

**SCOUT TROOP 241****PLANS PARENTS' NIGHT**

Boy Scout Troop No. 241 will observe Parents' Night at 7:30 p.m., Friday, April 13, at Civic Auditorium. Parents of Scouts and those interested in scouting are invited. An interesting program has been planned and a demonstration of the Troop's drill team will be directed by Bernard Dean. The Mother's Club of Troop No. 241 will serve refreshments.

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TORRANCE**Woman's Club To Present Varied Programs**

Torrance Woman's Club members will be hostesses at an art exhibit and tea to be held at the clubhouse, Sunday afternoon, April 22 from 2:30 until 5 o'clock. Mrs. R. R. Smith, president, will present Marie Snow, member of Women Painters of the West, who will exhibit landscapes and other paintings. The club women extend a cordial invitation to everyone.

Mrs. W. E. Walton, garden chairman, is busy with plans for a flower show and tea to be held at the clubhouse Wednesday, June 6. On this day too, officers for the ensuing term will be installed.

Mrs. J. H. Moore, ways and means chairman, is completing arrangements for an evening card party to which everyone is invited. The date for this party has not been set.

Members will meet for their usual pot-luck luncheon Wednesday, April 18, at 12:30 p.m. At the monthly meeting held last Wednesday afternoon Mrs. Chris Jones, program chairman, presented Mrs. W. L. Laughon, in a group of vocal selections. Mrs. C. C. Schultz was her accompanist.

At the tea table, lovely with an arrangement of colorful pansies, Mrs. W. H. Haslam and John Keefe poured. Mrs. R. R. Smith presided at the business session.

**MATRON IS FETTERED AT EVENING PARTY**

Mrs. Lucille Young was complimented at a shower arranged recently at the home of Mrs. R. C. Poer. A stork motif was followed and contests appropriate for the occasion were enjoyed. Following the presentation of many gifts for the heir-to-be and a lovely group gift for Mrs. Young, refreshments were served.

Guests from the National Supply Company, where Mrs. Young was inspector of the Bench Dept., were: the honoree and Mary Ellen Holden, Mabel Gros, Thelma Shepard, Stelma Norris, Katherine Gossiaux, Minnie Foreman, Agnes Marek, Fairy Whittier, Ethel Cooper, all of this city; Mary Leonard, Frances Smelser, of Gardena; Margie Brusto, of Hawthorne; Pauline Merriman, Mary Thompson, Elaine Hanson, of Lomita and Wynona Ayers, of Redondo.

**CATHOLIC TROOP IS ORGANIZED HERE**

A six weeks' training course for leaders began last night at St. Anthony's School hall, Gardena. Attending from Torrance were Mrs. C. N. Dodd, Pennington, Robonice, Morin, Alrick and Ziemke. Mrs. Carlson, who is conducting the classes, extends an invitation to all those interested.

**WATER COLORS TO BE EXHIBITED**

Palos Verdes Community Arts Association announces an exhibition of water colors by Z. Vanessa Helder, at Library Gallery, Palos Verdes Estates, from April 3 to April 28.



**HOME AGAIN**... Mildred Sherk, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George C. Pannier of 1819 Arlington ave., arrived here Monday evening from Manila, P. I., where she has been a prisoner of war since December, 1941. Her husband, Jack, and his brother, Robert Sherk, had been transported to Formosa or Japan with other prisoners of war, it is believed.

Food, or the lack of it, over shadowed the internees' lives. During her return trip from March 19 until she docked in San Francisco, April 8, she gained 12 pounds. A tall girl, she is 5 feet 8 1/2 inches—she weighed only 98 pounds when she was liberated. The daily allotment of 90 grams of rice with salt—was occasionally augmented with a windfall of... meat, almost any edible animal, she said, no questions asked. Among her possessions she proudly displays a pair of bakia or wooden shoes, which she had worn constantly for three years, no shoe coupons required.

To hear her recount her experiences one would think that ordinary hardships are not to be considered. An air raid was taken in stride. The First Marines were amazed at the indifference with which the internees went about their usual duties. Numerous incidents when she was a near-casualty, were discussed lightly by Mrs. Sherk... all part of the day's activities, she said.

**W.C.T.U. MEETING NEXT TUESDAY**

Mrs. L. C. Yeoman, of Los Angeles, who is county secretary of the Loyol Temperance League, will speak on "Visual Alcohol Education for Children" at the W.C.T.U. meeting, Tuesday, April 17, at 2:00 p.m. in the Nazarene church, 1501 Carson st.

Devotions will be given by Rev. W. A. Penner, and Agnes Foster will be soloist. The business meeting following will be in charge of Mrs. Opal Penner, president. Books have been ordered for use in the churches.

