

YOUR PROBLEMS

by Ann Landers



"Dragging Home

Animals is Easy . . ."

Dear Ann Landers: Our 11-year-old son is crazy about anything that walks, crawls or flies. He brings home stray cats, fallen birds, anything that looks more alive than dead.

At this writing we have three stray cats in the basement, a cocker spaniel and one plain dog. We also have a pet skunk (which has been operated on) an owl with an injured wing, two turtles, a tank of fish and a squirrel.

I think it's fine that he has pets, but I'm the one who has to take care of them. Once he brings them home his interest wanes. Also, the cost of feeding this menagerie is no small item. My husband says I should not interfere with the boy's tender emotions. I need help.—X-HAUSTED

Dear X: Being soft-hearted is in itself no virtue. Just dragging home animals is easy. Caring for them and being willing to sacrifice part of the weekly allowance to help feed the pets demonstrates genuine unselfishness. Too often kids who claim to be animal lovers merely love to bring the animals home and unload the responsibility on Mom. Mom should refuse to accept it.

Dear Ann Landers: Your advice was rotten to that poor kid who had a baby out of wedlock. She asked if it was O.K. to wear a white gown and have her 3-year-old daughter as a flower-girl.

Just because the girl made a small error is no reason she should have to pay for it all the rest of her life. I think it would be cute to have the little girl in the wedding. After all, why should she hide her head in the sand? Everyone who knows the family knows the whole story.

I hope the maiden ignores your advice and doesn't allow you to spoil the dream that all young girls have.—NO SPOOK

Dear Spook: A girl who has had a child out of wedlock is no "maiden" so forget about "spoiling her dream." And why don't you wake up, too?

If she is foolish enough to have a white wedding and allow her daughter to be the flower girl she will invite richly deserved ridicule. No child should be present at the first wedding of a parent. In fact, the less said about it the better.

Dear Ann Landers: If you tell me I'm cuckoo I'll stop complaining—but here's my story: I'm 44, my husband is the same age and we have four teenagers. My husband is hard-working, doesn't gamble or go any place without me. We're all in good health and we get along fine.

Our home is comfortable, but the mortgage is still with us. Everything else big is paid for but it seems as soon as we pay off one bill, two others crop up. We're not in need of anything, but it would be grand to have some extras.

Something is missing in my life. I feel a certain emptiness. It's just sort of blah. Nothing exciting seems to happen to me. What's my problem?—SAME OL' ME

Dear Same: Your problem is you have no problems. I hear from thousands of people who wish things would QUIT happening to them.

A woman who has a fine husband, four nice children, good health and no major worries has a great deal to be thankful for. Count your blessings—and take it from me, Lady, that "emptiness" is in your head.

Are you tempted to smoke because the crowd does? If so, send for ANN LANDERS' booklet, "Tossing Smoking," enclosing with your request 10 cents in coin and a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope. Landers will be glad to help with your problems. Send them to her in care of this newspaper enclosing a stamped, self-addressed envelope. Copyright 1961, Field Enterprises, Inc.



TIME OF RESTITUTION . . . Two Lionesses paid a surprise visit to the Lions club at their Tuesday meeting arriving in time to be invited to lunch. Their visit was two-fold, to retrieve their gavel which had disappeared mysteriously during installation and to return the Lions' bell which disappeared during the Lions' installation. Clearing the records for both clubs are from left, Mmes Newell Larson, A. F. R. Ewalt, Lioness president and William King, the Lions' prexy.



Marina District Chairmen Ratified

Mrs. O. S. Larabee, president of Marina District 18, California Federation of Women's Clubs, recently had the officers ratify the following chairmen: Mmes. A. Ben Ellery, dean of chairmen; Arthur W. Day, amenities; S. W. Evernden, American citizenship; A. L. Hammond, American home; Harry Pawling, art; Wallace M. Rogers, Bible and spiritual values; Stuart D. Charnley, bulletin; Oliver Fate, budget; J. J. Rochefort, bulletin and mailing; Joseph Moodie, California history and landmarks; Cecil L. Davis, community improvement and civic awards; John W. Thuss, conservation; Charles Weddle, convention; Frank Robinson, credentials; Ervin W. Graf, district co-ordinator; Roy J. Apsey, drama; Harold Barden, education and youth conservation; James Gorham, Epsilon Sigma Omicron; Charles E. Weddle, federation emblems; Lynn Moore, federation extension; Charles L. Blek, foundation fund; Stuart R. Rankin, gardens; John C. Neal, gerontology; Edward Carnell, health, welfare and mental health; Hugh H. Hangar, historian; John Wentworth, homecrafts; and Valerie Salisbury, hospitality.

Barbara Bergman Weds Marion McDonald July 22

In a late afternoon ceremony at the Neighborhood Church Congregational in Palos Verdes, Miss Barbara Ann Bergman, daughter of Mrs. Mildred Lou Bergman of Los Angeles, teacher at the Casimir School in Torrance, plighted her marriage promises with Marion Rush McDonald, son of M. F. McDonald of Shelby, North Carolina.

Visits Daughter

Mrs. A. E. Palmer, 1510 W. 214th St., returned Tuesday evening from a two weeks visit with her daughter, Mrs. R. L. Marsh and family in Castro Valley.



MRS. MARION McDONALD . . . At Home in Baldwin Hills

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Dianas To Greet New Members

Redondo Beach Dianas, California Federation of Women's Clubs, Junior Membership, will hold their annual "Get Acquainted Buffet" on Monday evening, Aug. 7, at their clubhouse, 400 S. Broadway.

Amid a nautical setting following the theme SS Friendship, prospective provisionals, members and guests will enjoy a buffet dinner consisting of punch, mixed meat casseroles, molded and green salads, tea or coffee, rolls and a variety of fresh fruit melons for dessert. A get acquainted social will follow dinner.

