# Torrance Council Way

Mrs. Ralph Gring

#### COUNCIL

Attending the ACT-PTA conference Saturday, Jan. 18, at the Los Angeles Hilton, will be Mrs. H. S. Rogers, president of Torrance Council PTA and sev-

Exploring "Crises in Educa-tion," discussions by teacher members of the Association of Classroom Teachers and PTA participants of First, Fourth, Tenth, and Thirty-Third Dis-Tenth, and Thirty-Third Dis-tricts will be, minority group education pressures, student unrest and discipline, teacher unrest and organizations, rele-vant curriculum and finance.

The PTA will be represented by California Congress Board officer Mrs. Lennart Swenson, who will report on the State Board study of student unrest

"The Role of the Father" is the subject to be discussed at a "Men Only" meeting of Casimir PTA on Thursday, Jan. 23 at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Jack Davitian, 2809 W. 167th St., Torrance. Don Soren-sen, school psychologist, will lead the discussion.

"Spotlight on Our Children — Intermediate Grades," is the theme of the Jan. 28 associ-ation meeting at 10 a.m. when the intermediate grade teach-ers will demonstrate and discuss teaching techniques.

On Jan. 30 at 9 a.m. all in on Jan. 30 at 9 a.m. all in-terested parents are invited to the home of Mrs. Jack Davi-tian, to discuss how a child's chronological position in the family affects his behavior.

Mrs. Walter Powers, safety chairman, reports a "Bicycle Rodeo" will be held at Casimir on Friday, Jan. 31.

#### COLUMBIA

Columbia PTA will hold its monthly meeting Tuesday Jan. 21, at 7:30 p.m. in the school cafetorium.

"Reinforcement Therapy," a film on mental retardation, will be shown. It was produced by the Neuropsychiatric In-stitute of the University of Cal-ifornia, Los Angeles at Patton State Hospital and the Rainer School in Buckley, Wash. Mrs. Joan Abend, senior public health nurse of the South Bay Mental Health Service, will be present for a question and an-swer period.

### EDISON

At Edison PTA January as-sociation meeting, Donald So-renson, psychologist in the Torrance schools, spoke on "Un-derstanding Our Children," with a question and answer pe-riod following.

PTA members were in-formed by Dr. Frank Tyrrell, principal, that uniforms for the basketball team have been purchased with the proceeds of a fund-raising movie sponsored by the PTA in December.

The PTA board voted to launch a book drive, to make weskits for the Middle Grade Chorus, and to purchase dipio-ma folders for this year's grad-uates. Plans are also underway

### RN Camp Plans Open Installation

Torrance Camp 8908, Royal Neighbors of America, will hold an open installation Tues-day evening, Jan. 21, at 8 p.m. at the Torrance Woman's Club.

are Mmes Laura Coger, oracle; Iola Hunderman, vice-oracle; Thelma Norris, chan-cellor; Mary Baker, recorder; Opal Hoy, receiver; Sophia Duncan, marshal; Isabelle Schwartz, inner sentinel; Angeline Disario, outer sentinel; Cora Hill, Bertha Sharp, Marguerite Baudin, managers.

#### Scots Celebrate Burns' Birthday

The 210th anniversary of Scottish poet Robert Burns will be celebrated Saturday, Jan. 25, at a dinner-dance in the Pacific Ballroom of the Los Angeles Hilton, Wilshire and Figures Hilton, Wilshire and Figueroa.

Over 600, many dressed in kilts and other native garb, are expected to attend the event sponsored jointly by the Order of Scottish Clans and the Daughters of Scotia.

#### for the annual Spaghetti Din-ner to be held at the school the evening of Feb. 13.

FERN GREENWOOD "Foreign Policy" was the theme of the Fern-Greenwood PTA meeting held last night with the introduction of Foreign Exchange students from Italy and the Netherlands by Mrs. Irwin Kasten, program chairman of Fern-Greenwood

PTA.

The students spoke of their own homelands and also their experiences in education and activities in the United States.

#### FLAVIAN

"Sugar and Spice" was the theme of 'the Flavian PTA meeting with a Fashion Show by the 8th grade girls under the direction of Mrs. McDougal and a Shop Display by the boys under the leadership of Mr. McCowen. Entertainment was furnished by the Junior Souare

furnished by the Junior Square Dance Group of Flavian. A paper drive will be held at Flavian on Feb. 4 from 9 to 11:30 a.m. and the next b meeting will be Feb. 6 at 7:30

#### HOWARD WOOD

"Getting to Know More About You" will be presented by the middle grades when Howard Wood PTA holds its meeting on Wood meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 22, at 1:30 in the school cafetorium, announced Mrs. James Hinds at a recent board meet-

#### LINCOLN

Lincoln Elementary PTA will again participate in the Mother's March of Dimes campaign, according to Mrs. R. A. Doti, health and welfare chairman, who said that mothers will march on Tuesday, Jan. 28 from 5 to 9 p.m.

