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PTA Council Elects New Officers, Awards Honorary Life Memberships

Honorary Life presentations and election of officers highlighted the Founders Day meeting of the Torrance Council PTA last Wednesday.

Mrs. V. B. Terry was elected president for the 1960-61 term. Taking office with her were Mrs. Robert Hagenbaugh, first vice president; R. R. Bardick, second vice president; F. A. Geisel, third vice president; W. H. Bayliff, fourth vice president; Jack A. Prince, recording secretary; Lee Polick, corresponding secretary; James Anagnost, financial secretary; Edwin Friberg, treasurer; Wendell Morgan, auditor and O. L. Winn Jr., historian.

Mr. and Mrs. William Poser and Miss Marilyn Jensen were the recipients of Honorary Life Memberships. The money given in the names of the recipients is placed in a California PTA education fund to be loaned to students studying education and allied fields.

Mr. and Mrs. Poser were selected for this honor for their many activities in Parent Teacher work, youth activities and community affairs.

Mrs. Poser is at present serving as president of Torrance Council. She has served on the council previously as corresponding secretary, second and fourth vice presidents.

She also served as president of Meadow Park PTA and first vice president and parliamentarian of Calle Mayor PTA.

She has spent six years working for the Girl Scouts as Brownie Leader and has been active in Community Chest and March of Dimes drives.

Mr. and Mrs. Poser sponsor the Jr. High Youth Group at the Torrance Christian Church.

Poser also has served as dean and vice president of the Young Adult Group of the church, and was recently elected to the board of managers of the Torrance YMCA. He is currently serving as chief of the Indian Guides, responsible for approximately 70 tribes of boys in the

six to nine years age bracket. He has served as committee chairman and institutional representative for the Cub Scouts and umpire for the Little League. He served the PTA as citizenship and legislation chairman for two years and budget and finance chairman for one year.

Miss Jensen was selected for the honor for her work in the field of recreation and community activities.

She is currently assistant director of recreation for the city of Torrance. She instituted the high school training program for the recreation department and taught there for two years. She organized the mountain camp and started the Day Camp program in the city parks.

Miss Jensen is serving as chairman of the Harbor District of Campfire Girls and president of the international organization, Altrusa, a mental health project.

Brownie Troop No. 25 led the flag salute and the Fern-Greenwood mothersingers gave inspiration.

A record of the council's accomplishments during the past eleven years was read by Mrs. O. L. Winn, program chairman.

How Torrance works for mental health for the community and its youth was discussed by youth leaders, introduced by Mrs. Ralph Wood, mental health chairman. Speakers were William Poser, YMCA; Mrs. Forrest Cato, YWCA; Mrs. Paul Crossman, Girl Scouts; and Miss Jensen.

Former council presidents attending were Mrs. A. C. Turner, Francis Stoekle, Mrs. Kenneth McVey.

Blue Birds Now Camp Fire Girls

The Silver Blue Birds have flown-up to Camp Fire Girls, and will now be known by the name "Puk-Toleta," an Indian term meaning "we want to work together, travel together, learn together and create together."

Guardian of the group, Mrs. Charles McCormick is assisted by Mrs. William Dempster, and Carl Johnson. Sponsors are Mrs. Wilbur Schossow, Gerald Knoblauch, and Robert Kretschmer.

Members of the new group are Sandra Batson, Linda Bressler, Devra Dempster, Patti Di Marti, Betty Ann Decima, Elaine Ferruzzi, Kathy Henderson, Rexann Huskisson, Kathy Johnson, Kathy Knoblauch, Peggy Kramer, Kathy Kretschmer, Barbara Liberti, Jeri Lubahn, Karin McCormick, Dorothy Miller, Kathy Ralls, Paula Schossow, Linda Shouse and Denise Woods.

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Royal Neighbors Camp Seats New Officers



FORMAL RITES—Pictured are new officers of the Torrance Camp of Royal Neighbors. From left, seated, Stelma Norris, marshal; Myra Snow, flag bearer; Vertie Fox, receiver; Mary Chiara, junior past oracle; Angeleline Disario, oracle; Pauline Smart, vice oracle; Rosy Shepherd, chancellor; Susie Walker,

recorder. Standing, from left, Floella Whitacre, modesty; Juanita McNew, endurance; Belva Brase, degree captain; Ruth Garland, courage; Bertha Sharp, outer sentinel; Bernice Kern, assistant marshal; Lillian Nelson, Delbert Snow and Marge Baudin, managers; and Edna Collins, selfishness.

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Mrs. Mark Wright Honored by PTA

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all the organizations in town attend... service clubs, women's groups, church clubs, and of course, Parent Teachers Associations. It's a two-way communication between the School Board and the city. And the response is tremendous. When we started, only 15 people attended... now we have as many as 180 coming to meetings," she said proudly.

Distinguished Record

The Torrance PTA Council cites many reasons for their selection of Mrs. Wright to receive the National life membership, an honor which has been bestowed only once before in the history of the Council.

Mrs. Wright's distinguished record includes her membership on the executive board of the Los Angeles County School Trustees Association, which is composed of 105 school boards; her service on the Los Angeles Metropolitan, Recreation and

Youth Services Council which coordinates and advises county, city and private youth agencies; her chairmanship of the Scholarship Committee of the Torrance Woman's Club, which awards at least one annual four year college scholarship to a deserving girl; her continuing PTA service including her present chairmanship of the Safety and Welfare committee of the Torrance PTA Council.

Currently living at 1532 El Prado in Torrance, Mrs. Wright makes a charming home for her husband Mark, supervisor of tooling at National Supply. "He isn't as active as I am in education, but believe me he knows as much about it as I do," she said proudly.

The Wrights are looking forward to travelling in Europe this summer rather than taking their annual trip to the New England area. "I love visiting the East," she says, "but the people there

Women's Society Schedules Two Rummage Sales

The Women's Society of the Waveria Community Methodist Church, 3646 Newton St., will sponsor two rummage sales next week.

On Wednesday the group will hold a sale in the church hall, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. On Thursday a sale will take place at the House of Rummage, 1142 San Pedro Ave., San Pedro, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Both sales will feature used clothing for all ages.

seem so satisfied with things as they are or as they always were. They know so little about now developed the West is. I always want to tell them about the wonderful city of Torrance, and the growth in education which is the result of such marvelous cooperation between the city and the school district. They could learn a lot from us."

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