

### Mirandy Shares Honors With New Fuchsia Club Officers

More than 125 members and guests turned out to hear Mirandy, radio and television personality, when she appeared as guest speaker before the Lomita Fuchsia Club Thursday night in the social hall of the Lomita Presbyterian Church.

New officers were installed and retiring officers recognized for their individual help in making the past year a success.

Visitors included members from various clubs in surrounding towns. Represented were the Garden Club and Fuchsia Society of San Pedro; Wilmington Garden Club, Torrance Terrace Garden Club, Redondo Area Begonia Society and Redondo African Violet Society.

Harry Marshall, president of the California Fuchsia Society, was installing officer. Dismissing the retiring officers he charged the newly-elected officers with their respective duties for the year ahead. Taking the office of president was John Ericson of Torrance. Other officers are Mrs. Betty English, vice president; Mrs. Raymond Lee, secretary; Mrs. A. C. Turner, treasurer and Mrs. Carl Carstens, auditor.

Chairmen announced by Mr. Ericson to serve on the 1950 executive board were Mrs. English, program; Frank Martinez, library; Mrs. Alpha Stump, hospitality; Mrs. Charles Winner, registration; Mrs. Harold Erickson, refreshments; Mrs. C. O. Eipper, membership; Mr. Eipper, plants and Mrs. Lucille Bader, publicity.

Mrs. Helen Garcia presented Mrs. Dorothy Faulkner, retiring president, with a china vase hand painted appropriately in a fuchsia design, in behalf of the retiring executive board members in appreciation of her leadership. Mrs. Faulkner expressed her own appreciation of her board members when she gave each a parting gift.

Introduced by Mrs. J. Bader, program chairman, Mirandy gave her audience much to de-

part with as she spoke on "The Garden Beautiful." Presented in her own inimitable way, her talk was sprinkled throughout with her own philosophy of life and humorous anecdotes from her childhood days. She said that the modern trend in the home garden is simplicity. She advised the removal of old shrubbery and plants in the yard to make room for the simpler, more suitable varieties of garden material. She talked at length about the line of the garden, proportion, color and texture to make gardening an easier task. She explained that working in one's garden inspires a person, it is meat for the soul, heals broken hearts, restores one's faith and brings one closer to Mother Nature. She also exhibited several samples of shrubbery from her own spacious garden.

State President Mary Marshall was presented with a life membership in the local club, and Mrs. Gwen Trefethen, retiring publicity chairman, presented Mrs. Faulkner with a publicity book artistically decorated by Catherine Richter, noted artist of Rolling Hills.

Door prizes went to Mrs. J. L. Shuey of Wilmington and Mrs. Charles Winner of Lomita and new members welcomed were Mrs. George Hunt and Mrs. Jack McKinney. Announcement was made that the social hall of the church would not be available for future meetings and an invitation was accepted to meet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bader, 26022 Eshelman avenue, Thursday evening April 20.



SEWING LAYETTES . . . were officers and members of the Philanthropy Section of Los Angeles Cosmos Club, whom they were luncheon guests Tuesday in the attractive home of Mrs. Willis M. Brooks. Pictured are, seated left to right,

Mrs. Arthur B. Belzer, past president; Mrs. Joseph Sloan, philanthropy chairman; Mrs. John T. William, Stading, Mrs. Brooks; and Mrs. John A. Peel, program chairman. Staff photo by Lee Weinstein.

### Mrs. Brooks is Hostess To Women's Organizations

Mrs. Willis M. Brooks was a gracious hostess when she entertained at luncheon Tuesday

afternoon in her Portola avenue home. Her guests were 50 members of the Philanthropy Section of Los Angeles Cosmos Club with which she has been affiliated for more than 24 years.

Pink and white camellias and china birds ornamented the buffet luncheon table and created a pretty springtime theme.

During the afternoon the ladies sewed and knitted, completing baby layettes for Torrance Memorial Hospital and other organizations.

On Saturday afternoon Mrs. Brooks entertained at luncheon for the Tabby Weavers, a group composed of Torrance, Gardena, and Rolling Hills members. They were joined by The Little Weavers of Santa Monica, and weavers from Long Beach, including notables in the field, Mrs. Marguerite Robinson, Inez Berger and R. Russell.

Place cards, painted by the hostess, and gardenias added to the enjoyment of the occasion for the group, all of whom are members of the California Hand Weavers.

Each of the guests exhibited a pet weaving project and discussed her work.

### Barringtons At Conclave

Torrance was represented at the Oil Mills Superintendents convention (West Coast Division), held recently in Fresno, by Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Barrington, and their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Barrington and Leslie. Miss Frances Barrington flew down from Oakland, where she is a student at Mills College, to join in the festivities.

A two-day visit in San Francisco also was enjoyed by the party.

### Women of Moose Set Dinner 24th

Torrance Chapter 44, Women of the Moose, will sponsor a chicken pie dinner in VFW clubhouse tomorrow evening from 6 until 8 o'clock.

Everyone is invited, according to Ionia Steele, chapter ritual chairman, who is serving as dinner chairman.

### Miller home Setting for Club Meeting

Mrs. J. E. Miller, newly elected president of Torrance Arts Crafts Club, entertained members Friday evening in her beautiful new home, 1532 Post avenue.

The 1949 officers headed by Mrs. E. L. Snodgrass were honored guests.

St. Patrick's decorations were used, with beautiful table arrangements of green and white. Members wore fancy Irish bonnets and bib aprons.

The club membership, limited to 25, cast a unanimous vote to specialize in the support of the YWCA. Next regular meeting will be April 21 at the Manhattan Beach home of Mrs. Betty Thomas.

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### NEVADA TRIP

Dr. and Mrs. R. A. Bingham returned Wednesday from Las Vegas where they were guests for a week at Hotel Last Frontier. They were accompanied by Dr. and Mrs. R. A. Hoag of Tor-

rance and Mr. and Mrs. William Baker Smith of Hermosa Beach and formerly of this city. Visits to Scotty's Castle and other points of interest were highlights of their trip.

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