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Association Bulletin

Christmas Season Now in Full Swing on 'The Ranch'

Twin Deodars Serve As Community Trees Again This Season

Throughout the year, they stand like silent sentinels keeping an aloof watch over the community at the west end of the Rancho Santa Fe plaza—but when Christmastime approaches, they relax their vigil and suddenly become cheerful, warmly-colored representatives of the season like a holiday taken by palace guards.

The "sentinels", of course, are the twin deodars which this year, as in years past, are the official Community Christmas Trees of Rancho Santa Fe.

Wiring up trees of this size can be quite a chore, considering the 24 strings of 480 lights which will blaze like warm beacons until the season passes. In fact, it required the combined efforts of men from the fire department, the Rancho Santa Fe Association and electricians to do the job up properly.

Simplicity was the keynote in the decorations, but simplicity was not the definition of the wiring setup, according to those who did the job. The effect has been well worth it, most of the residents of the community agree, as the trees blaze out their message of cheer to all who pass before them.

Many have asked just where these trees came from and how they came to be planted in that particular location, but their origin is no mystery to "old-timers" at the ranch.

The one on the northerly side of Paseo Delicias was donated to the Association by Charles F. Meyer, now deceased, who is undoubtedly well - remembered by many Association members, for this interest and activity in Rancho Santa Fe affairs.

The other tree, which stands on the south side of the street was donated to the community by Briggs C. Keck, also now deceased, but a man who also played a prominent part in the history of Rancho Santa Fe.

Mr. Keck at one time owned over 800 acres within Rancho Santa Fe and was a member of the Art Jury for several years. He was also one of the original directors and incorporators of the Association.

The suggestion has often been made that a plaque be located near the base of the trees to commemorate these two men who took such an active interest in community affairs in earlier years, however, as yet, the trees are unnamed and the men who (Continued on page eleven)



ASSOCIATION "HIGHLIGHTS" — Getting ready for Christmas here are Bob Shoemaker and Sid Shand, workers of the Rancho Santa Fe Association who helped in wiring the two Christmas trees at the west end of the plaza. No easy job, it took the combined efforts of the Association employees and members from the Rancho Santa Fe Fire department to get the trees lit in time for the traditional Christmas carolers Dec. 17. The bulbs in the foreground are not as big as they look, although the decorators claim that they felt that way by the time the job was completed.

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Community Singing Program Opens Rancho Santa Fe Yuletide Season

From one end of Rancho Santa Fe to the other, Christmas is the theme of the hour as trees are trimmed with tinsel and brightly-colored lights, vocal cords are limbered up to join in the Community caroling and presents are surreptitiously chucked away in little used closets.

To kick off the season the way Christmas should be kicked off, a Community song-fest took place Dec. 17, in the Rancho Santa Fe plaza which included just about everyone on the ranch who was able to do more than whisper.

From the Village Community church, three groups participated. They were the adult choir, the Senior Westminster fellowship and the Junior Westminster fellowship, all of whom had been brushing up on little-known carols for days.

The youngsters of the Ranch got into the act through the PTA sponsored school participation which actually led the singing, in the traditional fashion.

Each class presented one carol and finished with the entire group leading the spectators in the more familiar carols. By 8 p.m. the streets were once again deserted at the Plaza, peopled only by the twin deodars which stood silent watch over vacant streets.

The students gathered in the postoffice patio and went in processional to the main entrance of the Inn where the actual program was held amid brightly colored lights from trees and greenery of the grounds.

As for those who watched—and joined in the singing when they could remember the words—it was hailed as a highly successful songfest, enjoyed by everyone who attended, leaving behind it a general feeling that "Christmas has come to the Ranch."

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Christmas Dinner Menu

- Fresh Fruit Supreme
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- Relishes
- Hot Rolls

Entrees

- Roast Turkey, Chestnut Dressing
- Roast L. I. Duckling
- Roast Goose, Sauerkraut Dressing
- Standing Rib Roast

Choice of:

- Mashed Potatoes
- Candied Yams
- Acorn Squash
- Peas
- String Beans
- Carrots

- Tossed Green Salad
- Cranberry Relish Salad

Desserts

- Plum Pudding
- Mincemeat Pie
- Ice Cream
- Pumpkin Pie
- Fruit Cake
- Cheese Blintzes

New Year's Menu

Choice of:

- Crabmeat and Avocado Cocktail
- Marinated Herring,
- Sour Cream
- Vichysoise

Entrees

- Suckling Pig
- Rib Roast, Yorkshire Pudding
- Lamb Chops stuffed with Chicken Livers

- Asparagus
- Stringbeans
- Mashed Potatoes
- Chef's Salad
- Wild Rice

Desserts

- Crepe Suzettes
- Charlotte Russe
- Chocolate Souffle
- Ice Cream
- Branded
- Cake

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UP A TREE — Fire Captain Dick Wessels is really up in the air over Christmas decorations this year as he installs the lights nearly 20 feet from the ground. The fire department ladders came in handy on this job, incidentally.

