

Jaycees Pass Turtles in Successful Membership Drive

Tartar Teen Talk

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For you who have seen several boys wearing brown jackets around town with the insignia Key Club on the back and wondered what they represent, I will try to explain it to you. The Key Club is an international boys organization for high school upper classmen. It is sponsored by Kiwanis. The organization was first organized at Torrance in 1938. The purpose of the club being to be of service to the community. In 1948, when Torrance organized its own school district, the Key Club took on the name of the Tartar Knights. With this they took on the job of giving service to their school also, and had posts to see that the students were kept under control. This year the Tartar Knight Key Club dropped the name of Tartar Knights and the duties under this name because they felt they were neglecting their service to the community.

A new service organization for the school is in the process of being planned, and will go into effect next year. Tentatively it is planned to have a group called the Squires for the sophomores and the top 20 from a membership of 30 or 40 in the Knights, which will be for juniors and seniors. These boys will be chosen for their good citizenship and knowledge of the school.

The girls' service organization is the Tartar Ladies. They take care of checking lunch permits, keeping order in aul calls, and several other things as a service to the school. "Prom Week" is coming up very soon now. It will be held April 26-30 and donations are \$1 per person. This is really a reasonable price for all the activities which will be presented. The highlight of the week will be the dance on Friday night at the Civic Auditorium from 8:30 to 11:30. The theme "Sand Sifter's Shuffle" will be carried out with decorations which will represent life under the sea. This will be shown by a sunken ship, a treasure chest, and fish net with all the trimmings. The music will be presented by El Camino's Dance Band. Tickets will be on sale right after Easter vacation. Guest date tickets for the dance may be purchased for 50 cents with a ticket for "Prom Week" during the week before the dance. This really promises

Plan Steak-Bean Dinner As Climax for Campaign

Climax of a successful two-month membership drive designed to double membership in the Torrance Junior Chamber of Commerce will be a "Steak and Beans" dinner at Club Alondra tonight, it was announced yesterday by Jaycee-President Vern Lovelady.

The young men's service organization opened a drive Feb. 1 to pick up 46 new members by April 1 to match the paid-up membership of 46 when the drive opened. Team Captains Marvin Goetsch and Douglas Horlander, aided by a couple of nameless turtles marked simply No. 1 and No. 2, divided the club into two groups and set out to arrange a bean dinner for the ones who fell behind in attracting new members into the Jaycees. The winners are slated to eat steaks.

Outcome of the contest will be revealed when the plates are served tonight. Gimmick of the drive was the turtles. The turtles were passed from member to member and could be handed off to the next man only with the submission of a membership application and check for dues. Members who were stuck with the turtle were required to have it with them at all times, and demerits were assessed against those who were caught without the turtles. Membership Chairman Dale Stanton reported this week that the drive has been highly successful.

Members Varied Commenting on the members brought into the organization during the intensive campaign, Stanton said the club had signed up such diversified professions as physicians, real estate salesmen, market managers, appliance dealers, insurance agents, laboratory technicians, auto salesmen, bank operations officer, production planner, and egg farm operators.

Also to be announced this evening is the list of individual prize winners, Lovelady said. Members were competing for individual prizes as well as the "Steak and Bean" team race. A large number of valuable prizes were offered by Torrance merchants for the campaign. The local club plans to submit the project for judging in a statewide Jaycee promotion contest next week.

League was presented with an aud call on by El Camino's "Little Theater" drama group. They acted out parts of the famous plays "Green Pasture," "Night Must Fall," "Born Yesterday," and "Taming of the Shrew." The aud call was enjoyed by everyone. The Boys League was also presented with an aud call last Wednesday. Washington High School's gymnastic team gave the boys' exhibitions on the rings, the horizontal bars, tumbling, the parallel bars, the high bar, and rope climbing. Every one attending enjoyed the aud call a lot.

This Friday night the Debs Y-Teens are having a dance at the YWCA. The dance is from 8 to 11:30 and admission is only 25 cents per person. Tickets will be sold only at school. Guest date tickets may also be purchased at school today or tomorrow. Records will be played and dedications may be made. Glenn Miller's records along with other great bandleaders' music will be featured. Now for some of the social ring at Torrance. It seems the snow in the mountains is still calling the

Tartars. This week-end several juniors went up to Big Bear. Trying their luck on skis and toboggans were: Connie Stout, Judi Reid, Pat Hogan, Pat Flanagan, and Judy Nash. They all came back without injuries and reported they had a wonderful time. The freshman girls recently had a slumber party at Pat Hogan's house honoring her birthday. The highlight of the party was when Ronnie Hogan, Pat's brother, made sandwiches for the girls at 3 a.m. All fifteen girls attending had a terrific time. It seems quite a few of the juniors had a nice time last Friday night. Twenty guys and girls went on a hayride in Long Beach, and returned to Pat Hanover's house to have cakes and cheeseburgers. They dined and had lots of fun.

