

Women

Club News Society News
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MRS. HARRISON FETED BY STORK SHOWER

Mrs. W. T. Harrison of 18014 Ermanita avenue thought she was going to Motorama, but instead was feted with a surprise stork shower recently at the home of Mrs. Colleen Root, 18011 Ermanita avenue.

While Mrs. Harrison was waiting for her husband to take her to the show, Mrs. Root dropped over and asked her to see some new furniture that the Roots had bought. Instead of the furniture she found twelve of her friends gathered at the hostess' home which was colorfully decorated for the affair.

Potted plants used in the decorations were later used as door prizes and prizes for games. Original nut cups were made to look like tiny white booties tied with pink.

Joining in the fun were Mes. Merel Nelson, Ruth Ramsey, and her daughter Linda, Penny McCusker, Doris Phillips, June Duncan, Peggy Butler, Anna Currier, Pat Sorenson, Mary Bodily, Dolores Shrieve, and mother of the honoree Mrs. Lucille Simpson.

Past Matrons And Patrons Honored At OES Gathering

The Torrance Chapter O.E.S. gathered to honor their past patrons and past matrons recently as the chapter was called to order by Mrs. Gordon Mothersell. The officers entered with Vivian Cook serving as worthy matron and all stations filled by past matrons or past patrons.

Special escort was given to Worthy Matron Phyllis Beverley and Worthy Patron Earl Wells.

50 Year Pin Presented

At this time Lillian Dye, past matron, was escorted to the East and presented. A history of her years of service was given and a fifty year membership pin was presented to her by Vivian Cook in honor of her fifty-three years of being a member of Eastern Star.

Past Grand Matron Birdie Connelly was escorted to the East and given grand honors. The following worthy matrons and worthy patrons were escorted to the East and presented. Jo Parsons, Lomita; Doris Savage, Wilmington; Stella and Clifford Reid, Carnation.

Guests Introduced

Guests introduced from the sidelines included Frank Schmidt, worshipful master of Torrance Masonic Lodge; Mattie and Eugene Meyer, royal matron and royal patron of Amaranth; Percy Hodgson, watchman of the shepard of

Redondo White Shrine; and those who served as officers in Torrance Chapter in the year of 1951; Alethea Smith, associate matron; Joan Simpson, conductress; Florence Viellenave, associate conductress; Rose Schmidt, chaplain; Helen Carpenter, marshal; Lois Lougee, organist; Margie Hodgson, adah; Letha Wells, ruth; Fern Mead, father; Mattie Meyer, martha; Jennie Delsigne, electa; Ruth Hardin, harder; and Joe Hardin, sentinel.

The dining room was decorated with manzanita boughs decorated with pale pink and light green blooms in the center of the head table. Tables for the guests were decorated in the same manner, each table in a different color. Refreshments were served by Ethyl Beverley, chairman, Rose Schmidt, Helen Carpenter, Margie Hodgson, Lea Wells, Fern Mead, Mattie Meyer, Jennie Delsigne, Ruth Hardin, Frances Beverley, Joe Hardin and Percy Hodgson.



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SHOWERED WITH ATTENTION . . . Neil M. Burdick, assistant manager at Chicago Bridge & Iron, sits next to Mrs. Burdick, as he is waited upon by Virginia Beck, president, and Molly Marshall, vice-president of the Torrance Business & Professional Women's Club. The girls

are getting in gear for their Bosses' Night dinner March 21 at the Palms. Education and vocations will be the theme of the evening, and speaker will be Warren Hamilton, director of special services for the Torrance Unified School District.

JayCettes Set For St. Patrick's Dance

Green shamrocks will decorate the Torrance American Legion hall Saturday night, March 19, as the Torrance JayCettes hold a gala St. Patrick's Day dance from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. The decorating committee will greet those attending who

Awards Won By 2 Local Women At Flower Show

Winning first and second prizes respectively for floral arrangements at the International Flower Show at Hollywood Park last Friday were Mrs. Victor E. Benstead and Mrs. Minot Rugg, both of Torrance.

Mrs. Benstead, who lives at 1621 Reech street, won a blue ribbon in class A-9, wood and rock predominating. Her prize-winning arrangement consisted of billbergia, burnt bamboo roots, and ginger foliage combined with the large-leaved aralia. This exotic combination was enhanced by its arrangement in a black wrought iron 3-legged container.

Clusters of a red succulent bloom combined with fresh, new growth of privet shaped in a triangular arrangement on a large, white, shallow bowl won a second prize for Mrs. Rugg, who resides at 1506 W. 214th street.

Both of the winners are members of the Torrance Terrace Garden Club.

P-TA COUNCIL

Guest List Closes Friday For Honorary Life Dinner

Mrs. A. MacKenzie, chairman of the Torrance Council P-TA honorary life membership committee, announces that a number of the invitations to the honorary life dinner to be held at 6:30 p.m. March 21 at the Woman's Club, have as yet remained unanswered.

Easter Egg Hunt Planned By Fireladies

The Torrance Fireladies planned an Easter Egg Hunt during their recent monthly meeting in the Civil Defense building. In charge of the affair will be Mrs. Gordon I. Clarke assisted by Mrs. Ed Polston. Date of the hunt will be set later.

A white elephant sale was held during the evening, with Mrs. Polston acting as auctioneer. Serving as hostesses were Mes. Jerry Loy and Jay Neilsen.

The next meeting of the Fireladies will be held Monday, April 4, at the home of Mrs. Sam Martin, 2015 238th street.

