

## Philanthropy Top Project of Torrance Junior Club

The Torrance Junior Woman's Club, under guidance of Mrs. Kenneth Boulter, president, and her board, this year will complete its 15th year of federation in the Marina District of the California Federation of Women's Clubs, Junior Membership.

Since the club is a philanthropic organization, its achievements in this field are of primary importance. Major philanthropy for the year was the redecoration of the Torrance YMCA plus the purchase of a trampoline, a shuffleboard, numerous pieces of small equipment and 52 chairs. The club has had several minor philanthropies, including contributions to three \$100 music scholarships given by the Torrance Area Youth Band. The money was obtained by sponsoring kidnap breakfasts.

Also the Junior club joined with the Senior Woman's Club to present a \$75 art scholarship. Money was obtained by a sidewalk art exhibit and a dessert bridge.

Other accomplishments include two polio clinics, Juniors contributed \$1,030.12 to the Polio Foundation and gave \$125 to the city for trees behind the Civic Center.

They sold Willie Wonder and joined with the Seniors in a bridge brunch to enable the club to give \$128 for CARE school kits in Hong Kong.

In July, club members helped to man the fireworks booth of the Scout Center, Inc. Donations also have been made to the YWCA campership fund and meals-for-millions project.

Juniors gave a Christmas party for a ward at Harbor General Hospital, made cookies and candy to send to servicemen at Christmas, have assisted at the baby clinic throughout the year and have been active in

international affairs by Konya Days participation, family scrapbooks for Turkey, and international hosting.

The Juniors have sponsored two contests—the Americanism essay contest and the Teen-Age Miss contest.

They showed a cancer film at the January business meeting and entertained American Field Service students in February.

The district conference in January was hosted in Torrance. A crafts display by the district was featured. Ways and means project were Rancho Days participation, a Flea Market Bazaar in August, the sale of restaurant ticket books in the fall, sale of Christmas cards and the desert bridge in February.

Club members are participating in a barn dance in March and a Spool and Bobbin Show in May.

### Torrance Council

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formation sessions at each meeting.

Contrary to public opinion, children do want to read as is evidenced by the money being spent by Magruder and Arlington on books to build their PTA libraries. Meadow Park made this its chief project this year. The Riviera unit has a record library for use by teachers and students.

In the parent-education field, the council co-sponsored with the adult Education Department, classes on marriage, psychology, and publicity writing. Crenshaw, has held study groups covering many subjects.

Activities this year included tours of the educational materials building and the Columbia School for mentally retarded children which is a part of the Torrance School system.

A scholarship is given to a student in each of the city's high schools every year. Many Girl Scout Troops, Brownie Troops, Boy Scout Troops, Cub Scout Packs and Campfire Girl units are sponsored by the PTA. Student activities are sponsored, such as the seventh and eighth grade skating party by Casimir.

The association also sponsors carnivals, paper drives, and special events such as the "Gay Nineties Review" held recently at Hillside.

## Hillside Parent-Teacher Association Stresses Juvenile Safety Program

Safety and juvenile protection has been of continuing interest at Hillside. The program has been brought to the attention of students through a safety poster contest which began two years ago.

Another program sponsored by Hillside PTA has been international relationships under direction of Robert Miller, teacher. Students have collected dolls, stamps, coins, flags, maps, and hobby materials from many foreign countries, in an effort to achieve better understanding of different cultures.

Receipts from membership

dues and fund raising projects of the group have aided needy families and distributed Christmas food and toys.

Money has been given to further dental health. Through speakers, posters, and pamphlets on diet and teeth, the subject has been brought to the attention of parents and children, said Mrs. William Olney, chairman of dental health. The Torrance Dental Health Association also has received the cooperation of the PTA in their money raising projects.

Field day, a student sport participation program held annually

at Hillside, also is a PTA sponsored activity, under the direction of Mrs. T. J. Caspo. Ribbons and trophies are given to winners.

Hillside PTA also distributes to the parents, the Newsette, a bulletin of information on PTA activities, mother's meetings, and paper drives. It is designed to keep parents informed and welcome new members.

Hillside PTA is completing its fifth year of progress with 469 members.

This past year has been one of close relationships between parents and the school, accomplished

through unit meetings, PTA sponsored activities, and ways and means projects, Mrs. Francis Davidson, president, said.

One of the activities at Hillside has been the Mother's Group, under direction of Mrs. Herbert McCoy. Mothers received formal recognition from Dr. J. H. Hull, superintendent of schools last year for their contributions to the school in the form of teaching aids and community welfare projects.

They meet monthly in the cafeteria. The March meeting will feature Mrs. Pat Trowbridge, a psychologist of the Tor-

rance Unified School District. The student library has been a project of the association during the past year. It has grown from

a homemade bookcase into a student reference library under direction of Mrs. Robert Andre and Mrs. Walter Hixson.

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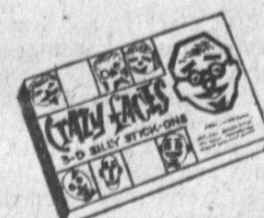
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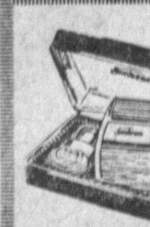


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