

WOMEN'S FEATURES ACTIVITIES CLUBS SECTION

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BRINGING A "STORE" to the Spastic Children's Foundation in Los Angeles, Dec. 11, members of the South Bay Alumnae Chapter of Alpha Chi Omega, from left, Mmes. Herschel Kopp, Ted Brox, Richard Seaton, Earle

W. Gard Jr., and Charles Lewis are pictured with two of the Foundation's children and a selection of gifts for Mom and Dad for them to choose from.

Officers Elected by Altar Society

Officers were elected at the Dec. 10 meeting the St. Margaret Mary Altar Society.

Mrs. Edna Fisher was named president for the coming year with Mmes. Ruth Barney, vice-president; Josephine D'Ambrosi, secretary; Flo Pizzo, treasurer;

Betty Meyers, financial secretary and Theresa Griffith, press chairman.

Members of St. Mary and Our Lady of Guadalupe Guilds served as hostesses for the Pot Luck supper preceding the election.

The new officers will be installed in Jan. 7, 1959 in the Parish Hall.

Mrs. Fisher has served as vice-president and as deanery representative during the past year.

Local Alpha Chi Omega Alumnae Take "Store" to Spastic Children

Members of the South Bay and Peninsula Alumnae Chapter of the Alpha Chi Omega, International College Women's Sorority, arrived at the Spastic Children's Foundation, 1307 W. 105th St., Los Angeles, Dec. 11, loaded with gifts and the trappings that go into making a joyful holiday party.

"We like to do something special, but different for the children," said Mrs. Ruth Gard, chairman of the local chapter.

"We realize how difficult it must be for these children to go shopping—so we bring a 'store' to them."

The tables in the gaily decorated dining room at the hospital-school were soon covered with gifts and gay wrappings, so that each child could embark on his own shopping spree—choosing a gift, not for himself, but to give to some loved one.

"The Alpha Chi Omega has been one of our most faithful supporters for years," said Mrs. Herbert Dawson, president of the foundation. "They always remember. Their checks have been a source of help, extending our budget and enabling us to supply some of the vital needs of our students."

"The Spastic Children's Foundation is a non-profit, hospital-school serving all races and creeds within the Los Angeles area. We serve by giving training, both academic wise and in the activities of daily living to cerebral palsied and brain damaged children," said Robert E. Hall, executive director of the Foundation.

"Our children are all severely involved physically, and some are in need financially. We appreciate and depend upon the generosity of individuals and such organizations as the Alpha Chi Omega for the subsidy which enables us to give continuing care to cerebral palsied children in this area."

This was a real party with

Holiday Party Held by Garden Club Dec. 10

The Torrance Terrace Garden Club held their annual Christmas party Dec. 10 in the dining room of the Hacienda Hotel in San Pedro.

Small white Christmas trees served as table decorations. There was a white elephant gift exchange, following card games were played.

Door prize of a Christmas corsage, was won by Mrs. Phillip Lisman, the holiday guest of Mrs. Bada Pierson.

Guests present at the year's last meeting were as follows: Mmes. Robert W. Thomas, Homer Baker, Ivan D. Esty, E. E. Vanee, Hattie Powell, Hubert Lawther, Della Brown, Michael Collier, Bada Pierson and Miss Dorothy Goldstone.

Children to Take Part in Harbor Yule Program

Students of the Harbor Area Exceptional Children's Foundation, 2520 Signal St., San Pedro, will take part in the Dec. 19 Christmas Program at 7 p.m. The public is invited.

The Foundation's Christmas Tree lot, opened at Gaffey and Miraflores St. Dec. 3. A Custom stock Winchester Model 70 rifle will be raffled at the lot on Dec. 21.



A JOLLY SANTA was supported by an equally gay cast in the Casimir Elementary School's Christmas pantomime held at the

school auditorium. Background was provided by the school choir.

