

YOUR PROBLEMS

by Ann Landers

"Living Involves Risks . . ."

Dear Ann Landers: In June I was in a car accident with three other teenagers. It wasn't Fred's fault (he's my boy friend). A 72-year-old man came up on the wrong side of a hill with no lights and hit us head-on. It was a miracle that no one was seriously injured.

My mother has been very nervous since then and has refused to let me ride in a car with Fred. I'm almost 17 and Fred is 18. Mom and Dad drive us any place we want to go and pick us up.

Fred went along with this for quite a while but last night he said "No more chauffeuring." I'm afraid he'll stop dating me. Please help me, Ann, I'm miserable.

— DOLLY

Dear Dolly: Most parents worry about teenagers in cars and your mother's concern is, of course, intensified by the accident. But parents must realize that growing up and living involves risks. All any of us can do is exercise a reasonable amount of caution.

It is unfair to children when parental anxiety casts a shadow over their lives and hobbles them.

Ask your mother to go for a ride with Fred at the wheel. Perhaps when she sees that he is a careful driver she'll relax and allow you normal privileges.

Dear Ann: My husband is a perfectly nice guy. He doesn't run around or have any bad habits. I think I'd gladly trade a bad habit for his one big fault.

He thinks he's a great story-teller. I want to crawl under the chair when he starts to tell his worn-out jokes. To begin with, he can't remember stories and he mixes up two or three in the telling. He forgets punch lines, butchers dialects and I'm sure he offends people. He stretches out the simplest story until you wonder if he's trying for a filibuster record.

I hate to see him make a fool of himself, and I've asked him to quit after one or two. But he says "People love it."

Frankly, I think the situation is hopeless. If you can give some advice I'd be grateful. — GRITTING TEETH

Dear Gritting: Welcome to The Club. One of the noblest sororities of all is the group of wives who sit silently—smiling, of course—while their husbands mutilate stories.

Just keep gritting your teeth, Old Girl—and see your dentist twice a year.

Dear Ann Landers: When I was a small child my mother raised a beautiful flower called "the nicotine plant." It grew like a petunia but blossomed only at dusk and it had a lovely fragrance which scented the evening air.

I have searched for many years for this plant, but without success. I know your column is not a garden corner, but you do deal with all sorts of problems, and it seems your aim is to make people happy. I would certainly appreciate it if you could help me locate this plant. Or perhaps one of your readers will know it by another name. Thank you.— HARRIETT

Dear Harriett: I don't know a ham-hock from a hollyhock, but I'm printing your letter in hope that someone who reads it can come to your rescue. Front and center flower lovers! And PLEASE don't send me seeds, just the information.

Are you tempted to smoke because of the crowd? If so, send for ANN LANDERS' booklet, "Teenage Smoking," enclosing with your request 10c in coin and a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope.

Ann Landers will be glad to help you with your problems. Send them to her in care of this newspaper enclosing a stamped, self-addressed envelope.

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The girl has written a book. The girl is Ann Landers. The publisher is Prentice-Hall. The book is called "Since You Ask Me." Your book store has it.

In Arizona

Mrs. Sarah R. Hooker and son, David, 18328 Roslin Ave., are spending a month with their uncle, I. T. Callahan, in Gila Bend.



HOLIDAY DECOR . . . A choice of fascinating holiday ornaments will be offered for sale at the Junior Woman's club's annual "Handicraft Fair" set for Nov. 22 at the Torrance Woman's club. Adding glitter to a net Christmas tree are from left, Mmes Edward Felkel, general chairman, Robert Davis and Richard Dorothy, who is chairman of the committee making ornamental key chains.

Family Moves To Lancaster

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Haws and children, Tosca, Vinnie, Kristine and David, have moved from 18404 Roslin Ave., Torrance, into their new home in Lancaster.

Prior to their departure, Mrs. W. A. Wright entertained at a surprise coffee hour for Mrs. Haws. Presenting her with going-away gifts were Mmes. Sarah Hooker, Elmer Ecker, Robert Mackin, Anthony Roza and Sam Villegas.

Anniversary

The happy sounds emanating from Table 10 at the Three Lions Restaurant marked the sixth wedding anniversary celebration of Delores and Bill Manning of Torrance.



MR. AND MRS. ARTHUR LUSK . . . Married 50 Years



WINNERS . . . Choosing favorites in Hollywood Park's private Turf Club where the Little Company of Mary Hospital Auxiliary staged a post-race cocktail dance are auxiliary members, from left, Mrs. Frank Forester, president; Mrs. Allen Smith of Redondo Beach, and Mrs. Ione Ransom of Palos Verdes Estates. The annual "Day at the Races" benefit was held on Saturday, Oct. 14, as one of the group's outstanding social events.

Convays Attend Parents' 50th Anniversary Party

Mr. and Mrs. Raphael Convay, 1508 W. 225th St., have returned from Alpena, Mich., where they attended the fiftieth wedding anniversary of Mrs. Convay's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lusk.

An anniversary party for Mr. and Mrs. Lusk was held at the Wilson Town Hall in Alpena where the honored couple have lived all of their married life.

Mr. and Mrs. Lusk received their friends at a table decorated with gold wedding bells, a money tree and wedding pictures.

An anniversary cake centered the family dinner table. Granddaughters presided at the guest book and assisted in entertaining. The Madcapers furnished music and Karen Hardy and Jack Hepburn were soloists. The celebrants were given a gold treasure chest.

Return to Torrance

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Lombardi and two children, who moved to Denver, Colo., from their home on Ardath Ave. in Torrance, three years ago, have returned to again make their home here.

Lake Vacation

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Dean and children and Mr. and Mrs. William Mossman and family spent several days last week water skiing and fishing at Lake Havasu, near Parker Dam on the Colorado.

