

# Eastern Star Installs in Impressive Services

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## 44th Panel of Officers Seated



NEW EASTERN STAR OFFICERS

Before a capacity audience at the Torrance Masonic Temple, the Eastern Star bestowed official duties on a panel of new officers at its 44th installation. Guiding the local lodge during the year 1966 will be, from left, Homer B. Morgan, worthy patron; Ruth B. Hardin, worthy matron; Roberta Butler, associate matron; and Allan Butler, associate patron.

Two long-time Torrance residents assumed the highest offices in the Torrance Chapter 380, Order of the Eastern Star, when the chapter held its 44th installation on Nov. 30 at the Masonic Temple, 2326 Cabrillo Ave. Installed as Worthy Matron was Mrs. Ruth Hardin and Worthy Patron, Homer B. Morgan.

Others endowed with their duties of office for 1966 were Roberta Butler, associate matron; Allan Butler, associate patron; Francis Reisert, secretary; Florence Childs, treasurer; Emma Ratzlaff, conductress; Elizabeth Larson, associate conductress.

Others are Charlotte Outcalt, chaplain; Helen Carpenter, marshal; Juliette Johnson, organist; Carol Fowler, Adah; Judith Ann Osborn, Ruth; Karen Halquist, Esther; Donna Halquist, Martha; and Patricia Fowler, Electa.

Grace Dobler is serving as warder and Fred Bever, sentinel. Installing officers were past matrons and patrons, Leonard Babcock, Vivian Cook, Vincent Viellenave, Phyllis Feveryly, and Florence Viellenave.

The Escort of the Bible was conducted by Mrs. Melvina Beckwith, mother of the new worthy matron.

Lois Lougee and Verne St. John were the retiring worthy matron and patron.

Deputy Grand Matron of the 80th District, Mrs. Vivian Cook, also a past matron of the chapter, was a special guest.

Hostesses for the coming year are Letha Wells and Pearl Thayne, chairmen; Rolive Bever, Mavis Cook, Eunice Crabtree, Rose Schmidt, Shirley Stuttler, Elizabeth Allen, Doris Bristow, Olene Halquist, Jane Stampfer and Ruby Vincent.

Arnold Ratzlaff will serve as flag bearer; Ruth Stirling, electrician; Vern St. John, prompter; Caroline Hedrick and Mildred Lugar, Bible bearers; Alice Spегheger, card chairman; Francis Reisert, publicity.

Ushers serving at the ceremony were Thomas Foster, Estill Clere, David Jones, Ernest Mosher and Jack Miller.

Following the installation a reception was held in the banquet room with Mr. and Mrs. John Pennington, past worthy matron and patron, serving as hosts. Others assisting with the reception were Harriette Warrick, Ethyl Peveryly, Elizabeth Macdonald, Joan Simpson, Gladys Mothersell, Evelyn Howland, Mae Jones, Vivian Cook, Joe Hardin, Rosalie Morgan, and Francis Reisert.



TO APPEAR HERE

Agnes Moorehead, internationally known stage, motion picture and TV star, will present a program of dramatic readings at 8:30 p.m. on Friday Dec. 10 at Marymount College. She has titled her program "Come Closer—I'll Give You an Earful," which will consist of selections from great dramatic literature of today and yesterday. Tickets may be obtained at the door.

## AAUW Plans Holiday Dinner-Party Dec. 13

"Feast and Festivity" is theme for an American Association of University Women's Dec. 13 dinner party, to be attended by members of the Manhattan Beach branch, husbands, and guests.

"Kapering Kittens," an entertainment group, will perform at 8:30 p.m. following the dinner, which will be held at the Redondo Beach Women's Club, 406 S. Broadway, Redondo Beach. Prior to dinner, a yuletide punch will be served from 6:45 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Mrs. June Bextel, a professional entertainer, who organized the Kapering Kittens, recently appeared in the "Hello Follies" benefit show in Torrance.

## Chudys Head Lomita Chapter

In an impressive ceremony on Nov. 19 at 8 p.m. at the Lomita Masonic Temple, Lomita Chapter 591, Order of the Eastern Star, held its 13th installation of officers. Endowed with the duties of Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron were Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Chudy.

Mrs. Frank Tenney and Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Dowling were installing matrons and patron.