A bicycle skill test, including balance, straight line riding weaving, U-turns, circling and stopping-on-a-spot, will be giv-en to Lincoln students at 1 p.m on Jan. 29 by the Torrance Fire Department. Torrance Police Department will license bicycles at the same time.

#### MADRONA

"Father and Son Night" for the Madrona PTA is Thursday, Jan. 23 at 7:30 p.m. in the school cafetorium. The guest speaker will be Louis Zampe-rini, a Torrance High and USC graduate and Olympic miler. His life story will be of particuce High and USC lar interest to the young men

Hostesses will be the kindergarten mothers. Opening cere-monies by Madrona students. Parents are asked to attend and help their child's room win

### MEADOW PARK

The Cheyenne Indian Guides will conduct the opening of the Meadow Park PTA meeting Jan. 21, 1969, in the school ca-fetorium at 7:30 p.m. Mrs. Roxy Battles has written an neutertaining historic play com-memorating the Founders of PTA to be presented by stu-dents of Mrs. Battles sixth grade class. Third Grade room mothers will be hostesses.

### Educational **Employees** Will Install

Los Angeles County Association of Educational Office Employees will hold its annual Installation Luncheon tomorrow at noon at the Huntington

Sheraton Hotel in Pasadena. Each guest will come dres-sed in the fashion of her "in-ternational interest" which is the theme for the event.

Mrs. Dorothy Birkemeier, secretary, Temple City Unified School district, will be installed as president by Mrs. Eleanor Barlow, vice president of the National Association of Educational Secretaries.

Dr. M. John Rand, superintendent of Temple City school district, will speak on "International Understanding."

dent. For more information,
Mrs. Lois Marshall at Redondo
Union High school, may be ranks of former TWA host-

# FRIDAY, JANUARY 17, 1969 Wins Recognition



"Outstanding Jaycette of the Quarter" at the Jaycee Quar-terly Awards banquet held recently at La Venta Inn, in Palos Verdes. Mrs. Shaeffer has been an

active member of the Torrance Jaycettes for the past three years. She served as social chairman last year and is currently the second vice presi-dent in charge of ways and

During the past quarter, Mrs. Shaeffer served as chair-man of the Men's Catered Din-ner and assisted with the fund raising Bake and Craft Sale in November. During the holi-day season, she spent limitless hours on the Jaycette Christmas Card sale, proceeds from which aided the Jaycees in their Christmas for the Needy

Mrs. Philip Sheaffer

Mr. Shaeffer is the external vice-president of the Torrance Jaycees.

## Wine Tasting Tonight

Preceptor Alpha Beta Chap-ter of Beta Sigma Phi will en-tertain members and guests at a Wine Tasting Party in the home of Mrs. Andrew Foster, 16222 Daphne Ave., Gardena, this evening at 8 p.m.

Guests invited to attend are members, husbands and es-corts of Xi Nu Upsilon Chap-ter. Assisting Mrs. Foster, will be Mrs. Robert Nickelson, cobe Mrs. ROOPT NICKEISON, Co-hostess for the event. The wine for tasting, which will be served from 8 to 9:30 p.m., will be provided by one of the popu-lar wineries of the Napa Val-ley. A late supper will be served following the wine tas-ting.

Members and husbands attending will be Messrs. and M m e s . Louis Below, In-glewood; Dominick Nardelli

and Mrs. Jacqueline Pinkney, Palos Verdes Peninsula; Henry Lightenburger, El Segundo; Raymond Millhouse and Mrs. Frank Nicols, Hawthorne; Robert Nickelson and Jack Perry, Palos Verdes Estates; Eugene Olson and Mrs. Frances Collins, Gardena; Les-ter Mayfield, Lawndale; Mrs. Blanche McCallum and Miss Martha Oehlerking, Torrance.

Guests will be members of Xi Nu Upsilon and their hus-bands; Messrs. and Mmes. Harry Vannatta, Palos Verdes Peninsula; Morton Jones, Peninsula; Morton Jones, John Cronander, Irving Kur-man, Andrew Pope and Mack John ston, Rolling Beach; John Miller, John Addicott, Lon Thomas, Claude Prude and Raymond Young, Tor-rance; Marvin Scott, David Sowers and Edward Morris, San

North High School.

