

New Members Informed on Sorority

Rho Xi, Beta Sigma Phi held a tea recently at the home of Mrs. William Schroeder, 4330 West 163rd St., in Lawndale, to acquaint prospective members with the sorority.

President Mrs. Ray Jennings gave a welcoming speech. Mrs. Robert Reynolds described the "Growth and Scope" of Beta Sigma Phi and Mrs. Lloyd Lawrence told the "Purpose." The many "Cultural Programs" were explained by Mrs. Paul Hebert. The "Social Events" by Mrs. Walter Brown. "Philanthropic Work" was described by Mrs. Dave Dawson and the many degrees by Mrs. Bill Jackson. Mrs. James McEwen spoke on "Councils." Vice president Mrs. Donald Dawson gave the concluding

Local VFW to Participate In Mass Service April 7

Sixth annual joint mass installation, honoring the newly-elected post and auxiliary officers of the fourth district, Veterans of Foreign Wars, will be held Saturday, April 7, at 8 p.m., in the Municipal Auditorium on Ocean Blvd. in Long Beach.

Approximately 30 posts and 20 auxiliaries will take part in the colorful ceremonies.

Speeches will be given by Mrs. Mmes. Palmer Hakala, Clarence Dawson, and William Schroeder of Xi Alpha Mu.

Guests were Mrs. Richard Houston, Anita Jordan, John Kestle, Donald Moore, John Segre and Lloyd Crella, also of Xi Alpha Mu.

The afternoon was concluded with cake and coffee served by the hostessing Rho Xi chapter.



MRS. FRANCIS STOECKLE (Herald Photo)
... Council President

Mrs. Francis Stoeckle is Named PTA Council Prexy

Mrs. Francis Stoeckle was elected president of the Torrance PTA Council at a recent meeting to succeed Mrs. W. A. Wright. Mrs. Stoeckle has served as president of the North Torrance Elementary PTA. Since moving to Torrance in 1950 she has served as music chairman, room mother, and recording secretary.

She assisted with the organization of the new North High School PTA and has served as first vice president and program chairman since its beginning.

During the present year, Mrs. Stoeckle is serving as foster mother to Arny Willemson, A.P.S.I.S. student from Holland. Elected to serve with Mrs. Stoeckle were Mrs. William Skiles, first vice president; Mrs. Henry Graf, second vice president; Mrs. Kenneth McVey, third vice president; Mrs. R. E. Murphy, fourth vice president; Mrs. Lee Pollett, recording secretary; Mrs. William Pines, corresponding secretary; Mrs. I. O. Kasien, financial secretary; Mrs. Dana Walker, treasurer; Mrs. W. L. Stenwachs, auditor;

Y Branch Committee Plans Agenda

Torrance Branch Committee of the YWCA met on Monday, March 12, at the Y Building, 2320 W. Carson, at 8 p.m.

The new Y Teen director, Miss Edith Simpelaar, was introduced to the group by Mrs. G. C. Van Deventer.

Reports were given by Mrs. Miles Booth as chairman of the House Committee. Mrs. Lee Stamps of the camp committee discussed "Camping" for local teen agers of the Y. The membership committee, under Mrs. Thomas Westfall chairman, is planning the annual dinner meeting on April 16 at 8:30 p.m.

The membership is asked to make reservations in advance. Mrs. Margaret Wilson, the local director, gave May 15 as the annual meeting in San Pedro at which time a new name for the harbor area will be discussed. The classes in bridge being held at the Y have been very successful and may lead to a bridge night.

Also joining in the discussions were Mrs. Victor Benard, Rufus Sandstrom, Darwin Parrish, M. Smith, Clara Connor, Minnie Solomon, Walter Silences, M. Morris, P. M. Crossman and Miss Pauline Greer.

Coffee was served to the group by Mrs. Sandstrom and Booth. The meeting was adjourned by the reading of the "Purpose of the YWCA."



MISS EDITH SIMPELAAR (Herald Photo)
... Y Teenage director

YWCA Teenage Director Begins Work in Torrance

Torrance YWCA is welcoming a new member to its staff, as Edith Simpelaar, who was employed by the Harbor District YWCA and assigned to work with the teenage department in Torrance, has arrived and started work this week.

Miss Simpelaar is an experienced teenage director having served in this capacity in the YWCA in Zanesville, O., and more recently in Hamilton, O.

Her undergraduate work was done at the University of Wisconsin and Cornell College where she obtained her B.A. degree in sociology.

She will supervise the work of the existing Y-teen clubs, the advisors' group, and the Interclub Council, and in addition assist in organizing new teenage program activities in the Torrance area.

Local Lodges Host Meeting

Three Odd Fellow Lodges 406 in cooperation with the Torrance Rebekah Lodge 347 will be hosts to the visiting Odd Fellows and Rebekahs on Wednesday evening, March 21, in the new Masonic Temple, 2836 Cabrillo Ave.

A chicken dinner will be served at 6 p.m. A donation will be taken.

Degree Team from Van Nuys Odd Fellows Lodge will exemplify the ritualistic work of the second degree of the Odd Fellows at a closed meeting at 8 p.m.

Forest Perkins, noble grand of the Odd Fellow Lodge will preside.

Plan Easter Egg Hunt For Children of Moose

An Easter Egg Hunt for children of Moose members will be held March 31 at 10 a.m. at the Moose Hall on Cason St. Children must not be over 12 years of age.

On the evening of March 31 the Women of the Moose will hold a card party at the hall. Officers of the chapter are in charge. Handmade prizes will be given and a lunch will be served. The public is invited.

Ten tables were in play at the publicity committee's card party. Door prizes were won by Peggy Peacock and Louise Smith.

College of Regents Night will be observed on Wednesday evening, March 21, with Wilverta Helman in charge.

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New Torrance auxiliary officers to be installed are: Meral Warner, president; Marie Trindley, senior vice president; Hilma Malin, junior vice president; Mary Towler, chaplain; Annie Jeffers, treasurer; Peggy Clark, conductress; Alice Spaulding, guard; Augusta Hume, Aida Lock and Ben Vasa, trustees; Mable Moore, secretary; Helen Benton, patriotic instructor; Aida Lock, historian; Mary Towler and Hilma Malin, district delegates; Augusta Han and Helen Benton, alternates. County Council delegates will be Peggy Clark and Helen Benton. The public is invited to attend the affair.

ANNOUNCE SON
First child for Mr. and Mrs. Don Woolever of 1099 W. 206 St., is Darrick Dana who weighed in at a husky 9 lbs. 12 oz. when he arrived on Jan. 29 at Torrance Memorial Hospital. His entry was timed at 3:55 p.m., and he is grandson to Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Licht; Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Woolever, all of Torrance.

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By J. HUGH SHERFEE, JR.
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Peep into any home in Torrance and you'll find a woman at the helm. At the close of day it is to her her man returns to bask in her approbation. It is to her he tells his plans and it's her who approves or shakes her head; she is the star that shines as a beacon for all the joy he has. He, too, has chosen Mrs. America - his wife.
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