

# PTA The Torrance Council Way

Mrs. Stephen Sampson

**COUNCIL**  
"Developing Leadership For Our Times Through Inspiration, Innovation, Involvement." With this theme as its goal, Torrance Council of PTA begins to plan for the PTA year ahead. The "Inspiration" has been provided by State and National Conventions; "Innovation" will result from the creative talents of PTA membership; "Involvement" will be the happening as more and more parents and teachers meet to solve the problems of today of children and youth.

**HOWARD WOOD**  
On Wednesday, May 22, Howard Wood PTA was entertained by students from South High. Selections were presented from their recent musical, "South Pacific." Installation of officers and the historian's report were given, and past presidents were introduced.

**JEFFERSON**  
A scholarship of \$100 was awarded Miss JoDee Taylor, at the May meeting of Jefferson PTA. Miss Taylor is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Taylor, and a senior at West High. Active in many student activities, Miss Taylor plans to enter El Camino College, where she will major in education. Also awarded at this time was a \$50 grant to the Torrance Dental Health Association, which was accepted by Dr. French, newly-installed president of the dental group.

**SEASIDE**  
Seaside PTA will close its "Book of Knowledge" on May 28 at 7:30 p.m. with a program entitled "Gone With the Wind." This will be a Mother-Daughter Desert Fashion Show. The models or their mothers will have made the garment modeled, and the approximate cost and the pattern used will be announced. Tickets will be on sale at Seaside before the meeting. Installation of the new PTA officers will be made during the meeting. Flag ceremony will be conducted by Girl Scout Troop 919.

**CASIMIR**  
Casimir PTA will hold its last meeting of the 1967-68 year on May 28. A member of the Torrance Police Department will speak on "The Danger of Narcotics and LSD." Mrs. Lynn Thompson will install the new officers for 1968-69. They are Mmes. Jack Davitian, president; Gene Flister, Rex Porter, William Mayfield, vice-presidents; Charles Robbins, recording secretary; Melvin Ballinger, corresponding secretary; Walter Kaestner, treasurer; Jerry Garner, historian; Mr. Lyman Tolman, auditor; and Mr. Edwin Brown, advisor.

Mrs. S. Paul Fullmer invites all interested parents to a Room Mothers meeting on June 4 at 10 a.m. in the cafeteria to see a film entitled "Parent to Child About Sex."

On June 5, at 10:30 a.m., the El Toro Marine Band will put on a program at Casimir, after which the band members will eat lunch in the school cafeteria as guests of the PTA.

Sam's Cafe in Torrance will be the setting for the executive board's final meeting on June 6. Special guests at the luncheon will be Edwin Brown, principal, and Mrs. Gladys Hodges, school secretary.

**MEADOW PARK**  
A paper drive will be held by the Meadow Park PTA Wednesday, May 29, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on the school playground, according to Mrs. John Howenstein, ways and means chairman.

Meadow Park PTA scholarships have been awarded to South High School seniors Roy Campbell and John Secundo, outstanding students who were past Meadow Park graduates. Mrs. Charles Clark, former Meadow Park eighth grade teacher, made the presentation on behalf of the PTA at the May meeting.

A PTA Honorary Life Membership was presented

to Miss Lena Redfearn, third grade teacher at Meadow Park School, honoring her for her long service to children.

The following PTA officers have been installed for the 1968-69 term: Mmes. Daniel Goodwin, president; Johannes Kampe, John Howenstein, and M. E. Mowery, vice-presidents; B. J. Moon-eyham, recording secretary; John Shelton, corresponding secretary; M. G. Coombs, treasurer; L. H. Coy, historian; Fred Burdette, parliamentarian; Mr. M. G. Coombs, auditor; and Mr. D. Boone Kirks, advisor.

**NORTH HIGH**  
Students of North High School Homemaking Department presented 1968 fashions and teachers of North High presented fashions from the collection of Mrs. Lydia Sikkema, dating from 1914, when the North High PTA held their May meeting in Saxon Hall. Commentators were Miss Sheila Levy, senior, and Mrs. Lydia Sikkema. Norm McCracken, North High senior, sang musical selections and played the guitar.

