

# ANN LANDERS



## Ann Can't Answer

Dear Ann Landers: I married too young, mainly to get away from a miserable home. The marriage was a mistake from the beginning. After 16 years of unbelievable hell, complete with migraines, I told my husband to get out. That was in 1967.

In January of this year, he asked for a divorce so he could marry a young widow and adopt her two small children. We have two children also but he was never much of a father to them.

I told him no divorce unless he gives me the house, the cars, and keeps me on his insurance policies. Also, I insist on a healthy settlement and trust funds for our children.

He says I'm a grasping, greedy, miserable witch, and my tough terms are a true measure of my lousiness. What do YOU think? Before you answer I'd like to make it clear that when we married we were broke. Today he owns a big business and has some very good investments.

There's no hope for a reconciliation so don't suggest it. Just tell me if you think I'm greedy because I insist that he pay through the nose for what he has done to my life.—Moon River.

Dear Moon: I can't answer because I don't have enough information. Maybe what YOU consider a "healthy settlement" he considers piracy on the high seas.

You've told me what he has done to your life, but what have you done to his? The discarded woman is understandably bitter, but the wife who becomes excessively punitive and attempts to impale her husband on thorns of spite invariably ends up the loser.

Dear Ann Landers: I play cards every Thursday night with three nice women. Two of us are widows. The third woman's husband is out of town a lot of the time. The fourth woman's husband is retired and doesn't have much to do, so Sol picks up the three of us and takes us home.

About three months ago Sol started to pull an underhanded trick. He learned that we serve coffee and dessert about 10:45 so he's been coming early to get in on the refreshments.

I go to a lot of trouble to prepare individual pies or tarts or ice cream molds for the girls. One recipe makes four. When Sol shows up I feel I should offer him mine. He never refuses. What's the answer?—Empty Plate.

Dear Empty: The answer is don't be so cheap. Make a double recipe and offer a tart or whatever you have to your free chauffeur.

Confidential to Ariad to Try: Paste this little reminder in your hatband. It might help.

If you think you are beat—you are.  
If you think you dare not—you don't.  
If you'd like to win, but think that you can't  
It's almost a cinch that you won't.

Drinking may be "in" to the kids you run with—but it can put you "out" for keeps. You can cool it and stay popular. Read "Booze and You—For Teenagers Only." Send 35 cents in coin and a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope with your request.

Ann Landers will be glad to help you with your problems. Send them to her in care of the Press-Herald, enclosing a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

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## Work Under Way On Carson Street

Work is under way to improve Carson Street from Main Street to the San Diego Freeway.

The 1.4-mile section of street is being reconstructed and widened to provide a fully-improved, four-lane divided highway with parking lanes and curb and gutter.

The work also will include building roadway drainage facilities, sidewalks and roadway medians with provisions for left-turn movements.

TRAFFIC signals and street lights at the intersections with Main Street, Dolores Street, Avalon Boulevard, and Bonita Street will be moved and upgraded, Hahn said.

"Although the work is within the city of Carson, the county and city are cooperating in this project," Hahn added.

"The county and the city will share the cost of the job and

the county will administer the construction contract.

"This cooperation between the county and its cities makes possible a better countywide highway system," Hahn said.

THE JOB is part of a \$6 million, multi-phase project to improve Carson Street between Normandie and Santa Fe Avenues, Hahn added.

The last phase of the section between Normandie Avenue and Main Street was completed last year and a contract has been awarded for another one-mile section from the San Diego Freeway to Wilmington Avenue.

"When completed," Hahn added, "this multi-phased project, which stretches 4½ miles across the South-Central Los Angeles area, will carry 30,000 vehicles per day and will serve as a direct feeder route for the Harbor and San Diego Freeways."

# Hospital Club Honors SC Dean

## Breakfast To Benefit Boy Scouts

The 10th annual Scout Benefit Pancake Breakfast, by the Hollywood Riviera Sportsman's Club, will be held Saturday from 8 a.m. until noon in the Von's Market parking area, 5035 Pacific Coast Hwy.

Chairman Allen Watt announced that a record number of tickets have been distributed to participating Scout Troops in the area. Each troop receives a share of the breakfast profit in proportion to the number of tickets they sell.

Co-chairmen for the breakfast are Albert Geiser, Lee Larsen, William Myatt, and Warren Shallice. Cooking will be done by Sportsman's Club members and Scout fathers.

Tickets are available from Scouts in the area and at the breakfast.

## Cyclist Injured In Crash

A 32-year-old Gardena man suffered a broken spine and pelvis Saturday when the motorcycle he was riding collided with a car on Artesia Boulevard near Gramercy Place. The accident occurred at 6:45 p.m. as both motorists were headed east on Artesia Boulevard.

Rushed to Gardena Memorial Hospital was Carlton D. Stidham, who was later transferred to Harbor General Hospital in satisfactory condition. Driver of the car was Scott William Bee, 17, of 17127 Wilton Place.

