

The Social World

...for and About Women

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Dorothy Downing and Fashion

THE AUDREY HEPBURN CUT . . .

Dear Dorothy Downing:
Being among the first to wear the Italian Cut, I find that I am getting bored with it after all this time. A style that I find perfectly delightful, but not often seen, is the one worn by Audrey Hepburn. What do you think about it?

The Audrey Hepburn Cut, in my opinion, is enchanting for Audrey Hepburn. It is an idea that is in complete harmony with her girlish figure and light-hearted personality. The fact that she is young, talented, and blessed with a very interesting face makes it easy for her to get away with an arrangement that tends to be extreme.

In considering any fashion, whether it be in clothes or coiffure, you must carefully study three things: your features or figure, your personality and your way of life. Certainly the Hepburn Cut calls for average or better facial features. It is apparent that a prominent nose or receding chin would not be emphasized by the severity of this style. Then, too, think in terms of the texture of the hair. If yours is of the baby-fine variety, it will tend to become easily mused by even the merest suggestion of a breeze. Although this is a casual hairdo, it is one that must stay in place in order to be smart. One must be ever aware of the fine, firm line separating the casual and the sloppy. When I think in terms of a pixie-like hairdo, it brings to mind a person with a matching figure and personality. Certainly, this is not a fashion that can be easily worn by the lady that is large.

One last point to consider . . . This is one of the few times when the gal with the poker-straight tresses has the advantage over the miss with the natural curls. If yours is the kind that tends to "kick-up" at the slightest indication of damp weather, avoid this haircut, for it will be no resemblance to the intended, and will likely wind up looking like something you never hope to see again!

COLOURED SHOES . . . AND WHAT?

Dear DD:
In selecting coloured shoes, is it considered smarter to match with a belt, a bag, either, both, or what???

If the shoes are for street or dress wear, my personal preference is not to use a coloured shoe at all, rather a dark basic or a neutral. On the other hand, the lighter and brighter touch in the casual is indeed refreshing for summertime activities. Whenever colour is being used on the foot, the safest bet is to match in texture and tone, the shoe to the bag. Avoid bringing in the belt altogether. And, above all, never repeat the colour in the upper body as in a hat, scarf or flower.

Eastern Star Marks 33rd Birthday with Dinner-dance

Celebrating their 33rd birthday with a decorated cake and punch, members of the Torrance Chapter No. 380, Order of the Eastern Star, held their last chapter meeting at the Masonic Temple last Thursday night.

A dinner, planned and served by the worthy matron, Mrs. Florence Viellenave, and the worthy patron, Vincent Viellenave, with the 1954 corps of officers, preceded the regular meeting. Dancing took place after a social hour in the banquet hall.

Members Courtesy Night was observed during meeting, with each of the regular officers asking a member to fill his station.

Sobadas Hold Guest Night

Seven guest couples were among the 80 Mr. and Mrs. duos dancing to recorded music at the Assistance League Clubhouse in San Pedro Saturday of last week when the Sobadas staged their sole social of the summer season.

Each man and his wife received a name tag in the shape of a firecracker to carry out the patriotic air of July. Red, white, and blue balloons and giant firecrackers were used for clubhouse decor.

Guests at the event were Dr. and Mrs. Stan Challis and Messrs. and Mrs. Robert Stewart, Palmer Vogel, Gar Johnson, Runchey, J. Hardesty, N. and Stuckey. The club will resume regular monthly dances in September.

CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE MEETS AT Y

Preliminary plans for the YWCA Centennial Celebration in 1955 were laid Friday morning when chairmen of the Harbor District YWCA met at the local branch on Carson St.

Mrs. O. R. C. Grow, Harbor Centennial chairman, conducted the session. Fund-raising goal for the area was set for \$12,800 and monies will be earned by birthday parties, increase in membership, Y-teen and all-community projects.

A working schedule of how each area will participate will be set up at the next committee meeting, set for Sept. 17.

Mrs. M. M. Schwab represented the Torrance branch at the session. A permanent chairman will be appointed next week. Mrs. Joseph Lukes, branch director who also attended, reported.

Other attending were Meses. Alonzo Hurley, Catherine Lockett, Leondrus Stamps, John Morris, Otis Blackstone, Harold Larmer, Caroline Stellhorn, and Kenneth H. LaPier.

