

Gift Shower Compliments Newlywed Mrs. K. L. Davis

Mrs. Kenneth Leroy Davis, the former Miss Colleen Cox, was the surprised honoree at a prettily appointed post nuptial shower given in her 204th street home Thursday when Mrs. Swayne Johnson and Mrs. Clarence Cole entertained.

Lavender sweet peas and yellow candles created a pretty party setting.

Beautiful gifts were presented by the bride's mother, Mrs. Mildred Cox; her grandmother, Mrs. C. D. King; Mesdames Walter Wigman, Donald Hitchcock, Dennis Jesse, John Macstri, L. M. Larson, W. M. Johnson, C. Byrd, J. Enis, Jim Matthews, and Miss Sharon Hacker.

Games were played following the gift presentation and refreshments of cake and coffee were served.

RNA Group Card Party

Royal Neighbor Friendship Sewing Circle will sponsor a dessert card party Tuesday afternoon, April 24.

Susie Walker, as general chairman, states that canasta, pinocle, and bunnies will be played and prizes will be provided for high score holders. Mrs. Walker suggests that neighbors attend, accompanied by at least one friend.

Women of Moose Tell Activities

Friendship members represented Torrance Chapter 44, Women of the Moose at a meeting held Sunday in Los Angeles. The friendship honorary degree is earned by service to the chapter, it was stated.

Mrs. Lucille Meyer opened her home recently for a meeting of her committee.

At the close of the session members honored their senior regent, Geneva Clawson, with a party on the occasion of her birthday. Following presentation of lovely gifts birthday cake and ice cream were served by the hostess. Cards concluded the afternoon.

The friendship dance, sponsored jointly by Loyal Order of Moose and Women of the Moose,

Professional Women Initiate At Colorful Beach City Meet

Miss Kathleen Head, state chairman of redistributing, initiated 15 members of the National Business and Professional Women's Club of Torrance at the regular dinner meeting held Monday evening in Brower's Long Beach restaurant. Mrs. Dorothy Rogers and Miss Myrna Reid were cohostesses. The tables were beautifully decorated in spring flowers.

Miss Head's theme for the initiation ceremony was a multi-colored garden of club members, tended by the gardeners of "Faith," "Wisdom and Security," "Understanding," "Loyalty," "Friendship" and "Joy." At the close of the ceremony, Miss Head presented each of the initiates with an emblem key chain.

Announcement was made of the Bell-Maywood installation dinner and the Hawthorne Club's is scheduled for Friday evening in Moose clubhouse, 1744 West Carson street.

OFFICIALS VISIT WAR MOTHERS

Torrance Chapter, American War Mothers met last Wednesday in First Christian Church.

Mrs. Madeline Wilson accompanied by the state corresponding secretary, Mrs. Mary Correll, both of Los Gatos, and the national vice-president, Mrs. Julia Wagner of Long Beach were guests, together with a large group from Long Beach and Compton.

A constructive and enjoyable evening followed, during which Mrs. Violet Alvarez, coordinator, requests that any member not having a "Whozit" name contact her at once. The identity of "Whozits" will be revealed at the May dinner meeting. All members are requested to hold open May 21 for this very important meeting.

Election of officers for the ensuing year will be held on Monday, May 7, and a full attendance should be present at roll call, according to Helen Williams, news service chairman.

HALLDALE PARENTS HEAR OF JUVENILE PROBLEMS

Halldale PTA members enjoyed an interesting program Thursday at the school.

Highlight of the evening meeting was a discussion of juvenile problems in the harbor area by Mr. Earl Johnson of the San Pedro Police department. Mr. Johnson explained the need for companionship and understanding between children and their parents to prevent a rising tide in juvenile delinquency. A question and answer period followed. Included in the program were two songs, "Shoes" and "Star Eyes" by Miss Eileen Kime, accompanied by Mrs. William Overstreet; poems recited by Mrs. John Blackmon, "What is a Boy" and "What is a Girl," completed the program.

Mrs. E. M. Bernardin, president.

Soroptimists Hear Reports Of Convention

Reports of the convention held in San Jose were interesting highlights of Wednesday's meeting of the harbor area Soroptimist Club.

