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Las Madrecitas Auxiliary Project

Silent Flicker Presentation To Benefit Orthopaedic Hospital

Wonder and delight of the fabulous "silent" movies, providing a nostalgic evening for the adults as well as a generous helping of side-splitting slapstick comedy for teenagers and youngsters, will be presented in the South Bay for one night only, Saturday, May 18, at 8 p.m. at the Mira Costa High School, Manhattan Beach.

Sponsoring this evening titled "Family Fun with Flicker Fingers" is Las Madrecitas, South Bay Auxiliary of the Orthopaedic Hospital. Proceeds will benefit the Pediatric ward at the hospital.

Highlighting a career which spans thirty eight years in radio, television, recording and

theater presentations, the distinguished organist, Gaylord Carter, will bring this unique presentation to the South Bay.

The program will feature singular excerpts from some of the most famous silent films of all time, accompanied by incomparable musical setting by Mr. Carter.

Among the films shown will be Charlie Chaplin in "The Gold Rush," Buster Keaton in "Cops," Douglas Fairbanks, Sr., in "The Thief of Bagdad," Lon Chaney in "Phantom of the Opera" as well as a special added attraction of Laurel and Hardy films. There will also be a sing-along flashed on the screen.

Refreshments will be available at intermission.

Tickets, with a special price for students, are now available and may be secured by calling Mrs. Paul Chambers or Mrs. Angus Scott. They will also be on sale at the Mira Costa High School box office on the night of the performance.

Mrs. Howard Anderson, chairman of the flicker evening, has the following Las Madrecitas members and their husbands assisting her: Messrs. and Mmes. Frank Bescoy, David Congleton, Paul Elkins, Hans Hansen, George Lewis, Wyman Reynolds, Edward Sokolski; Dr. and Mrs. Arthur Heslov.



SILENT MOVIE NOSTALGIA . . . Mrs. Wyman Reynolds, left, president of Las Madrecitas and Mrs. Edward Sokolski, publicity chairman, visited the Movieland Wax Museum to refresh their memories for the Las Madrecitas "Family Fun with Flicker Fingers" benefit to be held May 18 at the Mira Costa High School. Choice "slapstick" of the early movie days is the bill of fare for the evening, proceeds from which will go to the Pediatric Ward at the Orthopaedic Hospital. (Peter Klein Photo)

YOUR PROBLEMS

by Ann Landers

'Let Him Know, You Mean Business'

Dear Ann Landers: My husband's 22-year-old brother got out of the service three weeks ago. Vernon is staying with us until he finds a job. I have just about decided that if he doesn't go to work within two weeks I am going to work because I can't stand him around much longer.

If you can tell me what to do about just one of Vernon's habits I will be grateful. My husband says I have no sense of humor. I say his brother is a jerk.

Vernon answers our telephone with "Mazie's House of Pleasure," or "State Mental Hospital, Give to Mental Health or I'll kill you." Sometimes he says, "Benny's Bookie Joint," or "St. Patrick's Cathedral, the Cardinal speaking." Our friends and relatives are complaining that this nut shakes them up with his crazy jokes.

The last time Vernon did this, the Baptist minister was on the phone. He didn't think it was very funny. Am I wrong? — BRINK OF WAR

Dear Brink: Since your husband doesn't seem to have any better taste than his brother it's up to you to tell the clown to let the phone ring unless he can answer it properly. And let him know in plain language that you mean business.

Dear Ann Landers: A lot of knot-head husbands who wouldn't think of reading a book on psychology read your column every day. Without realizing it you are educating a great many people—even those who insist at the top of their lungs that they are reading you for laughs.

Will you please say a few words about menopause?

I am 47 years old. (Everyone who writes to you says "I look younger." Well, not me. I look older.) For the past two years I've had hot flashes and sinking spells. During supper I will say, "Joe, open the window. I'm burning up." Twenty minutes later I'll say, "Joe, close the window. I'm freezing." He tells me I am imagining things and that I am off my rocker.

Will you please print in your column that this is a part of "the change," or the menopause? — (Continued on Page 26)

O'Dowd-McCusker Vows Solemnized at Nativity

At a high noon nuptial mass at Nativity Catholic Church on Saturday, April 18, Miss Natalie O'Dowd, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Miles O'Dowd, 3703 W. 227th St., Torrance, became the bride of Blaine E. McCusker, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. McCusker, 3317 Opal St.

Rev. William O'Toole stood before the flower-banked altar to officiate at the marriage and the mass. Mrs. Charles Butterfield, organist, played the nuptial music and accompanied Miss Dianne Lee Buzan who sang "Ave Maria," "On This Day" and "Panis Angelicus."