Moose Club's Fashion Show Draws Crowd

Street, sport, and sun wear predominated in last Wednesday evening when Torrance Chapter 44, Women of the Moose, staged a style show at the Moose Hall, 1744 W. Carson St.

A large crowd of members and visiting members from other Chapters viewed the fashion parade, in which co-workers of the local Chapter modeled. Mrs. Allan Flynn, publicity chairman, reported.

The previous Tuesday evening, 14 officers and chairmen of the Chapter met at the 1115 Fonthill Ave. home of Mrs. George Clay to plan the yearly program. Highlight of the agenda will be the traditional series of money-makers for Mooseheart, child city sponsored by the Local Order of the Moose for children who have lost their parents.

The first Chapter Night will be held at the Moose Hall on Aug. 4.

Next Tuesday evening, July 27, Mrs. Flynn will conduct a committee meeting at the 2517 Sierra St. home of Mrs. Ila Mae Ambach.

Y-Wives Plan Beach Party

Y-Wives members, their husbands and families will gather around a roaring beach fire Sunday night when the group travels to Playa Del Rey for a beach party.

Participants will test their volleyball skill on the sandy beach, and the blue Pacific will offer aquatic amusement. Each family will bring their own food, with coffee and punch to be provided.

Mrs. Rufus Sandstrom has notified Y-Wives members of the 4 p. m. meeting time.

Little League Families Plan Ham 'n' Bean Dinner, Picnic

Little League baseball, while it's lots of work, also has days of fun for parents and players who become friends while attending the playing in baseball games.

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Pair Honeymooning

Satin 'n' Pearls Fashion Gown when Janice Hurley Becomes Mrs. D. Benton

Lovely Janice Hurley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Quayle Christian of 212 Via La Ciruela in Hollywood Riviera, became Mrs. Donald LeRoy Benton during ceremonies Friday night at the South Los Angeles Community Church.

Pearls were combined with ivory satin in the bride's floor-length gown. The princess-style dress, with full, pointed sleeves, had a sweetheart neckline embroidered with pearl flowers. Her ivory nylon tulle train was held by a scalloped pearl headpiece, and she carried white orchids and gardenias en bouquet.

Miss Pat Wilson attended the bride as maid of honor, and she wore a bouffant peach antique taffeta gown of ballerina-length with a gathered headpiece of matching material. Her bouquet was of orchid carnations.

Similar sleeveless dresses with scooped necks were worn by the bridesmaids. Jean Sacks chose orchid antique taffeta, with matching sash, and carried pink carnations. In light green gowns of antique taffeta were Aletha Ward and Lucy Bowen, both carrying bouquets of yellow carnations.

Petite Lora Lee Fitzsimmons, in a long net-covered yellow taffeta gown, scattered rose petals before the bride. David Benton was the ring bearer.

Attending the bridegroom as best man was John Brown, while serving as ushers were George Christian, Ralph Fitzsimmons, and David Randolph. The wedding rites were conducted by the Rev. David Schmidt, assisted by the Rev. Homer G. Benton.

OFFERS SOLOS.
Adrian Thomas set the wedding mood before the ceremony when he sang "I Love You Truly" and "The Lord's Prayer." He was accompanied by Mrs. Pauline Pulse at the organ.

Mrs. Christian chose a pink lace afternoon dress for the occasion, matching it with a flowered pink hat. The bridegroom's mother, also attired in pink, accentuated her costume with black accessories.

At a reception held in the church parlors after the ceremony, about 250 guests watched the newlyweds cut a five-tiered cake, decorated with rosebuds and topped with a miniature bride and groom standing under an archway of flowers.

Mrs. Carol Shields, invited guests to sign the register before greeting the wedding party. Large white wedding bells hung over the refreshment table, and punch was served with the cake.

ACTIVE AT THIS
The bride was graduated from Torrance High School this June, where she participated in the Tartar Choir, Red Cross, Beta Delta, Alpha Delta, Fellowship Club, and GAA. She was president of the California Scholarship Federation in her senior year.

Benton, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Homer S. Benton of Hermosa Beach, attended Williamsport High School in Pennsylvania. He is employed by Douglas Aircraft Co. as a draftsman.

After a honeymoon in Northern California through San Francisco, Lake Tahoe, Sequoia and Fresno, the newlyweds will return to establish their home in the Torrance area.

Council PTA to Feature Football Theme in '54-55

"Home and School Teamwork Creates Progress Through Action" was chosen as next year's theme by members of the program committee of the Torrance Council PTA, when they met at the home of Mrs. Bruce Howey, program chairman, Thursday morning.

