

VACATIONERS

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Tappin, of 2107 Arlington, recently enjoyed a week's trip to San Francisco. Upon their return, they were accompanied by their daughters, Marsha and Barbara, for a fishing trip to Mexico.

Royal Neighbors Extend Honors to New Members

Grand honors were extended to 15 new members who transferred their membership to the Lomita Camp of Royal Neighbors, when they held their regular session Thursday, August 11, at the Presbyterian Social Hall. Also, Feletta Briggs, of San Pedro, was welcomed into the camp and 26 potential members were balloted on to join at a later date.

Witnessing the impressive ceremonies were District Deputy Lenora Fletcher of Long Beach and 62 members of Long Beach Camp. In the report that Oracle Rowena Alrey gave concerning her weekly visits to the Harbor General Hospital, Torrance, patients who were adopted by the group, she said they are delighted with the fresh fruit, newspapers, and magazines that the Neighbors send to them. Special thanks was given to an unknown donor who generously added a five dollar bill to this "enjoyment fund."

Laura Wilke, recorder for the Neighbors, has moved to 3421 So. Patton Street, San Pedro. Members wishing to pay their dues and who are unable to attend the meetings can mail them to the above address or pay them to Anna Erickson, 26247 Fairview avenue, Lomita. Rhuma Resner was appointed to look after the welfare of members in the Redondo Area, which will include sending flowers to the sick, etc.

Committee in charge of refreshments was composed of Ragna Hanson, Beth Mulreйн, Mary Gordon and Hudá Anderson. Delicious fresh peaches, whipped cream, cake and coffee were served.

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CLUB APPOINTMENTS, SOCIAL AFFAIRS TOLD

Mrs. Samuel V. Rauss, president of Torrance Woman's Club, this week announces the appointment of the chairman who will assist with the very full schedule of events planned for the 1949-50 club year.

Acceptances have been received by Mrs. Rauss from: Mmes. Myron A. Russell, American citizenship; B. C. Burton, American Home; Alice Kort, art; Clarence Miller, Bible; H. L. Trueblood, California history

and landmarks; Glen Babcock, education; Roy Ashby, federation extension; A. E. Palmer, Indian welfare; Ambrose Silligo, international relations; G. S. Evans, legislation; Beatrice Bunkley, literature; J. N. Burton, motion pictures and James H. Burchett, music; W. I. Laughon, parliamentary law; Robert Golden, veterans' activities; A. E. Palmer, welfare and philanthropy; A. M. Bingham, child welfare; C. P. Olsen, decorations chairman; Miss Esther Maxwell, historian; Mmes. W. I. Laughon, hospital; Paul Vonderhage, press; Charles Sherwin, purchasing agent; Bob L. Haggard, registrar; W. H. Haslam, assistant registrar; W. I. Laughon, song leader; James H. Burchett, sunshine; Herman Frey, telephone; John Oursler, Dean L. Sears, and W. T. Tillotson, Junior counselors.

Mrs. A. M. Bingham has been named assistant third vice president, Mrs. Raymond Rogers, assistant treasurer; Mrs. O. A. Kresse and Mrs. John Keefe, assistant reservations chairmen. Forthcoming club affairs were discussed informally this week when members met Tuesday morning at the beautiful new Hollywood Riviera home of Mrs. W. I. Laughon, past president, when she generously entertained with an impromptu breakfast.

Following a tour of the beautifully furnished and appointed rooms of the Camino de las Colinas home, the senior and junior clubwomen were seated at tables arranged on the terrace where delicious breakfast specialties were served.

Assisting the gracious hostess in serving were Mesdames Merie Sahli, Vern G. Barlow, Roy Ashley, George Sutton, other members of the senior club and several junior members.

Proceeds of the benefit affair will swell the senior group's treasury. Another enjoyable summer activity for a representative group of clubwomen was their attendance last Tuesday evening at the annual Festival of the Arts and Pageant of the Masters in Laguna Beach.

Proceeding the pageant, Mmes. R. R. Smith, William Stanger, Sidney Smith, John Keefe, and her sister, Mrs. H. A. Ames, of Great Falls, Montana, enjoyed dinner at the Victor Hugo.

Dining at Alice Gentile's Boulevard Restaurant were Mmes. W. I. Laughon, L. Ahrens, B. T. Whitney, J. E. Stavert, Merrill Sahli, Samuel Rauss, Charles Sherwin, G. C. VanDeventer, Earl A. Miles, Raymond Rogers, and Roy Ashley.

PICNIC IS SLATED BY CDA GROUP

Mrs. J. J. MacDonald has hosted to the study club of Court St. Catherine, Catholic Daughters of America, Monday evening at her home, 1420 Acacia. An interesting lecture was given by the Reverend Andrew Burke, Claretian Missionary assisting in Nativity Church parish for the month of August. Daily refreshments were served from a tea table centered with bronze dahlias. Mrs. T. T. Babbitt, grand regent, poured.