Francisco Giants.

To Attend

CDA Meeting

Three members of Court St.

Catherine, Catholic Daughters

of America, will attend the Na-

tional Regional Institute for

New Mexico and Hawaii, in

Butterfield will participate in

Mrs. Charles Lockwood will entertain the Preceptor Beta Gamma Chapter, Beta Sigma Phi, at her Torrance home on Feb. 1. An evening of

bridge and refreshments has

been planned for members and their husbands.

Chapter Hostess

Phoenix, Ariz., this weekend.

National

Miss Genova was graduated

as a medical assistant from

the Los Angeles College of Me-

Mr. Sibley attended El Cam-

ino College and the California

Lutheran College at Thousand

Oaks. He is now a professional

dical and Dental Assistants.

#### Sister Renee Engagement Entertained Announced During Visit At a dinner party on Christ-

Sister Renee of the Little mas eve at the home of Mr. Company of Mary Order of Chicago, the former Miss Jory Cunningham of Torrance, spent the recent holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Steven Edward Sibley was an-Mrs. Ken Cunningham on Reynosa Dr.

During her visit, Sister Renee was guest of honor at a reunion of her former classmates at Marymount College. Hostess for the gathering was Miss Carolyn Hodapp.

Attending were Misses Linda Rocha, Shelly Booth, Vicki Lo Nigro and Mrs. Steve Petrich.

Mr. and Mrs. Cunningham also entertained at a dinner aiso entertained at a dinner party during their daughter's visit. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Harry Huster of Chicago; Mrs. Howard Huster of Gar-dena and her daughter, Sister Michele, the former Mildred Huster, who was also home for Huster, who was also home for the holidays from Chicago. Also attending were Sister Renee's brother, Daniel Cun-ningham and her sister, Emy-ard Cunningham.

### Deputy Makes Official Visit To Bethel 50

Job's Daughters, Bethel 50, Torrance, will honor Mrs. Carolyn Peterson, deputy, who will be making her official visit to the Bethel on Tuesday, Jan. 21.

Officers and the choir will exemplify the ceremony of initiation for this occasion. Refreshments will be served following the meeting. Presiding officers will be Debbie Fox, honored queen; Brenda Watt, senior princess; Kathi Bennett, junior princess; Debbie Ellison, guide; Patti Martkinkus, marshal; Martkinkus, marshal; Patti Mrs. Charles Petersen, guardian; and Mr. Vic Fowler, asso-

#### Clipped Wings Unit to Meet

Mrs. Lois Marshall of the South Bay Union High school district will be installed as first vice-president.

Mrs. June Baggett, Torrance District, is the outgoing president.

The weeting is expected to the control of the local chapter of TWA Clipped Wings when Mrs. Jack L. Keyes is hostess on Jan. 28.

# Coffee Break

By Adeline Daley

I would be the last to fault kids for wanting every toy and game they see advertised on television when you consider that the commercials are so enticing.

First, there are the dramatic ones, usually introducing a new \$18.95 toy robot, announced with a ruffle of drums and a voice reminiscent of Charleton Heston descending Mount Sinai with the Ten Commandments. These are in contrast to the bubbly, exciting commercials which could make the simple card game of Solitaire appear like the Fun Game of the Century.

I often wonder how kids became interested in toys before TV without anyone shouting, "Hey, Kids, be the first on your block with the exciting new game of MARBLES! Or, "Introducing the new fun game for kids — JUMP ROPE! Learn how to jump, Hot Pepper, Blue Bells and over 150 exciting jump rope

I know this, my kids would hear them all - from Captain Kangaroo through the 38th re-run of "Leave It To Beaver" at night, plus the 2000 cartoons and 2000 commercials ours watch on Saturday morning which go on, I believe, right after the Farm Report at 5:30 a.m.

That's when I'm nudged out of bed and prevailed upon to go out and buy Silly Putty, Silly Sand, a Super Ball or before that, a Hula Hoop which re-appeared later as a "Shoop-Shoop" when the manufacturer apparently was stuck with a surplus and decided to install ball-bearings inside them so they would go "shoop-shoop."

Of course, I could never understand why it was so important for a Hula Hoop to go "shoop-shoop," but then again, I'm not 10 years old.

Another thing I can't understand is how and why they seem to go in cycles. I mean one kid will have a Super Ball which is a signal for every kid to get one and forget Silly Putty for awhile. At least they don't cost too much, although when you think, \$1 for a wad of what looks like used bubble gum does seem some what over-priced. Super Balls are certainly a bargain

- 10 cents each from the gum machine - but you spend half of your life retrieving them from roof gables and inside of hedges.

