

**Kettler Kapers**

**Kettlerites Meet New Year in Style**

By TED CUNNINGHAM DA 6-4678

Howdy folks, here we are back again, reporting the news in the Knolls for you. Before we get any further, may we express our best wishes for a very happy New Year, to you all. May it be one in which we can better learn to live with ourselves and others that there may be fewer times of hurting one another. May it also be a year that we will enjoy and when looking backward on it feel it has been worthwhile.

Keeping up what has practically "become a tradition," Georgia and Bill Stroub of Falena Ave. opened up their home New Year's Eve to a group who are now making it an annual affair to get together to usher in the New Year. It was really a gala affair with Jo and Al Devenish, Fred and Vivian Wise, Edgar and Helen Bell, Shirley and Vern Eaton, Bob and Bernice Moore, Jim and Mary Wyrick, Jean

and Kenny Roberts, Eddie and Lee Stone, of Ingewood, and even former Kettlerites Ray and Jane Lockette driving in from Riverside, all joining into the festivities. Noisemakers, hats, and serpentine added that "party touch."

Making it a double celebration were Vi and Roy Gore, who celebrated Vi's birthday and the New Year with friends Adda May and Lawrence Blakeley at the Blakeley home last Thursday evening. Of course, no birthday is complete without a cake, so there was one, all decorated and pretty as only birthday cakes can be.

Recent dinner guests at the Al Devenish home on Middlebrook Rd. were Mr. and Mrs. Knute Sorenson and daughter Yette, of Redondo Beach.

Another holiday party, which has become an annual affair, was the one hosted by Frank and Helen Cannon, of 1888 Reynosa Dr., New Year's Eve. Making up the party were Mr. and Mrs. John Blicham, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Oliver, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Faren, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Radcliffe, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Bill

Tedrow, and Howard Archer. Also joining the party which spent the earlier part of the evening at the American Legion, then adjourned to the Cannon home, were former Kettlerites Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Batty, who now reside in Long Beach.

Roland and Betty Grover saw the New Year in at the American Legion party, while Joe and Velma Lucas joined Helen and Jim Catena at Fort MacArthur. Frank and Rosemary Weston journeyed all the way up to West Covina American Legion to join friends there.

Wasting no time, are the girls in the "brand new" intermediate Girl Scout Troop No. 1008, led by Mrs. Mable Crossman and Mrs. Lorraine Stanton. They just barely got registered and their troop number when they held a Christmas tea for their mothers. It was their first group activity and turned out most enjoyable from all reports. Barbara Castle and Donna Tidmarsh made decorated cupcakes, which were served with punch after a delightful program and carol singing. Other girls on the "Charter Member Roster" are Karen Crossman, Marie Alagon, Janet Hall, Barbara Huggins, Donna Reiche, Bonnie Stanton, and Joyce Gore.

Among our Christmas cards was one from "used to be" Kettlerites Bob and Edna Crawford. They formerly resided on Santa Fe St. but because of daughter Mickey's asthma, sold their house and re-established their home in Tujunga. Edith tells me that it has really "done the trick" and Mickey doesn't even look like the same child. She definitely thrives on the higher, drier climate. They miss Torrance and all their friends here, but are fast making a "niche" for themselves there.

Holiday guests from Battle Lake, Minn., are Mr. and Mrs. Allen Wichman, sister and brother-in-law of Catherine Fitch. Arriving by car a few days before Christmas, the Wichmans have been making their headquarters with Catherine and Clyde at 1835 Reynosa Dr.

Hubby, Armand, had a birthday, so his wife Jean Curtis honored him at a buffet supper and open house Saturday, Dec. 27. Coming from the San Gabriel Valley to help him celebrate were Armand's mother and stepfather, Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Carpenter; grandmother, Mrs. E. Niccum; and aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. F. Miller. Later in the evening, friends dropped by the 236th St. home of the Curtises to add their greetings.

