

Elementary P.T.A. Opens 1945-46 Year At Afternoon Meet

Torrance Elementary P. T. A. opened the fall season with a meeting held in the school auditorium last Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Don Wolf, president, and Mrs. Kenneth Ruffell, who read the Parent Teacher prayer.

Vocal solos by Mrs. Nadine Nickel, "Through the Years" and "Smoke Gets in Your Eyes" were features of the musical program.

Among the guests of honor were Mrs. John Garner, president of Lomita-San Pedro Council, Mrs. Herbert Markham, Fern Avenue president, and Mrs. E. A. Stamper, Fern Avenue room mother chairman. B. J. Strand, principal of Torrance Elementary school, presented the teachers.

Pupils of Mrs. L. Boyle's B-6 class then presented an interesting demonstration and program of Mexican and Latin American countries. At the tea-table, lovely with arrangements of cut flowers and lighted tapers, Mrs. Garner and Mrs. Markham poured.

TORRANCE GROUP ATTEND ICE SHOW

Dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Hutcherson, 1924 Andros ave., Wednesday evening, were Mrs. Eva Whitney and her daughters, Mrs. J. B. Miles and Miss Beverly Whitney. Mr. and Mrs. Hutcherson, Mrs. J. B. Miles and Miss Whitney were later joined by friends and all attended the Ice Follies. In the party, in addition to those named above, were Messrs. and Mrs. E. D. Adams, Ed Ingram, and Mrs. Harry Thielman.

LAUGHONS ENTERTAIN
Weekend guests of Dr. and Mrs. W. E. Laughon were Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Phelps of Culver City, Mrs. Bruce Fischer and Mrs. Phyrne Patterson, both of Los Angeles.

JUNIOR WOMAN'S CLUB AT ENJOYABLE PARTY

Members of Torrance Junior Woman's Club report an exceptionally successful card party held Wednesday evening of last week at the clubhouse.

Autumn leaves, used to adorn the handmade tallies, furnished the motif for a fall party theme. Dainty refreshments were served at the conclusion of card play.

Hostesses for the affair were Mrs. R. M. Rogers, chairman, and Mrs. H. W. Bransden, H. L. Wagner, Jr., C. W. Bartholomew, J. P. Montague, Keith Coast, W. W. Baker and Miss Korena Carlin.

Mrs. E. E. Clayton and Ed King were presented with special prizes and contract awards were received by Mrs. Charles Ward, J. R. Wilkes, L. G. Finlayson and R. J. Rogers. Don Hall was presented with a prize for high score at auction. Mrs. Sadie Nolan and Mrs. Richard Steenback second. Edgar N. White and Russell were pinocle winners and Miss Marian Lincoln won the rummy game.

NAVY MOTHERS PLAN CARD PARTY FRIDAY

Little Hills Navy Mothers' Club No. 157 will entertain at a benefit card party to be held tomorrow, Friday evening, Oct. 5 at V. F. W. Hall, Lomita. The customary games will be played, following the presentation of a door prize at 8:00 o'clock. At the close of the play with regatta game prizes, refreshments will be served by Mrs. Olive Phillips, chairman and Mrs. M. Toler and M. Slover.

The Navy Mothers are planning a bazaar to be held Wednesday, Oct. 24.

BARBARA JEAN IS NINE NOW

Barbara Jean Hazzard was pleasantly surprised on her ninth birthday with a party arranged at her home on Acacia ave. Barbara Jean's guests were Diane Schumert, Sharon Felker, Sally and Jill Moore and Mary Schott.

P.T.A. Council Is Entertained By Torrance Elementary

Torrance Elementary P. T. A. was hostess last Friday when the Lomita-San Pedro Council was entertained at the first meeting of the 1945-46 year.

Mrs. John Garner presided and presented Mrs. Lincoln Johnson, of Lomita, a representative of the Victory Chest Bureau, in a discussion of the importance of Victory Chest this year in assisting the ex-service man and his family in adjustment to civilian life.