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Naval Hospital Needs Holiday Party Supplies

An "SOS" from the U. S. Naval hospital in San Diego was reported at the Red Cross board of directors meeting Dec. 4, by Mrs. Frances Hart who is in charge of a Hospitalized Serviceman's program throughout San Diego county.

According to Mrs. Hart, who is also a member of the Rancho Santa Fe Red Cross board of directors, the hospitals in the area provide the group with a list of monthly needs which are "beyond the scope of the service hospitals to provide."

The list includes items for holding parties within the wards under the hospital's sanction as well as other small luxuries for those who are not able to provide them for themselves, because of their hospitalization.

This month's list included not only the needs for the Christmas and New Year's holidays, but also for St. Valentine's day, according to Mrs. Hart who explained that since the board would not meet until February, it would be too late to provide the necessary items.

Nine requests were made at the meeting by Mrs. Hart, who invited organizations, individuals or any interested party to get the materials in by Dec. 27, in order for the New Year's parties to be staged on schedule. These are the needs she announced:

150 paper hats for New Year's Eve.

- 24 boxes of turpentine.
- 6 dozen balloons.
- 6 boxes of Morton's salt.
- 10 packages of paper doilies.
- 5 lbs red candy hearts.
- 10 packages of heart stickers.
- 6 dozen large paper bags.
- 2 gallons of peanut oil.

Any organization, firm or individual wishing to provide these items is urged to contact Mrs. Hart at PL 6-1606.



CHRISTMAS BELLS — Fire Chief James F. Fox points out a detail in the hanging arrangement of the Christmas bells to decorate the two deodars in the Village plaza to Captain Dick Wessels as the latter prepares to hang them on the giant village Christmas trees.

Fireman's Ball Draws 175; Termed 'Very Successful'

Rancho Santa Fe's first Fireman's ball ever held was an overwhelming success, according to Captain Dick Wessels, who pointed out that nearly 175 people, mostly Ranchoites, showed up for the affair.

"We hadn't really expected as wonderful a crowd as we had," he said. "I'd call it a real success."

Included in the crowd, oddly enough, were only a handful of teenagers, but this didn't prevent the dance floor from being liberally used.

In addition to general prizes, there was a "musical chairs" version of dance in which prizes donated by Rancho Santa Fe merchants were given to the participants.

Dick Minor's band from San Diego provided the music starting promptly at 8 p.m. and the dance lasted until 1 the following morning. The feeling left behind by the crowd was that everyone had a good time.

The dance was a fund raising effort to provide money for building a recreation hall for the

firemen, although other Ranch groups, including the Boy Scouts, will probably use the projected building for a meeting place.

The Rancho Santa Fe PTA provided plenty of refreshments and the decorating was done by Mrs. Victor Venberg and Mrs. Elliot Wheeler.

One of the outstanding facets of the decor was an old-time hand-powered fire engine, which was in use long before the advent of motor driven engines. The relic drew a lot of attention and admiration and was lent to the firemen for decoration by Victor Venberg.

The dance was held at the Meetin' House, its use contributed by the Inn.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Robert M. and Hilda E. Crichton, husband and wife to James W. and Jane F. Stockton, husband and wife, portions of lot 3, block 48.

Donald F. and Gay N. Hydrick, husband and wife, to Theodore and Helen Kilby, husband and wife, lot 31 of map 2129.

Del Dios Road Job to Begin

According to an announcement from the Madonna Construction company of San Luis Obispo, work is expected to begin in the widening and realignment project of the Del Dios highway which runs between Rancho Santa Fe and Escondido in the "very near future."

The Madonna Construction company was awarded the Del Dios contract with a low bid of \$1,052,253 early in December.

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POPULAR FRIEND — There is perhaps no more popular fellow around than St. Nick at this time of year, however popularity such as this has its drawbacks. For one thing, it's hard to breathe inside that suit and behind those whiskers without having all available oxygen being used by enthusiastic supporters. But everyone had fun including Santa himself—although last reports indicate he looked a little wan after the Rancho Santa Fe ordeal.



TOUGH SLEDDING FOR SANTA—NO SNOW! — But merry old St. Nick drafted Fire Chief James Fox for the purpose of his annual visit to the Rancho Santa Fe school and rode the fire truck instead. For the youngsters, it was almost as good a treat as Christmas itself, as they rode the truck under the cautious hand of Chief Fox, while Santa was interviewing other youngsters. In fact, it took some doing to get them to leave the truck at all—even for a talk with Santa.

