

Women's Activities

By MARY VONDERAHE

ANNUAL MID-SUMMER OPEN-AIR FESTIVAL IS PRESENTED BY THREE ARTS STUDIO

Inaugurating the first annual midsummer open air festival at the Three Arts Studio, Martha Jane Rickard and Edward T. Rickard, directors, on Wednesday evening of last week received a capacity group of students' parents and friends gathered in the patio of the studio. Elaborate preparations for the festival had been made, including the erection of an outdoor stage and the installation of multiple flood and spotlights, which effectively lighted the stage and grounds.

An informal dinner, served at tables especially built for the occasion, preceded the program and ballroom dancing in the studio provided an enjoyable conclusion for the evening.

The recital program, stressing the Three Arts, follows:

"The Bold Pirate" and "The Star Gazers," piano, by Shirley Deere; swing tap dance by Kathleen Ray McGinley; "The Street Sweeper," monologue by Robert R. Mulqueen; "Swans on the Lake," piano, by Kay Ellen Preble; "Feelin' My Rhythm," tap dance by Louise Clouse; ballet dance by Diane Hinshaw; "I Like to Dance," "Lightly Row," "Falling Leaves," "Fair Court," piano, Mary Lou Kirkpatrick; "The Tennis Lesson," monologue by Grace Ann Lafferty; "Panda Parades," two-piano number by Dal Derouin and Elsie Miller; "Time for School" and "Father's Match," readings by Dal Derouin; "Sissy," piano, by Dal Derouin; "Blaze," piano, Dal Derouin; "The Band Played On," song and tap dance by Eugene Minor and Edward Stone; The New Yorker, ballroom demonstration by Cindy and Stevie Hornick; "Travel Talk," monologue by Mary Lafferty; "Dark Eyes" and "Polish Dance," piano, Bernadette Stanley; Oriental Dance by Cindy Hornick; tap dance by Tracy Dale; number by The Swing Rhythm Group; Grace Garland, Marlene Schildmeyer, Gloria St. Denis, Shirley Deere, Barbara Jule Cracknell; "Liebestraume No. 3," piano, Willo-Jean Whitten; "Minuet in G," two-piano arrangement by Elsie Miller and Willo-Jean Whitten; ballroom demonstration; waltz, rumba, tango, fox-trot, by Cindy and Stevie Hornick; "My Gal Sal" and "Some Sunday Morning," songs by Cindy Hornick; "The Hand Bag," monologue by Patsy Sue Trotter; Boogie-Woogie Rhythm by Connie Ericson; acrobatic dance by Cindy Hornick; Mrs. William P. F. F. guest artist, accompanied by Mrs. C. E. Cade, Pasadena Conservatory of Music; ballet group demonstration: Judy Rhone, Linda Jones, Marjorie Lovell, Diane Schildmeyer, Victoria Hinshaw, Donna Fuller, Grace Lafferty, Barbara Jule Cracknell; "Memories," monologue by Robert R. Mulqueen; "Oh You Beautiful Doll," tap dance by Janice Desmond; clarinet solo by Ann Mander, pupil of Mr. C. A. Cade, violin and clarinet teacher; "Whispering" and "The Gypsy."

Scout-Brownie Annual Day Camp In Gala Climax

Camp To-Lo-Ga-Wa-Ha, the Girl Scout Day camp at Torrance park, ended last week with many events for the girls and their families. On Monday evening each unit of girls was hostess at a picnic supper, and later presented a program at the bandstand. When the parents left for home, the grand finale of camp began, the "Sleeping Bag" contest. Eighty Girl Scouts donned p.j.'s and robes, and met around a big bonfire for singing and stunts. At ten o'clock the girls crawled into their bed rolls or sleeping bags. According to Mrs. Brockelsby, director and assistant director of the camp, and the many other adult watchers, sleep didn't settle over camp for several hours. However, the girls were up early, tied up their bed rolls, cooked their breakfast and tidied up the camp. Then they assembled for "Scouts Own," an inspirational program given to end camp.

The girls then dispersed to their homes in Torrance, Lomita, Gardena, Waltersia and Harbor City to await next year's annual Day Camp meet.

ON BUSINESS TRIP

Sam Neely returned Saturday from a two weeks' business trip in Detroit. Enroute he visited his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Neely in DuQuoin, Ill., leaving for a visit with his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Brafwell, of Paducah, Ky.

AT W. C. MOYER HOME

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Moyer, of 2118 Carson st., recently enjoyed a visit from her sister, Mrs. Florence Miller, of Omaha, Nebraska, their first reunion in 20 years. Also included in the party were the ladies' mother, Mrs. Hattie Wissler, of Glendale, and Mrs. Dale Hopley, a sister-in-law of Mrs. Moyer, who was accompanied by her daughter Beverly.

HAROLD KERBER RESUMES STUDIES AT UNIVERSITY

Harold Kerber, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Kerber, of this city, returned last week to the University of California, where he will do post-graduate work in mechanical engineering.

He has just recently been released to inactive duty in the Navy, where he served as an officer in the submarine service.

