

Obituaries

Dorothy Griswold

Memorial services for Dorothy Rea Griswold, 19309 Anza Ave., were conducted yesterday at the South Bay Community Church of the Brethren in Redondo Beach with Halverson-Leavell Mortuary in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Griswold, born June 19, 1924, in New Jersey, died last Friday.

She is survived by her husband, Kenneth; two sons, Kenneth Jr. and Steven; a daughter, Michelle Marie; her mother, Mrs. Pauline Waller, all of Torrance; a brother, and a sister.

The Rev. Samuel L. Barnhart officiated at the services.

Fernand De Passe

Funeral services for Fernand De Passe Jr., of 24815 S. Normandie Ave., Harbor City, were conducted Tuesday at the Stone and Myers Mortuary Chapel. The Rev. Charles Phillips of Community Baptist Church officiated.

A resident of the area for 41 years, Mr. De Passe was born March 4, 1913, in Oklahoma. He had been employed at U.S. Steel's Torrance Works for 35 years.

Surviving Mr. De Passe are his widow, Marion; a son, James of Wilmington; a daughter, Dixie Hunkle of Torrance; three sisters, Seline Privett of Lomita, Ellen Tullie of Torrance, and Jennie Murray of Big Bear, Calif.; and a grandson.

Donald Feiler

Funeral services for Donald Waldo Feiler, popular car salesman and manager in the area for more than 15 years, were held May 12, it was learned here this week.

Mr. Feiler was a native of Terre Haute, Ind., where he was born Aug. 23, 1909. He died in Los Angeles May 8.

He was a member of the Elks Lodge for 24 years and had worked in the Torrance and Harbor communities since 1953. He last worked at the Kott and Smolar agency in Wilmington.

Surviving him are his widow, Rose, to whom he was married for 26 years; a daughter, four brothers, and two sisters. Interment was in Inglewood Park Cemetery.

School

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placement set-up for gifted students, he stated.

MAGRUDER Middle School will not be a "junior high," Dr. Richardson stressed. First of all, a junior high traditionally involves the ninth grade and is therefore more high-school oriented. Magruder School will not offer the more extensive sports program of the junior high, for example.

Dr. Richardson emphasized that the program at Magruder will be "elementary-oriented." Sixth graders will continue to study in "self-contained" classrooms with the same teacher all day. Seventh and eighth graders, on the other hand, will have departmentalized schedules, he said.

The curriculum consultant pointed out that seventh and eighth graders will have the same homeroom teacher for both years in order to provide guidance and give them a feeling of continuity.

AT THE SAME time the school will be large enough to offer quality education, it will be kept small enough so that it doesn't in effect become a junior-high, Dr. Richardson said. Total enrollment at Magruder will be about 630.

The middle school program was devised by a team of local school officials, including Dr. Lloyd Jones, assistant superintendent of elementary education; Paul Mackey, child welfare and attendance consultant; Philip Norman, curriculum consultant; and Dr. Richardson. Team members have invested much time in explaining the new program to the community.

DR. JONES noted that some parent opposition could be expected every time there is a boundary change for local schools. Educational benefits, however, far outweigh objections, Dr. Jones said.

"If parents see this program in operation for one year," Dr. Richardson noted, "we feel there would be very few objections."

The middle school plan was recently adopted by the Torrance Board of Education on a pilot basis.

Thomas McClamma

Requiem mass for Thomas Benjamin McClamma, 2217 Cabrillo Ave., will be celebrated at 9:30 a.m. tomorrow at the Church of the Nativity. Rosary will be said this evening at 7 at the Halverson-Leavell Mortuary Chapel.

Mr. McClamma, a native of Madison, Fla., was born Nov. 20, 1921. A veteran of World War II, Mr. McClamma served 22 years in the U.S. Air Force and for the past three years had been employed by the Department of Defense at Parker Aircraft Co. He died Sunday.

Surviving are his widow, Stella B. McClamma; a son, Eric F. McClamma, now assigned to Lackland Air Force Base, Tex.; a daughter, Dianne of Torrance; his mother, Mattie Garretson of Florida; and two sisters, Hazel and Mamie.

Erma Bennett

Graveside services for Erma D. (Pat) Bennett, of 1327 Greenwood St., will be conducted at 2 p.m. tomorrow at Pacific Crest Cemetery. White and Day Mortuary, Redondo Beach, is in charge of arrangements.

Born Nov. 17, 1910, in Pennsylvania, Mrs. Bennett first came to the Torrance area 40 years ago. She died Monday.

Surviving are a daughter, Barbara Blythe Gallant of Lomita; a sister, Pauline Glaze of Montebello; her mother, Mrs. George Green of Fresno; her father, Paul Duville of Falmouth, Calif.; a grandchild; and several nieces and nephews.

The family has asked that contributions to a memorial fund at Torrance Memorial Hospital in lieu of flowers. The fund will be used for the purchase of a baby incubator for the hospital.

Services

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will be presented to M. P. Chapman, senior Counsel General of New Zealand, by Marine Lance Corp. Charles L. Watson.

Patriotic musical selections will be sung by the Songsmiths, all youngsters from the Harbor area, and by baritone Barney Spencer.

Other participating in the program are Commander Jesse Kopp, Major Robert L. Kingsbury, Leon Dwight, Rev. Fr. Lloyd Torgerson, Louis Bodahely of the Associated Patriotic Societies of San Pedro, and Rabbi Stephen Weissberg.

NEAR THE close of the program, the U.S. Coast Guard helicopter will arrive to pick up the clergymen, who will drop wreaths in the ocean in honor of those of all faiths lost at sea.

Buddhist commemorative services will also be held at Green Hills Friday, with a program starting at 10 a.m.