Santa Claus Visits School Here . . . and Is Promptly Mobbed

Santa Claus still retains his popularity with the youngsters . . . and in the case of his visit to the Rancho Santa Fe school Wednesday, Dec. 19, the popularity was overwhelming.

No sooner had he stepped from his impromptu transportation when youngsters came at him from every direction.

For a brief second, Santa's merry twinkle was replaced by a look of stark panic before he settled down to the gentler Christmassy business of getting reacquainted with the wishes of the youngsters . . . "and they were legion!"

From classroom to classroom he went with the patience of St. Nick, asking each boy and girl in turn if they had been good throughout the year and receiving some answers which must have curled his already curly whiskers. At least, his eyes had a glassy look by the time the last youngster had been reassured and he climbed aboard the gleaming white fire truck with a hearty chuckle of Yuletide spirit—and perhaps just a trace of relief—and was whisked away by Fire Chief James Fox, who was temporary chauffeur.

Those who listened closely would have heard some interesting questions posed of St. Nick, such as "Is that you, Mr. B. . . .?"

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Future of Rancho Santa Fe Discussed by PTA Panelists

The Rancho Santa Fe PTA's round table discussion of Rancho Santa Fe's future and what can be done about it was a resounding success from a turnout point of view, according to Mrs. Alfred Vang who was in charge of the event. The audience consisted of 43 Ranchoites eager to learn about the answers to problems of the Ranch.

Panelists were Hubert Brooke, president of the Rancho Santa Fe school board; R. E. Badger, president of the Santa Fe Irrigation district; Chief James Fox, representing the Rancho Santa Fe Fire Protection district and Albert H. Trumbull, deputy director of civil defense of Gillespie field and head of the disaster office of San Diego county.

Bob Francisco was moderator for the discussion.

"The panel was excellent and everyone there gave wonderful attention and showed great interest," Mrs. Vang commented after the meeting. "It was really heartwarming to see the people here so interested in the future of the Ranch."

It had been planned by the PTA to have a representative from the Rancho Santa Fe association on hand at the meeting, however the board agreed that until the results from the Mangore corporation's engineering report were available and could be studied, there was little an association representative could definitely answer.

A letter to that effect was sent by the association to Mrs. Vang, concluding with the note that—"the question box will undoubtedly yield many problems which can become interesting subjects for us after study of the Mangore report."

For the panelists who were present, a number of subjects were raised—and answered. Although space will not allow a complete printing of all the questions and their answers, a partial listing is as follows:
School Board Topics

What is the school board doing in response to the appeal made by the President?

When are we going to start competing with the Russians in science?

Has the school board made a conscientious survey of school wants and needs?

ANSWER: There were five months of curriculum study study headed by Maryanne Pitchell last year, and it was determined that we are already ahead of normal grade schools in this respect.

Why don't we have a full time

principal and full time 5th grade teacher?

ANSWER: Money—or lack of it.

When are we going to get an all-purpose room and better playground? (This was worded differently in many separate questions)

ANSWER: All-purpose room is now under study. A playground will probably take several years. Supervised play in Rancho Santa Fe is better than most schools, by far.

Why don't we use the old school house for grades 7 and 8?

ANSWER: Old school is condemned—no junior high school is possible as the Ranch has been voted into the San Dieguito high school district.

In general, panelist Brooke pointed out that the school board feels it has the best teachers available as well as facilities. Playground areas are being planned and maximum use of county facilities is taken into consideration in a master plan presented by Dr. Eric Pearson. Most of the few other problems mentioned stem from a lack of money.

Fire District Topics

What are the plans for adding more fire hydrants in the vicinity of the center?

ANSWER: The water supply situation is pretty grim. It would require regrading on the civic center which would cost some \$3000. Who would pay for this?

Is the fire department planning housing for Boy Scouts? How sponsored?

ANSWER: Plans for an assembly room are even now before the Art Jury. Dec. 13, the Firemen are giving a ball to help finance the building. The firemen will build it themselves with help from local businessmen.

Is the Association represented in the fire district?

ANSWER: No direct connection.

Can the fire department help in gnat control?

ANSWER: No. The association has enlisted help from the health department and will come up with answers in due course.

What other services could or can the fire district give other than actual fire control?

We have been of assistance in rattlesnake bite, attended the confinement of a mother dog and nine pups found in the brush, helped to get an oil stove started, located doctors, will give artificial respiration, administer oxygen, answer any reasonable request in fire prevention and

first aid instruction. "That's just a sample, of course, but it gives an idea of what we've been called upon to do."