Chairman for the evening is Mrs. John Hansford with Mmes. Vincent Rothemich and Forrest Johnson as her hostesses. Serving on the committee will be Mmes. Mel Gallagher, William Ruth, Elden Pratt, Pat Callahan and Martin Galos.

All decorations and center pieces are being made by Mrs. Ray Hendershot and her committee.

The following provisionals will be guests of the club: Mmes. Tom Arant, El Segundo; Robert Miekkel, Redondo Beach; Floyd Fleener, Waller; Paul Mitchell, Torrance; Harland Feicht, Torrance; Joseph Burla, Torrance; Wallace Opstad, Torrance; Joe Clark, Manhattan Beach; Jeannie Moody, Redondo Beach; Patty Brans, Los Angeles; and Sara Mitchell, Redondo Beach.

Gala Party

Joseph Patrick Boylan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Boylan of Grand Summit Rd., celebrated his fourth birthday with a party at his swim school last Monday afternoon.

Games were played in the gym after which the children enjoyed a swim. A picnic supper followed.

Assisting Mrs. Boylan with the children was Miss Sue Larson.

Joseph's guests were David Fisher, Alexandria and Margaret Hallasey, Jennifer and David Jones, Peter and Leslie Zamperini, and Barbara and Beverly Boylan.

Mr., Mrs. Paul Carrico At Home in Inglewood

After a honeymoon at the Grand Canyon and Las Vegas, Mr. and Mrs. Paul S. Carrico, Jr., are now living at 141 E. Hazel St., Inglewood. The couple were married at the Westchester Christian Church on June 24. Mrs. Carrico is the former Nancy Ellen Lange, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold T. Lange of Los Angeles. Parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Paul Carrico, 17031 Haas Ave., Torrance.

More than 300 guests assembled to witness the double ring ceremony conducted by the Rev. Thomas J. Gimms, Jr. Bob Brisco sang "Because," "With This Ring" and "The Lord's Prayer."

The bride, escorted to the altar by her father, wore a gown of Brussels lace and silk organza. The gown was fashioned with a fitted lace bodice, Sabrina neckline and shirred elbow sleeves. The bouffant skirt was gathered in puffs at the sides and back and fell into a chapel train. A pearl crown held the bridal veil. Her bouquet was a cascade of white orchids and roses.

Bridal attendants were Mrs. Judith Lange, and Misses Anne Dowse, Carol Haney, Jane Snider and Barbara Murdock McMillen. All were gowned in sea green organza over taffeta and each carried a bouquet of pink carnations.

Melinda Jo Lange was the flower girl and Ronnie Dowse was the ring bearer. James Carrico was his brother's best man. Ushers were Stan Fittinger, Ron Tremain and Alan and Richard Lange.

A reception was held at the church and Val Maurseth was in charge of the guest book. The bride, a 1957 graduate of Dorsey High, also attended Harbor Junior College and was a June graduate of Los Angeles State college. She will begin her teaching career in September at the Lomita Elementary school. Mrs. Carrico is a past worthy advisor of the Los Angeles Assembly 62, International Order of Rainbow for Girls.

Mr. Carrico, a 1957 graduate of North High school, is employed by the Union Pacific Railroad.



PAID RECOGNITION . . . Temple Menorah Sisterhood presented Woman of Merit Awards to three of its members at its recent installation dinner. They were, from left, Mmes George Lewison, Stan Lieber, and Jack Belford. The awards are given to members in recognition of at least three years of Sisterhood activities. Mrs. Mark Bennett made the presentations to the three women who have been outstanding in their services to the Sisterhood.

Dancers to Host Affair City of Hope Chapter Will Meet Wednesday

Square dancers of the area are invited to attend the installation of officers to be staged by the Redondo Beachcombers on Sunday Aug. 6 at 400 S. Broadway in Redondo. A buffet dinner will be served throughout the evening and Mac McDaniel will be featured in all singing calls.

SCA officers will install the following new leaders for the Beachcombers: Orvin and Agnes Bernard of Torrance, parliamentarian; Walt and Sunny Lee Fagan, Torrance, president; John and Alice Priboy, vice president; Don and Sherry Reiersen, Torrance, secretary; Byron and Mary Thompson, Torrance, treasurer; Lou and Bea Middelstorb, sheriff; and Charles and Jane Fagan, SCA representative.

Birthdays

Doris McLaughlin and William Edward of Torrance were hosts at a dinner party at the Three Lions restaurant, marking both their birthdays.

Torrance Chapter City of Hope will hold a luncheon meeting Wednesday, Aug. 2, at the home of Mrs. Edward Schwartz, 3244 Eldorado Ave.

A buffet luncheon will be served at noon. Mmes. Bert Lynn and Herman Weston will assist as co-hostesses.

Plans for such coming events as a rummage sale and a dinner to be held in September will be submitted for discussion.

Membership of the Chapter is open to individuals of the surrounding area. All proceeds realized from events sponsored by the Chapter are transmitted directly to the City of Hope Center to aid in "Piloting the way to new

horizons for Health." Mrs. Herman Weston, president, has announced that since January 1961 the local chapter has earned and presented \$1900 to the center.

Reservations for the luncheon may be made by calling Mrs. Bert Lynn or Mrs. Herman Weston.

Splash Party Announced

Gardena Buddhist Junior Matrons are invited to a splash party to be held Aug. 20 at the home of Dr. John Koyama at 1 p.m. Mrs. Haru Igasaki is chairman of the pot luck.

All members are invited to attend.



MRS. PAUL CARRICO, JR. . . . Former Nancy Lange (Simms Photo)