An Honorary Life Membership Award was presented by Mrs. Marvin Richards to Mrs. Clarke Harris for her service to youth in the community.

Mrs. James Orr, registrar chairman of North High PTA and Parent Education chairman of Thirty Third District of PTA, and Dr. Richard Guengrich, principal, installed Mmes. Elroy Wittrock, president; E. W. Barsley, Mr. Eugene McCusker, Ralph Peet, vice presidents; Benjamin Hatfield, recording secretary; H. Redmerski, corresponding secretary; Bert Richardson, treasurer; Paul Heronime, auditor; Fred Wilkins, historian; and Perry Baker, parliamentarian.

Refreshments were made by the students of North High Homemaking Department and served by the PTA board.

**TORRANCE HIGH**  
Newly-elected officers of Torrance High School Parent Teacher Association were installed by Mrs. H. S. Rogers, 1968-69 president of Torrance Council of Parent Teacher Associations, following potluck luncheon on May 16 at the home of the retiring president, Mrs. James A. Davis.

Officers installed were Mmes. James McDonald, president; A. L. Campbell, first vice-president; Dale R. Brubaker, recording secretary; James Fornelli, corresponding secretary; M. E. Momo, treasurer; Howard Martin, historian; Bert Lynn, parliamentarian; Harold Klonecky, second vice-president; and Maurice Wilson, auditor.

Mmes. William Roach and Anthony Razo, chairmen of hospitality, announced that arrangements are being made for annual tea following the Senior Baccalaureate to be held in the Torrance High School Auditorium at 3 p.m. on June 9. The tea will be held by the unit in the Senior Patio, immediately following the Baccalaureate.

## District PTA Exhibit Day Set May 28

Arrangements have been completed for the Thirty-Third District COPT Fourth Annual Exhibit Day, which will be held on May 28, 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Bateman Hall, Century Blvd. and Bullis Road in Lynwood.

Councils and units in the district will display posters, corsages, name tags, record books and other items which have been used during the year. Besides presenting an example of what has been done by the councils and units, it is also an opportunity for exchanging ideas," said Mrs. Joseph Meyer, district exhibits and posters chairman, who is in charge of arrangements. The public is invited.

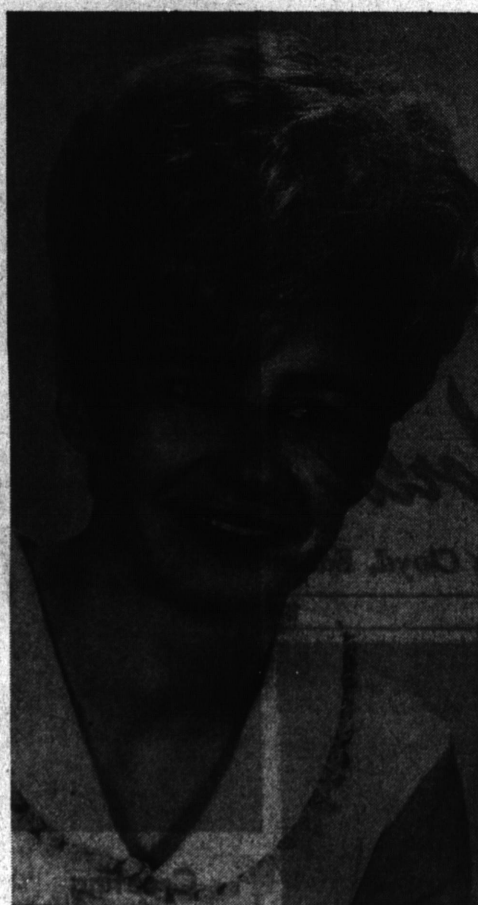


MOTHER-DAUGHTER FASHION EVENT

Seaside PTA is sponsoring a Mother-Daughter Fashion Desert for its meeting Tuesday evening in the cafeteria at the school. Homesewn fashions will be modeled by the mothers and their daughters. In rehearsal are, from left, Debbie Sutherland 11, Mrs. Roland Ellingson, first vice president; Judy Ellingson 8, and Tammy Ellingson 4. New PTA officers will be installed during the business meeting. (Press-Herald Photo)

## Torrance Elk Ladies

# Installation On June 1



MRS. ROBERT AYALA  
... Assumes Office  
(Seeman Portrait)

## Juniors Assist Taping Project

Mrs. Ronald Large, Americanism chairman, announces that the Red Cross sponsored "Voices from Home" project received a boost in the recent distribution of pamphlets through the Commissary at the Terminal Island Naval Station. These pamphlets contain information on the arrangements that can be made for taping the voices of families at home and forwarding the tapes to servicemen in Vietnam.

