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THEY GATHER FOR A JOLLY GOOD TIME... and to talk about home. This English Girls Club, now 10 years old in the south bay area, is comprised mostly of English war brides. They drink the traditional English tea and their refreshments are favorite English dishes. Conversation is of their former homes and their new American citizenship. Pictured are (front, from left) Betty

McGeary, Vera Zellaneck, Dorothy Sargent, Muriel Plummer and Janet Acker. Second row: Elizabeth Brown, Doreen Fairbairn, Betty Eveland, Clarice Howarth, Joan Baird, Helen Koerting, Mary McKenna. Back row: Maidie Mitchell, Jean Frink, Irene Benton, Winnie Hellwell, and Louisa Johnson, visiting here from London.

## Merry Old England, New America Are Interests of English Girls Club

A little bit of England provided a nostalgic atmosphere last Friday evening when a club made up of English war brides held its regular first Friday meeting at the home of Mrs. Dorothy Sargent, 5501 Rockview Dr.

The club, which now numbers 24 members from the South Bay area, was started 10 years ago to help English war brides from being lonely and homesick. The membership is comprised of girls from the British Isles and the Colonies, Australia, Canada and New Zealand.

At each club meeting, the hostess prepares one of her favorite English dishes among them pork pies, potato pie, sausage rolls, maid of honors, Scottish shortbread, and English Farm tarts.

At the meeting last Friday Mrs. Sargent also baked a birthday cake, English style, since she was celebrating her birthday. Birthday and wedding cakes in England are always dark fruit cakes with a covering of almond paste (marzipan) and then iced and decorated with a hard royal icing which is more like a brittle candy than the usual American frosting.

These meetings of the English Girls Club are always informal and no dues are paid. Pencil and paper games are played and prizes are given and then there is much talk about conditions here and "at home." Romance enters in and they reminisce and relate how they met their husbands, how many relatives have been "out" to visit, when they have visited home, and how many relatives are expected to arrive to live here.

Their social agenda includes baby showers, housewarming, farewell parties, party for visiting Englishmen and two parties a year which their husbands may attend. At Christmas time, special effort is put

forth for gay parties to overcome homesickness.

In discussing the club, one member said "The club hopes it will continue in good faith as it has in the past and that each member will be as good an American citizen as she has been a British subject."

Among the names listed on the club roster are Joan Frink, Dorothy Sargent, Doreen Fairbairn, Helen Koerting, Muriel Plummer, Irene Benton, Betty Eveland, Barbara Walker, Edna Holmes, Betty McGeary, Maidie Mitchell, Mary McKenna, Joan Baird, Vera Zellaneck, Clarice Howarth, Janet Acker and Winnie Hellwell and many others.

Their former homes are Lancashire, London, Cornwall, Leicester, New Zealand, Northampton, Canada and Margate.

### DELTA ZETAS PLAN BARBECUE

South Bay Chapter of Delta Zeta Alumni, a college sorority, will entertain their husbands and friends at dinner Aug. 25. They will meet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Donnelly in Westchester to barbecue steaks. The rest of the food will be pot luck style, contributed by the members.

There will also be outdoor games and a chance to meet new and old friends. Mrs. George Furtado is taking reservations.

## Post-Christiansen Rites Read at St. Catherine's

After a honeymoon spent at Arrowhead, Mr. and Mrs. Don Christiansen, who were married July 14 at St. Catherine's Catholic Church have returned to their new home at 4874 El Segundo Blvd. in Hawthorne.

Mrs. Christiansen is the former Sandra Jean Post, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William L. Post, of Redondo Beach and parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. June Christiansen of Monroe, Utah.

The bride was graduated from North High school last spring where she had reigned as "Girl of the Year 1956". She was president of the GAA and a representative on the senior council.

Mrs. Christiansen's wedding gown was of lace over satin. Details were a scalloped neckline and panels of pleated net down the front of the skirt. The illusion veil, edged with matching lace was held by a rhinestone and pearl tiara. White orchids, centering yellow and white carnations, formed the bridal bouquet.

Miss Carol Rilling in a waltz length gown of white nylon eyelet was the maid of honor.

Her flowers were pink and white carnations.

Miss Marshal Post, Miss Shirley Biophy and Miss Annie Perez wearing pink nylon eyelet were the bridesmaids. Their flowers were also pink and white carnations.

Jim Armstrong served as best man and ushers were Richard Biophy, Wally Mullin and Leroy Golden.

The Rev. Henry Hodges officiated at the marriage as L. C. Fire sang the "Ave Marie" and "On This Day."