Mrs. MacDonald, who is vice regent of the Court, and Mrs. Frank Forester, grand regent in 1947-48, on Saturday attended the annual charity benefit of the Past Grand Regents' Club of Southern California, a tea at the Los Angeles home of Mrs. Manila Caprine.

Members and their families will gather in Torrance Municipal Park at 5:30 Monday evening for a picnic. Those attending are asked to provide a modest dish and wieners and buns.

Conductor to be Chosen By South Bay Civic Symphony Association Board

A musical director and conductor will be chosen at the next regular meeting of the South Bay Civic Symphony Association board of directors, which will be held at the office of Mayor Charles Wortham at Redondo City Hall this month. Mayor Wortham is the president of the association which comprises

the entire South Bay area. Five prominent men in the music world have made application for the post. Those who will be considered by the board are all well-known conductors, each famous in his own field.

Mr. Josef Piastro, conductor of the Palos Verdes Symphony group is perhaps the best known locally. He has recently opened an Art Center in the Riviera Country Club, and has generously offered the use of this building for future rehearsals. His co-operation and helpfulness are most gratifying and evidence his interest in the growth of the musical potential throughout this area. Mr. Piastro is a violin virtuoso, as is his talented and charming wife, Mary. Both are well-known and highly accredited teachers.

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the first en masse rehearsal will take place soon, and will be announced in this newspaper. In preparation for the next concert, which also will be announced shortly. Local rehearsals will continue regularly as usual.

Under the new master plan of the group, each of the communities served will have its own local orchestra, from which members will be drawn into the central orchestra, to be rehearsed together under the conductor. This will be a decided improvement over the old method, as many musicians have transportation and problems of a varied nature which make it difficult to travel long distances to rehearse. The last several rehearsals prior to a concert will be the only en masse rehearsals necessary under the new and broader plan.

In Lomita, Torrance, Wilmington, Redondo, Palo Verdes area, El Segundo and San Pedro, six designated local existing orchestras thus automatically become members of the South Bay Civic Symphony Orchestra, rehearsing the same music simultaneously under their local directors, learning notes at home, and then being rehearsed together as a large orchestra periodically. This will build each local group, and create interest throughout the entire area. It is the hope of the board that the orchestra will grow to become the finest in all Southern California. This will become a reality under the proper conductorship.

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New Members Installed by Pocahontas

When Chicopee Council 267, Degree of Pocahontas, Lomita, held their installation ceremonies Monday, at California Hall, the installing team of Naomi Council, San Pedro, officiated. Vera Hampton, Pocahontas, presided. Obligated were Mary Jane McDonald, Genira Ellingsworth and Henry Appin.

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'Girl Crazy' Opens 22nd

George Gershwin's famous musical scores again will be heard starting August 22 at the outdoor Greek Theater in Griffith Park when Gene Mann presents a company of 1000 in the rollicking musical comedy, "Girl Crazy."

Heading the roster of top-flight musical comedy stars in this mammoth production are Buddy Clark, Jerry Colonna, Benay Venuta and Joy Hodges. Featured principals include: Michael Browne, Lorraine Miller, Thayer Roberts, and Kirby Smith.

An Arizona "dude" ranch is the principal locale for "Girl Crazy," an out of the way spot where feminine wiles have not penetrated for more than 50 years.

But since this is a musical comedy, that manless state obviously could not long endure, especially when Producer Mann has approximately a \$40,000 investment in costumes for his score of shapely chorines and stars.

"Girl Crazy" is said to be one of the very few stage productions which scenic designers can show their creative talents to the fullest scope. Richard Jackson, who designed the "Girl Crazy" settings, was allowed carte blanche by Gene Mann for any expenditures required to make his sets the most lavish and colorful ever to be seen at the Greek Theater where its engagement is limited to two weeks.

Redmen to Dance Again

The Redmen are going to dance again at 1992 Pacific Coast Highway. This time the date will be Friday, August 19. There will be a bang-up orchestra, delicious refreshments and a wonderful time for everyone. Among other attractions will be a door prize.

Tickets will be sold at the door, and the public is cordially invited to attend.

Faye Gossett Is Honoree

In celebration of the birthday of their daughter Faye, Mr. and Mrs. M. V. Gossett of 2114 Cabrillo avenue, entertained with a wieners bake at Torrance city park Friday evening.

The party, which followed the Y-Teen softball game Friday evening, was attended by team members.

Success is making hay with the grass that grows under other people's feet. —Pipefuls

It's a Boy at The Berglunds

Last Friday, August 12, the long-legged bird delivered a precious packet to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Berglund, 1047 S. Walker, San Pedro. The young man tipped the scales at 5 pounds and 11 ounces and will answer to the name of "Terry Alan."

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. I. G. Mayer, 2466 256th street, Lomita, and paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Berglund of 1255 11th street, San Pedro.

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