Santa Claus, Sugar Plums to Play Part in Casimir Christmas Program

The Casimir Elementary School Chorus, under the direction of Mrs. Thelma Wright, was featured in the Christmas Program the evening of Dec. 10 for the PTA at Casimir School in Torrance.

The 150-voice choir presented the story of "The Night Before Christmas," while the boys and girls of Mrs. Venturini's second grade class pantomimed the Christmas story on the school stage.

The youngsters in their colorful costumes as reindeer, Santa Claus, and Sugar Plums acted out the action of the lyrics against a backdrop of a cozy living room on the exciting night before Christmas.

The parts were played by the following students in Mrs. Venturini's class: Santa Claus, Leslie Nelson; Pa, Roger Schroeder; Ma, Diane Lauridsen; Sugar Plums, Linda Sprankling, Janice Gilliland, Andrea Wallin, Pat Woodman; Reindeer, Scott Bee, Nancy Root, Sharon Graway, Tommy Reynolds, Darlene Holterup, Robert Rehman, Danny Weddle, Craig Fox; Mouse, Lee Lewis; Children in Bed, other members of the class.

Following "The Night Before Christmas" and songs by the small boys and girls, the school chorus concluded the program with the singing of Christmas songs and carols of different lands.

The chorus was accompanied by third grade teacher, Mrs. Frances Daigle, staging of the program was under the direction of seventh grade teacher, Mrs. Sue Rozum with stage craft by Don Norton, art work under the supervision of Mrs.

the sound of happy voices, and the excitement of Christmas carols. Members of the Alpha Chi Omega were unaware of time, helped the children choose gifts and wrap them in gay paper and ribbons. Snack time arrived with punch and cookies, also supplied by the sorority group.

Charlene Bachry, student narrator eighth grade pupil, Paul Harmon.

The members of the school chorus were as follows: Bruce Schrieber, Olive Blankenship, Virginia Soto, Anita Christiansen, Billie Allen Jeanette Riley, Pennie Hill, Irene Brewer, Marjorie Babic, Bonnie De Lay.

Jim Cox, Diane Anderson, Linda Watson, Bob Montgomery, Richard Orr, Sandra Bell, Naomi Narimatsu, Gloria Sams, Judy Stephens, Beth Reeves, Sandy Stout, Terry Keldrauk, Karen Mansfield, Sonja Westerman, Sharon Trasatti, Nellieann Bazilius.

Cammille Manahan, Suzanne Korn, Kathy Solon, Carol McCausland, Marcia Gragg, Sheryl Cunningham, Vicki Richter, Kristie Woodman, Jerry Smmons, Floryne Erdman, Louise Grigg, Linda Saunders, Nancy Flower, Janice Elwell, Remay Barnes, Susan Flower, Jimmy Bateson, June Reynolds, Jane Sewell, Janine Peveler, Larri Gene Disen, Michele Kelly, Jerry Carter, Norman Sanwo.

Judith Bradford, Rosemarie Scheliga, Judy Taylor, Marie Gizzy, Sandy Goodfellow, Donna D'Amico, Leilani Sloan, Shirley Hobbs, Debbie Knighten, Peggy Oyler.

Ann Claybaugh, Mary Jane Collette, Jackie Lewis, Marie Soucy, Pat Vincent, Donna Allis, Wanda Johnson, Connie Valentine, Pat Calvey, Bill Weiler.

Stuart Avery, Burma Zachmeyer, Susan Attarian, Barbara Deeds, Linda Read, Linda Thomson, Verna Sama, Theresa Cazares, Larry Butterfield, Judy Percy, Kathy McLaughlin, Joanne Oyler, Edward Bridges, Joseph Scheliga, Virginia Perez, Diana Dempster, Judy Pryor.

Shirley Schirmer, Anita Case, Sandy Fagnano, Gloria Stepp, Linda Knox, Kim Hill, Linda Comstock, Suzanne York, Vicki Hardy, Margaret Nigro.