Irrigation District Topics

Why can't there be increased water pressure?

ANSWER: We have a gravity installation. The Ranch uses 80 per cent irrigation water, so it isn't practical to increase the pressure.

Why don't we have a filter for our water?

ANSWER: There will be a filter plant below the lake eventually, but it will take a million and a half dollars.

How about a fishing contest for the kids?

ANSWER: No water for the purpose.

Can the Irrigation district put something in the water for gnat control?

ANSWER: People don't want any more chemicals in the water and it would most likely be harmful to drink.

Civil Defense Topics

What are the present plans for civil defense in the area? Should we make our homes available to refugees?

ANSWER: This isn't just a local picture. We are not in a target area at this time but are in a fringe area. Ocean Beach people would go to Rancho Refugee camp setup and the Red Cross would take care of groups. What plans have been made

Fire District Boundary Set

The county boundary commission has notified the board of supervisors of its approval of the boundaries of the proposed Rancho Santa Fe Local Fire district which will take the place of the existing fire protection district.

The date has not been set for the hearing on this procedure which is no more than a formality required to comply with the new state health and safety code. It will make only slight changes in the district's operations.

in case of an attack by a foreign power?

ANSWER: Parents would collect their children at school and the school would be cleared for civil defense.

What center is in Rancho Santa Fe for Civil Defense?

ANSWER: Fire house. Mobile organization of first aid there.

Questions which ranged in no particular category concerned the Mangore report, litter control, growth of the village, stop signs, several questions concerning a swimming pool, possibility of a drug store, annexation protection, and gnats, gnats and gnats.

Bargy Chosen For President Of Golf Club

There should be "harmony" in the Rancho Santa Fe Golf club this coming year, for the new president is Roy Bargy, who makes music for Jimmy Durante.

Elected vice president at the annual dinner - dance meeting held Nov. 22 at the Marine Officers' Mess, attended by about 130 club members and guests, was Roy Kirby. Jack Shaw was elected treasurer, Lew Pratt secretary. Ola Johnson was re-elected a director and new directors are Kenneth Becker and Guy Van Patten.

Trophies were presented to the club champion, Dick Christopherson, and the other flight winners and runners-up.

The new officers report that the annual team matches will start late in January. Jack Berry will again be captain of the home team, which won out last year, and R. E. Leadon will captain the traveling team.

Club membership numbered an even 200 following the signing up of T. A. L. Loretz of Rancho Santa Fe.



AND HAVE YOU BEEN A GOOD GIRL? — Naturally enough, she had, as had all the other youngsters interviewed by this merry old gentleman from the north pole. This scene, taken in the kindergarten room of the Rancho Santa Fe school reflects the entire Yuletide spirit on the ranch —proving that snow or no, Santa keeps his appointments.

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BOARD MEETING NOV. 1

Sewage Disposal Installation Job Awarded to Solana Firm

Administrative details took up much of the regular meeting of the Rancho Santa Fe Association Board of Directors meeting held Nov. 1, which convened at 9:30 a.m. in the board room.

In accordance with instructions by the board of directors, the lowest bidder of two was given the sewage disposal system installation contract. Manager William Smart reported that the contract had gone to R. McKenna of Solana Beach.

President Miller and Manager Smart were authorized by the board to sign a quitclaim deed covering lot 5, block 18. The purpose of this was to release a power and water easement to the Santa Fe Irrigation district.

Action was deferred on the awarding of a contract for paving of the tennis court road pending the receipt of additional bids. Only one bid had been received so far.

President Miller appointed an easement committee as follows: Director Booth as chairman and Director Frazer. The purpose of the committee is to investigate easements and report on its findings to the board of directors.

The board authorized President Miller and Manager Smart to sign a tax assessment agreement between the Rancho Santa Fe Association and the city of San Diego.

Action was deferred on the appointment of an association member to the tennis committee, pending the recommendation from committee chairman Gordon.

Vice President Randol was authorized by the board to submit a "subdivision check list" to the art jury for further discussion.

According to a telephone conversation, A. W. Buck withdrew his request for a variance on lot 94, Map 2129, and the withdrawal was filed.

The board authorized Attorney Clayton to take whatever legal action is necessary to enforce the subdivision provision in the covenant in the case of Harry M. Grossman on portions of lot 9, block 33.

Manager Smart was directed to write a letter to John E. Howe regarding the ruling on renting lots 1, 2, and 4 of block 43, quoting the protective covenant, Paragraph 88, in part.

