

# COOKING IN COLOR CREATES SENSATION

Ever yearn for an artistic reputation?

At your next dinner party, color coordinate the food, decor, and you. The visual impact will be nothing short of sensational.

It sounds simple enough. But, a word of caution, before you purchase a powder blue hostess gown to match a favorite china service.

Plan! Stick to the plan, faithfully. This is the hard part. In order to be effective, color-coordination must be consistent. This requires careful attention to detail. More important is an ability to blend these details together and achieve the desired overall effect of your original plan.

If powder blue and lavender are your colors, resist the temptation to decorate a cake in a red with white and green circus motif. Served on blue dessert plates, the impact is zero.

To score, decorate in graded blues. Pastel at the top; a single navy blue border at the bottom. Deeper blue flowers take lavender centers.

To make a master plan, first determine the "movement" of your dinner party. Will guests have cocktails in the living room, and dinner on the patio? Or, will dinner

be a formal affair in the dining room?

Naturally, the color scheme of a room can't be changed for every dinner party. It can be played up or down, however. One hostess, I know of, likes to have cocktail parties in a sky-lighted indoor court yard decorated in black and white. Hors-d'Oeuvre are always black and white with touches of red. Red is the color of gowns worn by this hostess and needless to say, the impression she creates is immense.

Most homes are decorated in fairly neutral tones. It is only necessary to be aware of the colors surrounding your dinner table. Emphasis is up to you.

Choose your color family: blues, reds, yellows, pinks, browns. Now select close accent tones. Blue with green; pink with pastel orange; or perhaps yellow alone with white to off set it. There are endless possibilities only limited by your imagination and to a certain extent by your menu.

As you plan your menu, think in terms of how you wish to present each dish at the table. This will help determine your selection of serving platters. Sometimes, it will be more effective to use plain china for serving

rather than colored or patterned pieces. White is a perfect foil for color.

To "color" food, other than desserts, takes courage. Who ever heard of tinting mashed potatoes! Forget convention. View mashed as fluffy, white matter instantly transferred by a drop of food coloring into a pretty confection.

Tint (make colors pastel in depth) butter to match blueberry muffins or orange rolls. Tint mayonnaise and any other dressings served in a separate bowl.

Decorating hams and roasts with designs cut from various vegetables and fruits, such as carrots, oranges, cucumbers, radishes, or green peppers, brings color to the meat course.

Don't stop at traditional shapes, however. Flowers are fine for certain types of decor. If you surround yourself with abstract shapes for meat decoration.

Since the whole point of all this planning and effort is to delight the eye, insure success by learning to use pastry decorating tubes. Don't try for fancy designs even on desserts. Simple borders and curved lines will give a professional finish without detracting from the original idea of your dinner—color.

## CLUB NEWS

Torrance Stamp Club will hold a meeting, Monday evening, Nov. 12. Meeting place is Scott Park Community Bldg., 23410 Catskill Ave., Wilmington. Time, is 7:30 p.m.

International Relations Club is a new study organization at Torrance High School, for the purpose of studying political and economic situations existing in the world today.

Greg Simmons is president of the club. It is sponsored by social studies teachers, Mr. Ronald Rudolph and Mr. Robert Simmons.

First of several club functions is the Model United Nations for Secondary Schools held each year at Loyola University.

## Tot Xmas Books Speech Topic

"Christmas Books for Children" is topic of a speech to be given by Mrs. Lila Held at Moose Torrance Chapter 44, Nov. 7. Mrs. Held, who is the children's librarian locally is a special guest on the club's "Library Chapter Night." Mrs. Maria Diamond is in charge of this meeting.

**GRATITUDE**  
Gratitude is much more than a verbal expression of thanks. Action expresses more gratitude than speech.  
—Mary Baker Eddy



CLOWN AND COTTON CANDY can even make being sick in bed some fun. Here "Zeezo the Clown" (Larry Campbell) has an intimate chat with

Faye Appel during a recent Halloween party in Harbor General Hospital children's ward. Annual party was sponsored by the Volunteers for Children.



MRS. STANLEY EVERETT POWELL  
the former Truma Loree Pate

## Lavender-Lace Wedding for Pair

Against a background of lavender orchids and white ribbon bows, Truma Loree Pate was united with Stanley Everett Powell in a double ring ceremony, Oct. 12.

Three hundred guests at the evening wedding in Narbonne Ave Southern Baptist Church, heard the couple repeat the nuptial vows. Officiating was the Rev. Robert Wells.

Bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley D. Pate, 645 221st St. Bridegroom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Max E. Powell of 1727 Neptune.

Lavender color theme was repeated in the gowns of all those attending the bride. Matron of honor, Mrs. John G. Ramaker wore a strapless gown of lace over satin. Full skirted satin dresses with lace insets giving interest were worn by flower girls, June Pate and Susan Strong. They carried matching parasols trimmed with rose petals.

Bridesmaids, again in lavender satin, carried white carnation bouquets. Mrs. Don J. Strong, Patricia Carter and Linda Ramaker were the bridesmaids.

Complimentary contrast was evident in gown color chosen by the mother of the bride. A beige brocade dress

with matching accessories was her choice.

Attending the bridegroom were Bill McKnight, best man and Anthony Pate, ring bearer. Loman Pate, Nelson Stanley and Stephen Stanley served as ushers.

