



Invitations On Their Way

Over 700 invitations to the Torrance Memorial Hospital Auxiliary's annual Valentine Ball to be held Feb. 15 at the Proud Bird restaurant were put in the mail this past week. Spending hours addressing and stuffing envelopes were, from left, standing, Mmes. John F. Phillips, R. L. McDonald, Don K. Wise and Melvin J. Wells, president. Mrs. Chalmers Strayer is ticket chairman and Mrs. Howard Walker is serving as general chairman of the formal dinner-dance. (Press-Herald Photo)

Hearts and Flowers To Theme

Annual Valentine Ball

Torrance Memorial Hospital Auxiliary is again preparing for its gala Valentine Ball to be held this year on Feb. 15 at the Proud Bird restaurant, 11022 Aviation Blvd.

"Hearts and Flowers" will be the theme of this 18th annual formal dinner dance of which Mrs. Howard Walker is serving as chairman.

The Valentine Ball is the second largest money-making event of the year set aside to

provide additional funds for the \$100,000 pledge made by the auxiliary towards the new hospital. The new Torrance Memorial Hospital, which is a merger with the Riviera Community Hospital, is now under construction at 3330 Lomita Blvd. "When completed in two years, the nine-story hospital will provide the most recent medical facilities to the residents living in the South Bay area," states Mrs. Melvin

Wells, president of the Auxiliary.

Committee chairmen assisting Mrs. Walker with preparations are Mmes. Byron Kimball, decorations; John Barrington, reservations; Kenneth Miller, prizes; and Earl Ladd, door prizes.

Mrs. Thomas McGraw and her husband, who is head radiologist at the hospital, will greet guests as they arrive at

the Proud Bird for the cocktail hour beginning at 6:30 p.m. Assisting the McGraws in welcoming guests will be Dr. and Mrs. Donald Sage and Dr. and Mrs. Richard Sullivan.

Dinner will be served at 8 p.m. and party-goers will dance to music furnished by the "Keynoters."

During the past week, Mrs. C.A. Stayer ticket chairman, and her committee mailed out over 700 invitations.

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Mrs. Thomas Whitlow
... Auxiliary President

South Bay Hospital

Auxiliary Installs

Auxiliary to the South Bay Hospital will hold its annual Installation Luncheon on Thursday, Jan. 23 in Sam's restaurant on Sepulveda Blvd. in Torrance.

A business meeting will be held at 11 a.m. with a social hour at 11:30. Luncheon at noon will be followed by the installation of new officers.

Mrs. Joseph Fischer, retiring president, will present the gavel to Mrs. Thomas Whitlow. Installing officer will be Mrs. T. Goetz, former president of the Auxiliary.

Others to be installed are Mmes. V. G. Cardoza, first vice president; H. W. Donovan, second vice president; Kerme Anderson, third vice president; William Houze, fourth vice president; Dennis Bundy, recording secretary.

Also Mmes. Herbert Wintroub, corresponding secretary; John Adams, treasurer; Harry Snider, financial secretary; Frances MacKenzie, parliamentarian; Eleanor Hayes, director of gift shop; and E. J. Armend, director of volunteers.

Invited guests will be members of the hospital's board of directors; Mark Wood, president; Jerald Witt, Harrison Daigh, Lester Carlson, Herman Brandt; and Arthur Miller, hospital administrator.

Program Slated For Xi Upsilon Chapter Meeting

Southern Europe will be the program when Xi Nu Upsilon Chapter meets Wednesday, Jan. 22 at the South Shores home of Mrs. Edward Morris. Mrs. John Miller will present the program and Mrs. Harry Vannatta will conduct the meeting.

Mrs. David Sowers will report on the Valentine Ball and the rummage sale to be held Feb. 1. Mrs. Vannatta will report on the Southern California Beta Sigma Phi Breakfast.

Future Bride

Robbie - Vojtecky

Mr. and Mrs. John Robbie of Eatonville, Wash., announce the engagement of their daughter, Karen, to Lt. Jim Vojtecky, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul A. Vojtecky, Sr., 3205 Dalemead St., Torrance.

The couple plan to be married in Hawaii on May 16 when Lt. Vojtecky is on his rest and recreation leave from duty in Vietnam.

The future bride is a graduate of the Eatonville High School and is employed as a loan processor for a Seattle Real Estate firm.

Her fiancé, a graduate of South High School, attended El Camino College, prior to entering the United States Airborne Infantry, now serving in Vietnam.

The news of the engagement was first revealed when the Vojtecky family celebrated Christmas on Thanksgiving when both their sons were home from the service. Lt. Vojtecky was here on a 30-day leave before going to Vietnam on Dec. 6 and his brother, Paul, Jr. had just returned from his duty in Vietnam. This was the first time the boys had been home at the same time in two years. Miss Robbie also arrived for the celebration and it was then that she received her ring.



Karen Robbie

Off to Washington To Attend Inauguration

Leaving today for Washington D.C. to attend the inauguration of President-elect Richard Nixon are Dr. and Mrs. Eugene Cook of Torrance; Mr. and Mrs. Gordon McRae of Palm Springs, formerly of Palos Verdes; Frank Waters and Mrs. Barbara Brodie of Los Angeles.

Tomorrow the women in the party will attend a reception at the National Gallery of Art and Sunday evening the group will be guests at the Governors Reception at the Sheraton Park Hotel. Also on Sunday's agenda is a reception honoring Vice President-elect Spiro Agnew at the Smithsonian Institute.

Sunday evening the localities will be guests at the Inaugural Concert in Constitution Hall when the Mormon Tabernacle Choir and the Washington National Symphony orchestra will be featured.

Monday morning, they will attend the inauguration ceremonies at the capitol and the inaugural parade at 2 p.m. A highlight of their trip will be attendance at the Inaugural Ball at the Statler Hilton Hotel Monday evening.

The Cooks and their party plan to remain for a three day tour of Washington and vicinity, returning to California later in the week.



Dimes To Swell Coffer

They have set their goal high for their part in the March of Dimes and tomorrow Junior club members will be out to raise money for the national drive against birth defects and other catastrophic diseases. Their goal is a mile of dimes which they announce will be \$8,850 for the cause. Measuring their mile long masking tape, on which donors will stick their dimes, are from left, Mmes. Robert Vroman, Ronald Large and Michael Riley. (Press-Herald Photo)

Mile of Dimes Is Goal For Junior Club

Tomorrow from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. members of the Torrance Junior Woman's Club will be at the Rolling Hills Shopping Center, Crenshaw and Pacific Coast Highway, to do their part for the annual March of Dimes.

A "mile of dimes" has been set as their goal and masking tape will be stretched the length of the shopping center. Shoppers and others visiting the center will be asked to stick their change on the masking tape.

Local merchants are cooperating by handing out dimes in change and the area bank is giving out rolls of new dimes.

Junior club members will be on hand to present donors with lifesavers and balloons. Mrs. Ronald Large, health chairman, is in charge. She is being assisted by Mmes. Frank Patten, co-chairman, and Robert Vroman, special events chairman.