

Riviera Boys Play In Little League

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Dozens of Riviera boys were part of the 232 young baseball hopefuls who tried out for the Torrance Area Little League, were approved and purchased last week. Teams managers held their player auditions last Thursday night, each manager starting with the same number of points and bidding by the point system for each player. Thus, if one or two players cost the manager a lot of his precious points, he had to take it light and easy for a few more team members until he balanced his point budget. As many of the managers remarked, no more fair system has been devised; in this way, each team is pretty evenly balanced against the rest.

On the distaff side of the Little League, mothers of the team members in Riviera met last Tuesday evening at the home of the Douglas Motrs, 249 Via la Circula, to make plans to aid the teams in their own way. Hot dog sales at the games, the sale of Little League emblems are just two of the money-raising possibilities which the ladies discussed at their meeting.

Out at the new Little League baseball field in Torrance, some 20 or 30 fathers put in a hard week-end last Saturday and Sunday, working to complete the field for competitive play. The fence is partly up now, and likewise the backstop. A sprinkler system of sports is being installed and work is being pushed as fast as possible to get the field in operating condition.

Some of the local Little League teams will commence their practicing this week, utilizing for the most part, various recreation centers in the area. Uniforms have been ordered and should be arriving soon. Thus a parents' dream of helping their sons to better recreation, a dream started some months ago, comes slowly into being. A monumental task of shaping an entire baseball league in an equitable way is not only possible, it has been done; it is the cooperation of ALL the parents and their boys that makes it possible.

Tomorrow night at St. James parish hall in Redondo, at 8 o'clock, the annual benefit card party sponsored by Las Vecinas will be held to aid the handicapped children at Harbor General Hospital. Can you think of a finer project, one more worthy of your time?

Mrs. Oscar Lundstrom, chairman of the committee for the benefit, has been working with her committee for months to make this benefit a great success. Among the games scheduled to be played will be bridge, canasta, 500 and pinochle. Many prizes will be awarded.

The Children's ward at Harbor General Hospital, we might add, is the major philanthropic project of Riviera's Las Vecinas. They have presented the hospital with toys, ceramic supplies and a kiln, looms and other equipment to aid in the physical recovery and rehabilitation of handicapped children. Tickets for the benefit card party may be obtained by calling Frontier 5-4544.

An investigating committee looking into the proposed 350-lot tract development planned for Riviera's west section will report this week to the Torrance Planning Commission, it has been reported.

Maps have been submitted by the Don-Ja-Ron Company which indicate they plan to construct homes in the area bounded by Monte d'Oro, Calle Mayor and

the management for this affair in order that the maximum amount of money taken in may go to fight cancer.

Serving as co-chairmen are Pat Patronsky and Mrs. Paul Roettger of Sportsmen and Las Vecinas respectively. Committee members include Rivieras Mrs. Louis Regan, George Aldrich, J. C. Kinsey, and Will Zens.

The committee and their sponsoring organizations hope that the dance turnout will be sufficiently large to preclude the usual house-to-house canvass to raise funds for the Cancer drive.

Home from vacationing in Mazatlan, Mexico, are the Richard Blakeleys, 720 Calle de Arboles. Thanks to transportation via air, they were able to enjoy almost a full week of south of the border fun out of their one-

week vacation allotment. During their absence, Mrs. Curtis Cool, their close neighbor, watched young 3-year-old Bradford.

Riviera's new Brownie Troop 147 held their investiture last Saturday afternoon at El Betty ro clubhouse. Mesdames Betty Reynolds and Lee Scott, Brownie leaders reported. Guests were parents of the Brownies and Mrs. Mary Hummel, district chairman for Hollywood Riviera, as well as Mrs. Lena Howay, chairman of the Las Vecinas youth committee. Las Vecinas sponsors the group.

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