

Through Keystone Keyhole

Password is 'Quack, Quack' As Keystone Ducks High Tide

Don't know how wet you got over the weekend, but the password out in these parts will be "Quack-quack" for quite a spell.

Several things had to be called off due to the weather. The general exchange of stamps that was programmed for the regular meeting of the Keystone Area Stamp Club will be the main point on the agenda at the next meeting scheduled for March 28, according to President E. P. Chace. These business are held in the field house at the Avalon-Sepulveda Park, and any interested persons may attend. Junior stamp collectors are always welcome to these twice-a-month get-togethers.

The regular monthly meeting of the Keystone Woman's Club was held March 12 at the Woman's clubhouse, 127 E. 220th St. The meeting, presided over by Mrs. O. O. Gray, featured election of the nominating committee. Members chosen were: Pauline Tourtelotte, chairman, with Dr. Ethel White and Mrs. M. Helback serving on the committee.

Discussion of an adult YWCA group to be started in this area occupied some of the meeting time. Members were urged to attend a meeting held March 18 at the Avalon-Sepulveda Park clubhouse.

Hostesses for the meeting were Mmes. J. Stamps and V. Morton.

The Keystone branch of the National Fuchsia Society held its regular monthly meeting March 12 at 7:30 p.m. in the Keystone Woman's clubhouse. Mrs. Frank Alsop presided over the interesting session, which featured colored slides of desert wild flowers found in California and Arizona. This pictorial program was presented by Homer Rush.

A report was given by Mrs. E. Everson on the national society's flower show which will be at Knott's Berry Farm June 26, 27 and 28.

Guests were Mrs. Mildred Foster of Gardena and Mrs. Ida Erwin of Long Beach. A door prize was given to a younger member of the J. T. Harris family, a potted azalea. The usual plant sale was held after the business meeting, conducted by Mrs. D. Donahue.

Refreshments were served with Mmes. Alsop and J. H. Parker as hostesses. St. Patrick's Day served as motif with whipped green jello, shamrock-topped cup cakes and shamrock napkins.

Anyone interested in flowers may attend these meetings which are held the second Tuesday of each month at the clubhouse.

Camp Fire and Blue Bird leaders of the upper harbor area met at Halldale School in Torrance March 13 at 7:30 p.m. for their regular monthly meeting.

Mrs. William Hoy presided over the session, when plans were made for the candy sale in April and this week's observance of the 42nd birthday of Camp Fire Girls. Bluebirds and Camp Fire members are requested to wear their respective uniforms during the week.

Different craft projects were displayed during the meeting. A report was given on the annual Area Camp Fire council meeting, which was held recently at the Los Angeles Breakfast Club by Mrs. Laura Larrabee. Mmes. Edna Courtney, Mildred Zarwell and Laura Larrabee of Alondra Park were hostesses for the refreshment period, when donuts and coffee were served.

Areas represented were Hawthorne, Alondra, Gardena, Torrance and Keystone. From Key-

stone were Mmes. D. Jones, R. Landon, I. Moore, J. Lewis and C. Linn.

The Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary met March 16 at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. J. G. Caldwell, 22120 Monica Ave. Mrs. Caldwell presided over the meeting, when it was decided to make slippers for small children at county hospital for the next major project. Mmes. M. Weber, M. Bradford and Montoya were hostesses for the refreshment period.

Four students from Carson St. School have been chosen to attend the KTLA Playcrafters television programs March 19 and 26. The program is viewed at 5 p.m. Kitchencraft-KTLA particular interest for children will be demonstrated as project for the program. Children to appear are Nancy Wall, Michael Cochran, Ernest Rados and Elsie Rains. Accompanying the group will be Mrs. Bertram Rains.

John Doyle, B-6-A-6 teacher at Carson, will resume duties this week after an absence of four weeks, during which he had been convalescing from surgery. Welcome back!

Blue Bird and Campfire groups meet each Tuesday afternoon at the school. There is a need for more Campfire leaders and mothers interested may call the above number for information.

Plans for Easter baskets were made at the executive board meeting of Carson St. PTA March 14. The baskets are being made by children at school and will be filled by the PTA. The business session, presided over by Mrs. Jack Spence, dealt with the appointment of four members to be sponsors of newly-formed Blue Bird and Camp Fire groups. Members chosen were Mmes. A. Barkan, C. Whitteburg, J. Spence and James

A report on the progress of the sale of school T-shirts was made by Mmes. R. Gilbert and J. Luten. It is hoped that each and every child at Carson St. will soon be adorned in his own school shirt.

