

Card Club Holds Party

The neighborhood Bunko Club of Danaha st., in WALTERIA held its annual Christmas party last Saturday evening at the home of Bob and Martha Munn, 3208 Danaha st.

The party was held earlier than usual, since Jean and Chuck Donsi and son Bob plan to spend Christmas in Minnesota with Mrs. Donsi's mother. They will make the trip by train and are looking forward to a White Christmas.

Members present at the party were Jean and Chuck Donsi, Bea and John Monahan, Rita and Jim Lamperth, Betty and Al Langston, Marg and Joe Merrill, Carol and George Holland, Martha and Bob Munn and Frankie and Johnnie Johnson.

The group met for dinner at Peppy's in San Pedro before the party.

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GRAND SWEEPSTAKES WINNER of the Marymount Palos Verdes Fourth Annual Song Contest held last Saturday and Sunday on campus was the senior class. With their "Mission Fiesta" theme, the seniors took first place awards in two categories and in costuming. Among the members of competing class teams who gathered to admire the winner's plaque were Lynne Moore, senior, 3318 Prima way, Torrance; Carol Jo Kelly, sophomore, 1633 Hickory, Torrance; and Susan Wing, junior, 3508 Paseo Del Campo, Palos Verdes Estates.

ABOUT the P.T.A.

Arlington Elementary PTA

By Mrs. M. H. Spalding

"Christmas in Other Lands" was the theme of the program of the regular Association meeting of Arlington PTA recently. Students of the fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth grades under the direction of Mrs. Irene Webster and accompanied by Mrs. Margaret Bereskin sang Christmas selections. There was also dancing and talks accompanied by slides—correlating the whole theme with the students' social studies.

Mrs. U. R. Morgan, welfare chairman, announced that plans are made for the annual welfare baskets and each child has been asked to bring a White Gift.

Announcement was also made of the Parent Education program that will start on January 14. This promises to be a very instructive course and will be in session once a week for approximately nine weeks. These meetings will be held in the school cafeteria. Hostesses for the evening were room mothers for Mrs. Cranmer, Mrs. Gualtieri, Mrs. Bereskin and Miss Vaughn.

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Lomita-San Pedro Council

By Mrs. Richard Groverman

Lomita-San Pedro PTA Council held its last meeting recently at 223rd Street school with Mrs. Francis Anania, PTA president, leading the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and principal, Mrs. Eleanor Kennedy, welcoming the group.

Mrs. Walter Talley, council president, introduced Miss Carol Menary, Narbonne High school student, who spoke on the Bill of Rights.

The following were elected to serve on the Council Nominating Committee with all local presidents: Mmes: Harry Nishimoto, Andrew Faisetta, Harry Foat, Jr., and David Goolsby.

It was voted to send \$10 to Tenth District for the Music Scholarship Fund.

Mrs. A. C. Akerson, Gateway Council, president, reported on the Christmas Cheer Store at 333 W. 7th St., San Pedro. Anyone can take food, toys or clothing to this store and it will be distributed to needy families.

Mrs. Harry Foat Jr., program chairman, introduced Miss Geraldine Schenk, Home Service Director, Southern Counties Gas Co., who spoke very interestingly on Holiday Hospitality and Christmas decorations and ideas.

Harry Sams, principal of Leland Street school, led the group in carol singing. Pianist Virginia King accompanied.

The meeting was adjourned and a luncheon served by PTA members of 223rd St. school.

Presidents and representatives were present from the following schools: Bandini, Barton Hill, Cabrillo Ave., Chestwood, Fifteenth St., Halldale, Harbor City, Leland, Lomita, Park Western Place, Point Fermin, Seventh St., 223rd St., 259th Pl., and White Point.

Two informative workshops were recently enjoyed by members of Lomita-San Pedro Council at Halldale School.

Mrs. Amanda Wilhelm, Halldale principal, conducted the School of Education workshop and Mrs. David Goolsby, Parent Education chairman for Lomita-San Pedro Council and secondary parent education chairman for 10th District, conducted the Parent Education workshop.

In attendance were chairmen and representatives from the following schools: 223rd Street; Crestwood, Harbor City, Seventh St., Bandini, Lomita, Halldale.

Speulveda PTA

By Mrs. Harry Herranen

The theme for the Sepulveda PTA meeting, December 19, at 8 p.m., will be "White Christmas," with the evening being devoted to music provided by the School Chorus and the Sepulveda Mothersingers.

Following the entertainment, the audience will be asked to join in for a Community Sing of Christmas music. Santa Claus will make his appearance before the evening is over.

Parkway PTA

By Mrs. Don P. O'Connell

A board meeting of the Parkway PTA was held recently at the home of Mrs. Wendell E. Larson, 245 Paseo De Las Delicias.

The main order of business, was the approval of the budget which was presented by Len Freeland, chairman of the ways and means committee.

