



HEY, LOOK ME OVER . . . Sub-deb daughters of members of Las Madrecitas are selecting their favorite ball gowns to wear to the Las Madrecitas "Evergreen Ball" on Dec. 12 at the Palos Verdes Country Club when, for the first time, they will be presented by their fathers. Two sub-debs, from left, Claudia

Kline, 14, student at South High, and Mary Catherine Leslie, 13, student at St. Lawrence Martyr, get the approval of Mary Catherine's father, Harold D. Leslie Jr. Proceeds from this outstanding social event will be used to equip a six-crib nursery at Crippled Children's Hospital. (Press-Herald Photo)



HOLIDAY DECORATIONS . . . Working on a table centerpiece for their annual Christmas dinner dance are these members of the South Bay Mothers of Twins club, from left, Mmes. Dale Walker, Jerry Steinbrecher and Howard De Castro. The affair will be held Saturday evening at the Officers Club in San Pedro. (Press-Herald Photo)



CAROL JENISON . . . Accepts Ring (Portrait by Seeman)

Engagement Announced

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Jenison, 1739 Arlington Ave., Torrance, announce the engagement of their daughter, Carol, to Jerry Frislie, son of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Frislie of Lomita.

No date has been set for the wedding.

The future bride is a senior at Torrance High School.

Her fiancé, a graduate of South High School, is now serving with the United States Navy.

Atwater Trip

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hansen have returned from Atwater where they spent the holiday and weekend as guests of their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Pfingston.

Proceeds for Crippled Children's Hospital

Las Madrecitas to Present Sub-Debs at Evergreen Ball

"Our Daughters Dance That Others May Walk" is this year's inspiring theme for the annual "Evergreen Ball" sponsored by Las Madrecitas, South Bay Auxiliary to the Crippled Children's Hospital. The brilliant social event will be held Saturday evening Dec. 12 at the Palos Verdes Country Club.

This year, for the first time, sub-deb daughters of charter and current members of the club will be presented by their fathers. The sub-debs wearing lovely ball gowns will enter on the arm of their fathers as a Viennese waltz is played.

Mrs. Harold D. Leslie, founder of Las Madrecitas and co-chairman of this year's Evergreen Ball, hopes that this will lead to the sponsorship of a junior provisional movement in the club and will thus interest the daughters of members

in doing volunteer work at the hospital.

Girls invited to dance with their fathers are Alan Curtis and daughter, Ann; Edward Kline and Claudia; Richard J. Eagan and Laurie; George Bloxom and Tracey; Jack Kahlo and Pamela; Horace Le Cuyer and Nancy; Howard Langpap and Sylvia; George C. Lewis and Constance; Michael Walsh and Casey. Others are Harold D. Les-

lie, Jr. and Mary Catherine; C. Blaine Schull and Cathryn; Jack Koehler and Constance.

A Scandinavian Christmas will keynote the decor for guests as they find traditional "Lucia" candle wreaths or rings decorating the tables for the dinner. A smorgasbord buffet dinner will be served in keeping with the Scandinavian theme.

Complimentary cocktails will be served to guests arriving between 8 and 9 p.m. The club foyer will be decorated with white flocked trees. Ivan Scott and his orchestra will play for dancing.

Mrs. Hans Hansen is assisting Mrs. Leslie as co-chairman of the ball. Other committee heads are Mmes. George Savage and Mel Margulies, grand prize awards; Jack Koehler, reservations; G. Lewis, seating; Glenn Kleinhesselink and Jerry Kopecek, decorations; and Bruce Donnelly, luncheon for Sub-Debs; Paul Klinghoffer, door prizes.

Proceeds from this affair will be used toward the pledge Las Madrecitas has made to equip a six-crib nursery in the Pediatric Ward of Orthopaedic Hospital.



JANET MARIE KING . . . To Wed Jan. 30 (Portrait by Seeman)

Janet King's Troth Told

Mr. and Mrs. Lester T. King, 705 Yarmouth Rd., Palos Verdes Estates, announce the engagement and marriage plans of their daughter, Janet Marie, and Richard Michael Madden, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard L. Madden, 28612 Bridal Lane, Miraleste.

Jan. 30 has been chosen as the wedding date.

Miss King was graduated from Bishop Montgomery High School and attended Mount St. Mary's College. She is now a student at Marymount College, Palos Verdes.

Her fiancé attended the University of Santa Clara following his graduation from Serra High School. He received his BS degree in physics from UCLA and is employed as an electronics engineer.

Next Saturday Evening

Officers Club Setting For Christmas Dance

South Bay Mothers of Twins Club annual dinner dance for members and their guests will be held at the Officers Club at Fort MacArthur in San Pedro, Saturday, Dec. 12 at 7:30 p.m.

The group will enjoy dancing to the music of Bill Straub and his dance band. Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus will make their appearance later in the evening with gifts for all.

Committee chairmen in charge of this event are Mrs. Jerry Steinbrecher, Mrs. Fred Casstevens and Mrs. Layton Carr of Torrance.

Members are also hard at work making one hundred stuffed toys for the children of the Pediatric Ward at Harbor General Hospital for Christmas. Mrs. John Watson, Torrance, philanthropic chairman, is being assisted by her committee, Mmes. Henry Martinez, Wilmington; M. Mancuso, Gardena; and Eleanor Edwards, Redondo Beach.

