Fireladies Plan Valentine Dance

The Torrance Fireladies discussed plans for a Valentine's dance at their first meeting of the year Monday.

Mrs. Lindsey Browning, dance chairman, announced that the event would take place Feb. 12 at the Torrance Moose Hall.

The business meeting concluded with the introduction of new chairmen. Those named were Mmes. Milton Langum, hospitality; Teddy Drake, cards and flowers; and John Ferraiolo, canteen.

Also Mmes. Jack Delsigne, burned out families; and Richard Sprout, meeting notices.

The group's next meeting will take place Feb. 1 at 7:30 p.m. in the home of Mrs. John Millard, 22026 Marjorie Ave.

MRS. GARY E. SWANSON
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Barbara Laskey Bride of Gary E. Swanson

In a double-ring ceremony Saturday at St. Lawrence Martyr Catholic Church, Miss Barbara Jeanne Laskey became the bride of Gary E. Swanson. The Rev. Charles Ara performed the ceremony in front of an altar decorated with white carnations.

The new Mrs. Swanson is the niece of Mr. and Mrs. Edward M. Laskey, 3702 W. 224 St. Her husbands parents are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Swanson of 113 N. Lucia Ave., Redondo Beach.

The bride-elect, given in marraige by her uncle, wore a gown of white lace over nylon net. A fingertip veil secured her pearl crown and she carried a bouquet of white gardenias and lilies of the valley offset by a pearl trim.

Carol Swanson, sister of the benedict, served as maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Dolores Vargo and Carol Hill. All were attired in pale blue satin. Miss Swanson carried a bouquet of pink and white roses and the bridesmaids carried yellow roses.

Mrs. Laskey, aunt of the bride, was in beige with beige accessories. The bridegroom's mother chose a rose - brown lace with matching accessories.

Cindy Gail Adams, dressed in blue and white organdy, was flower girl; Peter John Laskey was her cousin's ring bearer.

Don Swanson acted as best man. Ushers were John Creighton and Ken Slusher.

Following the service, the new couple welcomed guests to a reception in the parish hall.

Mrs. Swanson is a graduate of Ennuciation High School, Buffalo, N.Y., and is employed by Bank of America, Redondo Beach. Her husband, a graduate of Redondo Beach High School, is now with the Starr Construction Co.

After a brief wedding trip to Palm Springs and Las Vegas, the newlyweds are now residing in Torrance.

TEEN CONTEST TO CONCLUDE ON MONDAY

Deadline for the submission of candidates in the Teen-Age Miss contest is Monday.

The Torrance Junior Woman's Club, District 18, CFWC, sponsors of the event, has announced that contestants will be judged on the basis of scholastic standing, personality, and extra-curricular activities.

Entry blanks are available at the YWCA, the YMCA, branches of the city's libraries, and offices of the Torrance Herald and the Torrance Press. Nominees names must be submitted to the YW office not later than Jan. 18.

The winner will receive a $10 prize and $5 will be awarded to the runner-up.

Fathers' Night Scheduled for This Evening

Papas will be the guests of honor this evening when the Carl Steele PTA meets to observe father's night.

Following a brief business session, the gentlemen will present an unrehearsed skit depicting their ideas on how a PTA meeting should be conducted.

The group has announced plans for a paper drive on Jan. 21; and the parent education meeting will take place Jan. 28 at 1:30 p.m. in the school auditorium.

On Feb. 29 the association will hold a bicycle safety program.

Robert Reeders Become Parents for Third Time

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Robert Reeder, 2765 Monterey St., welcomed their third child, Beverly Diane, Dec. 28 in Torrance Memorial Hospital.

Tiny Beverly, born at 5:41 a.m. tipped the scales at eight pounds, five ounces. She will join Terry Robert 5, and Tracy Lynn 2 in the Reeder household.

Mrs. Reeder is the former Eloise Blanchard of Kenosha, Wis. Her husband, a native of Redondo Beach, is the owner of the Robert Reeder Trucking Co.

The couple were married April 4, 1953 in Las Vegas.

Y-Wives Slate Special Lecture

The Torrance Y-Wives are extending an invitation to interested persons in the community to be guests of the club at a special lecture on bio-dynamics Tuesday.

Guest speaker at the meeting will be Dr. Verill Williams, director of the Bio-Dynamics Institute.

According to Mrs. Johnson Lofland, president of the group, bio-dynamics is a method of treatment that repositions the framework and connected tissues of the body and virtually resculptures it into a more youthful and healthy life.

She added that one needs more that crash exercise programs and debilitating diets in order to make the body a fortress against disease.

The event will be held at 10:30 a.m. at the Torrance YWCA, 2320 W. Carson St.

Delta Tau Delta to Meet

The Delta Tau Delta chapter of the Delphian Society will meet Jan. 21 at 4020 Pacific Coast Hwy.

Mrs. Bruce Robinson will preside. Discussion will be led by Mmes Tom G. Halasey, Walter M. Bott, Dale Wickstrom, D. F. Conklin, and Donald Beery.

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Mrs. Rose Craig Is Nominated for City's Woman of the Year

WOMAN OF THE YEAR CANDIDATE
. . . at Work
—Press Photo

Winning Letter

Woman's Editor
Torrance Press:

Dear Editor,

I would like to nominate Mrs. Rose Craig as Woman of the Year.

I am of the opinion that she is a most worthy nominee due to her various activities and especially her honest efforts in taking part in fund raising campaigns for charitable organizations, and her civic activities.

Mrs. Craig has worked night and day for the betterment of the city of Torrance and in the interest and behalf of all her fellow citizens.

In other words . . . she extends herself beyond the call of duty.

She also is a wonderful mother, grandmother, and friend to all, and especially to anyone in need. There are many other aspects and tributes that could be added.

Hopefully Yours,
Mrs. Alexander Majack

Mrs. Rose Craig, business woman, wife, grandmother, and baby sitter par excellence is this week's candidate for the Torrance Woman of the Year award.

Seated behind her desk at Rose Craig Realtors, Lomita, talking on the telephone or interviewing a prospective client, Mrs. Craig gives one the impression of a merry grandmother, more concerned with wet feet or the roast in the oven than the sale of acres.

Perhaps it is this charm that causes her to be the successful business woman she is. "I enjoy people," she smiles. "That's why I like my work. And it's just fascinating to work in such a fast growing area.

"I'm particularly happy when a person I've helped in the past returns. It shows they were satisfied," she adds.

Mrs. Craig comes by the title of grandmother honestly. Her daughter, Mrs. James Lynch (who incidently has been secretary to Mayor Albert Isen for the past eight years) has presented her with two grandsons, Walter Steven 7, and Richard 4.

"They're just everything to me," she boasts. "I'm chief baby sitter and I love it."

However, it would be incorrect to give the impression that Mrs. Craig's life is strictly business or domestic. A woman of

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