Witnesses told police the collision took place as Stidham was running along side his motorcycle, trying to get it started. The cycle apparently took off with a start, plunging Stidham into the path of the oncoming car.

Police recommended that Stidham be cited for unsafe movements and driving without a license.

## Law Officer Plans Speech

Ed Diekmann, author and law enforcement officer, will speak tonight at 8 p.m. at the Torrance Recreation Center, 3341 W. Torrance Blvd.

Diekmann will speak on sensitivity training, which he has termed "thought control for the masses." Cost is \$1.



HELPING HANDS . . . Mary Lou Meade (right) and Cheryl Depp, both students at South High School, help Mrs. Tillie Niles, a patient at Earlwood Convalescent Hospital in Torrance catch up on her reading. Both Red Cross volunteers, the girls work in the hospital one day a week after school. Students interested in Red Cross volunteer opportunities can call 831-0751.

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## El Camino Sets 'Giggle-In' Show

El Camino College may not have beautiful downtown Burbank to "laugh-in," but it does have a 2,000-seat auditorium to "giggle-in" — which is just what is planned for the audience May 31 when the college presents its first "Giggle-In" at 8:30 p.m.

"Giggle-In" is a smorgasbord of song, dance and comedy, served to suit all tastes, according to music instructor Doug Lawrence.

A take-off on the popular NBC television show, "Laugh-In," the campus show was written, directed and produced by Lawrence.

"THIS SHOW includes campus-oriented humor and is completely different from anything we have ever done on campus," he says.

Major television studios have contributed sets for the one-night show. Aiding Lawrence in a professional capacity is Art Gilmore, an announcer. He has served in that capacity in The Red Skelton Show.

Dave Wilson, composer of "The Heart is a Lonely Hunter," will sing two of his compositions which were used in the prize winning film of the same title.

DOROTHY LaSPINA, television choreographer, will present young dancers from her studio.

Star of the campus show is Richard Harris, who has been signed to sing in a future Jim Nabors television show.

EC administrators participating in comedy cameos are President Stuart E. Marsee; Hamilton Maddaford, dean of men; Dr. Wallace Cohen, vice president of instruction; and Ken Swearingen, head football coach.

Other appearing in the show include Fred Milstein, EC English instructor and music critic for the Los Angeles Times; and George Wyle, EC vocal department technician and former musical director of the Jerry Lewis and Lennon Sisters television shows.

THE EC Chorus, under the direction of Jane Hardster, will offer "Music to Watch the Girls Go By."

Among the students appearing in "quickie giggle-ins" will be Tyrone Fitzgerald, Bill Wians, Yetta Benson and Mary Ann Frey.

Technical staff includes Bob Crutchfield, sound equipment; Everett Hoffman, audio-visual aid; Mickey Moyer, graphics arts; Cheri Longanecker, associate producer; and Russ Pyle, technical director.

Tickets are now on sale in the El Camino bookstore for \$1 and may be purchased at the auditorium door the night of the program.

## Change Meeting

A meeting of the Torrance Library Commission previously scheduled for May 22 has been rescheduled for Monday, May 19. The change was ordered so all members of the commission could attend the session.

## Former Medical Director to Get Silver Knight

Harold Mazur, M.D., associate dean and professor of community medicine and public health at the USC School of Medicine, will receive the annual "Silver Knight of Management Award" for 1969 during a testimonial dinner sponsored by Harbor General Hospital's Management Club. The dinner will be held at the Port O'Call Restaurant, San Pedro, at 6:30 p.m. tonight.

Dr. Mazur, former medical director at Harbor General, was selected for the honor because of "his distinguished management work in serving the health community as an outstanding and dedicated physician."

The selection was announced by Larry Seacord, club president, after it was forwarded to him by Frank DeSantis, research administrator of Harbor General Hospital's Attending Staff Association and chairman of the Management Club Awards Committee.

HARBOR General's Management Club is unique in that it was the first hospital organization in the network of management clubs affiliated with the National Management Association. The latter has 70,000 members among clubs in more than 1,000 industrial companies. Once a year each club presents the Silver Knight Award to an outstanding personality in its area for "service to the community" and the award is the highest it may confer.

Dr. Mazur will receive a plaque bearing the NMA's Code and a statuette of a silver knight. Both are mounted on a marble base with the names and date inscribed on a gold plate. The trophy will be presented by Seacord.

Dr. Mario F. Conforti, executive assistant at North American Rockwell in Anaheim, will be the speaker of the evening. He is a noted psychologist and licensed counselor in the state and a management consultant in industry.