Here From Houston

Mrs. C. J. Nunnally of Houston, Texas is spending two weeks here with her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. J. Parke Montague, 1328 Beech. The visitor has been complimented at several luncheons and parties given by Mrs. Montague's friends.

Mrs. Nunnally returned to California with Mrs. Montague, who had been visiting her mother, Mrs. George Bell in Houston.

Mrs. Wheaton Feted By Family on 85th Birthday

Mrs. George S. (Nellie) Wheaton, 1228 Arlington Ave., who came here in 1920 when El Prado was the one main street, celebrated her 85th birthday last Saturday evening surrounded by 48 members of her family.

Mrs. Wheaton was born in Michigan in 1879. She was married in Kalamazoo, Mich., in 1897 and she and her husband came to California in 1905 and to Torrance in 1920. They moved into the only house in the 1200 block on Arlington, her present home which she occupies with her daughter, Mrs. Olive Wittenberg, and a son, Kenneth Wheaton.

The Torrance pioneer has two other daughters and another son, Mrs. William A. Loftus of Torrance and Mrs. Donald Wilder of Northridge. Mrs. Loftus has taught in the Torrance school system for 12 years. Mr. Wilder is vice president of the Lockheed Corp. The other son, Donald

Wheaton, lives in Hermosa Beach, and recently retired from the Southern California Gas Co.

Also here for the celebration were Mrs. Wheaton's 13 grandchildren and 31 great-grandchildren, their husbands and wives.

The Turquoise room at the Indian Village was the scene of the birthday dinner and family reunion.

Mr. Wheaton, who passed away in 1957, was employed as an electro plater with the old Pacific Railway Co. here.

Mrs. Wheaton recalls that there was only one drug store here when she came to Torrance, Dolley's Drug Store. The Levy Dept. Store was here then and Page's Grocery. In those early days, Torrance boasted one hotel, The Ironton, which still stands.

For Saturday's birthday celebration, family members traveled from as far north as Piedmont and as far south as Escondido,

Long-Time Friends Fete Sharon Ricci, Bride-Elect

Miss Sharon Ricci, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ricci, who will be married to John Wilson on Dec. 19 at the St. Andrew's Episcopal Church was complimented at a luncheon and shower given last Saturday by Mrs. Adam Krauszer at her home, 2318 Sonoma.

Following a tradition, the guest list for this party was comprised of members of the disbanded Girl Scout Troop 1299, of which Mrs. Krauszer was a leader.

A buffet salad luncheon was served from a table centered by a colorful arrangement of petit fours. After the luncheon, the future bride opened her shower of personal gifts.

During the party, the honoree received a telephone call from Miss Janice Jackson of Madera, a former troop member.

A special guest at the party was Mrs. Larry Downs, the former Judy Carter, charter member of the group, who with her family has been living in Hawaii for the past three years.

Attending were Mmes. Gordon Arrasmith, Paul Bischoff, Joan Bolotin, Harry Campbell, Joseph Cannon, Jack Carter, Larry Denning, O. O. Clayton, Bernard Moore, Jack Ricci, Charles Robison and Elmo Scherer.

Others were Misses Paula Bischoff, Mardell Clayton, Joan Donald, Susan Hammack, Denise Hunter, Ginny Krauszer, and a guest, Miss Cindy Wadden of Chula Vista.

Sending gifts were Mmes. Willys Blount, Fred Hansen, William Butcher and Rufus Sandstrom.

W. R. Patterson Family Moves to Houston, Texas

Leaving Monday morning for Houston, Texas to make their home were Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Patterson, 27103 Buckskin Lane, who had lived in Torrance and the area for the past 20 years.

Mr. Patterson, who has been affiliated with Armo Steel, National Supply Division has been promoted to staff engineer in the Houston office.

The Pattersons have three sons, Don, a student at Cal Poly in San Luis Obispo; Steve, who is attending Harbor College, and David, 12. Don and Steve remained in California to continue their studies and David accompanied his parents to Texas.

Active in the social and civic life of the community, the Pattersons were members of the Las Fiestadores Dance Club; Mr. Patterson has worked with the Torrance Chamber of Commerce and with the Torrance YMCA.

During the past two weeks the popular couple was caught up in a whirl of farewell parties.

A large number of friends said goodbye at a cocktail party given by Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Clayton in their Torrance home. Friends in the Dapplegray Lane vicinity honored Mrs. Patterson at a luncheon at the home of Mrs. Bob Bowker and a neighborhood coffee was given for her at the home of Mrs. J. T. Petrey in Rolling Hills.

Women of the Neighborhood Church in Palos Verdes, in which the Patterson family was active, entertained at a farewell tea for Mrs. Patterson in the church parlor.

At the annual Christmas party of her Torrance



MRS. GEORGE WHEATON . . . On 85th Birthday (Press-Herald Photo)



CHRISTMAS FOR CHILDREN . . . The Christmas angel takes a look at "Ringo the Beetle" as part of the puppet show to be staged for children attending the Diana's Christmas party on Dec. 22. Mrs. Tom Pryor, who will be assisted by Mrs. Irvin Kasten, puts on an act for Marsha and Matthew Williams. Each child will bring a wrapped gift to be sent to the children at McLaren Hall in El Monte. Carol singing, a visit from Santa Claus, and refreshments are on the program, states Mrs. Bruce Wilkinson, chairman. (Press-Herald Photo)