

# Five PTAs in Torrance Council Hold Founders Day Ceremonies Next Week

## '20 Questions' State Prexy To Speak

The audience will participate in quiz program style Tuesday night when Torrance High School PTA kicks off the week's Founders Day events by awarding two honorary life memberships at an 8 o'clock program in the high school cafeteria.

Parents and teachers will attempt to guess the identities of the winners through "Twenty Questions" before the awards are presented.

Other highlights of the evening will include a Founders Day skit, "The Barber Shop Scene," with five fathers participating, and the introduction of past presidents. A birthday cake marking the 57th birthday of the Association will be cut during the social hour, with Junior mothers serving as hostesses.

This will be the second Founders Day celebration to be observed within Torrance Council PTA.

## PTA Trials, Joys Told

First event, staged last Wednesday by Crenshaw PTA at the school featured a talk on "Trials and Joy of PTA" by Mrs. C. H. Smith, past state president. Honored as past president was Mrs. Dana Houston.

The Association did not award an honorary life membership at this session, but tentative plans to name a candidate later in the spring were made. Mrs. William Skiles, president, said.

Selection of a nominating committee composed of Mesdames John Davis, Ralph Eyston, John Ruckle, John Huback, and Clarence Johnson, applied the business agenda with the president calling for a report at the March Association meeting.

## Leaders to Give Skit

North Torrance Elementary PTA also has scheduled its Founders Day program for Wednesday evening, but will convene a half-hour earlier at the school. Presentation of a skit by the current president, Mrs. Francis Stoelke, and two past presidents, Ralph McBeck and Robert Jackson, will carry out the theme of the evening.

The two past presidents will be honored in appropriate ceremony and an honorary life membership will be presented.

Two units within Torrance Council have charted similar programs for the following Thursday.

## Plan Movie, Band Music

Fern Ave.-Greenwood PTA has chosen "Preface to a Life," a film, and selections by a second grade "Rhythm Band" as additional features on the 7:30 program, to be held at the Fern Ave. cafeteria.

Past and 1954 recipients of the honorary life memberships, past presidents, and charter members will be included on the honor guest list.

## 'Cancioneros' To Entertain

Los Cancioneros, Hollywood Riviera choral group, will provide entertainment at Seaside PTA's Founders Day event, which also will include the awarding of one honorary life membership and honoring of past presidents.

In charge of the program, scheduled to begin at 7:30 p.m., is Mrs. Lorne Bristol, first vice-president.

Dates the remainder of Torrance Council PTA units have chosen to commemorate the founding of the Association are Riviera and Madrona, at 8 and 7:30 p.m. respectively Wednesday, Feb. 17; Torrance Elementary at 1:30 p.m. the following Thursday; and Perry at 7:30 p.m. the same day.

All units have been invited to attend Council's celebration, to be held at the YWCA Wednesday, Feb. 17, at 9:45 a.m.

Outside Council but within the Torrance area are two more Founders Day events, both scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 11.

## Two Fetes in 10th District

Sparking the 186th St. PTA program will be a history of the school and the Association from 1925 to 1953. Past presidents will join the birthday celebration and the life membership chairman will reveal the name or names of those chosen for honorary life membership.

Hallidge Ave. School will award two honorary life memberships. Mrs. E. R. Martin, chairman, and Mesdames C. C. DeVore, R. N. Reese, J. Blackmon, and Amanda Bonwell, principal, formed the candidate-screening committee.

## CITY PTA SLATES PAPER, RAG DRIVE

Torrance Elementary PTA will sponsor a paper and rag drive at the school next Tuesday, Feb. 9. Mrs. Henry F. Heinlein, ways and means chairman, announced this week.

All articles must be delivered to the school between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5:30 p.m., she said, adding that old rugs, bath mats, mattresses and slipcovers as well as woollens, cottons, and rayons will be accepted.

Another first child born Feb. 2, at 1:08 p.m., is Michael Lee, son of the Paul LeRoy Gilberts, 3308 W. 182nd St. Father of the 5 lb. 10 oz. bit of masculinity is a carpenter with Douglas Bros. Construction. The Robert T. Gilberts, 1610 Fern Ave., and Russell Raymond Bushey of the W. 182nd St. address are grandfathers.

Torrance Police Officer W. M. Mitchell and his wife, who make their home at 3317 Dana St., are announcing the arrival of their third child, an 8 lb. 5 oz. girl whom they have named Sherri Lynn. The baby was born Feb. 3, joining four-year-old Billy and 18-month-old Marilee. Grandmothers are Mesdames Helen A. Ziernero of Los Angeles and Mollie I. Dowd of Waltham.