Attending SC's presentation of Shakespeare's "Taming of the Shrew" last Friday were Dana Cecil, Mary Baskovitch, Jan Desmond, Connie Ericson, and Peggy Wood. They all agreed that it was a terrific play. This brings you up to date on the happenings of THIS.

Last Minute Parade Set By Candidate

A city-wide parade, with prizes awarded for the best decorated cars will be the closing event on Mon., April 12th, at 6 p. m., in the campaign to elect Albert Isen to the City Council, Robert Burke, Isen's campaign manager, announced yesterday.

Gordon Arnold, commander of the Torrance American Legion Post; Dan Desmond, governor of the local Moose lodge and Dale Isenberg will judge the best three cars in the parade finale on the City Hall steps at about 6:45 p.m. The prizes include automatic coffee makers, clock radios, toasters, and merchandise certificates. The staging area of the campaign parade will be on 144th St., one block south of Redondo Beach Blvd. The motorcade will travel through North Torrance, Walteria, Pacific Hills, Kettler Knolls, and the central Torrance area. The parade will reach its climax by a passing in review before the City Hall. Candy will be distributed at the City Hall to children participating in the parade.



CHECK CHECKER . . . L. E. "Shorty" Modeland (right) manager of Jim Dandy Market, Crenshaw and Torrance Blvd., demonstrates new machine in the market which protects the chain from passers of stolen payroll checks and other bogus vouchers. The machine photographs each check and its maker or endorser at the same time. Helping Modeland demonstrate the machine here is Bob Rickabaugh.

Lomitan's Bird Wins First Race

Lomitan Charles Schlenker's bird won the first race of the pigeon racing season last weekend with J. R. Richard's blue barred hen taking second and Mickey Baskovitch's dark checked cock third. The race was held from the 145 mile station at Delano and 160 birds participated. The winning speed was 1,253 yards per minute. Other birds that came within seconds of trapping at the same time as the third place bird were owned by Bob Mitchell, Richard and J. H. Hull, superintendent of schools in Torrance. Since 145 miles is considered a short race and the birds came in a bunch, anyone who owned a bird that sat on a garage for a minute or so was out of luck, racing spokesmen reported. The races will be held each weekend at successively longer distances, climaxing in a 600 mile race from Klamath Falls, Ore., which will end the season.

Children will be cared for free of charge for two hours on election day and parents should call to make arrangements. A release must be signed by parents if a doctor in case of illness. If children are there during feeding time, they will be free of charge, the nursery operator said.

Check Signers Get Mugged

Hot check artists who thrive on stolen or forged payroll checks cashed in supermarkets were given notice this week that the Jim Dandy Market at Torrance Blvd. and Crenshaw was not having any thanks. Installed in the market is one of the new check recording machines which take a picture of the maker or endorser of the check and makes a copy of the check at the same time. If it turns out to be phony, the market has a nice portrait of the passer—something police like to have in their hands when they start looking for the suspect. All checks must be copied and their maker or endorser photographed before the checks are cashed, Jim Dandy Manager L. E. "Shorty" Modeland said yesterday. Modeland explained that the checks are numbered with an automatic numbering stamp and that the film is not printed up unless the check bounces. Even then, Modeland emphasized, if the person passing the check is one of the store's regular customers, he will be notified that the check was no good and given a chance to clear it up. "We are after the professional hot check passer," the manager said, "not the guy who slips up and lets his bank balance drop too low." If a check turns out to be phony, Modeland calls the chain's headquarters, asks for a print of the suspect according to the check number, and neat picture of the subject is sent out. STINGER BRIGADE There are about 1,600 species of the mosquito.

Sport Shop

NEW SHOP BUSY . . . Enjoying a thriving business following a complete redecoration is Joyce Brown's new Sport Shop at 1114 Crenshaw Blvd. The shop caters to the style-conscious frock buyer who is looking for stylish buys at popular price ranges.

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