Letters from Earle W. Gard concerning zoning the special permit use in the San Dieguito valley area and Mrs. Alfred Vang, concerning reimbursement for damages to a golf course green, were read and

ordered filed as was a telegram from George Ennis regarding landowners' sharing the sewer costs of the golf course sewer.

Manager Smart reported the gross October receipts as follows: Greens fees—Cash \$5575.50, advance playing privileges \$2768, or a total of \$8343.50. In the golf shop department, cart rentals came to \$1208, storages charges \$272, service and merchandise \$2515.04 or a total of \$3995.04. The clubhouse gross was \$6131.46, which brought the grand total to \$18,470.

Manager Smart reported 1957-58 total assessments at \$19,832.20. Collected tax as of Oct. 31 was \$3249.51 or about 16 per cent.

President Miller gave progress reports on the Mangore Corporation report and on the bulletin board for the board of directors, art jury, riding club and garden club. Director Tompkins gave a progress report on contacting of newcomers to Rancho Santa Fe.

Real Estate Transfers

Edna F. Rordac to Arnauld W. and Thelma J. Duck, husband and wife, lot 121 of resubdivision of Rancho Santa Fe.

Armand B. and Beatrice J. Anderson, husband and wife to Frank S. and Barbara M. Watts, husband and wife, lot 8 of resubdivision of Rancho Santa Fe.

James M. Young to Balfour A. and Edith Lanza, husband and wife, portions of lot 150, resubdivision of Rancho Santa Fe.

Church Men's Group Forms

One of the new activities on the ranch was begun with the initiation of a men's group of the Village Community church, according to Rev. Chester L. Tolson, who reported that ten of the men accompanied him to a conclave of Southern California Presbyterian men at Long Beach this month.

Although this was one of the first activities to take place within the group, other activities have been planned. Details will have to wait until the process of organization is completed.

Those who went with Mr. Tolson from Rancho Santa Fe were Carl Cato, George Ennis, Robert Francisco, Herbert Hall, Lawrence Kelley, Kenneth Knudson, Carl Muench, George Weinhausen and Roger Wolley.

For the third consecutive year, Mr. Tolson led the 2000 male voice choir in singing.

Under the leadership of Mrs. C. R. Irvine, and with Albert Hembree directing, members of the Senior High Westminster Fellowship took part in a Christmas carol singing program held Dec. 17.

Country Friends Committee Eyes Agencies' Needs

At a special meeting of the executive board of the Country Friends, a committee was appointed to look into the specific needs of the 12 agencies benefiting from proceeds of the money-making projects of the organization.

The agencies include the San Diego Children's Home; Child Development Center for Retarded Children at Mission Valley; Neighborhood House; Guadalupe Clinic; Sheltered Workshop; Visiting Nurses of La Jolla; Social Service League of La Jolla; Boys and Girls Aid Society; San Diego Hearing society; Cerebral Palsy foundation; Chula Vista Salvation Army Door of Hope and Palomar Family Service association.

At its new location near the Rancho Santa Fe postoffice the Traders Shop, a year 'round Country Friends project manned by volunteer attendants, is making fine progress according to those who are "behind the friendly counter."

ART JURY DEC. 2

Six Residences Among Items Approved at Regular Meet

Approval was given by the Rancho Santa Fe Association Art Jury at its Dec. 2 meeting for the construction of six residences, six garages, a guest house site, and a bulletin board, as well as approval for an exterior change.

Permits were issued, in each case since the Nov. 11 meeting to the following as additional showings were presented as requested: To Brunson Properties Inc. for a residence and garage on lot 7, block 10, plans dated Oct. 1 and revised Oct. 23, and to A. W. Buck, for a residence and garage on lot 121, map 2129, plans dated November, 1957.

Approval was also given to the application of John E. Kaufman to construct a residence and garage on portions of lot 10, block 32, parcel 6, plans dated Oct. 1 and revised Nov. 22. Mr. Kaufman initialed the indicated changes.

Approval was given to the application of Alfred E. Stein to construct a residence and garage on lots 47 and 48, map 2089, plans dated Nov. 1 and final plans dated Nov. 27. Architect Abrams met with the jury.

Approval was given to the application of C. K. Whittaker to construct a residence and garage on portions of lot 3, block 33, plans dated Nov. 27.

A. C. Ridland was granted approval for his request of a guest house site on portions of lot 9, block 32, sketch dated Oct. 28.

Approval was also given to the application of Mr. and Mrs. Gifford Ewing for an exterior change on a building on block C, map 1742, store "F", plans dated Nov. 14.

In addition approval was given to the application of Ralph Smith to construct a residence and garage on lot 45, map 2129, plans dated Oct. 23 and revised Dec. 2.