Welcoming a new baby brother are Deborah Lee and Gregory Neal, children of the Frank Steins, 4115 W. 175th Pl. Named Richard Jeffery, the new addition to the family weighed 8 lbs. 12 oz. when born at 10:53 a.m. Feb. 3. Father is an electrician at Northrop Aircraft.

It's three against four in the small set at the 1023 Felbar Ave. home of Mr. and Mrs. Myron Willmore. Joining forces with six-year-old Stephen and four-year-old Gregory this week was 7 lb. 3 oz. Michael Joseph. On the opposite side is 16-month-old Annabelle Susan. Father is an engine at AIRResearch; grandmothers are Mrs. Anna L. Mere of Madison, Wis., and John Wellmore of Compton.

## COOL LIGHT

One of the coolest forms of light is that given off by the firefly.

# 'Stork Story' FROM TORRANCE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL.

Joining twin brothers, five-year-old Antonio and Daniel, and three other children in the family of Mr. and Mrs. Antonio Pulido, 2307 Border Ave., is 6 lb. 12 1/2 oz. Kodolfo, who arrived Jan. 21. Other children of the Columbia Steel laborer and his wife are Ygnacia, 6; Juan, 6; and David, 3. Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Prado of Tacatezaro, Mex., are grandparents.

Johnny Edwin, three-year-old son of the Clyde Webbs, 1526 W. 203rd St., now has a new baby sister, Vickie Ann. The little girl was born at 9:57 a.m. Jan. 28, weighing 7 lbs. 15 1/2 oz. Father is employed with Contractors Asphalt Co.; H. E. Webb of Armstrong, Ill., is the grandfather.

Another Vickie, with June as the second name, was born Jan. 31 to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lund, 1401 W. 219th St. The 9 lb. 5 oz. baby girl has two brothers, three-year-old Kirk Byron and one-year-old Allen Edward. Father is a cement finisher with E. E. Meyers; grandparents are the Alfred E. Lunds of Waltham and the Jess B. Taylors, 1717 W. 251st St., Harbor City.

Welcomed to this world at 7:44 a.m. Feb. 1 was the newest addition to the family of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis E. Smith, a baby girl who weighed 7 lbs. 5 1/2 oz. Named Shery Pearl, she joins four other children in the 207 E. Dominguez Smith home. Lloyd Donald, 17; Audrey Ellen, 9; Darrel Lee, 12; and Jeanette, 4. Father is a mechanic with Douglas Aircraft Co.; the John Smiths of Lomita and the Christ Vilhauer of Mcintosh, S. D., are grandparents.

If his arrival time is any indication of his later habits, Gordon Duane, first child of the Alfred Dudley, 821 Sartori, will follow that old "early to rise" adage, for he was born at 4:18 a.m. Feb. 2. A fifth generation, native-born Californian, he weighed 7 lbs. 5 oz. Father is a thermo-plastics fabricator at North American Aviation; grandparents are the Henry Dudley, 2429 E. Moon Ave., Lomita, and Mrs. Ulah Fisher of Pomona. Also welcoming the baby boy are the maternal great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. James W. Fisher of Long Beach.

Other awards were made by Clark Sandburg to Paul Rizzio, tenderfoot; Jester, first class; Escocot, one-year pin; and Bagando, James Snell, and John Simons, two-year pins.

The Mothers Club served refreshments at the conclusion of the ceremonies.

# Iron's Cottage Setting for BPW Organizational Meet

Iron's Cottage in Redondo Beach will be the setting Wednesday evening, Feb. 10, when Torrance Business and Professional Women hold an instructive session for their prospective "daughters" at 7:30 o'clock.

Virginia Beck, president of the local club, will conduct the meeting and all women residing in the beach city who are interested in forming a branch of the organization are invited to attend.

On hand to tell the BPW story will be Myrl Cypher, state membership chairman, Zada Ramsey, Harbor Section chairman, will give highlights of club work on the regional level.

Reservations for the local club's monthly dinner, slated for Monday, Feb. 15 at Chalons', 1422 W. Manchester, must be in by the previous Friday, Feb. 12, Mrs. Beck announced.

Members may get their names in the pot by calling Mrs. Beck at FAirfax 8-5241, Evelyn Lynch at FAirfax 8-1429, or Bess Tufts at Davenport 6-3150.