Other past matrons participating were Mmes. Marion Jackman, Phyllis Hamilton, Virgil Koon, Clarence Andrews, and Alvin Crawford, past patron. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Tomlinson, immediate past matron and patron, also officiated. Mrs. Clarence Flagg was installing organist.

Honored guest was Mrs. Fred Cook, of Torrance, Deputy Grand Matron of the 80th district, Order of Eastern Star.

Installed with Mr. and Mrs. Chudy were Mrs. Virginia Nash, associate matron, and Wallace Williams, associate patron.

Others were Lorraine Brobby, secretary; Margaret Peightal, treasurer; Muriel Glasser, conductress; Sally Brovles, associate conductress; Kathryn Ivey, chaplain; Tina Johnson, marshal; Marguerite Beckwith, organist. Star points for 1966 are Nettie Hansen, Adah; Louella Bren-

neman, Ruth; Paula Buss, Esther; Lorraine Fowler, Martha; and Edrie Peterson, Electa.

The solo work for the installation was performed by the Women's Trio of Rolling Hills Covenant Church.

Mrs. Ruth Parr heads the hostess committee which consists of Mmes. Marie Johnson, Gladys Gonzalez, Christine Mastright, Edith Krebs, Ethel Choven, Hazel Allen, Ragna Hansen, Clara Pemble and Lois Prandin. Mrs. Estelen Bunch is electrician and John Nagy, flagbearer. Jack Tomlinson will serve as prompter and Nellie Gillette, publicity chairman.

Programs for the installation were handled by Janice Chudy and Susan Katila; Carmen Gonzalez and Mary Puerta were in charge of the guest book; Pearl Washburn and Lois Holloway were in charge of the flowers and Jeanette Bergon and Virginia Powers supervised the gifts.

Serving at the reception held in the banquet room were Laura Jones, Terella Albrecht, Wanda Coggins, Sandy Paesel and Elizabeth Nagy.

Ushers were Wilson Jones, Marian Jackman, Joe Gonzalez and Fred Bergon.

Henriella Tenny was installation chairman and Ruth Parr was in charge of the banquet room.



ASSUME LEADERSHIP

Lomita Chapter 591, Order of the Eastern Star, in its 13th installation seated its new leaders for the 1966 year in ceremonies at the Lomita Masonic Temple. Assuming the four top offices in the chapter were, from left, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Chudy, worthy patron and worthy matron, Mrs. James Nash, associate matron and Wallace Williams, associate patron. (Portraits by Seeman)

## Christ in Christmas

### Mothers Club Acts To Promote Project

In keeping with their purpose, the Christ-in-Christmas Committee of Nativity Mothers Club is working to promote the true significance of Christmas — to make the Christ Child and His Birthday the center of the Christmas season.

With the cooperation of the Torrance Municipal Bus Co., this group is placing appropriate signs in each bus to remind the public that "Christmas is Christ's Birthday."

Another project of the Nativity Mothers Club is the sponsoring of a large outdoor billboard bearing a similar message.

"This committee" stated Mrs. R. A. Hicks president, "like so many thoughtful people of today realize that the spiritual joy and hope which was intended to accompany the season has been lost in the materialistic, even pagan treatment of it. We maintain that there are many ways in which this trend can be reversed; families are encouraged to enhance the holiday by better preparation during the Advent season (four weeks prior to the holiday) by practicing the Advent wreath tradition, etc.; and more important is the practice of selecting and sending Christmas cards bearing the spiritual message."

Mrs. William Hardesty, chairman of the committee, reports that all across the country similar programs are being conducted and annually gain more enthusiasm.



SO THAT ALL MAY KNOW

Nativity Mothers Club has joined other organizations across the nation in a project to put Christ back in Christmas and to remind all that the Christmas season celebrates the birth of Christ. Mrs. William Hardesty, committee chairman, puts a bumper sticker on a city bus as Marshal Chamberlain, superintendent of transportation for the city, watches Mrs. Robert L. Moffitt, placing a window card in the bus bearing the message. (Press-Herald Photo)



FOR HOSPITALIZED CHILDREN

Climaxing four months of work, directed by Mrs. Robert Vroman, Torrance Juniors this week will deliver homemade nightgowns, slippers, toys and dolls to the pediatric ward at Harbor Hospital to be distributed to the children there. Completing the job are, back at machine, Mrs. Milton Gregory, a new member, Mrs. Vernon Nicles, junior-senior director, handing a donated doll to Lee-Ann Vroman, 2, who models one of the gowns and slippers.