Wedding guests were registered by Misses Barbara Higer and Bette Richards. A reception was held at the Woman's Club in Hawthorne for the wedding guests and later relatives and close friends were entertained at the home of the bride's parents.

## Baby Shower

Rotary Anns of Hollywood Riviera entertained at a baby shower for Mrs. Wylie Piper at 116 Via La Circula, Redondo Beach on Aug. 9.

Hostesses were Mrs. Herschel Kopp and Mrs. Robert H. Dunn.

Attending the party were Mmes. Peter Aspen, Truitt Berryman, Joseph Campazzi, Ross Haigh, Allan Mahoney, Robert Pearson, Richard E. Sansom and Chester Smith.



MRS. DON CHRISTIANSEN ... Recent Bride

## Junior Club Round Table Slated Aug. 27

Marina District, California Federation of Women's Clubs, Junior membership's first "round table" of the year will be held Aug. 27 at 7 p.m. at the Torrance YWCA, 2320 W. Carson.

Hostesses for the dinner will be the Torrance Junior Woman's Club.

Clubs in attendance will be El Segundo, Lawndale, Pacific Palisades, Playa del Rey, Redondo Beach Dianas, Manhattan Beach Dolphins, Santa Monica Bay, and Torrance.

Presidents, junior coordinators, and three club members representing each of the eight Marina District clubs will be in attendance, also district officers and district chairmen.

Mrs. B. D. Reece, president, will distribute to each president the district manual which outlines the duties and procedures to be followed by the club officers and committee chairmen. She will also present a calendar of dates for the coming year.

Mrs. Emanuel T. Goertz, president of the Marina District, CFWC, will be the guest of honor and speaker.

## Beau Jardin Wins Prize In Parade

Beau Jardin Club won a third place with its entry in the Dedication Day parade last Saturday. The theme of their entry in the club's division was "As bugs go, flowers grow." Two station wagons were used, the first carrying a black draped coffin depicting the death of bugs with Mrs. Kenneth Moe and Mrs. Myron Langwell using spray guns.

The second station wagon was decorated with blue crepe paper and red and white flowers with the theme "Beautify Torrance-Your City." Riding on this float were Mrs. L. D. Burt and Mrs. Robert Hill holding bouquets of flowers.

After the parade at the judges stand, Mrs. Burt, president of the club, was presented with a gold trophy.

The Beau Jardin Garden Club also donated flowers to decorate the pool for the dedication dance.

Others assisting with the club entry were Mmes. William Creasy, George Smith, Albert Yackie, John Regan and John Beattie.

## Luncheon For Visitors

Mrs. Raymond Moorehead of Greenville, Mich. and Mrs. Roger Smith of New York, two out-of-town guests were honored at a luncheon last Wednesday at Victor Hugo's restaurant in Laguna.

Attending the affair with the honor guests were Mrs. Luther Mumford, Mrs. Ralph George, Mrs. Floyd DeVore, Mrs. Kenneth Mumford and Mrs. Pearl Sandle.

Mr. and Mrs. Moorehead arrived last week for a two weeks stay here with Mrs. Moorehead's sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Mumford, 30536 Hawthorne Blvd.

Mrs. Smith and her children, Cheryl, Kent, and Kathy arrived on July 26 to spend a month here with Mrs. Smith's mother, Mrs. Pearl Sandle, 2052 Sonoma. She and the children will return home on Aug. 27.

## L. L. RICES ARE HOME FROM TRIP

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Rice, 2047 Kathy Way, recently returned from a vacation trip which included a five day stay in British Columbia.

They traveled the Alcan Highway as far as Williams Lake, British Columbia. Points of interest were Vancouver, Victoria, Mt. Rainier National Park and Crater Lake.

At Everett, Wash. they spent some time with Mrs. Rice's sister, Mrs. H. M. Burns and family. The sisters had not seen each other for 12 years as Mrs. Burns recently returned to the States from Bogota Columbia, S. A.

At Port Angelus Wash. Mr. and Mrs. Rich were guests of Joseph Traband and family. Mr. Rice and Mr. Traband were boyhood friends and attended the University of Illinois together.

The local couple made the trip home down the Redwood Highway.



IN THE ROLE OF HOSTESS... members of the Torrance Junior Woman's Club are sending invitations, planning decorations and dinner for the Marina district Junior membership's first round table of the year to be held at the local YWCA on Aug. 27 at 7 p.m. Working out details for the meeting (from left) Mrs. Tom G. Halasey, federation chairman of the local club; Mrs. James K. Lees, Junior Club president, and Mrs. Lee Allen, corresponding secretary. Mrs. Emanuel T. Goertz, president of the Marina District, CFWC, will be the guest of honor.