# Lady Legionnaires to Plan District Breakfast Thursday

All ex-service women are requested to attend the next session of the South Bay Women's American Legion Post 692, slated for 8 o'clock Thursday evening, Feb. 11, at 412 S. Camino Real in Redondo Beach, Mrs. Robert Garvey, press chairman, announced this week.

Sparking the agenda will be detailed planning for a District child welfare breakfast on March 21 at the S. Camino Real address, she said.

Members of the post learned more about the child welfare program at their last meeting when Commander Robert Durham of Houghton Park Post 560, a member of the child welfare commission, appeared as guest speaker. Vote to sponsor another boy for Boys' State, with Miss Jerry Haga as chairman of the project, also featured the session.

Other service programs in which the Post is participating are the landscaping of the John Forster Begg schoolgrounds in Manhattan Beach and the serving of refreshments once a month to U. S. servicemen stationed in the South Bay area.

# Scout Troop 761 Stages Honor Court

Presentation of Star awards to Jimmy Snell and Joe Hedgecock by their parents highlighted the Court of Honor ceremonies held by Boy Scout Troop 761 recently.

Hedgecock also received the badge of his new office, quartermaster, while others receiving tokens of their executive positions were Clark Sandburg, senior patrol leader; Robert Jester, scribe; Bob Phillips, Mike Henderson, Kenneth McKensy, Dickie Hedgecock, Edwin Jalant, Kenneth Bagando, and Elmont Escocot, patrol leaders.

Robert Crabtree, Gregory Harris, Raymond Grace, Steven Stansburg, Bob Beriskin, Johnny Swoman, and Wayne Winter received assistant patrol leader badges.

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# Bluebirds Bake Cookies For Indian Children

Bonnie Bluebirds of Perry School baked and decorated Valentine cookies for Papago Indian children last Tuesday when they met at the 1821 Prairie Ave. home of their leader, Mrs. Delmer Kern.

This group and the Wishing Bluebirds in the Westchester district have adopted the St. Joseph School at Topawa, Ariz., a mission for 440 Papago Indian children living on the reservation. Previously the girls sent their "adopted" children a large package of warm clothing and Christmas gifts.

# 186TH ST. TOTS APPEAR ON TV

Karen Sue Warner, Ruth Darlene Ward, and Jesse Mota, kindergarteners, and Edward Prenevost, B.I. all pupils of 186th St. School, appeared on television at Art Linkletter's House Party last week. Mrs. B. B. Burris, PTA press chairman, announced this week.

The students were accompanied by Mrs. Laura Busch, B.I. teacher. Each child received a set of books; each boy got roller skates; and each girl received a doll. A radio was given to the school.

# Moose Women Hold Initiation, Attend Mid-winter Conference

Women of the Moose, Torrance Chapter 44, welcomed a new candidate, Eula Mae Kasson, into the chapter last Wednesday when Ritual Chairman Virginia Jenkins held Chapter Night at the Moose Hall, 1744 W. Carson St.

The new member was sponsored by Friendship Chairman Martha Evans.

With "Corrective Posture" as his theme, Charles Costagna, of the Wilmington High School faculty, addressed the membership following the ceremonies. A class of five young boys demonstrated this training and along with Costagna received gifts from the chapter.

This was the second event within the week for the Moose Women, who on Sunday chartered a Torrance bus to attend the mid-winter conference at the Moose Hall in Culver City.

Four other chapters, San Pedro No. 560, Inglewood No. 172, Santa Monica No. 702 and Culver City No. 635, joined in the buffet luncheon, red stole ceremonies, and barbecue which followed at an eatery owned and operated by the mother of Torrance Chaplain Joyce Clay.

Invested with the red stole to signify four years of loyal service in the College of Regents were three local women: Ila Mae Ambach, Ruth Kidd, and Anna Wilton. Ann McCavet Talbot, 82-year-old charter member of the 33-year-old San Pedro chapter, conducted the rites.

Another Harbor area woman installed to assist the new president, Eleanor Balbach of Macrate Oil Co., was Ada Kennedy of Harbor City's Smith Oil Tool, who will serve as treasurer.

Metzlie Palmer, first vice-president of the Association of Desk and Derrick Clubs of North America, conducted the ceremonies with the assistance of Kay Barnes. Previously the national leader addressed guests on the subject, "Eupuries Said."

"This fellow Eupuries lived some 2300 years ago," she said, "and felt that woman's place was at home and nowhere else. How times have changed!"