**HAS TONSILLECTOMY**

Steven Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hal Smith, is convalescing from a tonsillectomy which he underwent Saturday at Torrance Memorial Hospital.

**Women's Activities**

By MARY VONDERAHE

**ST. CECELIA'S GUILD PLANS RUMMAGE SALE**

St. Cecilia's Guild of St. Andrew's Episcopal church will sponsor a two-day rummage sale to be held from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Friday and Saturday, April 20 and 21, at 1307 Post ave., in the storeroom formerly occupied by the Torrance War Housing office.

Those contributing to the sale are asked to send articles of clothing and household goods to the above address on Thursday, April 19.

For further information, please call Mrs. J. W. Post, Torrance 49 or Mrs. D. A. Murphy, 999W. Articles of clothing remaining at the close of the sale will be donated to the United National Clothing Collection, the ladies state.

**Grand Officer On Official Visit To Torrance O.E.S.**

Torrance Chapter, No. 380 Order of the Eastern Star, was hostess Thursday evening to Lillian Menard, deputy grand matron of the 67th district on the honor guest received special Billie Kerber, Grand Ruth, State of California, as chairman, greeted the grand officer and the host of guests from nearby chapters of the district.

Vocal selections by Lorraine Ulrich were enjoyed and the selection which she dedicated to the honor guest received special applause.

Gladioli and jonquils were used to decorate the chapter. The banquet room, where the group adjourned at the conclusion of the ritualistic work, was a veritable garden with fans and hearts fashioned of pastel blossoms and soft light diffused from Chinese lanterns.

**CATHOLIC TROOP IS ORGANIZED HERE**

At the organization meeting, Thursday afternoon of the Girl Scout Troop, sponsored by Catholic Church of the Nativity, Mrs. Charles N. Dodd, leader, introduced Miss Olive Dickson of Redondo Beach, district director.

Applications were received from the following girls: Joan and Betty Ziemke, Shirley Moody, Claudette and Joanne Alric, Margaret Vonderahe, Noella Morin, Barbara and Dede Lisoni.

The following were transferred from Troop 510: Ruth Alford, Carolyn Dodd, Teresa and Margaret Robonice. Catholic girls from 10 to 12 years of age are invited to register at once. A quota of 25 must be reached.

**LUCILLE ROGERS IS CLUB HOSTESS**

The home of Mrs. Lucille Rogers, 1806 Amapola, was an attractive setting for a bridge party when she entertained club members Wednesday evening. Prize winners at contract were Betty Smith, Marion Truzine and Daphne Jones. Garden flowers centered the table where refreshments were served at the close of play.

**CATHOLIC PARTY THIS EVENING**

Hostesses for this evening's Catholic ladies card party are Mrs. K. McDonald and her committee, Mrs. Batsch, Bezich, Comon, Hornell, Moore, Rose, Jones, Schreyer and Becker. Everyone is cordially invited. The first door prize will be presented promptly at 8:00 o'clock. Games of contract and auction bridge, pinocle and 500 will begin immediately. Refreshments will be served.

**MRS. ROJO RECEIVES CLUB MEMBERS**

The home of Mrs. W. H. Rojo was an attractive setting for an evening party when she entertained bridge club members Thursday. Mrs. C. T. Rippy and Mrs. John Melville were club guests, and Mrs. D. A. Murphy was presented with a prize for high score at contract. Refreshments were served.

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**Wedding Date Is Celebrated By K. R. Ruffells**

Celebrating their tenth wedding anniversary, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth R. Ruffell entertained Saturday evening at their home, 2114 Martina ave. Their guests, who had been married just ten years ago, were Messrs. and Mrs. Tom Saine, Roy K. Newkirk, Jimmy Short, and Harley E. Carr.

Badminton, volley ball, group singing and recordings of the guests' felicitations were the evening diversion. Following the presentation of a handsome group gift refreshments were served at a table lovely with white blossoms and greenery.

Mr. and Mrs. Newkirk plan to entertain the same group on their wedding anniversary, June 7.

**SGT. NECHVATAL WEDS NADINE WALKER**

Miss Susanna Nadine Walker, of Wilmington, exchanged wedding vows with Sgt. John Joseph Nechvatal, United States Army, in a ceremony performed March 28 at a Los Angeles chapel. Mrs. A. L. Bernard, of 2014 Torrance blvd., wearing a blue suit and a corsage of carnations, was the matron of honor and Miss C. Swope, of 1641 203rd st., in a gold suit and red roses, was the bridesmaid. S-Sgt. A. L. Bernard was the bridegroom's attendant. A supper party at a Los Angeles cafe followed the ceremony. Upon their return from a honeymoon in Chicago, where they will visit his mother, the young couple will make their home in Wilmington. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Walker, of Commiskey, Ind., and his mother is Mrs. Anna Nechvatal, of Chicago, Ill.

