

Torrance Junior Woman's Club To Begin New Year

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A LONG-TIME PROJECT . . . The progressive Junior Woman's Club points with pride to the Torrance Scout Center for which members solicited materials and funds to build. The welfare of the youth of Torrance has been an important factor in the aims and purposes of this club. Here, three Junior club members, from left, Mmes. Jack Dean, on the Scout Center board, Horace Roberts and Russell Thornton accept chairs for the center bought by the Torrance Woman's Club.



For Civic Betterment

Club Has Record Of Achievements

The adage "Hands That Rock the Cradle, Rule the World" can be readily applied to a progressive group of young matrons of Torrance. These "hands" belong to members of the Torrance Junior Woman's Club, Marina District, California Federation of Women's Clubs, who are dedicated to furthering philanthropies, social and civic betterment.

This club, whose members range in age from 18 to 35 years, busy in their roles of housewives and mothers, has a 20-year record of accomplishments, which has molded its hometown into a desirable place to live and rear children.

Instrumental in organizing this junior club in February, 1942, were Mrs. Dean Sears, a member of the Torrance Woman's club and Mrs. C. B. Mitchell, 1942 president of the Woman's club Mrs. Sears served as first coordinator for the Juniors and Mrs. W. B. Claus was installed as its first president.

The Junior Woman's club was federated with the Marina District of the California Federation in 1945 under the presidency of Mrs. H. L. Wagner.

Past presidents of the club are Mmes. Walter Claus, Ralph Rugraff, Earl Clayton, Ina Mae Maupin Larsen, H. L. Wagner, J. P. Montague, H. P. Jensen, R. C. Morton, C. E. Wallace, Douglas Baldwin, J. A. Barrington, C. Albert Smith, Robert L. Mowry, James K. Lees, John P. Schwartz, J. G. Louvier, Kenneth Boulter, Lee Clotworthy and Jack Dean. Many of these are now members of the Torrance Woman's Club.

Youth of the area has always been a vital issue with the Junior Club. It was this group of women who raised the money to build the YWCA, scene of many activities for young people. Another and more recent project for area youth is the

Torrance Scout Center, for which Junior members solicited materials and funds.

Other philanthropies occupying the time of these club members have been the making of drapes for the new Harbor General Hospital; assisting weekly at the Well Baby clinic at the Torrance Health Center; assisting at polio and tetanus clinics; assembling March of Dimes envelopes; donating money to the Torrance Recreation Department for a traveling puppet stage.

Junior Club members also are busy entertaining and working with the Garden Valley School children. They sponsor the Teen Canteen at the YMCA, collect money for muscular dystrophy, and assist with other drives to further research on catastrophic diseases.

With eyes on the betterment of their community, the Junior Club also has a program of social activities providing members with the opportunity to know each other and to make new friends. Their programs, too, are educational as they line up well-known lecturers, artists, and current event speakers for their regular meetings.

The new club year, filled with a worthwhile and varied schedule, will begin on Sept. 12 with a business meeting at the Torrance Woman's Club at 8 p.m. Mrs. Ronald Forestal will preside.

Any young woman desiring further information may contact Mrs. D. W. French, 2309 W. 177th St., the 1962-63 membership chairman.



LENDING A HAND . . . Members of the Junior Woman's Club have been busy making drapes for the new Harbor General Hospital, one of their philanthropies. At the machine, sewing and measuring the new drapes are, from left, Mrs. Richard Oliver, Mrs. Leonard Schulwitz and Mrs. Robert Vroman.

THEME FOR CLUB YEAR

'Count Down For 1962—Sky is the Limit'



STAFF CLINIC . . . Every Monday morning from 8:30 to 10, Juniors are on hand to assist at the Well-Baby Clinic at the Torrance Health Center. They record the baby's weight, height, and assist in other ways. On duty are from left, Mrs. William Burchfield, co-chairman, Mrs. James Misel, co-chairman, looking on as Dr. Earl Wm. Kendrick, district health officer, gives an inoculation.



TIME OUT FOR FUN . . . It's not all work for the Juniors. Their calendar includes several social events. Among them a spaghetti dinner and wine-tasting party in September. This will be a get-acquainted event for members and provisionals. Anticipating the party are from left, Mmes. Richard Oliver, Robert Valencia and Jack Bohn.



HUSBANDS INCLUDED . . . A Las Vegas Night, which will be a fund raising event for the club, is another social highlight of the year for the Juniors. Husbands and guests will join them for this event. Brushing up on games to be played are, from left, Mrs. Jim Morgan and Mrs. James Misel.



GIVE YEARLY ASSISTANCE . . . In January of each year, Mrs. Clara Conner, Torrance Postmaster, who heads the March of Dimes drive locally, is assisted by Junior Club members in stuffing the envelopes sent to residents requesting funds. Juniors stuffed over 20,000 envelopes this year. At work are, from left, Mmes. Jack Bohn, George Hudak and Horace Roberts, philanthropy chairman.

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