A program of vocal solo selections by Mrs. Luke Nickel accompanied by Kathryn Buffington was a highlight of the program.

A poster contest, scheduled for November meeting in charge of Mrs. C. W. Brocklesby, council art chairman, was announced. Reports of the activities of their associations were given by Mrs. M. E. Wilmoth, Leland St.; Clinton V. Caballo; H. W. Nansel, Lomita Elementary; E. C. Spires, Bandini; M. L. Thomas, 15th Street; Henrietta Ortega, Barton Hill; John Langen, Seventh Street; Don Wolf, Torrance Elementary; Eldridge Walter, Harbor City; H. T. Markham, Fern Ave.; William Feeney, Pt. Fermin; George Thatcher represented Walteria P. T. A.

At attractively appointed tables, a delectable luncheon was served featuring an Italian menu and decorations. Colored gourds and novelty candle holders created an effective background for the tables. Serving on the hostess committee were members of Torrance Elementary P. T. A. executive board, including Mrs. Don Wolf, W. E. Bowen, George Baer, Robert Lenton, John Spiller, Paul Smith, Irene Perry and George Licht.

G. S. LEADERS AT SEASON'S FIRST MEETING

Girl Scout leaders and committee members held this season's first meeting Tuesday evening at the Girl Scout House. Mrs. Mark A. Wright, neighborhood chairman, presided. Guests were Mrs. Olive Dickson, district director and Mrs. Frank Church, sectional chairman.

Plans for the ensuing year were discussed with special emphasis on Girl Scout Week (October 28 to Nov. 3). Mrs. Dickson announced a Girl Scout Leaders' training course to be given at Banning Park on Oct. 5, 12, 19 and 26 from 10:00 to 2:00 o'clock. All those interested are invited.

Those attending were: Mrs. Robert Lenton, Don Wolf, Charles A. Curtiss, George Baer, O. H. Olsen, C. W. Robinson, Margaret Reeves, Rose Jones, Hazel Stitt, Fred Bever, Homer Schooley, Noel Morin and Howard McDonald.

OLD FRIENDS SHARE BIRTHDAY HONORS

Mrs. Anna Burmaster shared birthday honors with George S. Wheaton at a dinner party arranged Wednesday evening when Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Curtis entertained at home. Covers were placed for Mr. and Mrs. Carl Burmaster and daughter Carolyn of South Gate; Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Burmaster and daughters Marian and Beatrice of Los Angeles; Mr. and Mrs. George S. Wheaton of this city; Miss Fern Martin and Arthur E. Burmaster; Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Curtiss and daughters, Kathleen and Adele Ann. Many beautiful personal gifts were presented to the honorees.

VAUDEVILLE SHOW AT SHRINE AUDITORIUM

Tickets are available now for a gala vaudeville show to be presented at Shrine Auditorium Saturday evening, October 6. Ten acts of vaudeville, augmented by personal appearances of stage, screen and radio celebrities are features of the entertainment offered.

The affair will be sponsored by the O. E. S. Patrons Association of 1945 and proceeds will be donated to the Red Cross Arts and Skills corps for rehabilitation of returned service men. Tickets may be procured by calling Torrance 1639.

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EXCHANGE VOWS . . . In rites performed Saturday afternoon at Compton Methodist church Miss Nelda Parker became the bride of Lieut. Boyd C. Hawley, U. S. Army. A reception followed at the home of the bridegroom's parents in Compton. The bridegroom had just returned from the E.T.O., where he was attached to an infantry unit.

Junior Clubwomen Plan Puppet Show; Other Activities

New members of Torrance Junior Woman's Club will present a short program at the regular business meeting next Wednesday evening, with Mrs. Ted Meier in charge. A talk on the Victory Chest and a beauty discussion also will be given, according to Mrs. Robert T. Wertz, chairman for the evening.

This program was outlined by Mrs. H. W. Bransden at an executive board meeting Monday evening in the home of Mrs. H. L. Wagner, Jr., president.

