

## *SOUTH COAST*

**D**R. PAUL SAFFO, having completed three active years as president of the South Coast Botanic Garden Foundation, was succeeded by Mr. Cliff Graham, a vice-president and member of the Board of Trustees for two years, president of the Palos Verdes Unified School District, and active in recent years in Palos Verdes community affairs. During his term of office Dr. Saffo was instrumental in gaining approval for the new South Coast administrative complex and had the satisfaction of seeing the buildings become a reality.

## *QUEEN ANNE FROLIC*

**O**N THE SOUND theory that a successful program should not be tampered with, this month's "Queen Anne Frolic" (Friday, September 19) will largely duplicate the Frolic of 1973 that was so thoroughly enjoyed by members of the California Arboretum Foundation and their guests. Nevertheless, Wendy Taylor, CAF member who is co-chairing this year's event with fellow-member Jane Buck, reports on one addition certain to be popular, namely, a raffle of two round-trip tickets to Hawaii donated by Western Airlines. Further, she said, the sale of raffle tickets will be limited to 1,000 by way of increasing the chances of winning. For the rest, the entertainment will again include rides around the grounds in vintage cars, paddle boat rides, tours of the Queen Anne Cottage, and music by the Temple City Senior Citizens Kitchen Band, the Arcadia Gaslight Choir, and the dance music of Dexter Jones and his orchestra. Ruth Mary Larson reports that the menu will feature Director Francis Ching's barbecued roast beef along with rice pilaf, cheese rolls, bean salad, and coleslaw, and will end with fresh fruit compote and Ruth Mary's own homemade

cookies. Tickets, available as always only to CAF members and their guests, are \$15 for one and \$25 for a couple. Starting time is 6 p.m.

## *HORTICULTURAL HONORS*

**T**WO ARBORETUM staffers, Jack McCaskill of the Plant Records Section and Bill Hawkinson, assistant superintendent, won awards recently for their work in hybridizing iris. Jack, whose specialty is California iris, won an Honorable Mention Award for his hybrid 'Casilda'. Bill, whose specialty is aril-bred iris, won the C. G. White Award for his hybrid 'Grand Vizier', the highest award an aril-bred iris can win. Bill also received Honorable Mention awards for three other hybrids: 'Carioca', 'Enchanted Hour', and 'Temple Veil'.

## *NEW CHAIRMANSHIP*

**M**RS. JOHN NICHOLAS FEHRER, a member of the California Arboretum Foundation Board of Trustees 1967-1973, and State President of California Garden Clubs, Inc. 1972-1974, has recently been appointed Chairman of Arboreta and Botanical Gardens, a new national chairmanship, by Mrs. Vernon L. Connor of Mount Dora, Florida, president of the National Council of State Garden Clubs, Inc.

Mrs. Fehrer's goal in this new national chairmanship is, in her own words, "to assist the fifty state federations of the National Council of State Garden Clubs in building bridges for greater cooperation between garden clubs and arboreta and botanical gardens to the mutual benefit of both organizations."

Besides her new responsibility, Mrs. Fehrer will remain active locally in the Hill Toppers Garden Club of Altadena, the Los Angeles Garden Club, the Floralia Guild Chapter 20, and the Arboretum District of California Garden Clubs, Inc.





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