The board members voted on a name for the monthly Newsletter—it will be called "Park Waves."

Plans were discussed for future fund raising activities, among them being, possibilities of a fashion show and bridge party.

After the business meeting, a social hour with refreshments was enjoyed by all attending.

Carl Steele PTA

By Mrs. Howard L. Thompson

"Music in the Experience of Children," the theme of the recent Steele PTA meeting provided a background for the story and spirit of Christmas as told in song.

Opening the exercises, the orchestra under the direction of Jerry Andrews, played Silent Night, Jingle Bells and March of the Three Kings.

The Primary chorus conducted by Miss Marjorie Jones presented a tableau of the Christmas story with choral accompaniment. Kelley Johnstone acted as narrator.

Miss Beverly Gaston directed the fifth grade chorus as they offered a community sing.

The Upper Grade Chorus was directed and accompanied by Philip Korman.

As a finale, the Mothersingers joined the fifth grade and upper grade choruses to sing Silent Night. Mrs. Garrett McCowna was soloist.

The Mothersingers also sang several of the famous carols and concluded the program with an inspiring rendition of the Hallelujah chorus. Mrs. Lorman Griffiths directed.

Student Bob Pierce acted as master of ceremonies for the evening and members of Girl Scout Troop No. 2080 led the flag salute.

Mrs. John Hubacek, Mrs. Thomas Greene, Neil Campbell, and James Scott were nominated and elected to serve on the Honorary Life Membership committee.

Louis Bison asked for a committee of five volunteers to work with the Parks and Recreation department, toward the development of parks in the area.

223rd St. PTA

By Mrs. Donald Guild

The 223rd Street School PTA got Christmas off to an early start with a Christmas party at the December board meeting.

The meeting was held at Normandale playground and after the business meeting, gifts were exchanged and a potluck luncheon served.

The holiday theme was carried out at the Lomita-San Pedro Council meeting which the 223rd Street school PTA board hosted in the school auditorium.

At the regular meeting for December, the children entertained with a Christmas program of songs, dancing and dramatization. Santa Claus also attended and presented the school with two phonographs.

El Nido PTA

By Mrs. S. R. Hooker

The November El Nido PTA Executive Board meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Frank Deschler, 18321 Regina ave. The Inspirational Message was read by Mrs. Ecker. A report was given by Roscoe Colclasure on the outcome of the membership drive. The following classes were awarded prizes for the biggest percent of members; Mrs. Spencer's 6th grade and Mrs. Hamilton's 3rd grade. Mrs. Frank Deschler reported the sales of magazines was progressing.

Greetings were extended to Mrs. Jamieson of the Torrance Branch Library. Boy Scout Troop 967 and 967C led the pledge of Allegiance. Miss Warner's 4th and 5th grade students enacted the First Thanksgiving. Cupcakes and coffee were served by the first grade room mothers.

The recent El Nido PTA Executive Board Meeting was held at the home of Mrs. W. A. Wright, 18328 Roslin ave. Mrs. M. A. Wisdom read the inspirational message.

The ways and means Fun Fair committee outlined the final plans for the "Funfair" which was held at the El Nido school on Friday.

In keeping with the Holiday Season open-faced sandwiches in the shapes of Santa Claus, Snowmen, reindeer and Stars were served along with pickles, potato chips, cake, candy, nuts, punch and coffee ending the meeting with a "Merry Christmas" Spirit.

Mildred Westmorland, Loucille Chadwick, Mary Hon, Sarah Hooker, Vera Wright, Rose Rozzani and Mary Espinosa were among those present at the December Open House Coffee Hour held at the home of Mrs. Betty Newton, 18521 Amie street between the hours of 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

In spite of the heavy rain the Coffee Hour was a huge success in keeping with the "Individual Parties Project" undertaken by the El Nido P.T.A. Executive Board.

which were purchased for the school's use by the PTA. At the conclusion of the meeting, refreshments decorated with Christmas colors were served.

Madrona PTA

By Mrs. Carl C. Huff

The Madrona PTA board held its annual Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Jack Brooks, room representative chairman.

The meeting was called to order by President Mrs. Robert Hagenbaugh. Minutes were read by Recording Secretary Mrs. Ray Stewart.

Welfare chairman, Mrs. James Thornhill, gave a report on the needy families of Madrona. Motion was made and passed that the PTA will donate \$10.00 to each family Christmas basket and students will donate canned food. Distribution of the baskets will be made by Principal George Marich, Nurse Miss Catherine Fitzgerald and welfare chairman, Mrs. James Thornhill.

Ways and means chairman, Mrs. Glen Keller, announced there will be a full length color movie January 11, at the Madrona Ave. School cafeteria. It's Abbott and Costello in "Jack and the Beanstalk." A lunch will be served at a nominal price between the two shows and pop corn will be sold. First show at 10:30 a.m., second show at 2 p.m. There will be adult supervision.



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