Consideration was given to the application of John Heddon to construct a residence and garages, a pool and cabana on lots 1, 2, 9 and 11, block 24, preliminary plans dated Oct. 3, revised Nov. 5 and revised Dec. 2. Additional showings have been requested.

Consideration was also given to the request of Warren B. Shipway to construct a stable on parcel 1, lot 6, block 10. Approval was given with the correction noted thereon, subject to the approval of the board of directors to the request for a permit for "keeping of animals".

Consideration was given to the preliminary application of Brunson Properties, Inc. to construct a residence and garage on portions of lot 7, block 10, plans submitted Dec. 2. Additional showings have been requested. Architect Voll met with the jury.

Consideration was given to the application of J. F. Hopkins for a permit to keep two horses on portions of lot 1, block 48, 4.26 acres, sketch dated Oct. 30 and revised Nov. 30. Additional showings have been requested regarding the facilities for the keeping of animals.

Consideration was also given to the request of George B. Willoughby Jr. for the keeping of animals on lot 1, block 39 and portions of lot 1, block "L", request dated Oct. 4. The jury's opinion is being submitted to the board of directors.

Consideration was also given

Home Nursing Course Open to Registration

A call for more people interested in the projected Red Cross home nursing classes was made at the Dec. 4 meeting of the Rancho Santa Fe Red Cross chapter before the dozen members who were present. The meeting took place at 11 a.m. at the Garden Club quarters.

In making the announcement Mrs. P. A. MacDonald, who will teach the home nursing class, pointed out that although several have already indicated an interest, more will be needed in order for the course to be practical.

"We hope to start the classes Jan. 23 and hold them every Thursday for two hours," Mrs. MacDonald said, adding, "The entire 14-hour class should take seven weeks to complete."

The time set for the classes is as yet undetermined and will depend on the needs and desires of those participating she concluded.

Another highlight of the board meeting was the naming of Mrs. Cliff Tanner as service chairman for the chapter.

It was also announced that the next scheduled meeting will be in February as the January meeting will be cancelled.

to the application of Mrs. Lucy K. Curtis to resubdivide lot 4, block 12, plat dated Nov. 1957. The advice of the jury is being submitted to the board of directors.

Approval was given to color samples for exteriors submitted by Frank Maxwell for a residence and garage on lot 95, map 2089 and M. E. Whaley for a residence and garage on portions of lot 12, block 48. The color of the trim was disapproved.

After a recess for lunch, the jury had a thorough and detailed discussion with Mr. Heddon and Designer Kowalski on plans for a residence, garages, pool and cabana as considered in the morning.

E. C. McIntyre RSF Resident Dies in La Jolla

Elliot C. McIntyre, 61-year-old resident of Rancho Santa Fe, died Friday, Dec. 13 in a La Jolla hospital.

Mr. McIntyre was an executive of the Continental Oil Co. until his retirement in 1953. He was born in Illinois and was graduated from a military academy in Indiana. After his graduation he attended the University of Illinois.

During World War 1, he was an officer in the Naval Reserve.

Survivors include his widow, Gertrude; a daughter, Mrs. Charles M. Mreyer Jr. of Napa and two grandchildren.

Church Welcomes 30; Building Plan Making Progress

The building committee of the Village Community church got a large boost in morale when 30 new members were publicly welcomed into the church Dec. 8 at a special after-service reception held in their honor. Women of the church served refreshments in the patio following this reception.

The new membership will go a long way to solve as well as demonstrate the need for the new building planned by the church, Mr. Tolson said.

He pointed out that the building committee is proceeding with plans for the building under the leadership of Robert Francisco, building chairman.

A special fund campaign will be conducted Jan. 27 through Feb. 3, toward this end. Campaign chairman for this project is George Ennis.

TRANSFERS

Arnold B. and Jean A. Steiner, husband and wife to Eugene L. and Mary R. Freeland, husband and wife, portions of lot 5, block 47.

Harry R. and Charlotte L. Lusk, husband and wife, to Wilson S. and Constance H. Jones, husband and wife, portions of lot 5, block 7.

Charles and Genevieve E. Graves, husband and wife to William A. and Beulah T. Wood, husband and wife, portions of lot 6, block 14.

Maurice J. and Ida M. Hopkins, husband and wife to Peter H. and Judith S. Gillies, husband and wife, portions of lot 3, block 29.

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BOARD MEETING NOV. 15

Subdivision Check List Has Directors' Final Approval

Christmas preparations were evident at the regular Nov. 15 meeting of the Rancho Santa Fe Association board meeting which took place at 9 a.m. in the board rooms.

