

Events

# Social and Club News

## With Great Anticipation

- Christmas Idea Books**  
(Available at Santa Cruz Public Library)
- Count, Earl W., "4000 Years of Christmas."
  - Baer, Barbara, "Christmas Make-It Book."
  - Gardner, Horace J., "Let's Celebrate Christmas."
  - Biddle, Dorothy, "Christmas Idea Book."
  - Saros, Theodore, "Christmas Lighting and Decorating."
  - Christman, Irma, "Christmas Trees, Decorations and Ornaments."
  - Van Rensselaer, Eleanor, "Decorating with Pods and Cones."
  - Crippen, Thomas, "Christmas and Christmas Lore."
  - Cooke, Aylene E., "Our Christmas Symbols."
  - Better Homes and Gardens, "Christmas Idea Book" for 1956, 1957.

**T**HE APPROACHING holiday season will be even more exciting, even more beautiful for many Santa Cruzans who are learning for the first time that they, themselves, can help create the very special atmosphere which means a happy Thanksgiving and a merry Christmas.

Whole families, from toddlers on up, are finding that they can share the wonderful experience of preparing for the holidays. The little ones can make colorful paper chains for the tree; stick fancy pins in styrofoam balls for ornaments; cut out snowflakes to be scattered on the mantel. School-age youngsters will discover their vacation days are busy ones, once they've started fashioning turkey placecards from pine cones, and making door wreaths of wrapped candy and nuts.

And with the children so well occupied, the grownups can concentrate on the more elaborate preparations for holiday entertaining and giving.



**PIN-UP GIRL** for the holidays is 5-year-old Leela Bass, with clever hair ornament designed by her mother, Mrs. Leo Bass of Aptos, from a styrofoam ball and small-size knitting needle. Leela helped decorate these novel gift items (others shown in foreground) and also assisted with the silver-sprayed dried table arrangement.



**THANKS-GIVING** is every day in the Raymond Goodrich household, observed at dinner-time by clasp hands around the table as all sing grace. The family especially looks forward to Thanksgiving Day when their menu features pheasants and/or quail, depending upon the hunter's luck of

Attorney and Mrs. Goodrich and their oldest son, Jim, 11, seated at right. Completing the family circle are Pam, 9½; David, 8, and Paul, 4½. Miniature turkeys flanking the fruit centerpiece were made by the younger children from pine cones and pheasant feathers brought back from the hunt.

**PARENT-EDUCATION CHAIRMEN** (right) for their P-TA's, Mrs. Geno Pini of Bay View, left, and Mrs. Paul Roach of Mission Hill, center, get instruction on holiday decorations the whole family can make from Mrs. Thelma Anderson, children's librarian of the Santa Cruz public library. Tree ornaments shown are fashioned from paper cupcake liners and ordinary paper rolled around a pencil to make "porcupine" balls. Other ideas may be obtained from library's books.



**FIRST CHRISTMAS** to remember is coming up for the 16-month-old twin sons of the Kenneth Melroses Jr., Kevin, standing, and Ricky. Showing how their stockings will be hung by the fire Christmas Eve is the boys' 4-year-old sister, Laurie. Stockings are made of bright red felt, and trimmed with contrasting felt cutouts.

Photo-feature by Betty Bushman and Webber's Photographer Pete Amos.



**CUT-UPS AT HOME** their parents won't mind in the least are these fun-loving moppets, putting scissors, pins and papers to creative use. Having this won-

derful time making Christmas tree ornaments and table decorations are (l-r) Billy Roach, 6; Susie Pini, 4; Jennifer Roach, 4, and Gene Pini, 6.