Social World

Edna Cloyd, Editor

Festive Holiday Event

'Handicraft Fair' Is Slated For Nov. 22

Members of the Torrance Junior Woman's club are busy working on items for their annual Handicraft Fair to be held at the clubhouse, 1422 Engracia Ave., on Nov. 22. This year's fair will be combined with a fashion show, with street and holiday party fashion supplied by three area shops.

Mrs. Edward Felkel is serving as general chairman of the event. Mrs. Joseph Boylan will commentate the fashion show. Modeling will be Mmes. Robert Vroman, T. J. Burchfield and Peter Rentz.

Throughout the fair, refreshments will be served from a holiday table with club members presiding at the tea and coffee services.

Workshops are being held weekly when members make their holiday novelties and gifts which will be offered for sale.

Mrs. Ronald Forestal heads the committee making Christmas stockings; Mrs. Donald French and her committee are working on plaques.

Glittering net Christmas trees in many colors are being made by Mrs. Lee Clotworthy and her committee.

Ribbon trees are being created by Mrs. James Morgan and her committee. Mrs. Richard Dorothy heads the key chain committee.

Handmade Christmas ornaments for the tree and other decor are being turned out by a committee under the direction of Mrs. Felkel.

One of the highlights of the fair will be the awarding of an 18-inch doll, donated by the Blue Chip Co. and her complete wardrobe. The wardrobe for the doll was made by Mmes. Felkel, Lee Clotworthy, Robert Forestal, Jack Dean and William Faulds.

Club members will also have colorful booths filled with homemade pastries and Christmas candies.



MRS. DWIGHT C. MORRISON . . . On Wedding Day (Crotty Photography)

Linda Huffman Becomes Bride of D. C. Morrison

First Baptist Church in Torrance was the setting on Friday evening, Oct. 13 for the wedding uniting Miss Linda M. Huffman and Dwight C. Morrison. The bride is the daughter of M. and Mrs. Hector Fraser, 20567 Amie Ave., Torrance. Mr. and L. P. Morrison of Hammond, Ind. are parents of the bridegroom.

As the 60 close friends and relatives gathered to witness the ceremony, Mrs. Pat Owendyke at the organ played a medley of nuptial music. She accompanied Miss Imogene De Nunzio who sang "Because" and "Whither Thou Goest."

Rev. Robert Dehn officiated at the vow exchange before the altar decorated with baskets of white blossoms and candles.

Mr. Fraser escorted the bride to the altar and gave her in marriage. She wore a street length gown of white brocade. Her short bouffant veil cascaded from a flat head piece of crushed net and pearls. The bride carried a gardenia crescent.

Miss Irene Masiki was the maid of honor wearing pink chiffon and carrying gardenias.

Miss Diane Martin served as the bridesmaid. She wore a turquoise satin sheath and her bouquet was of orchids.

Robert Haehl, Jr. stood as best man and Tim Frazer carried the rings.

After the ceremony, a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents.

Following a honeymoon at Las Vegas and Crestline, the newlyweds will be at home at 1415 Greenwood Ave., Torrance.

The bride, a graduate of Torrance High school and El Camino College, is employed by the Pacific Telephone Co. Her husband, who was educated in Indiana, is attending El Camino college. He is employed at the Torrance Post Office.

A Farewell Party Fetes Mrs. Whitford

Mrs. William Whitford, who with her family moved to Ivanhoe, Calif., to make their home, was complimented at a neighborhood farewell party on Oct. 6 given at the home of Mrs. J. W. Potts, 911 Fonthill Ave.

Champagne was served throughout the evening, followed by cake and coffee. The group presented Mrs. Whitford with a cigarette lighter as a farewell gift.

The invited guest list included Mmes. L. M. Savage, A. E. Golds, Neal Vocke, R. C. Focha, N. W. Carstenson, C. E. Keltz, G. J. Young, Milton Feldon.

Others were Mmes. William Fredericks, A. W. Taylor, Richard Corder, E. S. Buck, Philip Lisman and M. R. Rapert.

Mrs. Lisman Hostess to Garden Club

Mrs. P. H. Lisman was hostess to the Torrance Terrace Garden club at her home, 720 Portola Ave., on Oct. 11. A dessert was served followed by a business meeting conducted by Mrs. Marie Tankersley, vice president.

The group planned to decorate the table for the Scouts Court of Honor on Nov. 8, at South High School.

They also discussed their Membership Tea to be held Oct. 25 at the Kuska Gallery, 24201 Walnut, Lomita.

Anyone wishing to become a member of the club is asked to contact any club member.

Attending the last meeting were Mmes. L. Hartley, Minot Rugg, F. Sandstrom, Marie Shanahan, Marie Tankersley, A. C. Turner, B. K. Baine, Alex Beattie, H. Davis and Ernest Ferrant.



CONGRATULATIONS . . . Little Company of Mary Hospital Auxiliary president, Mrs. Frank Forester of Torrance, congratulates driver-trainer Paige West, who drove "Ace of Spades" to first place in harness race dedicated to the auxiliary during South Bay group's benefit day at Hollywood Park. After the race, the auxiliary entertained at a cocktail dance in the private Turf club with proceeds going to the hospital.

See Musical In New York

Lt. Col. and Mrs. Richard R. Coulter and Miss Ann Coulter residing at 4606 Paseo De las Tortugas, Torrance, attended a recent performance of David Merrick's smash hit production "Carnival," winner of the New York Drama Critics Prize as the Best Broadway stage musical of the season at the Imperial Theatre.

Parents Visit

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Focha, 917 Fonthill Ave., had as their weekend guests, Mrs. Focha's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Myron L. Fairchild of Campbell, Calif.