Manager Bill Smart was directed to write a letter to the honorable board of supervisors of the county of San Diego regarding the closing of streets. The street-closing letter mentioned the community sing to take place during the Christmas season and resulted from the request of Mrs. Fawcett.

The board also agreed to supply the necessary lighting materials for the Christmas trees, to be available Dec. 1.

The board authorized President Miller and Manager Smart to sign a covenant acceptance of McGregor and Helen Brown on portions of lot 5, block 17.

Approval was given to the request of Brunson Properties, Inc. to construct a fence fronting on lots 1, 2, 5, 7 and 8 of map 3591, in accordance with a sketch dated Oct. 30.

Action was deferred on the request of J. F. Hopkins for a permit to keep two horses on portions of lot 1, block 48, consisting of 4.26 acres. The sketch was dated Oct. 30.

William J. Herbert, an Association member was appointed to the standing Tennis committee and the association granted the construction of the tennis courts road to the lowest bidder of two, Smith Construction Co., on a figure of \$950.

Approval was also given in the amount of \$450 as a participation assessment in connection with the joint sewer line now located on Association property.

The board authorized President Miller and Manager Smart to sign an easement agreement between the Association and Howard S. and Amy E. Wiffen, the easement grant to enable the Wiffens to connect to the sewer line upon payment of \$450 to the Association.

President Miller and Manager Smart were also authorized to sign an easement to the county of San Diego for the 8 inch sewer line involved.

The Subdivision Check List, submitted by Vice President Randol, was accepted by the board, with changes as incorporated therein resulting from discussion and suggestions from the floor.

Action was deferred on the application of John Cave Rule to resubdivide lot 7, block 47 plat

dated July 22, 1955, letter dated Nov. 7, 1957.

Approval was given to the application of Ryway, Inc., Warren B. Shipway, president, to subdivide portions of lot 6, block 10, letter and plat dated Nov. 4, 14.5 acres into 4 parcels of 35, 3.5, 3.4 and 3.5 acres.

A letter from the county board of supervisors regarding annexation of portions of the Rancho Santa Fe golf course to the Rancho Santa Fe Sanitation district, Oct. 29 was read and ordered filed. The property includes portions of lots 160 and 161, map 2129 and lot 2, block 19.

In his financial statement for October, Manager Smart reported the Irrigation District tax assessment for the golf course as \$899, or down \$79.75 from a year ago. The county tax assessment amounted to \$3414.51, up \$661.47 over last year's assessment.

A report on construction in Rancho Santa Fe for October was read by Glen Lewis, building commissioner, and ordered filed.

John Howe and R. M. Clotfelter addressed the board regarding Howe's request for a ruling on rentals. The meeting adjourned at 1:50 p.m.

Japanese Farmer Group Inspects Chino Plantings

A group of 44 Japanese farmers inspected field trials in carrot and sweet potato production at the Junzo Chino Ranch in Rancho Santa Fe last Saturday in the first stop on a tour of California. The group, which toured the state on a specially chartered bus, is part of a team whose purpose is to raise production by "Westernizing" the ancient traditional forms of agriculture in their native homeland.

J. Okamoto of Berkeley, co-



ABOVE — No sooner had Santa arrived at the Rancho Santa Fe school—fire siren going full blast—than kids came from every direction, proving that he is a very popular gent indeed among the younger set. The ball game stopped in mid-inning and the ball forgotten in the excitement.

BELOW—While Santa talks to the Kindergarteners, school children take a ride on the new fire truck with Chief Fox at the wheel.



ordinator of the tour, said the Chino field trials may have developed the first acceptable sweet potato for baking, for the Japanese produce market.

E. C. Moor, director of the county farm advisors office and Bernard Hall, a county farm ad-

visor told the group of the work of the University of California Agriculture Extension service.

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Quest of Site For Disposal Area Pressed

The directors of Santa Fe Irrigation district at their Dec. 9 meeting encouraged a committee of civic groups representatives to continue in a search for a new county dump site.

Robert Hadden, head of the committee, is searching for a site for a cut-and-fill dump rather than the "burning" dump which is now in operation between Solana Beach and Rancho Santa Fe.

Hadden reported that his committee had found two possible sites in San Elijo Canyon just east of the present dump.

The SFID is looking for a relocation of the dump because of its declared intention of selling several hundred acres of property near the present dump.

