

AFS Mother Travels to Norway for Nuptials

For any bride, her wedding day is the day of days and for Aud Kleven of Hegra, Norway, an American Field Service exchange student, who attended Torrance High in 1961-62, hers was an "exceptional" wedding... she had three wedding days and two "mothers" present, her own and her American "mother," Mrs. Mary Bartholomew, 2759 Onrado St., Torrance.

Mrs. Bartholomew, with whom Aud made her home for 11 months during her stay here under the AFS program, left July 12 for Norway, to spend two weeks as a guest in the Kleven home and to attend Aud's marriage to Arne Moksnes.

The engagement news had been received at Christmas time and a short time later the picture of the future bridegroom arrived. Both are students at Trondheim University. Mrs. Bartholomew began her plans then to attend the wedding.

The church in which Aud and Arne were married is 900 years old and is one of the first churches built in Norway. During the most recent restoration of this church, 1962, paintings on the walls were uncovered, which show a Moorish influence dating back to the time of the wandering Vikings.

The wedding was a charming blend of very modern and the ancient, with the

bridal couple fashionably dressed in traditional western wedding attire, while many of the women guests were dressed in beautifully hand-embroidered Norwegian costumes, according to Mrs. Bartholomew.

The Norwegian wedding celebration lasted for three days. Immediately following the wedding ceremony a reception for 120 guests was held in the dining hall of the new trade school. This elegant meal was served during a three-hour period, with testimonial speeches and singing between courses. At the conclusion of the dinner, more than 100 congratulatory telegrams were read. The wedding party continued with folk and

modern dancing, with refreshments available, until 2 a.m.

The second wedding day is traditionally the bride's day. She serves a special porridge followed by a full dinner, to her husband, their immediate families and selected guests. This took place about 2 p.m. with other friends arriving in the evening.

On the third day, a supper was served at the home of the bridegroom's parents for close friends and the relatives of his family.

Mrs. Bartholomew, who returned via S.A.S. Airlines on July 26 says "Norway is a spectacularly beautiful country. In summer, flowers abound in every garden and there are the ever-present window boxes and indoor planters. The lush greens of the valleys and forests blend with the snow-capped mountains and deep blue fjords to make this country a photographers' paradise."

During her visit, she and the family traveled for three days in the mountain and fjord country south of Trondheim where she saw hundreds of farm buildings which still have the sod roofs, some with small trees growing on them. She was also delighted with the skiing country of Oppdal.

On the Sunday before she returned home, Mr. and Mrs. Kleven attended church services with her at the Nardos Cathedral in Trondheim. This cathedral was started in 1050 in memory of the sainted King Olav. Work continues on this magnificent edifice, with hopes of completion in 1995.

In addition to the startling beauty of Norway, the local AFS Chapter president, was deeply impressed with the genuine friendliness, real interest and hospitality of her adopted daughter's countrymen. To her, the American Field Service program has and is, attaining its goal of greater understanding between the peoples of the world.



Congratulates Newlyweds

Mrs. Mary Bartholomew, president of the Torrance Chapter American Field Service, greets her foster-daughter, Aud Kleven, and her new husband, Arne Moksnes, in the gardens at the 900-year-old church in which they were married in Aud's hometown, Hegra, Norway. Aud attended Torrance High School in 1961-62 under the AFS program and made her home while here with the Bartholomew family at 2759 Onrado.



A Swingin' Affair

There will be fashions, music, entertainment and food, when the Harbor District Chapter, American Institute of Banking, stages its annual Kick-Off luncheon and Fashion Show on Aug. 28 at the Edgewater Inn in Long Beach. All decked out for a "Swingin' Year" are these banking career girls from the area, from left, Miss Carolyn Sharp, Crocker Citizens, Wilmington; Linda Rascon, Security First National, Eastview; Mrs. James Stanton, Bank of America, Southwest; and Mrs. Allan Everly, Bank of America, Southwest. (Press-Herald Photo)

Fashion Luncheon

Bank Group Sets 'Kick-Off' Event

Annual Kick-Off Luncheon and Fashion show, sponsored by the Women's Committee, Harbor District Chapter, American Institute of Banking, heralding the chapter's fall educational program, will be held this year on Saturday, Aug. 28. The event, which attracts members of the banking profession and their friends from throughout the southland, will be staged at the Edgewater Inn, Pacific Coast Hwy. at Second St., in Long Beach, beginning at 12 noon.

Theme of the event, "The Swingin' Year," will be emphasized in the parade of elegant new fall fashions to be provided by Long Beach and Lakewood merchants. Mrs. Gwen Geach, Women's Committee chairman, has announced that Doris Stearns will serve as fashion coordinator, with the Condon models displaying the "round-the-clock" fashion designs for the fall and winter.

Marvin Cloyd of the Long Beach Civic Light Opera and star of its latest production, "My Fair Lady," will serve as commentator and will sing several selections. The door prize will be a fashion-b'e wig donated by a Belmont Shore salon.

This is the first and one of the largest social events of the year. Its prime purpose is to introduce the American Institute of Banking educational program sponsored by the Harbor District Chapter in this area, for the coming year. Robert Correa, Crocker Citizens Bank, the chapter's first vice president, will announce the schedule of classes.

Guests from other chapters will be in attendance and all bankers and their friends are invited to attend. Reservations are being taken by the Women's Committee representative in all banks.

Engagement

Giaquinto - Gardner

Mr. and Mrs. Nick P. Giaquinto entertained at a birthday dinner party at their home, 2228 Gramercy Ave., Torrance, for their daughter, Karen Ann, on Sunday, Aug. 1. During the dinner party, Mr. and Mrs. Giaquinto announced Karen's engagement to Terry P. Gardner.

Parents of the prospective bridegroom, Mr. and Mrs. Justin A. Gardner of Eugene, Ore., who have been visiting their son and the Giaquinto family, were also present at the party.

Miss Giaquinto, an alumna of Bishop Montgomery High School, is employed by the City of Torrance.

Her fiancé was graduated from South Eugene High School, Eugene, Ore. He served three years in the United States Army and recently returned from two years duty in Germany. He is employed by National Supply Co., Torrance.

The couple is planning an early fall wedding.



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Christmas In July

In workshops held throughout the summer months, members of St. Cecilia Guild of St. Andrews' Episcopal Church have been thinking of the Christmas holidays, making Santa Claus mugs, pomsettias, and glittering Christmas gifts for their "Boutique" shop which they will staff at the annual Holiday Bazaar to be held Nov. 12. At a workshop at the D. A. Murphy home are, from left, Mmes. Irene Martin, D. A. Murphy, Grace Hinson and Mae Sierley.



Holiday Glitter

Beaded Christmas aprons, pin cushions, decorative dolls and other items suitable for holiday giving occupy St. Cecilia Guild members, from left, Mmes. Grover Whyte, Dean Sears, Lavonna Williamson and Emma Roberts, as they prepare for St. Andrews' Bazaar, Nov. 12. Others attending the workshop, but not pictured, were Mmes. Dorcas Ludwig, president; Anna Sandstrom and Dorothy Post. After the workshop, the women enjoyed a cake baked by Dean Sears. (Photos by Press-Herald)