Mrs. R. B. Tresize announced that among the clubs philanthropic projects for the year will be the preparation of Christmas boxes for servicemen overseas. The boxes will be delivered through the Junior Woman's Club Federation to the American Red Cross. Other philanthropic projects will include holiday gifts for the children in the tubercular ward at General Hospital, with Mrs. D. E. Eubank in charge.

Mrs. Wagner reported on a Federation meeting which she and Mrs. Keith Coast attended last week in Los Angeles and Mrs. H. E. Massie, Mrs. J. H. Moore, sponsors, offered suggestions which they had gathered at a sponsor's conference last Wednesday. Mrs. W. W. Baker, press chairman, reported on a press conference she attended in Los Angeles Friday.

Mrs. G. T. Derouin, puppet show chairman, reminded members that the first show, "The Three Little Pigs," will be held on Friday, October 12, at 7:30 p. m. in the Woman's club house, 1422 Engracia ave.

Also present at the board meeting were Mrs. R. B. Stone, C. W. Bartholomew, O. W. Hakanson, W. O. Clausen, R. M. Rogers, and Miss Marion Lincoln.

ST. CECILIA'S GUILD PLANS ACTIVITIES

St. Cecilia's Guild of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church will hold their regular monthly business meeting, Wednesday evening Oct. 10, 8 p. m., in the parish house. Bazaar chairman, Mrs. Mildred Dudley urges every one to attend to discuss final plans for the Halloween bazaar to be held Monday evening, Oct. 29. A social hour will follow the meeting with Mrs. Ada Siegfried and Mrs. Roxie Sleeth as hostesses.

RETURNED OFFICER HONORED AT DINNER

Honoring Lieut. (Jr.) William T. Dennison, on 20-day leave following Pacific duty, Mrs. D. R. Snow and Mrs. Dorothy Dykes shared hostess honors at a recent dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Snow, 1651 W. 216th st. Places were set for Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Moore, and sons Walter and Raymond, Lt. and Mrs. W. T. Dennison, Patricia and Ronald, Miss Pauline Snow, D. R. Snow and Leroy Snow.

CATHOLIC PARTY THIS EVENING

Hostesses for this evening's Catholic card party are the Misses Rosa and Katherine Orman, Mesdames Finlayson, Stupfield, L. Derouin, Shaner, Schroeder, Chalky, Newton, Vonderahe and Mentzer. Every one is invited. The first door prize will be presented at 8:00 o'clock and games of contract and auction bridge, pinocle and 500 will begin immediately.

Catholic Daughters Report Sunday Meet; Plan Activities

On Sunday afternoon, Sept. 30, Catholic Woman's Club in Los Angeles was the scene of festivities when Courts of Southern California gathered for a formal reception in honor of newly elected State officers of C. D. of A. Among these from Torrance who attended were Father P. J. McGuinness, the Misses Rosa and Katie Orman, Mrs. Katherine Flynn, Lella Elder, Marie Winkler, Ethel Collingsworth, Frances Forester, Beulah Landerville, Joan Graciano, and Grand Regent Clare Farrell who was one of the officers who poured at the beautifully decorated tea table.

Mrs. Vee Hussy was a gracious hostess when she entertained Father P. J. McGuinness and members and friends of Court St. Catherine Monday evening, October 1st at a study club meeting at her home. Colorful flowers decorated the table where delicious home made refreshments were served.

The next meeting of the study group Monday, Nov. 5, will be at the home of the Misses Orman, 1729 Cabrillo ave.

The regular business meeting of the court will be held at Torrance Woman's Clubhouse Monday evening, Oct. 8, at 8:00 o'clock. Since election to fill vacancies in office will be a feature of this meeting it is hoped all members will be present.

Fern Avenue P.T.A. At Enjoyable Meet. Wed. Afternoon

"Home and School Educate for Peace" was the topic chosen by Mrs. Grace Dreier, deputy district director of curriculum, of Los Angeles City Schools, when she spoke at the year's first Fern Avenue P. T. A. regular monthly meeting held at the school Wednesday, Sept. 26. The guest speaker stressed the "indomitable spirit of youth" that had won the war and would keep the peace if properly guided by the home and school. Mrs. Dreier told of the good that had come out of the war and said that America has emerged from the war with an attitude of pride in a job to do. Mrs. Herbert T. Markham, president of the local unit, conducted the meeting when the largest attendance on record was noted.