Collision Injuries Are Minor

Only minor injuries were reported following a collision Saturday morning which involved four cars and one motorcycle. The collision occurred at 10:20 a.m. at the corner of Crenshaw Boulevard and Pacific Coast Highway.

Major damage was sustained by the car driven by Catherine C. Montgomery, 40, of 215 Via la Soledad. The Montgomery car first collided with a vehicle driven by Margaret P. Bogdanovich, 20, of San Pedro. Miss Bogdanovich's car sustained total damage.

Major damage was also sustained by a car driven by Tomiko T. Miyabara, 32, of 1602 Van Ness Ave.

Also involved was a motorcycle driven by James E. Watson of Orangevale, Calif., and a car driven by Robert M. Johnson, 43, of 3714 W. 226th St.



JEFFREY BURDEN



RICHARD MEADOWS



MICHAEL WHEELER

Join Force

Four Rookies Are Graduated

Four recruit officers of the Torrance Police Department graduated today from the Los Angeles Sheriff's Academy after completing a 16-week training course.

Graduation ceremonies for Officers Jeffrey Burden, William A. Kaneen, Richard E. Meadows, and Michael Wheeler took place at the Music Center in Los Angeles. A luncheon also was held in their honor.

Torrance businessmen, who sponsored the officers and their guests at the luncheon, included John Tweedy, Southwest Savings and Loan; Robert Warnock, Glendale Federal Savings and Loan; Dennis Chojnecki, Great Western Savings and Loan; and Robert Oswald, Western Federal Savings and Loan.

SPECIAL guests of Chief Walter R. Koenig were Jim Conn, Pacific Telephone, and Mrs. Conn; the Rev. and Mrs. Wallace Kornegay, Church of the Nazarene; Al Terrence, commissioner of the California Correctional Industries, and Mrs. Terrence; Charles Cake, president of Jewell Land Co., and Mrs. Cake; J. Walker Owens, executive vice president of the Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce; and various members of the police department.

Officer Burden, 24, was born in Inglewood and is a graduate of South High School. He attended El Camino College and Brigham Young University, where he majored in international relations and history. He was graduated in 1968.

Burden enjoys hunting, ocean fishing, water skiing, and gun collecting. He resides in Torrance with his wife Kay and one-month-old son Jason Scott.

OFFICER Kaneen, 24, was born in Culver City and graduated from El Segundo High School. He served with the U.S. Air Force for four years and was in Vietnam for one year.

Chamber

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tire area be appraised by an outside consultant "at the earliest possible time" to establish values which "would allow private developers to purchase the properties by bid and to complete the development under a precise plan."

Chamber officials said they feel the city is obligated to complete the project as soon as possible to relieve the tax burden on local property owners and to provide new industrial and commercial land.

"It is further felt that this can perhaps be done more expeditiously and economically by pricing the land at values which would allow private developers, or the public, to purchase these properties at a wholesale rate on a bid basis."

Kaneen attended El Camino College and Boston University. He was a member of El Segundo DeMolay and is interested in sports, hunting and fishing. He resides in Torrance.

MEADOWS, 22, was born in Fireco, W. Va. He was graduated from Shady Spring High School and attended Beckley College in Virginia and El Camino College upon his move to California.

Officer Meadows' hobbies include bowling, swimming, fishing, and hunting. He and his wife Janice reside in Torrance with their 2-year-old daughter Lisa.

Prior to his appointment to the Torrance Police Department, Wheeler was employed with the Pacific Telephone Co. He resides in Torrance and enjoys hunting and mechanical drafting as his hobbies.

All the officers will be assigned to Field Services Bureau, Patrol Division, under the command of Capt. Robert E. Hammond.



WILLIAM KANEEN

Finance

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is now the minor shareholder in the enterprise."

The board president emphasized the "staggering variation" in the ability of local schools to support education as another reason why the state's share should be placed at 50 per cent.

"Our economic, political, and social structure cannot constructively absorb huge numbers of young men and women who are both uneducated and unskilled," Mrs. Watts said. "A high percentage of the welfare and correctional dollar is spent on the unschooled who also comprise the highest proportion of the chronically unemployed."

DR. FRANK Mattox, assistant superintendent, business, declared the state can well afford the \$372 million increase for schools without any increase in state taxes, since \$105 million has already been set aside for schools and the general fund contains an additional \$250 million surplus.

AB 409, Dr. Hull continued, is the best balanced school money measure ever presented to the Legislature and represents the most cooperative approach to school finance in 20 years. Cooperating in drafting the measure were members of

Film Slated

The film "Anarchy USA" will be shown Thursday, June 5, at the American Opinion Library, 1532 W. Carson St. The program, sponsored by local chapters of the John Birch Society, is open to the public without charge. It will begin at 8 p.m.

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the Statewide Policy Committee on Public School Finance composed of representatives of the California Association of School Administrators, the State Board of Education, the California Congress of Parents and Teachers, the State Department of Education, and the California Teachers Association.

AB 409, Dr. Mattox said, would bring \$1,600,000 in additional state support to Torrance schools. It would increase the average state support behind each elementary pupil from \$203 today to \$216 next year, an increase of \$13 per elementary student. On grades 9-12, it would go from \$198 to \$208, an increase of \$10. Support behind each adult education student would rise from \$160 to \$212, an increase of \$52.

Dr. Hull said that unless state support is increased, or unless local taxes can be increased, the Torrance schools face serious cutbacks in educational programs and services to the children. He pointed out the fact that California is 42nd among the 50 states on the percentage of state and local revenues devoted to public education. Forty-one states give public education a higher priority in relationship to other governmental services, he stated.

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