Donna Torrance, Kathy Evans, Sheril Koerschgen, June Bell, Carol Le Blanc, Janice Wood, Joe Cazares, Bob Williams, Judy Salas, Marie Herrman Sandra Evans, Patsy Staat, Bonnie Biffle, Robert Hyde, Doreen Gring, Kathy Pryor, Nancy Lovell, Bryan Alexander, Carol Young, Ronald Hibble, Gary Cooper, Steve Stohlman, Butch Parker.

Pamela Le Blanc, Cheryl Riley, Carol Smith, Judy Gosset, Janice French, Susan Rappaport Cindy Sousa, Toni Ball, Marian Brown.

Le Ora Gatlin, Joyce McConnell, Nancy Schindele, Diane Tom, Virginia Perez, Judy Burnett, Barbara Bilson, Nancy Pennington, Diane Pettit, Tommy Hayes.

Gardena Jewish Center Chanukah Party Held

Members and mothers of the Gardena Valley Jewish Center were entertained recently at the annual Chanukah party sponsored by the sisterhood.

Mrs. eNtelle Goldstone, religious chairman, pronounced the benediction and lit the eight candles on the menorah in commemoration of the holiday.

Each member brought a \$1 gift to exchange and a Driedel game, a form of musical chairs, was played. Sisterhood member, Mrs. Sarah Abramson, concert violinist, played several selections accompanied by Mrs. Margaret Esrock on the piano.

Program details and plans for the party were made by Mmes. Fay Price, Frieda Farberman and Natalie Berkowitz. Mrs. Miriam Hirsch and the hospitality committee served the buffet and the Chanukah decorations were made by Mrs. Elsie Koff's committee.

Dec. 19 at 8:30 p.m., the services will be dedicated to the Sisterhood with Mrs. Selma Greenbaum, president, as speaker of the evening. An Oneg Shabat will follow with everyone invited.

Sorority Holiday Party Held at Grigg Home

A Christmas party was held Dec. 8 at the home of Billie Grigg, by the Eta Mu Chapter of Epsilon Sigma Alpha.

Secret sisters were revealed in the exchange of Christmas gifts and new secret sisters drawn for the coming year.

Each member brought canned goods for a Christmas box to go to a needy family. It was also voted to donate ten dollars for a tree and a ham. Refreshments were served.

'Crusaders' Will Sing Carols in Torrance, Lomita

The Crusaders, the young people's group of the Harbor City Foursquare Church, 254th and Belleport, will sing in the Torrance-Lomita area on Dec. 22 as part of the special holiday services.

On Dec. 21 at 7:30 the children's choir, lead by Mrs. John Boos, will be featured in a Christmas drama, "Carol Finds Christmas," under the direction of Mrs. Bob Thornton.

Boxes of candy will be given everyone attending the service held in the main auditorium of the church.

Children May Still Apply for Choir "Cinderella" Roles

Carolers from several children's choirs will sing in the coming Christmas pantomime, "Cinderella," produced by the South Bay-Torrance Civic Symphony.

Any children from 9 to 12, wishing to join the choirs should contact the Symphony office, FR 5-2744, before Dec. 26.

A Civic Christmas festival may be enjoyed by all the family. "Cinderella," includes talent from all of the South Bay area.

Parts of the production are being rehearsed in Torrance, Redondo, Hermosa, Palos Verdes, Inglewood, Gardena and San Pedro.

The cast of 200 will come together for a week of final rehearsal at the Redondo High School auditorium.

Reserved seats for the Dec. 28 performance at 3 p.m. and the Dec. 29 performance at 8:15 p.m. may be obtained by sending a check and stamped self-addressed envelope to ticket chairman, Mrs. A. M. Headley, 206 Ave. H, Redondo Beach.

The annual Watch-Night service will be conducted Dec. 31 with special music and guest speakers. The service begins at 7:30 p.m. and continues on through 12 p.m.

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