Following the introduction of new board members, Frank Navarro, a Fern Avenue pupil, entertained with a group of piano solos.

At the conclusion of the meeting members and guests adjourned to the kindergarten room where tables were arranged to represent each room. Two room mothers and a teacher presided over each table.

GIRL SCOUTS MEET AT SCOUT HOUSE

Members of Girl Scout Troop No. 472 held a business meeting at Scout House Friday afternoon, Sept. 19 with 17 girls present.

At the conclusion of the business session, highlighted by election of officers and other business, Mrs. Adel Burchfield, troop leader, served refreshments to the following:

Janet McCluer, Janet Lee, Patsy McVicar, Dolores Jensen, Barbara Harrington, JoAnn Snodgrass, Marilyn Schumert, Helen Stitt, Dolores Reis, Marilyn Franzen, Donna Bruce, Jane Mitchell, L. A. Johnson, Donna Weber, Lorna Isen, Joyce Bever, and Mrs. Fred Bever.

A. L. A. MEETING PLANNED FOR MONDAY

The regular business meeting of American Legion Auxiliary of Post No. 170 will be held Monday evening, Oct. 8. Mrs. Emma Evans, who will preside, reminds members of their tea towel gifts for the organization. Each member has been asked to supply one towel.

C. E. GUILD TO MEET OCT. 10

Mrs. Anna C. Smith will open her home at 1451 El Prado for a meeting of Central Evangelical Guild to be held Wednesday afternoon, Oct. 10. Mrs. Mildred Lancaster will preside and will assist Mrs. Smith as co-hostess.

Officers elected at this meeting to serve during the ensuing term are:

Noelle Morin, leader of Patrol 1; Sandra Reeves, assistant; Joan Ziemke, leader of Patrol 2; Joan Demonet, assistant; Margaret Vonderahe, secretary; Rosemarie Winkler, treasurer.

DINNER PARTY TONIGHT FOR O. P. A. WORKERS

Mrs. Charles E. Ward, senior clerk of Torrance ration and price control board, will entertain at dinner this evening at Daniels Cafe, former O. P. A. office personnel. The affair also will compliment Mrs. Geneva Cagle, who leaves soon for the east to join her husband, Sgt. Frank Cagle, who has just received an honorable discharge from service.

Women's Activities

By MARY VONDERAHE



BETTY KAUTZ . . . Miss Betty Kautz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kautz, 2067 W. 240th st., Lomita, who became the bride of Ian Buckan, yeoman, 1/c, USCG, at the First Presbyterian Church, Berkeley, Sept. 18. The bride graduated from Narbonne high school, Lomita in June and has been employed at the Mid-City Drug Store, Torrance. The groom is a graduate of San Pedro high school and has been in the service of the U. S. Coast Guard for three years. They are temporarily making their home in Berkeley.

Woman's Club Will Present Noted Lecturer

Torrance Woman's Club will present Lorita Baker Valley, distinguished commentator on world affairs and current literature, in a series of lectures to begin at the clubhouse, at 10:45 a. m., Wednesday, Oct. 17, 1945. Feb. 20 and April 17, 1946, are the concluding dates of the series. Everyone is invited.

Presented as a ways and means project, with Mrs. A. H. Silligo as chairman, the lecture series is creating much interest in the community. Tickets are available from club members or through Mrs. Silligo, chairman, at \$2.40 for the series or single admissions may be procured at the door for \$1.20.

That Mrs. Valley's interpretations of world news, books and drama stimulate independent thinking and reading on the part of all who hear her is best expressed by one critic: "Mrs. Valley condenses the text of ten or twelve new books, yet cleverly leaves her hearers at the 'don't stop there' point."