## Sorority To Form Charter Chapter Here

Invitations have been sent to outstanding women in the Torrance area to join one of the two Charter Chapters of Epsilon Sigma Alpha International Sorority. Mrs. W. Jackson has been appointed the Field Secretary by International headquarters in Loveland, Colorado. She plans to have both chapters completely organized and ready for their regular business meetings by the middle of September.

Personnel managers and leaders in Torrance have recommended likely candidates and when all acceptances are in, the group will hold their Charter signing meeting. Only women of high character are accepted for this social and cultural organization, which is proud to have over 25,000 members in the United States and other countries.

Fundamental purposes of the organization are personal improvement, benevolence, cultural appreciation, and education. Mrs. Jackson stressed the opportunity of each member to develop leadership, improve her personality, learn the why and wherefore and meet other intelligent business girls and young matrons. Individual applications for membership are not considered. Members are received by invitation only. Any one who has been affiliated with the sorority in any other city, state, or country is welcome to join the Chapter, however.

Mrs. Jackson has been a member for over eight years and feels it has been an honor to have been appointed her official duty to install Charter Chapters and prepare the way for future members. Senior chapters sponsor Junior Chapters which consists of girls 15 to 18.

## TO PALM SPRINGS

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Rothenberg, 1656 W. 266th St. Harbor City, who have resided in this area for the past 12 years moved this weekend to Palm Springs to make their home. Mr. Rothenberg has been in the realstate business here and will enter the same business in Palm Springs.

## FAMILY TRIP

Mr. and Mrs. George Blahnik and children Cecelia and Claudia, 2714 Andree accompanied by their houseguest, Mrs. Marlin Bush of Phoenix, Ariz., returned home Wednesday from a week's vacation spent at Running Lake.

## Walteria Club Holds Party

Regular monthly meeting of the Walteria Business Women's Club was held Aug. 9 at the Nickel's Recreation Room.

The festive theme "Splash Party" was carried out with games, prizes, swimming, and a picnic supper to the enjoyment of the club members' children who were guests for the evening.

Chairman in charge of the activity was Mrs. A. Muir assisted by Mrs. F. Fisher. The business session was conducted by Mrs. R. S. Sleeth, Jr., president.

Guests were Lani Fisher, Emmalean and Marcia Bigelow, Kathy and Susan O'Brien.

## Y-WIVES SLATE IS ANNOUNCED

Y-Wives will meet tomorrow at the YWCA, 2320 Carson, for a pot luck supper. This affair does not include the families. A teacup reader will be the guest for the evening.

On Wednesday, Aug. 22, Y-Wives will see a film on the history of Torrance at their regular 9:30 meeting.

Anyone interested in attending may call the Y for further information.

## 'Magazines For Freedom' Is Current B&PW Project

"Can American Magazines Counteract Anti-American Propaganda" is the current topic with the Torrance Business and Professional Women's Club who will meet Monday evening at the home of Jean Davis, 1539 W. 213th St.

Gladys Lynne, chairman of the International Relations committee of the local club will conduct a short business meeting pertaining to the club project, "Magazines for Friendship." This project is the sending of magazines, which would ordinarily be discarded, to foreign countries throughout the world.

B & PW members of Torrance and the South Bay area are asking that magazines, wrapped individually or in large parcels be addressed to public librarians, mayor, superintendent of schools, of personal friends in towns selected from any map of the world.

Mrs. Lynne, chairman of the project, states that addresses of foreign universities and New York City and San Francisco APOs as well as other information may be obtained by contacting Magazines for Friendship, Occidental College, L. A. 41.

## Juniorettes List Officers

Epsilon Sigma Alpha Juniorettes of Torrance met at the home of Carole Sue Jackson Monday night. Officers for the ensuing year were elected. They are Cathy Rusch, president, Cecelia Dougherty, vice president, Suzanne Mosher, secretary, Betty Rusch, treasurer, Carole Sue Jackson, educational director, and Nancy Beresford, welfare chairman.

Plans were made for the installation of officers and also for all meetings and social functions up to February. The group plans also to proceed with their rushing before school starts this year in order to have all new members receive more attention at socials and formal meetings before the school schedule begins.



GLADYS LYNNE ... Chairman

At tomorrow's meeting a white elephant sale will be held to raise funds for postage for the magazines. A patio supper will be served at 7:30 prior to the meeting.