Before the bride and groom left on a Palm Springs honeymoon, there was a reception for them in the church hall. Newlyweds, both attended Banning High School. They are now residing at 918 1/2 McDonald, Wilmington. Bridegroom is an engineer employed at Van Camp.

## Readings for 'All My Sons'

The Rootlight Theatre will hold readings for "All My Sons," Nov. 5, 7, 8 at Victor Benstead Plunge. Time is 7:30 p.m.; address is 3331 Torrance Blvd.

Rehearsals for this play will begin on Nov. 12. Play is scheduled to open Jan. 11. It will be direction by Herman Goodman and will run four weekends.

The truly generous is truly wise, and he who loves not others, lives unblest.  
—Henry Home

# Women

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## FLOAT FLOWERS IN PINK CHAMPAGNE

Create your own "color spectacular" by floating fresh flowers in champagne punch.

No, the flowers won't sink if they have been dipped beforehand in melted paraffin.

Choose flowers not quite in full bloom and free of bruises. Gardenias, carnations and even water lilies can be dipped.

Rinse the blooms in cold water and drain them on absorbent paper. Put them in the refrigerator on wax paper until ready to use.

Melt three pounds of paraffin in a double boiler over hot-not boiling-water. It's important not to get the wax too hot. Flowers dipped in wax heated past 130 de-

grees will turn brown.

Carnations and flowers of similar composition should be dipped at 130 degrees; delicate types such as camellias, require temperatures between 110 and 120. Be sure to skim melted wax before dipping each flower.

Dipping takes a certain amount of practice so use a few imperfect flowers for the first few tries.

Hold onto the flower stem and quickly dip it straight into the wax. Lift the flower out with a straight, steady motion and quickly — but gently — shake off the excess wax. A gentle shaking motion will also help loosen the petals. Continue to hold it in your hand for a few seconds until the wax has set slightly. Then immerse

the flower in ice water.

Flowers should then be put on sheets of foil in the refrigerator and kept there until needed.

Stems may be trimmed before storing.

The charity that hastens to proclaim its good deeds, ceases to be charity, and is only pride and ostentation.

—William Hutton

A thankful heart is not only the greatest virtue, but the parent of all the other virtues.

—Cicero



ANITA TAPIA  
... Bride Elect

## December Nuptial Plans Announced

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Tapia, 3511 W. 226th St., announce the engagement of their daughter, Anita, to Mr. Bud Miller of Inglewood.

An evening wedding is planned for Dec. 1 at the Wayfarer's Chapel. Time is 8:45.

The bride-elect graduated from North Torrance High School. She is employed at Enright Engineering Company of Inglewood. Her fiancé is associated with the Arthur Murray school of dancing.

## Bargain Sale to Benefit Scouts

Bargain hunters circle the dates of March 22 and 23 for Torrance's largest rummage sale.

Sale, which will benefit the Scout Center, is sponsored by the Torrance Junior Woman's Club and the Torrance Civitan Club, which maintains a building for use of Harbor District Boy and Girl Scouts. In continual use since its opening last spring, the center is used by as many as four groups each day.

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## List Jobs to Simplify Housework

The best way to organize all your sprucing jobs is to jot them down on a pad and check them off one by one as they're done.

Next check on the cleaning and polishing supplies you have on hand. Throw away liquid products that have dried out. Make a note of what needs to be replenished, if it has been a satisfactory product.

Take your list with you to the store.

## GEM SOCIETY HOLDS SHOW

South Bay Lapidary and Mineral Society will hold their annual show in Lomita Park auditorium, Nov. 3 and 4. Event is co-sponsored by the club and County Parks and Recreation Department.

Natures Treasure Chest is the show's theme. Displays of obsidian, agate, crystals, calcite and onyx will be featured as well as a collection of geodes and nodules.

Of special interest is a working exhibit of lapidary tools and shop equipment. Interested viewers will be able to see a demonstration of gem cutting, polishing, and faceting.

## Non-Fiction "Tops" With Torrance Teens

Teenagers have abandoned comic books in favor of non-fiction and historical novels, according to Torrance High School librarian, Mrs. Pierson.

This encouraging trend results from genuine interest rather than pressure by teachers, she observes.

Biographies of today's famous men such as Churchill, De Gaulle, President Kennedy are current choices

## Modern Dance Class Resumes

Torrance "Y" Modern Dance classes for adult and young women begin their second six week session on Monday evening, Nov. 5.

Students in the more advanced class will be performing in a sponsored variety show in November. Beginners and dancers with some experience are invited to call and put their names on our growing class reservation list. After a short holiday break in classes, the third session will resume on Jan. 8.

Call the "Y" at FA 0-2255 or Mrs. Roy Seidler at FR 8-1609 for information.



SNEAK-PREVIEW of "Holiday Fashions" to be featured at a fashion-show luncheon at the Ports O' Call Restaurant Nov. 7, are modeled by (l-r) Mmes. Lawrence Jacobs, Mathew Barbato, Joseph Bridi and Andre Martin.

Show is an annual event sponsored by the St. Philomena Catholic Church Women's Council. Fashions come from Ida's of Wilmington and Young Maternity shop in Del Amo Center.