Mrs. M. Q. Wallace, Carson principal and Mrs. Alma Blake were chosen to represent the school and the Parent-Teacher group at the meeting of the Civil Defense medical division for the unincorporated territory held later in the day at Long Beach.

A pot luck luncheon was served following the meeting. Mrs. Wallace's guests were Mrs. Eleanor Swinn, primary supervisor, and Mrs. Ruth Pipkin, counselor from the south district of city schools.

PTA members attending the business meeting and luncheon were Mmes. Spence, C. Linn, J. Campbell, M. Wallace, W. Nott, J. Elmore, G. Barkan, C. Johnston, J. Lewis, C. Whittenburg, R. Gilbert, A. Blake, C. Brooks, R. Landon and J. Luten.

During the PTA meeting word was received that Mrs. Frank Racho (our parliamentarian) had presented her husband with his first son March 13 at 3:30 a.m. The young lad weighed in at 9 pounds at Harbor General Hospital. They have three girls at home waiting to welcome their brother. The Rachos reside at 21400 Bonita St. Congratulations are in order.

The monthly meeting of Carson St. PTA will be held tonight at the school in bungalow 11. There will be a deputy registrar there at 7 p.m. to register voters for the coming elections. The meeting will start at 7:30 and will feature fathers as hosts and in charge of the program.

Election of officers and committee for the new year will be

on the business part of the evening's program.

Refreshments will be served so let's all try to attend. Don't forget to register to vote. It will be five years before we get another chance to vote on school bonds and we do need schools and improvements in the ones we have now.

Walteria News Notes

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The Walteria WSCS held its monthly meeting in the Recreation Hall Monday evening, March 17. Those there planned a mothers and daughters banquet to be held Monday, April 21 in honor of Mother's Day. Also discussed was the coming flower show and several other events. Including the rummage sale to be held in San Pedro this weekend.

Mrs. Mollie Dowd, Los Codona Ave., was the guest of Mrs. Margaret Murray, Los Angeles, from Sunday to Thursday of last week. "Mollie" has now returned to her post as Walteria librarian.

Carolyn Harline, Los Codona Ave., has a display of personal paintings being shown at the Torrance Library. These paintings show real talent and hope that many of our residents will take time to visit the library and see them.

Mrs. R. M. Harrison, Los Codona Ave., was visitor at the home of her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Batezell, Alhambra, recently.

The stork was busy again this week when he left a bundle for Mr. and Mrs. Bill Slonecker. The bundle was a girl, weighing 8 lbs. 9 oz., who was named Pamela Jane. Congratulations to the new parents!

The MYF here in Walteria is participating in a talent night show at San Pedro Methodist Church Friday, March 28. They will represent one of seven churches which are pooling talent to bring an evening of varied entertainment in a two-hour variety show. The MYF will present a play titled "Sunday Body Family on Sunday Morning," which is a 15-minute portrayal of Sunday morning confusion. Those in the play are Robert Sumpter, Colleen Gordon, Margaret Tinkle, Otto Stieffel, Gwen Chaffin, Vicky Hagan and Donny Crowell. The choir will also sing a number on the program.

The Walteria PTA held its monthly meeting Thursday evening, March 13, in the school auditorium. A very interesting program was presented, including a lecture by Judge Ida Mae Adams of the Los Angeles Superior Court. Her subject was the discipline of children and the state as a foster parent. She was very well received and highly enjoyed. An exhibition and demonstration of the kindergarten finger painting was also on the evening's program. A trio of girls, Sharon and Sandra Buchanan and Oranell Rainwater, sang several spirituals. Officers for the coming year were also elected. They were as follows: Mrs. A. Bruce Howey, president; Mr. E. Powell, vice president; Mr. Kirks, second vice president; Mrs. Maurice Willey, recording secretary; Mrs. Walter Wild, financial secretary; Mrs. E. B. Pau, treasurer; Mrs. Gloria Retchin, auditor and Mrs. Barbara Camilleri, historian.

A training course for Brownie

Tommy Johnston Enlists in Navy

Another Torrance youth has been called to active duty with the armed forces.

Jarold "Tommy" Johnston, 23, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Johnston of 1651 - 216th St., is now in San Diego awaiting orders for the submarine school in New London, Conn.

A 1947 Torrance High School graduate, Johnston was employed at Northrop Aircraft before being called into the Naval Reserve in February for two years active duty. While at Torrance High he lettered in cross-country track and belonged to the Order of DeMolay.

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