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HONORED BY STATE REGENT . . . These three members of Court Our Lady of Victory, Catholic Daughters of America, were recently appointed by the State Regent to high offices in the State CDA organization. They are, from left, Mrs. Wesley Muzik, who was named Los Angeles Archdiocesan Chairman of World Missions; Mrs. Ernest Tarrin, Archdiocesan Chairman of Juniorettes; and Mrs. Laura Dupont, who became District Deputy to Court St. Michael and Court Star of the Sea. Press-Herald Photo



DAYS OF 1912 . . . Diana Junior Women's club participated in the Hermosa Beach Chamber of Commerce "1912 Days" celebration from Thursday through today. Dianans, working in shifts, operated the Jingle Board concessions as their first ways and means project of the year with proceeds going to their philanthropies. Working out shift hours for members and their husbands are, from left, Mmes. Richard Cox, Louis Fucci and William Irgens (Press-Herald Photo)



MR., MRS. AARON L. BAKER
... Married 50 Years

A. L. Bakers Feted On Golden Wedding Day

Mr. and Mrs. Aaron LeRoy Baker, 2064 W. 220th St., were honored at a reception at the First Baptist Church on Sunday, Sept. 20, in celebration of their Golden Wedding Anniversary. The couple was married Sept. 15, 1914 in Normal, Ill. They came to Lomita in 1923 and to Torrance in 1937.

Mr. Baker was employed as a carpenter until the war, when he accepted a position with North American. After the war, he became affiliated with the Los Angeles School Board and was head custodian at the Gardena Elementary school for nine years prior to his retirement in 1957. He served as a deacon at the church for many years.

Mrs. Baker has taught Sunday school for the past 15 years and is pianist for the primary department. Presently, she is working with the National Child Evangelism program.

The anniversary celebrants have three children, Donald Baker, 1852 257th St., Lomita; Wendell Baker, 252nd St. Lomita; and Miss Wilma Baker, who is affiliated with the National Child Evangelism program working in Bay County, Michigan. She came here for her parent's anniversary celebration.

Mr. and Mrs. Baker also have five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Over 150 guests attended the reception honoring the couple. Under supervision of Mrs. Clara Bruck, church hostess, a three tiered anniversary cake centered the table. Punch, coffee and other refreshments were served.

During the afternoon, guests enjoyed a skit depicting the first, 25th and 50th years of marriage.

Austin Kershaw of Minneapolis, Minn., brother of Mrs. Baker, sang several songs as did Mrs. Bonnie Medved of Torrance. A duet by the couple's daughter, Miss Wilma Baker and Miss Patricia Brundage was also enjoyed.

The couple's 50th wedding anniversary was held the same week that the Torrance First Baptist Church was observing its 50th birthday.

The bride was graduated from Torrance High School and attended Odessa College in Odessa, Texas for one semester. She is employed by the Pacific Telephone Co.

Her husband, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Peak of Long Beach, attended Oregon State University for two years. He also attended USC majoring in criminology. At present, he is supervisor of swimming at an area YMCA. Mr. Peak plans to continue his education in police science.

The newlyweds are at home at 3811 Fourth St., Long Beach.

Idea Exchange Day will be featured when the South Bay Homcrafters Club meets Tuesday, Oct. 13, at 10 a.m. at the El Nido Park.

Hobbies and crafts, old and new, will be displayed including Christmas suggestions.

Members of the Pico Riviera Extension Study group will be guests.

Each person will bring a sack lunch. Coffee, punch and cookies will be served by the hostesses, Mrs. R. E. Banfield and Mrs. Ed Risdon.

All women of the South Bay are invited to attend. More information may be had by contacting Mrs. A. Cowie or Mrs. Mary Bandio.

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Named To High CDA Offices

State Regent Appoints Area CDA Members

Court Our Lady of Victory 1344, Catholic Daughters of America, has been honored with the appointment of three of its members to district and archdiocesan offices by Mrs. Paul Haberstroh, State CDA Regent.