DAUGHTER IS BORN TO J. W. DOWELLS

Lieut. (Jr.) and Mrs. J. W. Dowell are the parents of a daughter, Diana Lynn, their first child, born Sept. 21 at Long Beach Naval Hospital.

The baby's mother is the former Betty Turner; the grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Dowell, of 915 Cota ave., and Mrs. Tom Turner of 1749 Arlington ave., Lt. (Jr.) Dowell is serving aboard the USS Kearney in Saipan. Mrs. Dowell and the baby will make their home temporarily with her husband's parents.

MISS VIOLET HILTON IS SHOWER HONOREE

Miss Violet Juanita Hilton bride-elect of Wilson R. Page, whose wedding will take place October 10 was honored at a beautifully appointed Bridal Shower at the home of Mrs. Winton Northcott, of Redondo Beach, Tuesday evening, Sept. 25. There were 35 present and many beautiful and useful gifts were presented. Bridal shower games were played and later dainty refreshments were served.

AT MOUNTAIN RESORT

Dr. and Mrs. M. A. Bauman and Dean Blodgett were weekend visitors at Arrowhead. Upon their return they were accompanied by Mrs. Blodgett, 1508 Post ave., who was a vacationer there last week.

Red Cross

Gray Lady Corps Seeks Applicants

Interviews for applicants for the Gray Lady corps being sought for service at the Los Angeles port of embarkation station hospital will be held Oct. 10 and Oct. 17 at Torrance Branch. Headquarters, 1345 El Prado, according to Mrs. Lola Hoover, branch chairman.

Training for the new class will open about Nov. 1 at the station hospital. Torrance and Lomita applicants will be joined by those from surrounding towns and communities.

To be selected from communities adjacent to this city, approximately 40 new members will be trained.

General requirements are American citizenship, high school education, good health, between 25 and 50 years of age, emotional stability and definite ability to work under supervision of others.

Characterized as a morale service, Gray Lady work includes library service on the wards, recreation and social activities. Volunteer members must also be able to keep accurate records, as well as make comprehensive referrals to the staff of requests requiring professional social service.

For further information applicants may call Torrance 1524 or Mrs. M. J. Beale, Torrance 577-R.

METHODIST WOMEN PLAN WOMAN'S DAY

Miss Carolyn Porter of Homer Toberman Home in San Pedro will be the guest speaker on Woman's Day, Thursday, Oct. 11 when Methodist Women's Society of Christian Service meets at 1:00 o'clock at the church.

Miss Porter will tell of the many activities in the home, including classes for children and their mothers. This home is one of the four projects of the Southern California-Arizona Conference of Woman's Societies of Christian Service.

The business meeting will begin at 11:00 a. m. Election of officers will be a feature of the morning's business. Mrs. W. F. Bartholomew, as chairman of the nominating committee, will be assisted by Mrs. Richard Hogue and Russell Paxton.

A noon covered dish luncheon will be in charge of Mrs. Marie Shaban. Devotions will be led by Mrs. Eva Patten. Members of the executive board will meet at 1:30 p. m. Monday, Oct. 8, in the home of Mrs. Grover Van DeVenter.

O. E. S. MEETING THIS EVENING

Members of Torrance Chapter No. 350, of the Eastern Star, will attend a stated meeting at Masonic Temple this evening. Balloting will be a feature of the ritualistic work. Nello Phillips will serve as chairman of the evening.

On Friday evening, Oct. 12, Naomi Brown, worthy matron and J. E. Miller, worthy patron, will serve as courtesy officers at Val Vista Chapter, Los Angeles.

R. N. A. CIRCLE TO MEET OCT. 9

Members of Royal Neighbors Friendship Circle will be entertained at a pot luck lunch Tuesday, Oct. 9 at the home of Mrs. Louise Walker, 2003 Andros ave. The ladies will gather at 10:30 a. m. to sew.

Plans are being completed for an all-day bazaar to be held at the clubhouse, 1422 Engracia ave., Tuesday, Oct. 30.

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