Mr. O'Dowd escorted his daughter to the altar. She wore a floor length gown of Chantilly lace, fashioned with a square scalloped neckline, long pointed sleeves and a full skirt of lace tiers sprinkled with sequins. A pearl tiara held her illusion veil and she carried a cascade of white roses.

Miss Maryann McCusker was the maid of honor and bridesmaids were Misses Barbara White and Vernice Hamner. All of the attendants wore poudre blue chiffon over taffeta. Miss McCusker's

bouquet was of pink carnations tied with blue ribbons while the other bouquets were of blue carnations tied with pink.

Mike McCusker performed the duties of best man and ushers were James Jennings, Bob Bruce, Dennis and Danny O'Dowd.

A reception was held at the parish hall where Miss Marilyn Trowbridge registered the guests. Another reception followed at the home of the bride's parents.

The new Mrs. McCusker is a graduate of the Bishop Montgomery High School. She is an IBM operator for the Pacific Telephone Co.

Her husband, a graduate of Torrance High School, is employed by the Carnation Milk Co. in Los Angeles.

The new home is in Torrance.



MRS. BLAINE E. McCUSKER
... Former Natalie O'Dowd
(Photography by Crotly)



MOTHER-DAUGHTER EVENT . . . Elizabeth and Michelle Toffel look on as their mother, Mrs. Alvin Toffel, dessert chairman and Mrs. Joseph Cohen, standing, general chairman, enjoy a cup of tea as they complete plans for the Ner Tamid Sisterhood tea on Sunday, May 3. The tea will honor mothers and daughters of the South Bay. Proceeds will go to the Congregation's Sunday School fund. (Herald Photo)

Guests Enjoy Travel Slides

An evening of arm chair travel via colored slides of Mexico and South America was enjoyed by a group of friends invited to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland Brumbelow, 24208 Alliene St., Lomita last Sunday evening.

The color slides of the past and present of the two countries were shown by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Dischner, 2106 W. 247th St., who made the trip two years ago.

Others enjoying the travel pictures were Mrs. Irene McCrosson and son, Steve, Mrs. Mona Davis, Mr. and Mrs. George Redding and granddaughter.

At Conference

Chief J. J. Benner of the Torrance Fire Dept. and Mrs. Benner, 1229 A c a c i a, returned Thursday from a five-day visit to Palm Springs where they attended the California Fire Chiefs Assn. Conference. While in Palm Springs, they were guests at the Riviera Hotel, headquarters for the convention.

Victor Area Women Are Invited to Club Meet

All women of the Victor area are invited to attend the annual membership meeting of the Victor Woman's club on May 5 at the Victor Elementary School cafeteria at 8 p.m. Mrs. James Bruno is president.

Membership in this club is comprised of women who live in the Victor precinct, bounded on the north by Del Amo, west by Prospect, south by Torrance Blvd. and east to Hawthorne Blvd.

Betterment of the area is the prime purpose of the club, which has helped to build a library and a park through ways and means projects. Trees have recently been planted in the park and in June new playground equipment will be provided.

A "Las Vegas Night" has been slated for June 20, proceeds from which will help build restrooms in the park. At the membership meeting, Mrs. Roy Wise, program

chairman, will present a Palos Verdes interior decorator as guest speaker.

Calendar for the year, including bridge groups, bowling leagues, golf groups and other interests, will be presented by Mrs. Betty Reinhold, social chairman.

After the meeting, refreshments will be served.

Northern Trip

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Smith, David, Sherry and Brian, El-dorado St. returned Monday evening from a northern trip. The family left Saturday and went to Chico where they were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Smith. On Sunday, they drove to San Francisco and Monday morning met Mr. Smith's sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Smith, who returned from two years in Guam. The Gary Smiths came to Torrance with them.

Rev. Nagel to Officiate At Son's June Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Curnutt of Burbank announce the engagement of their daughter, Barbara Ann, to Mr. John Louis Nagel, son of the Rev. and Mrs. Arthur Nagel, 1437 El Prado, Torrance.

The wedding will be solemnized in the First Methodist Church in Reseda on June 13 at 8 p.m. Rev. Nagel, pastor of the First Methodist Church in Torrance, will officiate at his son's wedding.

Miss Curnutt will be graduated from California Western University in San Diego in June.

Mr. Nagel, who was graduated from California Western in 1963, is completing his first year of seminary training at the California School of Theology in Claremont.

The young couple plan to make their home in Torrance while the future bridegroom completes his seminary work.



BARBARA CURNUTT
... To Wed John Nagel

Miss Curnutt will teach in the Claremont elementary school.

