



AUTHENTIC COSTUMES and a bevy of pretty misses will highlight 1961 Hermosa Beach Holidays celebration, slated July 28 through 30 in the beach city. Trying on their costumes for the event are Shasta Bolzer and Jerri Villaverde.

Outdoor Village Highlights Annual Holidays Observance

A specially designed outdoor village featuring a huge man-made lake and a real-ice igloo was built in Hermosa Beach as part of the city's eighth annual Hermosa Holidays observance this weekend.

Planned on the beach at Pier Avenue, the mammoth Holiday Village includes facilities for dancing and for feeding 500 persons at a time during Hawaiian and Alaskan dinners planned as part of the event.

The lake, 40 by 60 feet wide, is the scene of colorful log rolling contests and canoe jousting.

The igloo, in which an automatic timing device was installed, holds an expense-paid trip to Alaska to the person who guesses closest to the exact time needed to melt it.

Dancing to a five-piece Hawaiian band is offered on the outdoor pavilion tonight.

Booths displaying Alaskan and Hawaiian curios are included inside the village's 1000 feet of reef fencing.

A gigantic carnival featuring special rides and other attractions adjoin the village, being linked to it by midway booths along the famous Strand.

Top Local Students Attend Summer Classes for Gifted

Thirteen students from high schools in the Torrance area are among approximately 550 of the outstanding junior and senior high school scholars in the Los Angeles City School System who will "run wild" this summer — and with strong encouragement from their teachers.

The students attending from Banning High are Randy Gilbert, 22021 Moneta Ave., Torrance; Edwin Skorupski, 161 W. 22nd St., Torrance; James McLaren, 1320 W. Lowen St., Wilmington; Frances Brownell, 1251 Cary Ave., Wilmington; Virginia Cain, 130 E. Opp St., Wilmington; and Conrad Dogil, 1140 Eubank, Wilmington.

From Narbonne are Bryan Luyt, of Harbor City; Bill Milburn of Lomita; Charles Myers of Palos Verdes Estates; Dennis Potts of Lomita; and Roger Weeks of Harbor City.

These 12 students will be attending a seminar in mathematics. Attending a science seminar will be Bill Fain, Narbonne High, of Palos Verdes Estates.

PROGRAM FOR GIFTED

The select group will participate in a special summer program for gifted students, and the "running wild" portion of it will be mental, as they participate in individual and small group research projects of their own choice.

Recommended by their respective principals, and selected by committees of secondary education administrators, the 550 students will attend 21 special honors program classes offered during the system's regular summer session, July 10 through August 18.

This is the fourth year the special programs for gifted junior and senior high school students have been offered in science, English and literature, mathematics, social studies and international relations.

ADVANCED, UNUSUAL

Most of the classes will deal with material of advanced and unusual nature, not normally found in the regular school curriculum, and will be offered in specially selected schools throughout the system's 850 square mile area in order to allow all eligible pupils an equal opportunity to participate in the program.

Nine of the 21 classes will be offered at the junior high school level and will be held at Emerson, Northridge, Pasteur, Le Conte, Foshay, Mark Twain, Madison and Sequoia junior high schools.

'Nutcracker' Ballet Starts

The most challenging feats of ballet dancing occur in Tchaikovsky's ever-popular "The Nutcracker," and the brilliant stars of the famed New York City Ballet Company will achieve them flawlessly when the celebrated organization presents its lavish full-length performance at 8:30 Friday through Wednesday nights, Sunday, included, at the Greek Theater of Los Angeles, Aug. 4-9.

Technique sparkles in the solos, duos, trios and ensembles, which are among the most demanding of all dance productions, from the vivid variations of the Sugar Plum Fairy and her Cavalier to the flowing grace of the "Waltz of the Flowers." Only such an outstanding company can do full justice to these exceptional requirements.

The tender flight of fancy that constitutes the story is one to stir the imagination of both children and adults, as a little girl dreams that her Christmas toy, a nutcracker, turns into a prince and takes her to a halcyon realm of scintillating dances.

Interpreting the moving panorama are such artists as Diana Adams, Jacques d'Amboise, Jiliana, Allegro Kent, Michael Lland, Nicholas Magallanes, Francisco Moncion, Violette Verdy, Edward Villella, Jonathan Watts and Patricia Wilde, supported by a superb corps de ballet. Ranging in ages from 8 to 14 are the 60 local ballet juniors who will dance in the merry Christmas party scene.

West Coast premieres of "Liebeslieder Waltzes," "Electronics," and "Variations from 'Don Sebastian'" conclude the New York City Ballet's current engagement at 8:30 Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Aug. 10-12.

SB Toastmasters Talk Under Stars

Stressing the summer theme of "Speaking Under Unusual Conditions," South Bay Toastmaster Club 280 held its regular Wednesday evening meeting in the Redondo Beach Park Picnic Grounds.

Toastmastered by Bill Franklin of Torrance, the formal speech program was presented under lantern light to the accompaniment of the near by surf. Speaking honors were won by Ray Lewand of Redondo Beach who properly linked subject with local

in his speech on "Advise to the Fisherman." Dr. Bob Seaman of Manhattan Beach received second place award with his speech, "Let's Go Sailing."

Men interested in speech training are invited to attend the regular Wednesday meeting, Redondo Beach Elks Club, 6:45 p.m. or phone Jim McDonald, 2-9347.

TABLE OF FRIENDS

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