

Local Parent-Teacher Association Ready for New Term

Mrs. Kenneth McVey Will Serve as Council Prexy

Mrs. Kenneth McVey, 3825 W. 176th St., will direct the activities of the Torrance PTA Council during the coming year. She has a wide and varied background in PTA work having served in several capacities during the past 11 years. She has held the positions of unit publicity chairman, parent education, secretary, vice-president, president of two PTA units, and on the Council she has been parent education chairman, third and first vice-president.

The local woman has served on the advisory board of the Family Counseling Service, Recreation Commission of the City of Torrance, and Board of Directors of the Coordinating Council.

Mrs. McVey has served as president of the Boy Scout Mothers Club 753, program chairman for Girl Scout troop 878 and on the executive board of the City of Hope chapter.

Last year she was chosen as the "Outstanding Member" of the Los Angeles PTA.

Her three children are David, 15, a junior at North High; Jubenne, 14, North High freshman, and Cheryl, 4.



MRS. KENNETH McVEY
... Council President

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PTA Council Objectives

1. To promote the welfare of children and youth in home, school, church and community.
2. To raise the standards of home life.
3. To secure adequate laws for the care and protection of children and youth.
4. To bring into closer relation the home and the school, that the parents and teachers may cooperate in better training the child.
5. To develop between educators and the general public such united efforts as will secure for every child the highest advantages in physical, mental, social and spiritual education.



PTA PRESIDENTS . . . Representing the various school PTA's of the area are from left, Mrs. J. R. Allison, Evelyn Carr; Mrs. D. C. Robbins, Newton; Mrs. I. H. Hon, El Nido; Mrs. David Sokoloff, South High; Mrs. Edward Conry, Fern-Greenwood; Mrs. F. M. Griffin, Riviera; Mrs. Barton Peters, Casimir; Mrs. W. E. Morgan,

Perry; Mrs. R. C. Williams, Meadow Park; Iver C. Christensen, Parkway; and Mrs. Paul Braswell, Howard Wood. Not pictured are Mrs. Francis Stutler, Arlington; Mrs. Ben Holden, Sepulveda; and Mrs. Joe Begando, North High.



MORE PRESIDENTS . . . Representing their schools on the PTA Council are seated from left, Mrs. J. Kenneth Edwins, Flavian; Mrs. Doyle P. Henderson, Edison; Mrs. James McClure, Torrance Elementary; Mrs. Thomas N. Greene, Carl Steels. Standing, Mrs. Marvin Hieb-

ards, Crenshaw; William W. King, Hillside; Mrs. Gordon Stephens, Azusa; Mrs. Robert Hagenbaugh, Madrona; Mrs. Harry Harter, Seaside; Mrs. Casimer Russak, Walters; Mrs. P. M. Crossman, Torrance High.

Council Officers, Chairmen Set Year

The Torrance Council of PTA consisting of its officers, chairmen and representatives of the various units from each school has been departmentalized to obtain the best results from each division of service. The officers of the council are: Mrs. Carl Cramer, first vice president and director of hospitality; Mrs. William Poyer, second vice president and director of organization; Mrs. Jack Erving, third vice president and director of Public Welfare; Mrs. Seth Warden, fourth vice president and director of education; Mrs. Leonard Spedale, recording secretary; Mrs. C. F. Malone, corresponding secretary; Mrs. V. B. Terry, financial secretary; Mrs. James Anagnost, treasurer; Mrs. Roland Stamm, auditor; Mrs. Gene Voorhes, historian and Mrs. W. A. Wright, parliamentarian.

Working with Mrs. Poyer, organization director are Mrs. Elizabeth Morgan, extension chairman; Mrs. O. I. Winn, program; Mrs. Joan Prince, Honorary Life and Founders Day; William Willey, member; Mrs. Z. Giza, music; Mrs. Seth Warden, director of education is assisted by Mrs. Otto Willett, parent education chairman; Mrs. William Allan, room representative;

Alex Rosin, home reading and library; Mrs. J. D. Dutton, special education; Mrs. Jack Erving, director of public welfare and health has in her department, Mrs. Bert Memmes, student welfare, chairman; Mrs. C. W. Strahl, dental health; Mrs. S. A. Brooks, legislation; Mrs. Mark Wright, safety and civilian protection; Mrs. L. Graham, recreation; Mrs. E. Morawski, juvenile protection; Mrs. Rich and O'Hare, mental health.

Working under the direction of the president, Mrs. McVey, are Mrs. E. Carlstrom, publicity; Mrs. Carl Welliver, record book; Mrs. Robert Kohn, Newsletter; Mrs. W. F. Ingram, finance and budget; and Mrs. Robert Payne, telephone.



THEY GO TO WORK . . . These officers of the Torrance Council PTA met their course for the year. They are, seated back of desk, Mrs. Carl Cramer, first vice president; Mrs. Kenneth McVey, president; Mrs. Gene Voorhes, historian; Mrs. V. B. Terry, financial secretary; Mrs. Roland Stamm, auditor; Mrs. William Poyer, second

vice president; and Mrs. Jack Erving, third vice president. Not present for the picture were Mrs. Leonard Spedale, recording secretary; Mrs. C. F. Malone, corresponding secretary; Mrs. James Anagnost, treasurer; and Mrs. W. A. Wright, parliamentarian.

16,086 Membership In Torrance PTA

There are 16,086 members of the Parent-Teachers Assn. in Torrance. An increase of 15 per cent during enrollment week Oct. 6 to 10 is expected.

This steadily increasing membership is significant of this fast growing community which now has 25 schools.

Torrance can boast an outstanding record for PTA work. Among projects in the past that have been sponsored by this organization are: the furnishing of milk and lunch to all children unable to afford it otherwise; establishing a scholarship fund for two Torrance seniors to help further their education in the teaching profession; supporting the Arts-Graduation parties; and contributing to the Dental Health program.

The PTA has also supported the American Field Service program in which local students are sent to Europe to study and experience life in other countries. In 1957, two students were brought here to spend a year in an American home and attend an American High school.

This year projects will be reviewed by the Torrance Council Executive board and members will vote on those to be sponsored.

There will be three regular meetings with all PTA members invited to attend. Dates for these meetings are Sept. 9, Feb. 10, and May 13.