A program booklet will be designed to represent a football field with home and school as the two goalposts. The 50 yard line will represent membership, and the 10 yard line will represent the various aims of PTA, including dental health, parent education, legislation, welfare, safety, honorary life, magazines, publicity and program.

The first action of the entire Torrance Council will be on Sept. 29 at the First Baptist Church.

PTA unit presidents will meet Wednesday, July 28 at the home of Mrs. W. A. Wright, 4828 Roslin Ave., to discuss their duties. The meeting will be called to order at 10:30 a. m.

when a workshop for all unit chairmen will be held, under the topic of "Kickoff to procure our goal."

Founders Day in February will be celebrated by all units when they meet at the YWCA for Fern-Greenwood PTA Board Lays Fall Plans

Fern-Greenwood PTA members were urged to send packages for the Halloween Carnival by members of the executive board when they met at the home of Mrs. Ray Smith, 1516 Fern Ave., on Tuesday.

Under the gavel of Mrs. R. E. Murphy, the group discussed many routine business matters. A thank you note from the staff of Fern-Greenwood School for the teacher's luncheon was read. Many plans were made for the Halloween Carnival.



A-KIDNAPPING THEY WILL GO . . . Mrs. Hector Herrera, in the driver's seat, urges Meses. Harold Wrigley, left, and C. W. Johnson to hurry so she can begin her rounds to "kidnap" women in the Waleria neighborhood. Scene is a preview of Tuesday morning activity, when the Waleria PTA executive board will serve brunch at the school kindergarten room from 9 a. m. to 1 p. m. Mrs. Herrera and her committee will provide transportation; Mrs. Wrigley will supervise preparation of the meal; and Mrs. Johnson will collect admission at the door.

Birthday Fete 'Kidnap' Waleria Women For Brunch Next Tuesday

Jayceettes, friends, and wives of Jaycees will congregate Tuesday evening, July 27, to celebrate the Jayceettes' second birthday at the Western Club, 15516 S. Western Ave. in Gardena.

Buffet dinner will be served after a social hour from 7:30 to 8:30 o'clock. A bunco game after dinner will provide entertainment for the evening.

Mrs. Robert Johnson is in charge of the affair, and she is assisted by Meses. Charles Herren, Fred Hansen, Brent Smith, and Joe Banks.

Good Food, Program Spark YWCA Ice Cream Social

Delicious food, a colorful program, and the traditional friendly YWCA atmosphere combined to make the annual YWCA Ice Cream Social a memorable evening, Mrs. Otis Blackstone, press chairman, said this week.

Dance numbers from the Bette Vee Studios were included in the program. Those participating were Sandy Skillman, Bonnie Kuhn, Terese Linderland, and Joe and Carlo San Paulo of Waleria. Arminia Martinez entertained with a Spanish dance.

Several groups of solos were played by Alan Crouthers on the vibro harp, while Violet Cukar and Gerald McDuffie entertained with accordion numbers.

At the close of the evening the Ramblers, a three-piece dance band from Lomita, played some lively dance tunes.

The ice cream social was organized by the San Pedro House Committee with Mrs. George Bronaugh in charge. The San Pedro membership committee manned the potato salad booth with Mrs. Stephen Baker as chairman. Those assisting were Meses. Manuel Almeida, Mitchell Raskusch, Valerie Brown, George Herman, Floyd Lathigh, Arnold Ecklund, and Margie Baker.

SELL HOT DOGS
Mrs. Ted Harrison and Miss Helen Rose of the San Pedro Y-Teen committee sold hot dogs. Those participating were Lydia Balestrieri, Marie Branton, Georgia Cook and Hortensia Valdez of the Vagabonds; Brenda Osherenko, Carolyn Opliant from the Pythons; Margaret Lednick and Josephine Canarelli of the Dominettes; Barbara McGaffey and Betty Jo Mosley of the Co-

Members of the Coquettes and Scotty Y-Teen groups sold fiber flowers at the event. Those who helped were Mary Lou Farquhar, Mary Ann Ruesek, Adrienne Asolin, all Coquettes; Jane Crocker of the Scotty group. Meses. Helen Benton and H. W. Crocker, advisors, also attended the festive occasion.

Others who were present were Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lukes, Meses. Lodi Stamps, Les Stamps and Marion Lukes, and Susan Stamps.