

ANN LANDERS



Beat Her to the Punch

Dear Ann Landers: I am a 13-year-old boy who has a very embarrassing mother. She has put up 24 signs around the house...

One sign says, "TURN OUT THE LIGHTS." Another sign says, "KEEP YOUR FEET OFF THE FURNITURE." The sign on my closet wall says, "DON'T THROW IT ON THE FLOOR. HANG IT UP."

I am ashamed to have guys over to my house because they die laughing. They want to go from room to room looking for more signs.

Please tell me what to do.—S.O.S. (SICK OF SIGNS)

Dear S.O.S.: Apparently your mother put the signs up after she had talked herself hoarse and didn't get any place.

Ask her to please remove the signs and you will prove to her that you don't need them. Then prove it, Buddy Boy.

Dear Ann Landers: I hope every girl who is footing the bill for her boyfriend in the service will cut it out after she reads your wise, down-to-earth answer to "Willing to Pay."

I was one of those nutty girls who thought she was in love with the most wonderful guy in the world. He enlisted in the Army and was stationed two hours from town.

When he was transferred I sent him air fare and pocket money so he could come to see me. This went on for over a year.

What a bitter pill to swallow. But swallow it I did, and now I am a lot wiser. I wouldn't give Rock Hudson a dime to call me on the phone.—FINALLY WOKE UP

Dear Woke: Thanks for a good letter. Take that, and that, and that, you free-loaders.

Dear Ann Landers: Please keep telling teenage girls to forget about marriage. I know they hate to hear it, but maybe if they hear it often enough it will soak in.

I wouldn't listen either. I was 18 when I married. At age 20 I had two children and a third one at 25.

The first three years were terrible. Every week one of us would threaten to call a divorce lawyer. Although we are happy now, I would never recommend marriage to an 18-year-old girl.

Dear Vic: I know they hate to hear it but I'm going to continue to print letters like yours as long as my typewriter holds together. Thanks for writing.

If you have trouble getting along with your parents, if you can't get them to let you live your own life, send for Ann Landers' booklet, "Bugged By Parents? How to Get More Freedom."

Nearly 60,000 Use City Parks and Playgrounds

Nearly 60,000 persons participated in programs at parks and playgrounds operated by the Torrance Recreation Department during last November.

That figure was included in a statistical report on park and playground attendance compiled for the city's Parks and Recreation Commission.

During November, Miss Deanna Manning, senior supervisor for the parks and playgrounds, compiled the report.

A TOTAL of 84,915 youngsters and 7,642 adults were counted at one of the 13 city parks, she said. Another staff members.



CHURCH CHARTERED... The Rev. Roger Youngquist (right), executive secretary of the Baptist General Conference, explains charter presented to officers of the new Pacific View Baptist Church.

Boy Scout Council Sets Annual Meeting Tuesday

"Salute to Industry" will theme the 52nd annual meeting of the Los Angeles Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America.

The dinner meeting is scheduled at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Hollywood Palladium. Dr. Ruben F. Mettler, president of TRW Systems of Redondo Beach is chairman of the steering committee planning the meeting.

Dr. Mettler has chosen comedy writer-producer Hal Kanter as chairman of the program committee which will stage the opening and closing portions of the meeting, arrange for entertainment, and write the script.

Dr. Robert J. Downey, director of administration operations at TRW Systems, is chairman of the publicity and annual report committee.

PROMOTION and attendance committee is under the chairmanship of Tom P. Nickell, vice president of the University of Southern California. John Vernay, assistant to the vice president for public relations at Douglas Aircraft, is chairman of the arrangements committee.

Murray Yunker, president of Certified Grocers, will chair the reception committee and Judge Philip H. Richards is chairman of the Silver Beaver Award Committee.

Southern California Industry will be specially recognized during the meeting for its contributions to the growth and success of Scouting. The 1966 annual report, which will be seen for the first time at the annual meeting, also will include a Salute to Industry.

A HIGHLIGHT of the meeting will be the presentation of Scouting's highest council honor, the Silver Beaver Award, to 21 outstanding Scouters.

John K. Sloan, council president

Tips for Travel in Mexico Set

Lesser-known byways of Mexico will be explored in an illustrated talk on "The expert's Mexico" to be delivered by William Sanford and Carleton Green Tuesday.

Special programs, ranging from the tiny tots classes to cheer leading classes, involved another 1,323 youths and 307 adults.

BUSIEST PARK was the Walteria Park, where a total of 12,629 persons were counted during the month. The busiest school was at Jefferson School, where 2,822 persons participated in programs conducted only on Saturday.

To conduct the programs and supervise the parks during the month, Miss Manning said, the city employed 61 part-time supervisors and 17 teachers and seven full-time staff members.

ident for 1966, will deliver his president's report.

Following the report of the nominating committee, a new council president will be installed.