**ROYAL NEIGHBORS PLAN CARD PARTY**

Torrance Camp, No. 8908 Royal Neighbors of America, will sponsor a benefit card party to be held at Torrance Woman's Clubhouse, Tuesday evening, April 17. A door prize will be given away at 8 o'clock and games of contract and auction bridge, pinocle and 500 will begin immediately. Mrs. Katherine Gossiaux, who will serve as chairman, announces that hand-made prizes have been provided. Refreshments will be served. Everyone is invited. Tickets may be purchased at the door.

**V. C. CLUB REPORTS ENJOYABLE MEETING**

Members of the V. C. Club were delightfully entertained at an Easter party last Thursday at the home of Mrs. Gerald L. Alter.

Buffet refreshments were served at tables gay with Easter bunny tapers; colored, decorated eggs, inscribed with the guests' names were favors. Gifts were exchanged. Mrs. Russell Evans will open her home, at 2118-A Cabrillo ave., for a meeting of the group next Thursday, April 19.

**BRIDGE CLUB MEETS AT MRS. SILLIGO**

Mrs. A. H. Silligo entertained at luncheon and bridge, Thursday afternoon at her home. At tables centered with garden flowers covers were arranged for eight guests, all members of her bridge club. Prizes were presented to Mesdames H. E. Massie and W. L. Laughon.



**FASHION AUTHORITY**... Mme. Jacqueline, who before the war was a regular visitor to Paris and New York style centers, and now creator of Hollywood millinery modes, will direct the new millinery department of the Gay Shop in Torrance.

**YOUNG MATRON IS SHOWER HONOREE**

Mrs. Eunice Townsend was honoree at a shower arranged Tuesday evening of last week at the home of Mrs. Anna Rogers, 2003 Gramercy ave. Mrs. Jean Arrasmith and Miss Frances Bortnem assisted as co-hostesses. Shower games were the diversion and following the presentation of lovely gifts for the heir-to-be, refreshments were served at a table centered with pansies and baby blue candles. Pink and white diminutive diapers, pinned with safety pins, were favors.

Those present were the honoree and Mesdames Anna Bay, Nadine Bay, Ruth Letz, Bessie Hosking, Leah Priller, Anna Hauck, Anna Carlson, Cora Schwartz, Walburga Wise, Helen Tavan, Ada Luedke, Ella Sloane, Dorothy Mearning, Helen Phillips, Jane Dennis, and the Misses Dorothy Letz and Thelma Hof.

**DINNER PARTY HONORS DEAN BARKDULL**

Honoring their son, Dean, recently returned from 10 months Pacific duty with the Merchant Marine Service, Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Barkdull entertained at dinner Saturday evening at their home. Arrangements of call lilies were used in the rooms where tables were set for Mr. and Mrs. V. R. Bernard and Joy of Pasadena; Mrs. Harry Marshall, Mrs. Effie Quayle and Miss Julia Quayle, all of Huntington Park; Messrs. and Mesdames Carl Quayle, Roland Quayle, C. H. Meskimer, John Daulley and son, all of Long Beach; Miss Phyllis Knorr, Cpl. Russell Quayle, and family members.

**RUSSELL-THOMAS RITES ARE READ**

In a ceremony performed at St. Peter's Episcopal Church, San Pedro, on Easter Sunday Fred James Russell, A.A.F., took as his bride Miss Ilia A. Thomas. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Russell, of San Pedro and formerly of this city. A reception followed.

**LUTHERAN LADIES ARRANGE DINNER**

Lutheran Ladies Aid is completing plans for a dinner to be held at the church parlors, corner Sonoma at Acacia aves., Saturday, April 24. Serving will begin at 5:00 o'clock, according to Mrs. Helene Miller, chairman. Everyone is invited. Tickets may be purchased at the door.

**HUTCHERSONS HAVE SUNDAY GUESTS**

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Hutcherson entertained informally Sunday at their home for Torrance and out of town friends and relatives. A pot-luck luncheon was featured and cards were the evening diversion. Those present were Messrs. and Mrs. D. E. Parker, of Downey; T. L. Parker and son, of Gardena; Hugh Hood, of Long Beach; J. E. Miles and Mrs. R. D. Adams.

**BETSY ROSS CLUB TO MEET TUESDAY**

Betsy Ross Star Club will meet at Masonic Temple, Tuesday, April 17 for a 12:30 luncheon. Reservations may be made by calling Mrs. Frances Buckley, 191, not later than 6 p.m., Monday evening. Mrs. Nelle Phillips will preside at the business session and later cards will be the diversion with a door prize and regulation game, prizes.

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