Mrs. Wesley Muzik has been appointed Los Angeles Archdiocesan Chairman of World Missions. Mrs. Muzik is a past grand regent of the Victory Court and has served as District Deputy for the past two years. Prior to this she had filled the office of vice grand regent and had served in many committee chairmanships. Mr. Muzik, her husband and four daughters make their home in the Hollywood Riviera.

Working with the youth is the field of Mrs. Ernest Tarrin of Manhattan Beach, who has been appointed Archdiocesan Chairman of Juniorettes. This phase of the Catholic Daughter program includes girls from seven to 12 years of age. Mrs. Tarrin is also a past grand regent and has served as District Deputy, Prophetess, Monitor and other positions in the court, during her 18 years of membership.

Begins Second Year With Peace Corps in Turkey

Miss Mary Margaret Blount, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wyllis Blount, 1444 El Prado, who is serving with the Peace Corps in Turkey, began her second year of teaching English at Cankiri, Turkey this month. During the first part of the summer Miss Blount, conducted two Red Cross classes after which she took a vacation trip on which she visited Beirut, the Holy Land, Greece, and Cairo Egypt, returning to Turkey in time to resume her teaching.

Denver Guest

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. McMullen, 1645 Beech, had as their guest last weekend, a nephew, Harry McMullen of Denver, Colo. The visitor had been on the West Coast for two weeks for the Technical Equipment Corp. of Denver.

Delta Gamma Alum Benefit Set Tuesday

South Bay Delta Gamma Alumni will hold their Fall Luncheon at the Velvet Turtle on Oct. 13. There will be a social hour preceding the event at the home of Mrs. Jane Houston, Palos Verdes Estates. A good turnout is expected, reports Mrs. Mary Ellen Ellis and Mrs. Barbara Fairbanks, who are taking reservations.

Main business of the meeting, aside from food and fun, will be distribution of calendars published by the alumni group to raise funds for the Nursery School for Visually Handicapped Children. The very fine support of local businessmen in the South Bay area has made this charitable project the fifth largest fund-raising project of all Delta Gamma Alumni Chapters in the nation.

AAUW Will Hear Talk Blount-Peak On 'Man and the Moon' Wedding Is Announced

"Man and the Moon" is the topic to be featured at the Oct. 12 program for the Manhattan Beach Branch of the American Association of University Women. The group will explore the new dimensions of the science of space involving the technological and human factors involved in flight, landing and living in space. The meeting will be held at the Manhattan Beach Community Church, 303 South Peck Avenue.

Edward L. Dean, member of the Landed Navigation and Control Staff, TRW Space Technology Laboratories, Redondo Beach, will be the featured speaker. Branch members, Mrs. H. R. McPherson and Miss Mary Sofios will participate also.

At STL, Mr. Dean has worked on crew systems studies for earth orbit manned

missions and a manned Mars mission.

Mr. Dean was graduated with a degree in aeronautical engineering from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, New York.

Miss Sofios has worked with North American Aviation on bio-medicine for the Apollo project. Mrs. McPherson formerly worked in an editorial capacity on publications concerning the Nike-Zeus missile project.

Refreshments will be served at 7:30 by the hospitality committee Mmes. Hugh E. Wells, Robert C. Hansen, Michael Kammermeyer, John A. Calkins, R. Mansfield, James G. McElmell and Fred D. Parker.

Members are invited to bring guests to the program which begins at 8 p.m., according to Mrs. R. J. Wickwire, program development chairman.

Mr. and Mrs. Wyllis Blount, 1444 El Prado, announce the marriage of their daughter, Anna Beth, to James Michael Peak, on Sept. 12 in Las Vegas, Nev.

The wedding was solemnized at the Little Chapel of the Stars with the Methodist minister officiating.

Accompanying the couple to Las Vegas to witness the ceremony were Miss Rebecca Passmore and Robert White, both of Torrance.

The bride was graduated from Torrance High School and attended Odessa College in Odessa, Texas for one semester. She is employed by the Pacific Telephone Co.