At Torrance Woman's Club

Sisterhood Announces Mother-Daughter Tea

A Mother-Daughter Tea will herald the arrival of the month of May, when the Sisterhood of Ner Tamid entertains mothers and daughters of the South Bay on Sunday afternoon, at 1:30 p.m. at the Torrance Woman's Club, 1422 Engracia Ave. Proceeds from the affair will be donated to the Sunday School fund of the congregation to which the Sisterhood is affiliated.

The party will feature two ballet productions by the youngest class of the Palos Verdes Humanity Arts Assn. Ballet School under the direction of Virginia Reynolds. The children will perform in two costume changes, one oriental, and the other traditional.

Finger sandwiches, assorted sweets and tropical fruits will be served. On the food committee are Mmes. Aaron Fingerhut, Harold Mirels, Norman Diamond, Herbert Rosen, Emanuel Diamast, Sydney Ackert and Al Toffel.

Mrs. Joseph Cohen, chairman of the affair, has announced that surprise favors, donated by local firms, will be given to the children.

A Mother's Day mural, with a floral motif, has been painted by Mrs. Monroe Haas. On this mural a permanent record will be kept of all mothers honored at the party, either in the city or out-of-town.

Assisting on the tea committee are Mmes. Herbert Beres, Norman Rosen, Jack Esenten, Phillip Bader, Morton Liner, Harry Schacter, Burton Rein, Ernest Tarr and Samuel Fralich, who designed the invitations.

Panhellenic 'Pink Tea' Scheduled For Sunday

South Bay Panhellenic Council's fifteenth annual "Pink Tea" will be held Sunday, May 3, at Palos Verdes High School.

Representatives of 29 sorority alumnae groups will entertain graduating senior high school girls and their mothers. More than 300 invitations have been sent to girls at local high schools, including Aviation, Bishop Montgomery, Chadwick, El Segundo, Marymount, Mira Costa, Narbonne, North High, Palos Verdes, Redondo, San Pedro, South High, Torrance, and West High. Effort has been made to contact every girl in the area planning to attend a four-year college and interested in joining a sorority. However, any girl who has not been contacted and wishes to attend may call Mrs. Richard Houston or Mrs. Gilbert Rea.

This year plans for the tea are under the able supervision of Mrs. Richard Kincaid representing Alpha Gamma Delta. Other groups contributing to its success are Alpha Chi Omega, Alpha Delta Pi, Alpha Omicron Pi, Alpha Phi, Alpha Xi Delta, Chi Omega, Delta Delta Delta, Delta Gamma, Delta Zeta, Gamma Phi Beta, Kappa Alpha Theta, Kappa Delta,

Kappa Kappa Gamma, Phi Mu, Phi Beta Phi, Sigma Delta Tau, Sigma Kappa, and Zeta Tau Alpha. This year's Council president is Mrs. Dain Lones, and Files chairman, Mrs. Henry Graef.

A fashion show highlighting the afternoon's program is under the direction of Mrs. Mason Mallory of Gamma Phi Beta. Sorority girls from southern colleges will model clothes appropriate for various campus activities. UCLA will be represented by Janice Vanderventer, Kathy Rathrock, Pam Weber, Carol Mallory, and Christy Slater. Jill Seawright and Susie Bailey will represent USC; and Vonnie Bliss, Long Beach State.

Section Bids Farewell to Mrs. Nelson

Literature Section of the Torrance Woman's club paid a farewell tribute to one of its members, Mrs. Godfrey Nelson at its meeting Monday morning at the home of Mrs. J. G. Laird, 20545 Vaccaro. Mrs. Nelson and her husband left Tuesday morning for Southwick, Mass. to make their home.

Dessert and coffee were served and Mrs. Nelson was presented with token handmade gifts from each of the members.

After the gift presentation, Mrs. C. K. Davis gave a book review.

Section members present were Mmes. Roy Apsey, C. K. Davis, S. J. Dunhouse, J. G. Louvier, Erwin Moudy, W. L. Norman, C. A. Perkins, R. L. Budy, Fred Sandstrom, Ruth Smith and J. C. Warnock.

From Deep South

Mr. and Mrs. William F. Kazelski, 1308 Teri Ave. have as their guests Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Toles of Rome, Ga. The visitors arrived Sunday to spend two weeks here with their former Rome, Ga. neighbors. This is the Toles' first trip to California and many sightseeing trips are planned.

Local Residents Off For Tour Of The Orient

Leaving tomorrow morning from International Airport for a month's tour of the Orient will be Torrance residents, Mrs. Donald P. LeGalley, 231 Camino de los Colinas, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hackman of Hollywood Riviera, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Champion and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Herfurth.

The group will fly to San Francisco where they will board a BOAC. Their first stop will be Hawaii. Major cities on their itinerary include Hong Kong, Tokyo, and Singapore. Continuing the tour, they will visit Taiwan, Borneo and the Malaya States.