However, I'm happy that some of the old "standbys" are still being featured - checkers, "Old Maid" and "Authors." Moreover, they haven't changed the authors in 20 years, and it seems as if the "Old Maid" gets younger-looking every year.

Unfortunately, most of the new toys are not only and Mrs. Edward Sibley, 3137 over-priced (for my pocketbook) but disappointing as W. 180th St., Torrance, the enwell to the kids. I am thinking of the \$4.50 beaugagement of Miss Anna Rose tifully-packaged game I bought for ours recently. The Genova, 4048 W. 173rd St., to box was worth more than the contents which proved to be a glorified version of Pick-Up-Sticks. They played with it for all of five minutes. Heck, it's more Both the future bride and her fun watching it being played on television. fiance are 1966 graduates of

# A Letter . . . ... To My Son

By Tom Rische
High School Teacher and Youth Worker

baseball player with the San

Maybe society needs a "maturity test," which could measure when young people are ready to drink, vote, get married, see adult movies, and do other things for which there currently is an age limit.

Present limits were set with the idea that at a certain age, youngsters are responsible enough to contribute, rather than be a danger, to society. The 21 age limit, for instance, comes from medieval days when knights weren't strong enough to wear full armor till then. But times have changed.

Students often complain that adults in one breath say, "act mature," and in the next, declare, "Don't try to grow up too fast." Arizona, California, Nevada,

If "maturity tests"—to see whether people were Phoenix, Ariz., this weekend.

M m e s. Paul Labonawski,
Harvey Lee and Charles Butterfield will be accompanied on
the trip by Mrs. Arthur Reutebuch of Whittier. State officers
of California will be attending
including Mrs. Arthur Rinaldi
of Hawthorne, state treasurer.
Mrs. Labonawski and Mrs.
Butterfield will participate in really grown-up in attitude-were devised, many people would get them at 15, while others wouldn't be eligible if they lived to be 100.

Many students are better, more responsible drivers than their parents, especially if Dad's still a hotrodder and Mom's too vain to wear her glasses.

Teenagers who say, "If you're old enough to fight, you're old enough to vote too," have a point, especially since most high school grads are probably better informed, having just completed a course in

Many high school students (who somehow get to see adult movies, despite the signs warning them not to) are more mature in their reactions to those movies than lots of adults.

Maturity seems more a state of mind than a matter of the calendar.

Yours for responsible maturity, YOUR DAD

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# Brenda Jones Engaged To Michael McNamara

Mr. and Mrs. Milford H. Jones, 2822 Knode St., Torrance announce the engagement of their daughter, Brenda, to Michael J. McNamara of Long Beach.

The bride-elect, a 1963 graduate of Torrance High School, attended El Camino where she was a member of Corona del Camino, leadership honorary. She received her degree from California State College at Long Beach and is employed as a history teacher at West High School. Miss Jones is also doing graduate work at California State.

Her fiance is the son of Mrs. Pat McNamara of Millbrae and Mr. Martin R. McNamara, Atherton. A 1960 graduate of Mills High School, he received his degree in history from the University of California in Santa Barbara. He studied for a year at the University of Bordeaux in France and has done graduate work at California State at Long Beach. Mr. McNamara is employed as a loan officer at the Bank of America, Santa Fe Springs.

## Southern Council DAR Meeting Slated Jan. 21

Representatives of all South- California Society scheduled ern California chapters of Na- for March 4 through 7 at the tional Society Daughters of the Towne House, Fresno American Revolution will meet at Bahia Motor Hotel, Shelter Bahia Motor Hotel, Shelter and, San Diego on Jan. 21 at 10 a.m.

Following parliamentary law class conducted by Mrs.
James Derrell Smith, state
parliamentarian south, (Fontana) meeting will be called to
order by Mrs. LeRoy Conrad state vice regent (Full-

Hostess chapter is La Jolla Miss Mildred Vose Smith, re

Featured speaker at the p.m. luncheon in the Mission Room is Major Gen. Lowell E. English, Commandant, Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego, whose topic will be Visitors will be welcomed by

Mmes. Donald Spicer, national historian general (Coronado). Frank Robert Mettlach, honorary state regent (San Diego); Earl E. Ashton, district chair-man, DAR Good Citizens (San Diego); Vice chairmen, Mmes. Charles W. Audet, DAR manual (San Diego); Joseph W Callahan, DAR service for ve er a n-patients (Coronado);
Morris Fitzpatrick, historic
books (Encinitas); Robert Lee
Sperry, public relations committee and the regents of San
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