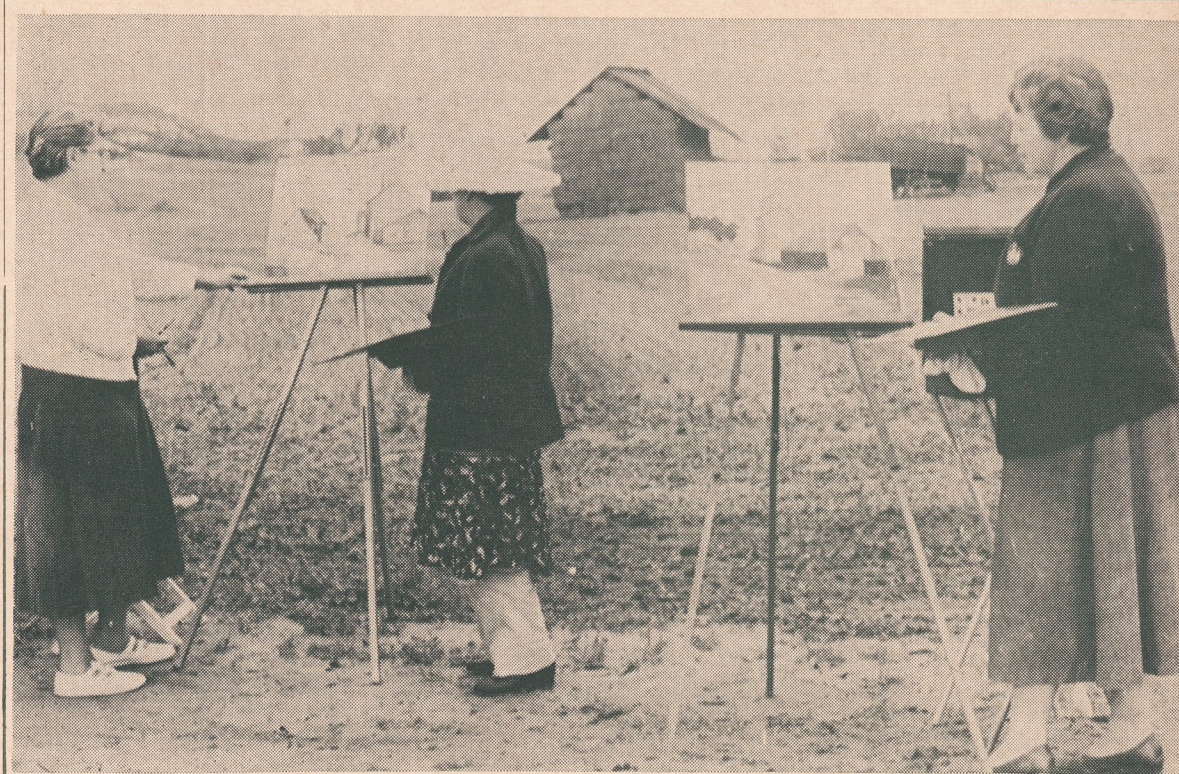
Representatives from the Del Mar and Solana Beach chambers of commerce are also working with Hadden as well as the Rancho Santa Fe association.

CHRISTMAS SEASON

(Continued from page two)

were responsible for them unknown.

The trees, as well as anyone can estimate from the records, are nearly 25 years old and for the past twelve years have formed a part of Christmas in Rancho Santa Fe.



COVER PICTURE

There is a lot more to Christmas preparations on the ranch than wrapping packages.

Here, teetering high above the west end of the Plaza, fire Captain Dick Wessels is shown stringing the light bulbs in one of the two traditional deodars which for the past several years have served as Community Christmas trees. The trees provided a backdrop for the songfest held Dec. 17 in which school youngsters, church singers and spectators alike joined in singing Christmas carols.

Many Artists Groups Attracted to RSF by Setting, Atmosphere

The beauty of the countryside in and around Rancho Santa Fe is well known to those who live here, but the appreciation doesn't stop there. Here, a group of artists from Del Mar, Encinitas and Solana Beach get together to capture on canvas the feeling of countryside. This is only one of the many groups of painters who often visit the area for inspiration and natural settings. They are painting a California scene on the western border of the Ranch.

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Robert M. Crichton to Lynn W. and Helen Coffey, husband and wife, to Dr. Robert S. and Doris J. Prareo, husband and wife and Dr. Norman N. Jerome, portions of lot 4, block 29.

Esther L. Creighton to Howard T. and Vanita H. Cristanson, husband and wife, lot 54 of map 2129.

John C. and Barbara W. Bovee, husband and wife, to Donald Ryan, lot 29, block 37, re: survey map 2057.

George H. and Eve C. Gere, husband and wife to John C. and Guen P. Kaufman, husband and wife, portions of lot 10, block 32, parcel 6.

Santa Fe Irrigation District to Hyde and Mare S. Gillette, husband and wife and Homer C. and Evelyn Pheasant, husband and wife, lot 21, block 36.

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