Members of the Torrance Junior Woman's Club have distributed these pamphlets at shopping centers in the Torrance area.

## Installed As New Officers

Two area women, Mrs. E. Bryant Phillips, Harbor City, and Mrs. Jack R. Newville, Redondo Beach, were installed as new officers of Town and Gown at the University of Southern California. Mrs. Phillips is the new program chairman and Mrs. Newville is scholarship co-chairman. Mrs. Michael MacBan of Pacific Palisades is the new president.

## Delta Sigs Fete 'Moms' At Event

Members of the Delta Sigma Chi Sorority of El Camino College honored their mothers at a Mothers Day luncheon. The annual affair was held at the Plush Horse Restaurant, Torrance, Saturday, May 11.

Members and mothers attending were Mmes. Leo F. J. Salisbury, Philip E. Shirreffs, Charles Kastner, Edward Russ, Lemar Larsen, A. M. Hubbel, B. R. Lilly and A. H. Jucker.

The mothers being presented with floral arrangements and cards were Mmes. Fred Gruber, August Penkert, Charles Cuthbert, Sidney Welch, Raymond Hubbel, Thomas Lilly and Jack Newton.

Special guests were Mrs. William Shirreffs, Mrs. John Maag and Mrs. C. B. Salisbury.

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## Mrs. W. Speck Visiting Here From Greece

Mrs. William Speck, former resident now living in Athens, Greece, has spent the past two weeks here visiting her daughter, Mrs. Jack Dean and family, 2250 Gaucha Dr., Rolling Hills.

Mrs. Dean flew to Mexico City to meet her mother and the two spent a week there before returning to Torrance.

A family reunion is being held today at the home of another daughter, Mrs. William Kesselman in Walnut. Also attending will be another daughter, Mrs. Kenneth Kinneman and family of Garden Grove, formerly of Torrance.

Mrs. Speck will leave Tuesday for Salt Lake City to visit a fourth daughter, Mrs. Wilma Hein, and will go from there to New Jersey to visit her mother and other relatives before returning to Athens.

Mr. Speck is with American Standards in Athens.

## New Board Presides At Unit Meeting

Mrs. John Wise, 15122 Florwood, Lawndale, will be hostess in her home Monday evening, May 27, at 8 p.m., to members of Precursor Alpha Beta chapter of Beta Sigma Phi. Mrs. Andrew Foster, newly installed president, will conduct the business meeting.

The program planned by Mrs. Wise and her co-hostesses, Mrs. Blanche McCullum, will be a summation of the year's programs and discussions held since last September. This will be the final meeting of the group's cultural programs planned around the theme "Foreign Cuisine." Mrs. Henry Lightenburger, newly-appointed program chairman, is planning entirely new material to be used for the coming year, which will begin with the first meeting to be held in September.

Social Chairman, Mrs. Robert Nickelson, is planning parties for June, July and August, including a trip to the Laguna Art Festival Saturday, July 13.

Members planning to attend are Mmes. Andrew Foster, Harold Collins, Eugene Olson, Gardens; Robert Nickelson, Palos Verdes Estates; Henry Lightenburger, El Segundo; Robert Gunderson, Mrs. Blanche McCullum and Miss Martha Oehlert, Torrance; Mrs. Jacqueline Pinkney, Palos Verdes Peninsula; Mrs. Fran Nichols and Mrs. Raymond Millhouse, Hawthorne; Mmes. Louis Below, Inglewood; Louis Zelency, Los Angeles; Lester Mayfield and Mrs. Wise of Lawndale.