COMMENTING upon Dr. Mazur's selection, Seacord said, "Dr. Harold Mazur exemplifies a man who has reached the pinnacle of management success. He typifies a man who, over the years, has developed the talent and skills essential to becoming a leader in the health field. This has been aptly demonstrated since his graduation with highest honors from the University of Southern California School of Medicine in 1941. He served his



DR. HAROLD MAZUR To Get Award

internship at the then Los Angeles County General Hospital which is now known as the Los Angeles County-USC Medical Center, and in 1943-46 served as the medical officer of the California State Health Department in Berkeley."

In 1947, Dr. Mazur added a teaching career to his background when he was appointed a lecturer in epidemiology and infectious diseases at the University of California School of Public Health, a position which he still holds.

HIS MANAGEMENT career in health began in 1948 when he became district health officer of the Los Angeles City Health Department. In 1950, Dr. Mazur accepted an appointment as medical director of Harbor General Hospital. He served in this post until 1955 when he became executive medical director, director of education, and director of the Research Institute at Cedars of Lebanon Hospital.

In 1965, Dr. Mazur returned to Harbor General Hospital to again assume the position of medical director and associate dean of the UCLA School of Medicine.

Dr. Mazur, in 1967, moved into his present position when he accepted a new office back at his medical alma mater, the USC School of Medicine.

Dr. Mazur is the second person to receive the annual Silver Knight of Management Award from the Harbor General Hospital Management Club. Last year the award was given to William A. Barr, director of hospitals for the county of Los Angeles.

## Recreation Activities Announced

Summer activities are being planned by the Torrance Recreation Department.

Registration for swimming and sports programs will begin Saturday, May 24. Cultural classes, camping and most other recreation programs will have registration beginning Wednesday, May 28.

All registration is taken in person at the Joslyn Center, 3335 Torrance Blvd. Residents of Torrance have priority on class registration Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. The center is also open to registration from 12 noon to 4 p.m. on Saturdays.

Fees are paid at the time of registration. There is no refund on program fees unless the program is cancelled due to a lack of enrollment.

## Profile: Ross Sciarrotta Sr.

## He Came West to Spend More Time With Family

With moppets and chair legs poking out the windows, a 42-passenger converted school bus came rattling into Torrance on an ordinary day in 1949. Loaded inside were eight kids, their mother and father, two dogs, and a house-father, two dogs, and a house-voices joined in chorus as the 'ol piano plinked out a tune.

Ross Sciarrotta was bringing his family to California. Taking lock, stock, and barrel from their home in Ohio, the 10-member clan fell in love with Torrance at first sight . . . and they've been here ever since.

Obscurity isn't in the nature of a Sciarrotta, however, and it wasn't long before the family had made an indelible mark on the community.

As patriarch of the group, Ross Sciarrotta Sr. went on to become a leader of the Civil Service Commission and later to be elected to the Torrance City Council, on which he still holds a seat. Councilman Sciarrotta also put in a bid for a Congressional seat in 1968.

The reason for the trek west centered around the eight Sciarrotta children. Councilman Sciarrotta found that his work as general and sales manager for a large car dealership in Ohio left him practically no time to devote to his children. After a little soul searching, his fatherly intuition convinced him to re-enter the field of teaching



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(which he had left eight years earlier) in order to have more free time for family activities. Teacher salaries were higher "out west," so Sciarrotta kissed Ohio good-bye, set out to woo western academia.

Long Beach City College looked good to him and he signed on as an instructor in the school's political science department, where he's been assigned ever since. And it was a far cry from the work he'd been doing in Ohio.

Before joining the car dealership, Sciarrotta had spent the war years with Trojan Powder Co. in Sandusky, working his way up to chief chemist before he'd been on the job one year.

How did Sciarrotta manage to have such diverse career interests as chemistry and political science? It all stemmed from the fact that his parents wanted him to become a doctor. Sciarrotta wanted to become a lawyer. His parents thought all lawyers were crooks.

The controversy resulted in compromise. Sciarrotta ended up studying the natural sciences, supplemented with a healthy dose of political science, and finally emerged from Ohio State University with a bachelor's degree in general science.

Fresh out of college, Sciarrotta taught high school for a number of years, working for his master's degree during summers at the University of Pittsburgh. The future local legislator studied toward his doctoral degree at Ohio State, but the war interrupted his efforts.

Sciarrotta's years in public life began when he was appointed to the Torrance Civil Service Commission. After seven years with the Commission (including two as its chairman), Sciarrotta felt groomed for a city council seat. Entering the councilmanic race in 1962, Sciarrotta emerged second out of a field of more than a dozen candidates. He came in second again in 1966, when he faced re-election.

Sciarrotta has also served at

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WITH ROSE . . . Mrs. Frances Young, founder of the South Coast Botanic Gardens, displays a new rose developed by Dr. Dennison Morey and named for her. Dr. Morey, the originator of more than 40 new roses, including the All-American selections, King's Ransom and Fusilier, will speak at the Botanic Gardens, 26701 Rolling Hills Road, Friday, May 16, at 7:30 p.m. His talk is open to the public without charge. (Press-Herald Photo)