Inasmuch as reservations must be in by Friday, March 18, Mrs. MacKenzie requested that all receiving invitations and planning to attend, contact her at FR. 4-0069, or her assistant, Mrs. J. Ingram at FA. 8-3665.

Mrs. MacKenzie states that the Council is very privileged to have as an honored guest Mrs. Lila Stevenson, honorary life chairman of the 33rd district, past president of the first district, and past president of the El Segundo Council. Mrs. Stevenson will also give the inspirational.

Included among the honorary life membership recipients to be present from each PTA unit, will be Mrs. Eleanor Ruffe and Dr. Howard Wood, to whom the Torrance Council awarded this outstanding membership this year.

JayCettes - Garden Club Name Committees, Hobby-Art Show

The Torrance JayCettes and the Torrance Terrace Garden Club, co-sponsors of the annual Hobby, Art & Flower Show, have begun working in unison on plans for the show set for May 6, 7, and 8 this year.

Committees for the various divisions have been named by both clubs, and a meeting was held last evening, March 16, at the home of Mrs. Charles Herren, 23102 Falena, at which time the set-up committees of both the Garden Club and the JayCettes discussed final arrangements for the show.

Garden Club Chairmen

Chairman of the garden section is Mrs. Victor Benstead, and co-chairman is Mrs. Minot Rugg. Mrs. J. Parke Montague is handling publicity, and Mrs. Rugg will arrange the programs and posters.

Flower show floor plans will be arranged by Mes. Thomas McCutcheon and Olin Linney; entries will be handled by Mes. Dean L. Sears and John Thuss.

Chairman Mrs. Benstead will see to the judges and the judges' luncheon; Mrs. A. C. Turner will be in charge of reservations. Hospitality chairmen are Mes. H. P. Lisman and W. P. Hickox; ribbons and entry prizes, Mrs. J. E. Cox. Decorations chairmen are Mes. H. C. Sandberg and Ralph V. Russel; club entry, Mes. A. R. Fiorelli and J. E. Cox. Mrs. H. P. Lisman is corresponding secretary.

Hobby and Art Chairmen Mrs. Charles Herren is chair-

Streamliners Hold Potluck At Meeting

Members of the Streamliners club of the Torrance YWCA met on Monday evening for a potluck supper at the Torrance branch, 2320 Carson.

A plan for sharing responsibilities of the club was discussed at the business session of the group. In addition, Anne Douglas instructed in dance and exercises.

This interest group is open to all who would like to be YW members and participants.

Members of the group are: Mesdames D. R. Yancey, R. C. McCutches, Thomas Watson, S. M. Sutherin, John W. Strom, C. G. Buch, H. A. Massie, John K. Lowler, W. W. Hinman, G. A. Hamilton, Warren Hall, Lois Gougwer, R. E. Fordham, M. L. Demonet, Lin Branum, and Erma Bennett.

Also Meses Carol Bloye, Mary Bloye, Ruth Cahill, Evelyn Clark, Pauline Greer, Diane Hirsch, Theresa Loftus, Beverly Whitney, Olive Marshall, Esther McGloshen, and Winnie Yancey.

Chairman of judges is Mrs. Fred Hansen, reservations chairman is Mrs. Gordon Jones, and floor planning by Mrs. Douglas Horlander. Mrs. Brunt Smith will see to the ribbons and Mes. Marvin Goettsch and Keith Piscal the programs.

Hostess will be Mrs. William Sturgis, and corresponding secretary Mrs. Robert Waters.

Mrs. Clyde Anderson is telephone chairman, and Mrs. William Hebestreit in charge of easels. The set-up committee consists of Mes. Jones, Ed Karlow, Joseph Banks, Howard Percy, and Charles Herren.

HOOF CARD PARTY

The building committee of the Odd Fellows and Rebekahs will hold its third card party of the season on Thursday evening, March 17, at the Gardena Community Center, 1651 Market st., Gardena.

Mrs. McVey Complimented By Shower

Mrs. Kenneth W. McVey was complimented with a baby shower given by Mrs. Donald Meier, 3822 West 176th street, last Friday evening.

Prior to the unwrapping of the gifts, word games were played with prizes going to Mesdames Wilson Willey, John Carlson, and V. J. Genereux.

Guests included Mesdames A. F. McGill, Mary Fitzgerald, James Nichols, Willey, Lloyd Waggoner, George McPheeters, Geneux, S. P. Hoffman, Eugene Phillips, Willard Waddell, Carlson, Alvin Simpson, Donald Moline, Ward J. Bartholomew, John Linn, and Richard Greenwood.

Enjoying Mrs. Vang's culinary artistry were Mesdames Robert Williams, Kenneth Nelson, William Starr, Robert Kilday, Bill Fox, Ida Mikkoala, C. Wilhrect, and Leonard Kane.

BIRTHDAY GATHERING

A get-together complementing Mrs. Tom Thornton for her birthday was held by Mrs. Edward O. Vang in her Fonthill avenue home last week.

Enjoying Mrs. Vang's culinary artistry were Mesdames Robert Williams, Kenneth Nelson, William Starr, Robert Kilday, Bill Fox, Ida Mikkoala, C. Wilhrect, and Leonard Kane.

GOODBYES

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Smiley of 3101 Opal street, said good-byes recently to Mrs. Smiley's mother, Mrs. Marian L. Gordon, whom they drove to International Airport where Mrs. Gordon enplaned for Palm Beach, Florida to visit her brother.

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