Alice Maronde of Lane-Wells, outgoing president, gave a rundown on the past year's activities and announced that the Long Beach club membership totals 182. As a token of thanks for her service, the club presented her with a full-jeweled Desk and Derrick pin and gavel guard.

# Brownies Get Spills, Thrills At Roller Rink

Brownie Troop 315, sponsored by the Harbor City PTA, enjoyed an afternoon of spills and thrills when they attended a roller skating party at the Torrance Roller Rink Saturday.

Joining in the fun were Evelyn Thearthen, Rea Lu Groover, Libby Cook, Betty Groves, Sharon Watson, Marlene Lillie, Diana Willoughby, Bonnie Cook, Nancy Dean, Susan Jones, Linda Howell, Sharon Stiles, Reba Hale, Loretta Miller, Anita LeFerber, and Peggy Ann Triffon.

Adults accompanying the girls were Mesdames William Lillie, Wesley Willoughby, Willis Watson, and Ray Groover.

Also on the future slate for the Brownies are presentation of a folk dance at the March PTA meeting and participation in the Girl Scout Cookie Sale, to begin Feb. 19.

Mothers club members are busy preparing for a family get-together and supper calendar for March 9, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., at the Harbor City School Auditorium.

Ducats for the fund-raising affair are being sold for 50 cents and to children for 25 cents.

E preliminary plans were charted Wednesday of last week when the mothers met at the home of the troop's co-leaders, Mrs. Willoughby. Sharing in the discussion were Mesdames Lillie, Groover, Watson, James Triffon, Robert Dean, Leon Eggers, Jean Cook, William Tregerthen, and G. T. Bear, neighborhood chairman.

The award will be presented at the annual Founders Day meeting on Thursday, Feb. 13, at 1:30 p.m. in the school auditorium. Past presidents of the Association and past recipients of the honorary life memberships will be honor guests during the afternoon.



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# Torrance Church Calendar

- CENTRAL CHURCH EVANGELICAL UNITED BRETHREN. Rev. Walter M. Stanton, FA 8-3010. 11:00 - Morning Worship, 6:30 - Youth Fellowship, 7:00 - Evening Fellowship, 10:00 - Wednesday Service, 7:00 - Wednesday evening. FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH. Rev. Paul W. C. Johnson, FA 8-3248. 10:00 - Sunday School, 9:00 - Worship Service, 10:45 - Wednesday Service, 10:45 - Worship Service. TORRANCE ASSEMBLY OF GOD. 8645 Torrance Blvd. Sun. 9:30 - Sunday School, 10:00 - Morning Worship, 7:00 p.m. - Christ's Ambassadors, 7:30 p.m. - Evangelistic Thursday Night Bible Study, Conducted by At. L. B. Reynolds of Hermosa, E. Henry and Ida Sanda, Pastors Telephone FRontier 3-3073. FOURSQUARE GOSPEL CHURCH. 1207 El Prado - Tel. FA 8-5736. Rev. and Mrs. Joe L. Lowen. SUNDAY: Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Morning Worship 10:45 a.m., Group Services 4:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m., 9:30 p.m., Evangelistic 7:30 p.m., 9:30 p.m., 11:30 p.m. MIDWINTER Wednesday - Bible Study at 7:30 p.m. PUBLIC INVITED. SOUTH BAY CHURCH OF GOD. 1761 Yukon Ave., Torrance. Rev. Cliff Finney, Pastor. Telephone DA 5-0353. Sunday School - 9:45 a.m., Morning Worship - 11:00 a.m., Youth Fellowship - 6:30 p.m., Evangelistic Service - 7:30 p.m., Mid-week Service - Wed., 7:30 p.m. ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH. Rev. Arthur E. Ballo, Rector. Phone FA 8-3781, Res. FA 8-5649. Across From Torrance Memorial Hospital. Holy Communion 8:00 a.m., Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Family Service 9:30 a.m., Sunday Service 11:00 a.m. THE FIRST METHODIST CHURCH. El Prado at Manuel Avenue. Rev. John L. Taylor, Minister. Church School all ages, 9:00. Early Worship - Youth Choir, church school, fourth grade and below. 10:30. Church school, all ages, extended sessions fourth grade and below. 11:00 Morning Worship - Adult Choir. Infant care from 9:00 to 12 a.m. 6:30 High School Youth Fellowship. SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST. Pastor, Elder Stanley C. West. Corner of Acacia & Sonoma. Sabbath School - 10:30 a.m., Church - 11:30 a.m., Prayer meetings - Wed., 7:30 p.m., Young people's meeting - Saturday, 4:00 p.m.



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