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"Come To the Manger"

On this Christmas morning, Christians throughout the world will visit mangers in churches in every land where the Nativity scene has been set up in commemoration of the birth of Jesus Christ, nearly 2000 years ago in a stable on a hillside in Bethlehem. Visiting the manger, erected on the grounds at the WALTERIA

First Baptist Church at Park and Newton Sts., are Donald McCullough, Melissa and Sharon Townley. Donald is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald McCullough, 25800 Matfield Dr., Torrance, and the girls are the daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Townley, 25917 Matfield Dr. (Photo by Mike Eggers)

The Christmas Story

Now it came to pass in those days, that decree went forth from Caesar Augustus that a census of the whole world should be taken. The first census took place while Cyrenus was governor of Syria. And all were going, each to his own town, to register.

And Joseph also went from Galilee out of the town of Nazareth into Judea to the town of David, which is called Bethlehem—because he was of the house and family of David—to register, together with Mary his espoused wife, who was with child. And it came to pass while they were there, that the days for her to be delivered were fulfilled. And she brought forth her first born son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

And there were shepherds in the same district living in the fields and keeping watch over their flock by night. And behold, an angel of the Lord stood by them and the glory of God shone round about them, and they feared exceedingly. And the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy which shall be to all the people; for today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you, who is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign to you: you will find him an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger." And suddenly, there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among men of good will."

Luke: Chapter 2: 1-15

Remember Others

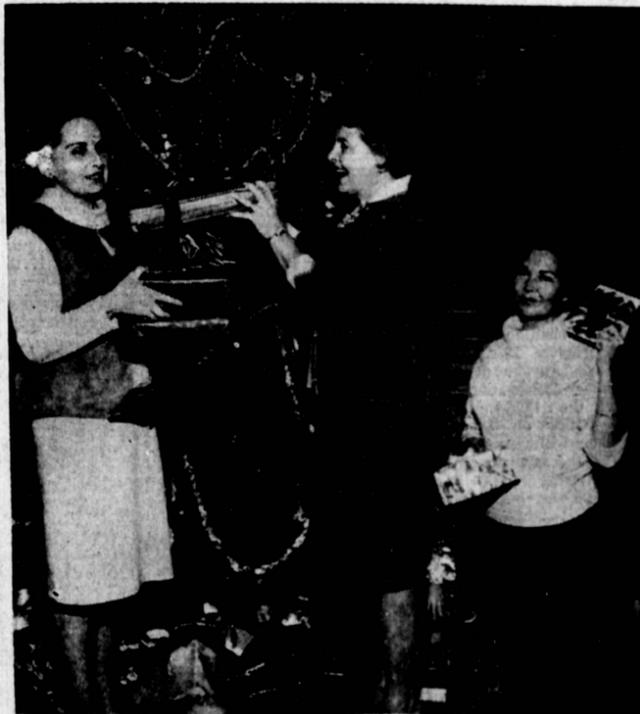
Las Colinas Club Notes Yuletide

Las Colinas Garden Club celebrated the Christmas season with a gala party on Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Ray Fitting, president, at 4626 Paseo de las Tortugas. Remembering the true meaning of Christmas, club members brought wrapped gifts to be taken to the Harbor General Hospital before Christmas to bring happiness to hospitalized patients on this Christmas morning.

In a festive holiday setting, around the Yule tree, members exchanged gifts. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Fitting assisted by her co-hostesses Mrs. Gregory Vore and Mrs. Jerry Toombs.

Delivering the packages to the hospital were Mrs. David Cochran and Mrs. Hugh Francis. Members had wrapped the gifts designating what was in the package so that hospital personnel could choose appropriate recipients.

Each month Las Colinas members take turns at assisting at the hospital. They supply flowers, tray favors, and holiday treats. Mrs. Henry Smith, hospital chairman, is in charge of the year "round project, which has been practiced for several years by the club.



PACKAGES FOR THE HOSPITAL

Before they began their own party to observe the holidays last Tuesday at the Ray Fitting home, Las Colinas Garden Club members turned in wrapped gifts to be taken to the patients at the Harbor Hospital. Here, at left, Mrs. Jerry G. Toombs, co-hostess, takes a package from Mrs. David C. Cochran, member of the hospital committee, while Mrs. Hugh A. Francis, also a committee member, shakes a package trying to guess the contents.

(Press-Herald Photo)



Money Tree for CARE

Continuing a traditional Christmas charity, members of the Torrance Woman's Club, Mrs. Ted Olson president, marched to a Christmas tree at their holiday luncheon Wednesday to pin on dollar bills to be sent to CARE. In the Christmas tree march are from left, Mmes. E. L. Snodgrass of Santa Barbara, Fred Sandstrom and Arch C. Boyd. A Christmas potluck luncheon was enjoyed followed by holiday music provided by representatives of the Sweet Adelines.

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STOCKING FILLED WITH CHRISTMAS JOY

Holiday babies leaving the South Bay Hospital are being sent home in decorated Christmas stockings, made by the hospital Auxiliary members. Wishing a Merry Christmas to Gary LaMarr Knowlden II as he leaves for home are, from left, Mrs. Virginia Burkhardt, R.N. and Mrs. Leota Ross, R.N., head nurse in obstetrics. Gary is the son of the Gary L. Knowldens, 23217 Ladeene. Welcoming him home were two sisters and a brother, Michelle 11, Linda 9, and Alex 5. Also on hand for Gary's first Christmas are grandparents, the Lloyd Dexters of Marysville, Kansas, and the Frank Towes of Pacific Grove.

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