FAMILY REUNION

Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Wheat have been entertaining Mr. and Mrs. Leon Anderson and Mrs. G. A. Holmes, all of Salt Lake City. During their week's visit here, an evening at Earl Carroll's and other activities were enjoyed.

Kathryne Buffington Presents Pupils In Los Angeles, Long Beach

Torrance pupils of Kathryne Buffington, pianist and teacher, were given an unusual opportunity to present their original compositions on Thursday morning, August 1, at Morey's Music Store in Long Beach, when William O'Toole, noted pianist and composer of New York, gave his lecture on music and original compositions. Kathryne Buffington was asked to present her students in connection with Mr. O'Toole's talk. Beverly Ordway played an original miniature, Mickey Van Deventer, an original Indian theme, and Ann Olson played one of Mr. O'Toole's own compositions, "The Dance of the Elves." The decorative covers on the compositions were admired by the teachers and sixty originals were displayed on the walls in the lecture room at Morey's Music Store.

On Friday, in Los Angeles, at the Southern California Music Store Mrs. Buffington presented students again in original compositions, when William O'Toole lectured before one hundred and fifty teachers. Janet Poh, playing an original based on the whole tone scale, "The Quiet Lake," played an original miniature entitled "Autumn," using chromatic harmony and Ann Olson in two numbers, "Chinese Bazaar" and "Oriental Market," using the Oriental minor scale, were warmly applauded for their creative and playing abilities, and were congratulated by the teachers at the end of the lecture. Again over sixty originals were displayed on the walls and examined by the teachers.

Students Gary Hakanson, Janet Poh, and Judy Erickson, and Mrs. Fischer, appeared before the teachers' class on Saturday morning in original work playing their numbers for teachers and receiving suggestions from Mr. O'Toole.

The Music Teachers' Association and the Creative Music Teachers of Los Angeles, of which Kathryne Buffington is the president, are attending classes given by William O'Toole at the Southern California Music Store, Los Angeles, from August 5 to 9.

These original compositions, written by Torrance students, are being taken to New York by Mr. O'Toole and are to be published in a little book of children's pieces. The little composers are Alice Olson, with two originals and Janet Robison in an original Indian theme. Five original compositions are to be used in lectures through the United States as examples of what students in the part of the country are doing, and Mrs. Buffington's students were chosen for this honor.

The noted composer summarizes his work as follows:

"The aim of the creative music teachers of today is to develop within the pupil an insight to musical meaning through creativeness while learning; to develop a natural technique through a rhythmic-dynamic approach; to fuse both musicianship and technique in every stage of progress."

ATTENDS CONVENTION

Rev. R. J. Menmuir pastor of First Christian church is enroute to Columbus Ohio, where he will attend the international convention of the Disciples of Christ.

FRANK KREKOWS ENTERTAIN

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Krekow have been entertaining their niece, Miss Frances Blair, of Oklahoma City, Okla. With Mrs. Wilda McKenna and Mrs. Gordon Davis, the group had recently enjoyed two weeks' vacation at the Weis cabin in Crestline.

NURSING CLASSES SCHEDULED

Applications are being taken this week for Red Cross Home Nursing classes starting August 28, it was announced by Miss M. Louise Floyd, director, nursing service for Los Angeles chapter.

Detailed information on these and other classes is available by phoning chapter headquarters, FI-5261, extension 71.

CALLED TO NEW MEXICO BY NEWS OF DEATH

Mrs. Luke C. Nickol, of 1417 1/2 Cota ave., has been called to Lordsburg, N.M., by news of the sudden death of her brother, Phillip Nixon Cousland, recently discharged from the Army. Mrs. Nickol had only recently returned from a visit at the home of her mother in New Mexico.

RECENT HOUSEGUESTS

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Goss, 1617 Anapola ave., recently entertained Mr. and Mrs. Guy Grove of South Bend, Ind., for several weeks at their home.

Red Cross Swim Program Looms As Record Maker

The annual summertime "Learn to Swim" program — sponsored locally by the Los Angeles Red Cross chapter and the City Recreation department — today moves into its second month with 26 public pools cooperating.

With the morning hours given over entirely to instruction periods, the 1946 project looms as an all-time record-maker, it was reported this week by Roger C. Plaisted, director, water safety for the chapter.

"Youngsters—and adults, too—who a few weeks ago could not swim, already passed the Red Cross beginners' tests and are enrolling in advanced classes," Plaisted said. "Such rapid advancement is made possible through the whole-hearted support given the 'Learn to Swim' program by the pools."

One of the most unique Red Cross swimming classes is that being staged daily at dawn at

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY IS NOTED AT PARTY

Their fourth wedding anniversary was the occasion for a delightful evening party when Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mowry were entertained at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Moyer, 2118 Carson st.

Cards furnished diversion for the group, composed of Mrs. Mowry's family members and intimate friends and neighbors, including Messrs. and Mrs. Harry Lewis, Charles Boon, Robert Zingo, Mrs. Katherine Mowry, Miss Barbara Moyer and the hosts.

Hermosa Beach Red Cross-trained lifeguards are in charge of instruction for hundreds of boys and girls who report at 6 a.m. to take advantage of the surf "when it is as smooth as a lake."

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