



PUPPETS, GAMES AND SANTA . . . The laughter of children filled the Torrance YWCA last Tuesday morning when the Y-Wives staged a Christmas party for their children. Games were followed by a puppet show and refreshments. Santa arrived to distribute gifts and the children sang Christmas carols. Decorating the tree for the party are, from left, Mrs. Nick Flamenco, a nd children, Gina, 18 months, Nicky, 4, and Sherry, 3, and Jimmy Sowins, 3; Wally Sowins, 5, and Mrs. David Sowins. (Press-Herald Photo)

Bridge Party Mrs. Balsley Presents 27th 'Singing of Carols'

Holly and red candles decorated the table when Mrs. W. L. Norman entertained her bridge club at its Christmas party at her home, 1109 Cranbrook on Monday. After the luncheon, there was a gift exchange followed by bridge games. High score was held by Mrs. J. L. Harmon and Mrs. Martha McMichael was second. Mrs. Norman's guests were Mmes. G. Wade Johnson, Allan Moore, Hazel Ward, J. L. Harmon, D. P. LeGalley, Elizabeth Davies and Martha McMichael. Mrs. Harmon will entertain the club on Monday, Jan. 4.

Lois Balsley last week entertained her piano pupils at her studio, 617 W. 214th St. for the 27th annual "Playing of the Carols." The creche was again on view with the addition of a hovering angel head from Germany making 65 figures in all. The ceramic Santa Claus orchestra also was in its usual place on the end of the piano. Mrs. Balsley read the Christmas story beginning with the first Hanukah. Playing carols to illustrate were "In the Window," Windy Waterman; "Silent Night," Sherry Rheinbold; "Cradled Amid the Oxen Mild," Darilyn Nishimoto; "Away in a Manger," Doreen Nishimoto; "Wind Through the Olive Trees," Charles DeLozier; "The First Noel," Genevieve

Moody with Mrs. Balsley at the second piano. Others were "Hark the Herald Angels Sing," Jo Ann with 58 members joining in Smith; "March of the Three Kings," Elaine Sugino; "What Child Is This?" Cindy Smith; "O Come Little Children," Esther May Moody; "Joy to the World," Mike Leathers; "Glory to the New Born King," Linda Wood; "Silent Night," Susan Corley; "Noel," Margaret Ann Richhart; "Holy Night," Linda Sugino.

BIRTHDAY PARTY

Birthday celebrants at the Smith Bros. Indian Village restaurant in Torrance were Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Snively, who entertained a table of localities at dinner on the birthday of Miss Hazel Snively of Long Beach, sister of Mr. Snively.

"The 12 Days of Christmas," Janice Wood; "O Tannenbaum," Marianne Schnarr; "Jingle Bells," Sarah Tendick; "The Sleigh Ride," Jo Ann Kajikawa; "Waltz of the Christmas Toys," Janelle Stromme; "Christmas Tree," Nancy Sugino; "Deck the Halls," Deborah Nishimoto; "Dashing Through the Snow," Susie Godward; "Santa Claus Is Coming to Town," Patti Earles; "Christmas Cheer Medley," Bryan Godward.

The afternoon ended with the serving of cookies and a Christmas drink from the antique punch bowl. Lessons will resume after the holidays, with the spring recital in view.



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Yuletide Event

Celebrating the arrival of the Yuletide season, Mr. and Mrs. Alan D. Mikell of Hollywood Riviera gave a festive dinner party at the Pen & Quill hotel-restaurant in Manhattan Beach. Guests were Messrs. and Mmes. Ernest Keusder of Torrance, John Guarini of Redondo Beach, Al Lesneki of Rolling Hills and Stephen Polit of Torrance.

From Colorado

Mr. and Mrs. Pete J. Morales of Pueblo, Colo. are here spending the holidays with their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Huerta, 2014 W. 180th St.

Church Women Stage Traditional 'Posada'

Christian Women's Fellowship of the First Christian Church, having completed the study "Six Million Americans," staged a symbolic Mexican Christmas celebration, known as a "Posada," last Thursday when 110 circle members gathered at the church.

Divided in groups, the members called at homes, located throughout the city, singing traditional Christmas carols.

At the first home, they were served juice, at the second hor de'oeuvres, and at the third they were served the entree, enchiladas and salad.

Homes visited were those of Mmes. Hubert Roe, R. H. Rodepough, Leroy Pulliam, Dean Lougee, J. B. Mosley, Jack Montgomery, Don Morgan, Grant Jones and Gene Brummett.

After the Posada, the groups returned to the church where a party was held for the pre-school children. The traditional "pinata" breaking was a feature

of the entertainment. This ceremony was directed by Mrs. Darrell Lanaham.

A play, "Christian Problems" was presented, under the direction of Mrs. Leroy Pulliam. In the cast were Mmes. Jerry Wood, Ralph Adamson, Phillip Joseph, Howard Black, George Conklin; and Mr. Robert Pulliam.

Carols were sung, led by Mrs. Betty Jones with Mrs. Tom Saine as accompanist.

Monetary gifts were placed on the Christmas tree to be given to the California Christian Home.

Christmas cookies and other refreshments were served.

Mrs. J. B. Mosely served as chairman of the "Posada." Mrs. Dean Lougee is general chairman of the Christian Women's Fellowship.

Party Fetes Laberta Lukes

A birthday celebration for Laberta Ann Lukes, seven-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Al Lukes, was recently held at the Smith Bros. Indian Village restaurant in Torrance.

Localities attending the party included Ingrid Metzler, Jim Jones, Doug and Shirley Litt, Carl Lukes, Ellen McLaughlin, Kim and Suzanne Rowland, Irene Stabros, Bonnie Pimental, Geoff Gorsuch, Mary Beth and Kristi Greenhut and Mrs. Blanche Roberts.



HONORS . . . Faculty member Dr. Lenore Salvaneschi, second from left, escorts, from left, Juanita Watson, Joan Bommarito and Kathryn Tyrrell, all of Torrance, to the Honors Convocation at Marymount College. The girls were cited for academic achievement with Miss Watson named as a candidate for the Gerard Scholar, Miss Bommarito named to the Currian Honor Society and Miss Tyrrell named to the Dean's List.

Gala Yule Party For CDA Court

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Butterfield was the setting for the holiday party staged by the Court St. Catholic Daughters.

Others were "Hark the Herald Angels Sing," Jo Ann with 58 members joining in Smith; "March of the Three Kings," Elaine Sugino; "What Child Is This?" Cindy Smith; "O Come Little Children," Esther May Moody; "Joy to the World," Mike Leathers; "Glory to the New Born King," Linda Wood; "Silent Night," Susan Corley; "Noel," Margaret Ann Richhart; "Holy Night," Linda Sugino.

The holiday theme was carried out in the refreshments which were fruit cake cups made from an old family recipe by Mrs. Anna Frederickson.

Honored guests included Rev. William O'Toole, court chaplain; Mrs. Paul Rafter, court district deputy; Miss Jane Kilcoyne, grand regent of Court St. Michael, El Segundo; Mmes. Robert Larrimon, Paul De Cuir, Jannitt Jollensten and Thelma McGarry.

Gifts were also exchanged upon the timely arrival of Santa Claus.

Holiday Dinner

The yuletide spirit prevailed when Mr. and Mrs. Arthur B. Merwin of Redondo Beach recently entertained with a gala pre-Christmas dinner party at the Pen Shirley Litt, Carl Lukes, Ellen McLaughlin, Kim and Suzanne Rowland, Irene Stabros, Bonnie Pimental, Geoff Gorsuch, Mary Beth and Kristi Greenhut and Mrs. Blanche Roberts.

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