Sort of a "family get-together" was held the week-end after Christmas when Ralph and Frances Dodge of Los Angeles, Donna Dodge and son Jimmy, and Donna's mother from Las Vegas, Blvd.)

gathered together at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Nowdesh at 2612 Martha, St. Missing in person, but there in spirit, it, we're sure, was the other son, Sgt. James Dodge, of the Air Force. The sergeant is now stationed in Okinawa, having recently been sent there from Salina, Kans.

Did you know that on March 9 there is to be an election in regards to a school bond? If you want to have a "say so" in it, you must be registered by Jan. 14 at the very latest. Mrs. Olga Brown, at 2035 Middlebrook Rd., is now registering new voters and those who have changed their residence since their last registration, so be a good citizen and exercise your right as an American, and go register to vote!

Mr. and Mrs. Dan J. Brennan and son Francis, and Mrs. Rena Cunningham were recent Saturday evening guests of Ken and Teo Cunningham of Reynosa Dr. Visiting and watching TV furnished the evening's entertainment for the Ellendale, N. D., relatives. They have been house guests of Ken's mother, Mrs. Rena Cunningham, of Torrance for over the holidays.

As a sort of a preview of what is to come, the Girl Scouts of Intermediate Troop No. 9938 enjoyed a roller skating party the Wednesday after Christmas at the Torrance Roller Rink. Nineteen girls glided "around and around" chaperoned by Leaders Mrs. Louise Wilson and Teo Cunningham, and mothers Mesdames Jean Hannan, Bess Wayt, and Helen Korth. The girls will start taking lessons in that sport next week as a troop project to earn their skating badge. Also on the agenda for this month are plans for a bike hike, cook out, and a food sale.

In keeping with the holiday spirit, Mrs. Irma Boucher was hostess to the Canasta Club for its Christmas party. Lots of "gab" as well as canasta occupied the evening, with Vivian Wise capturing the prize for the

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**Notes on Narbonne**

**Narbonne Students Go Back to School**

By ADRIENNE SIDWELL DA 6-3703

Well, it's back to that old school grind after a much-needed two weeks Christmas holiday. From all reports, the Gauchos really had fun.

Student body and Girls League elections were held yesterday, making it too late for the returns to make this newspaper deadline.

Oh boy! Those lucky seniors play hooky from school tomorrow because of the traditional senior picnic. You lucky dog!

Judy Patterson's many friends are wishing her a speedy recovery. She has been hospitalized in the Magnolia Hospital in Long Beach with complications from the flu.

Many Narbonneites were seen freezing their tail feathers off Klamath Falls, Ore. and Mr. and Mrs. Chester Gowin of Torrance were recent dinner guests at the home of Vi and Roy Go of Falena St. Mesdames Jeffers and Gowin are sisters of Roy's and as it has been about two years since the Jeffers have been down this way, there was quite a bit of visiting to catch up on.

The Lomita Park basketball team composed of Anett Graft, Dorothy Searies, Laura Tolbert, Lila Cordray, Joyce Bernhardt, Millie Childs, and yours truly handed Avalon-Sepulveda Park a 33-17 defeat. Laura scored 18 points.

The A-9's and A-12's have their final exams next week! Ugh!

Tomorrow evening, the Knights and Ladies have their big annual party in the Girls gym.

After two weeks of running loose in the Texas plains, Marge Collins, in spite of the fact that she loves her dear Texan relatives, has definitely decided that California is the state for her. She is also glad to get back to some of her mother's good ole' home cooking. Righto, Marge?

Many good wishes to Craig Chudy, who made first team All-Marine in football and third

UCLA. was really great. Last Sunday quite a few kids went to see the floats.

Congratulations are being extended to Joan Broad upon her marriage to Carl Warner, U. S. Navy, on Dec. 19 of last year in Indiana. Joan arrived home last Monday.

Attention GAA members: Your final payment on the banquet ticket will be next Wednesday, Jan. 13. The remodeling on the girls gym has been postponed until February.

Narbonne's Varsity and the basketball squads play Gardens on our courts tomorrow while the Ceas and Dees travel to Gardens. Let's support our boys.

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