Her husband, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Peak of Long Beach, attended Oregon State University for two years. He also attended USC majoring in criminology. At present, he is supervisor of swimming at an area YMCA. Mr. Peak plans to continue his education in police science.

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Townhill-Bleser Vows Recited at St. Martin's

Miss Barbara Townhill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Townhill, Pacific Palisades became the bride of John J. Bleser, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Bleser, 1503 Madrid Ave., Torrance, in an afternoon ceremony, Aug. 15, at the St. Martin of Tours Catholic Church in Pacific Palisades.

Rev. T. Flanagan officiated at the marriage as nuptial selections from Bach were played by Robert Brown, organist.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a silk-faced ivory satin empire style wedding gown with pearl and crystal embroidery. The petal cut cathedral train was lined with deep ivory satin. Her bouffant bridal veil was secured by a petal crown and she carried a cascade of white roses and stephanotis.

Mrs. Charles E. Maggon, Lansing, Mich., was her sister's matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Miss Kathleen Bleser, Mrs. Walter Cook, Jr., Miss Carolyn Lee and Mrs. Douglas Scott. All wore moss green crepe dresses and carried pale green cymbidiums and spider chrysanthemums.

Walter Cook, Jr. was best man and ushers were George Perdue, Randolph Jones, Michael Babbitt and Thomas Fichter.

A reception was held at the Santa Ynez Inn after which the couple left for a honeymoon along the California and Oregon coasts.

The bride attended Stephens College at Columbia, Mo., and was graduated from USC where she affiliated with Pi Beta Phi sorority.

She is also a member of Kappa Pi, national art honorary, and is currently attending the USC graduate school of architecture and fine arts. She is employed as an illustrator with the Rand Corp.

Her husband, attended the University of Oregon School of Architecture. He is in his fifth year at the USC school of architecture where he is a member of the student chapter, American Institute of Architects of Southern California. He is employed in the design department of Adrian Wilson and Associates, Los Angeles.



MRS. JOHN J. BLESER, JR.
... Former Barbara Townhill (House of Norman Photo)



JEANIE CHERRIER
... April Bride-elect

Couple Plan Spring 1965 Nuptial Day

On April 24, 1965 in a two o'clock ceremony at the St. James Catholic Church, Miss Jeanie Cherrier will become the bride of Ronald Eugene Freeze.

The announcement of their daughter's engagement and wedding plans is made this morning by Mr. and Mrs. Earl Cherrier, 21710 Marjorie Ave., Torrance.

The bride-elect was graduated from West High School in 1963 and is now attending El Camino College.

Her fiancé, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Freeze, 1530 Carson St., is a 1958 South High graduate. Presently, he is attending El Camino College and is employed by a construction company.

Jewel Ritual For New Beta Alpha Rho

Beta Alpha Rho Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met with Xi Beta Iota Chapter for dinner at the Palms restaurant in Torrance.

Following the dinner, the "Ritual of Jewels" was conducted for members of this new chapter.

Xi Beta Iota helped organized Beta Alpha Rho in April and has assisted during the pledge period. Mrs. Malcolm Dorn, president of Beta Alpha Rho, received a gavel for the new chapter.

Receiving the ritual of jewels were Mmes. Malcolm Dorn, president; Rosario Scognamiglio, vice president; Gordon Getz, secretary; Donald Shegich, treasurer; Joseph Bird, Harrel Maloy, Robert Fenter, Tom Hodges, Phillips Murray, Jr., and Thomas Brohamer.

On European Trip

Enjoying a farewell dinner at the Smith Bros. Indian Village restaurant in Torrance were Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Rodecker of Rolling Hills, who gave a party prior to their departure for Europe.

Guests included localites Mr. and Mrs. Ray G. Gardner and Mr. and Mrs. Emery Craeger, and Dr. and Mrs. Everett B. Hiatt of Inglewood and Mr. and Mrs. Archie K. Beard of Rolling Hills.