speaking abilities. Each man has a chance to make both prepared and impromptu speeches, receiving helpful comments from other members. Meetings are held at the Elks Club of Redondo Beach at 6:45 every Wednesday. Further information may be obtained by calling Fred Strible at FRontier 4-4990.

# Phoenecian Lady Sermon Topic

"A Woman of Phoenecia," a sermon on Jesus' approach to the unorthodox, will be the sermon topic at Seaside Community Church, 230th and Octan Ave., Torrance, on January 15. Church Service begins at 10 a.m. Child care is provided.

Mrs. Ray Walker has been appointed superintendent of the Seaside Church School by the Board of Christian Education. Sunday school classes are held beginning with the three-year-old and continue through adult class. Sunday school starts at 9 a.m.