AN IMPRESSIVE opening and closing ceremony has been designed by Kanter and the program committee.

The Black Porch Majority, a swinging, singing offshoot of the New Christy Minstrels, will entertain.

Invitations have been mailed to council officers and board members, district officers, committee members and members at large, commissioners, institutional representatives, and special guests of the districts and council.

FROM EL CAMINO

Students to Attend Publishers Meeting

Seven student delegates from El Camino College will attend the California Newspaper Publishers Association (CNPA) meeting in San Francisco Feb. 2 through 5.

Don Brown, coordinator of public information, announced today. Chosen to represent the college on the basis of their contributions to the newspaper and press bureau were Marcia Smith, editor of the Warhoop; Tom Buckingham, commissioner of publications; Gail Hershberger, assistant news editor and Margaret Matheson, sports editor.

Reporters attending the convention include Pat DeSantis, Chios Capen, and Richard Martin. Miss Matheson and Miss Capen also write for the college press bureau class.

Registration may be completed in the Torrance field office, Bright said, without penalty any time before 5 p.m. Monday, Feb. 6.

Boy Scout To Attend Jamboree

Preston Paul Bhang, 14, of Felder St., Gardena, has been selected as a representative of the Los Angeles Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America for the 1967 World Jamboree.

Bhang, a member of Boy Scout Troop 484, became an Eagle Scout when he was 12 years of age and has since received the Bronze Palm for his Eagle award.

The jamboree will be held next August at Farragut State Park in Idaho. It is first world jamboree to be hosted by the Boy Scouts of America.

Bhang, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bhang, is a member of the Order of the Arrow and was selected as the outstanding Scout in the 1966 Cedar Badge leadership training program. He also holds the bronze and silver troop honor medals, the God and Country award, and 26 merit badges—including the meritorious badge.

A Scout lifeguard, young Bhang accomplished the mile swim when he was 12.

Attends Institute Donald H. Mehlig, CLU, one of the founding partners of the Torrance insurance firm, Cal-Surance Associates, Inc., is attending an Advanced Financial Planning Institute at Arizona State University.

Reading Between Lines Just a Waste of Time

Reading between the lines seems to be a favorite wastetime of a few of my unfriendly readers. I am the very first to admit that my words are wisdom itself and being the genuine genius that I am I manage quite well to get my messages across with honest simplicity.

Read and ye shall reap but I read something else into my literature prose and you'll end up weep-

until they are three to eight years older?"

My dear Mrs. U., I hardly stand to be corrected; however, I am man enough to accept your additional reasons for the high suicide rate in Sweden. "Doing it" for three, four five or eight years before marriage would be enough to tell any man, even a Swede.

The closing sentences of many letters tell so graphically how the writer views herself. But I'm sure whatever they use to get the picture, it isn't a full mirror. Here's one example:

"You shamefully write about those half-naked women in the topless. Is this by any chance your way of bringing out the point that all women are cows? I'm sure the bulls will be impressed. Please notify all who are going to go with bared breasts to walk on all fours and moo. This way our decent ladies won't be compared to those mentally unbalanced creatures." —A BEAUTIFULLY FORMED BUT CLOTHED LADY.

My dear beautifully formed but clothed lady: I'm a little confused as to which of the three mentioned are supposed to be mentally unbalanced creatures, the half-naked creatures, the cows or the beautifully formed but clothed lady. Mooooo!

COUNT MARCO

ers like the woman who wrote the following:

"The undersigned has noted that you are a very arrogant man but I did not know that you are also ignorant. You must be to make such a stupid statement as 'In Sweden everybody can 'do it' — and look — they have the highest suicide rate in the world.'"

"You must have started reading something and didn't finish. You see, the reason for the high suicide rate is that the Swedish man tries for success in his work too hard and when he can't make the top he would rather die.

"So they don't die because they 'do it.' The only difference is that they don't hide and sneak so much in Sweden. They are more open about it and why not, because those that 'do it' usually go steady for three, four, five or eight years before they marry. Do you expect these young beautiful couples to wait

Press-Herald Sunday Crossword

(Answer on Page A-7)

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down words.

Large crossword puzzle grid with numbers indicating starting points for clues.

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Father-Son Night Set At School

Serra High School's 16th annual Father-Son banquet will be held in the school gymnasium Sunday, Feb. 5, at 5 p.m., it was announced today.

Craig Fertig, assistant coach and a former quarterback at the University of Southern California, will be the featured speaker.

The banquet will honor students and their fathers for achievements at the school during the fall semester.

Burglar Takes Camera, Stereo

A stereo unit and camera were taken from the home of Ronald M. Maurer at 23323 Carlow Road late Tuesday, police said.

Officers said the burglar apparently entered the home through a bedroom window which was unlocked. The loss was estimated at \$750.