Miss Edna Whitlow, president, and Mrs. Mae Leake reported on the first session, which consisted of speeches and reports. Mrs. Hazel Scott Coomes gave a resume of the business and resolutions discussed, and Mrs. Beulah Kendrick talked on the social angle of the highly enjoyable gathering.

Six members of the harbor district Soroptimists attended the conference held last Wednesday evening at the Biltmore Hotel at which time Miss L. Grace Nichols, of Toronto, Canada, was principal speaker. Miss Nichols is Federation president of the United States, Canada, Hawaii, Cuba, the Philippines, and a portion of South America. The sextet representing the harbor area at the conference included: Miss Whitlow, Beulah Kendrick, Beatrice Hards, Lenora Strum, Marion Young, and Helen Burdick.

Y-Teens Hold Recognition Ceremonies

At a recent afternoon installation and recognition ceremony held in parish hall of First Lutheran Church, the following girls became charter members of the Fern Avenue Y-Teen Club:

Yolanda Goldsmith, president; Sally Speck, vice president; Connie Walton, secretary; Ann Steinbaugh, treasurer; Sally Moore, Irene De La Cruz, Carol Weitman, Pat Morrill, Paula Clarkson, Joan Stewart and Barbara Slyh.

The candlelight ceremony was conducted by Sally Speck, and each girl participated by repeating the Y-Teen promise.

Refreshments later were served by Sally Speck and Joan Stewart.

This group contributed its first social service to the community on April 7, when Ann Steinbaugh, Paula Clarkson, Sally Moore, Carol Weitman and Connie Walton prepared lunch for the volunteer workers who are building the new YWCA clubhouse on Carson street, according to Sally Moore, publicity chairman.

Auxiliary Installation

Members of VFW Auxiliary to Post 3251 are completing plans for their annual installation of officers on Tuesday, April 24. Interested persons are invited to the ceremonies which will be held in the YMCA building, Washington at Arlington avenue.

Mrs. McBee Again Accepts Presidency of PTA Group

Election of officers featured the meeting of North Torrance Elementary PTA meeting last Wednesday.

Mrs. Ralph McBee was elected as president for another term and named to serve with her were:

Mrs. Harry VanBellehem and Donald Robison, vice presidents; Mrs. Jules Ross, recording secretary; Mrs. Robert Jackson, corresponding secretary; C. B. Sewell, treasurer; George Ackerman, auditor and Mrs. Duane Sherwood, historian.

Five delegates were selected to accompany Mrs. McBee today to the annual district convention in Pasadena, including: Mrs. Mmes. Walter Bronson, Verner Neher, Jules Ross, William Sale, Robert Jackson, Duane Sherwood, and S. E. Odell.

The program was opened with selections by Perry and North Torrance school orchestras, directed by M. R. Rice, and announced by Tina Veeman. A tap dance by Pat Sullivan, and a ballet number by Geri Swanson, whose accompanist was Mrs. S. Willis, were enthusiastically received, as was a solo, "Mother Macbeth," sung by Mrs. Verner Neher, accompanied by Mrs. Harry VanBellehem.

Refreshments were served by sixth grade room mothers at the meeting adjourned.

Bethel 50 Guardians Attend Meet

A school of instruction conducted by Mrs. Mildred Edwards, deputy grand guardian of this district, featured the monthly meeting of Job's Daughters Guardian Council held Monday in the El Prado home of Mrs. Frank Lane, promoter of hospitality.

Mrs. Edna Babcock, guardian, presided at the business meeting.

Mrs. Babcock last night attended the Southern California Guardian Association meeting held in Los Angeles.

Council members enjoyed refreshments served at the close of the meeting.

Reflections

By J. Hugh Sherkey, Jr.

COULD YOU FORGET HIM?

George Brown was a senior clerk in a County Engineer's office when he retired. He is what at one time would have been called "The Forgotten Man."

How wrong that appellation could have been. George Brown has never been forgotten, will never be forgotten. You can't forget a man like him. George has a long list of friends with whom he corresponds regularly; he says, "That's my friendship cement." Another list is of friends who are shut-ins; these he calls by telephone. He says of those calls, "That's my sunshine to them." Could you, would you want to forget a friend like him?

"I'm only 71," he says, "and each day is more precious than the last. My friends," a big smile covered his face, "are more valuable than money. Anybody can get that, even steal it. But friends, you get by being one." Could you forget him?

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