## Kiwi Club

# Seats New Officers

Newly-elected officers of the South Bay Kiwi Club, former American Airlines stewardesses, were installed recently at ceremonies held at a luncheon at La Venta Inn, Palos Verdes Estates. Hostesses for the champagne affair were Mrs. Hugh Sutherland and Mrs. T. R. Welch.

Mrs. Earl W. Francis, Palos Verdes Peninsula, will serve as president for the coming year. Others installed were Mmes. W. B. Cody, vice president; Robert De Bisschop, membership chairman; C. R. Gates, ways and means; Dwayne McIlroy, treasurer; Donald Bromley, public relations; W. D. Davis, Jr., recording secretary; and W. J. Schechter, historian.

The meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Lester Teeters, 15116 Florwood Ave., Lawndale, with Mrs. Charles Mel-lodge as hostess.

Programs to be presented will be "Table Equipment" by Mrs. Troy Conn and Mrs. Philip Chowning; "Fun with Flowers," by Mrs. Lester Teeters, Mrs. William Guthormsen with Mrs. Charles Mel-lodge giving a demonstration in flower arranging.

# Coffee Break

By Adeline Daley

In years of reading the "Ask the Answer Man" columns in magazines and newspapers, I have never had reason to doubt the authenticity of the answers.

For example, to the question: "What animal points its ears forward when it jumps?" I am more than willing to accept the "Answer Man's" reply: "Sheep."

However, I'll have to admit that I had never given the matter much thought before, nor do I think I'll bother to check it out.

But what I'd like to know is who sends in the questions used—the Answer Man's wife? Or, perhaps, the Answer Man himself, so that he'll never be proved wrong. As a result, I never find the questions very vexing.

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As a challenge, he ought to answer questions which are real sticklers, at least as far as I'm concerned. Hopefully, a column would appear like this:

**Q:** How does cereal get separated from what appears a seal-proof inner packet, causing you to think you have a half of the box left when you shake it? Yet, when you attempt to pour cereal out, nothing is there.

**A:** Experts are divided. Some believe that the cereal seeps through by the process of osmosis. Others hold that the cereal manufacturers purposely package it there. The idea being, when you pull out the packet to extract the remainder of the flakes, you will lose it all on the floor.

**Q:** Why does it seem that only one sock gets lost from a pair and what happens to it?

**A:** It's only a theory, but there is much support that somewhere there is a Great Sock Pile of unmatched socks. If found, it would prove as valuable as ivory tusks in the fabled Elephants' Graveyard where elephants supposedly go to die.

**Q:** Has anyone ever been able to put back all the Tinkertoys into the container once they've been removed?

**A:** When Mr. Tinkertoy, founder of the company, passed away, he apparently took his secret with him. There was a report a few years ago of someone putting them all back, but it proved to be erroneous in that a younger member of the family had lost two of the spoils.

**Q:** Why are shopping carts at supermarkets always so difficult to separate?

**A:** Although supermarkets are very evasive about it, the suspicions are that they hire specially-trained strong men to jam them together. Many health clubs feature exercises to strengthen the biceps of housewives so that they can separate them.

## Rho Epsilon To Meet on June 3

Mrs. Dennis Eisenhut of Torrance will host the business meeting of the Rho Epsilon Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi on Monday, June 3, at 8 p.m.

The program will be half of the members giving a report on an amateur hobby that gives them happiness.

On Saturday, June 8, the in-out boards will have a luncheon at the Yankee Whaler Inn at 12 noon.

## Need Youth To Assist In Project

High school Juniors and Seniors interested in working one-half day or one full day a week this summer as volunteer assistants on a "nature trailer" are asked to contact the Volunteer Bureau, South Bay Harbor, 2006 West Carson St., Room 211, Torrance.

A traveling botanical exhibit will visit different parks and playgrounds in the Torrance area daily, between June 24 and Aug. 23, to educate and entertain children there.

Volunteers will be trained to explain the various features of the exhibit during a four-day period from June 17 to 21.

Mrs. Jack O'Donnell, director of the Volunteer Bureau, has complete information.

Original words were sung to each new officer by her predecessor and nosegays of spring flowers were presented to each.

## Home For Summer

Miss Susie Ulrich, will complete her junior year of studies at Whittier college on June 9 and will return to Torrance to spend the summer with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Ulrich on 183rd St.

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