

Howard Hans Will Conduct Philharmonic

For the tenth pair of concerts by the Los Angeles Philharmonic Feb. 11 in the Philharmonic Auditorium, Dr. Howard Hanson, director of the Eastman School of Music, will be guest conductor.

One of the foremost music educators in the United States, Hanson also is well-known as a composer. Music Director Alfred Wallenstein of the Los Angeles Philharmonic, requested Hanson to include several of his own compositions on the forthcoming program pair.

The composer's fourth symphony which never has been heard in the West will be a feature of the program which will include the suite from his opera "Merry Mount," commissioned a few years ago by the Metropolitan Opera Association and successfully performed by the "Met."

In addition to the two Hanson compositions, he will conduct numbers by Henry Purcell, English composer, and the Russian Liadov.

St. Andrew's Group Reports Dance Party

Members and friends of St. Cecilia's Guild of St. Andrew's Episcopal church are still talking about the good time they had at the square dance party in parish house on Wednesday evening of last week. Plans are under way for a similar party to be staged in the near future.

Much credit for the success of the affair goes to Mrs. Kay Davis who expertly called the dances.

Serving hot dogs and coffee at the snack bar were Mrs. Fred Sandstrom, guild president; Mrs. Edward Rhone, general chairman and Mesdames Jackson Moore, Nat Williamson and Beatrice Moore, committee members.

Frances Snodgrass Elected President of Art-Craft Club

Election of officers featured the monthly meeting of Torrance Art-Craft Club held Friday evening at the Beach avenue home of Mrs. Frances Snodgrass.

Chosen to serve during the new year are: Mrs. Snodgrass, president; Mrs. Eva Thomas, vice-president; and Mrs. Bettina Miller, secretary-treasurer.

At the conclusion of the evening, which was devoted to copper work and textile stenciling, delicious refreshments were served by the hostesses Mrs. Mary McDonald and Mrs. Bettina Miller.

The ladies are completing arrangements for their installation dinner party set for Friday evening, Feb. 11.

'District' Day to Be Observed by Fern Avenue

Fern Avenue School P.T.A. extends a cordial invitation to all P.T.A. members of Torrance Council to attend District Day on Feb. 8 at 2 p.m. in the kindergarten room at Fern Avenue School.

Mrs. Bowen, council president, will preside at the meeting. Election of new council officers will be held. District guests will be Mrs. J. Frank Snowden, president of First District and several members of her board.



BETA TRI-Y CLUB SEATS NEW OFFICERS—Retiring and incoming officers took part in installation ceremonies of Beta Tri-Y Club recently. In the group (left to right) are Wanda Griffin and Pat Stanford, sergeant-at-arms; Joy Chandler, historian; Kathleen Smith, musician; Pat Pullen, chaplain; Beverly Borden, treasurer; Donna Dinmore, secretary; Nellie McVay, vice president; and

Joan Kanasto, president, all retiring officers of 1948. Continuing (left to right) are the newly-installed officers, Joan Risler, president; Nelda Schook, vice president; Alice Crane, secretary; Shirley Jennings, treasurer; Rachael McDonald, chaplain; Barbara Smith, musician; Diane Garcia, historian; Erma Park and Helen Jones, sergeant-at-arms. (Lomita News Photo by Arthur Willey).



SPEAKER—Dr. Cleveland Kleihauer, who spoke at the 27th annual meeting of the YWCA in San Pedro Monday evening.

'Y' GROUP ATTENDS MEETING

Members of the Torrance YWCA Committee, Torrance Young Adults and YTeens thoroughly enjoyed the 27th annual meeting of the Young Women's Christian Association, held in San Pedro Monday evening.

Following a delicious turkey dinner and some spirited group singing, Mrs. Otis Blackstone, president of the San Pedro association, welcomed the 184 guests and called the meeting to order. Financial and election reports were given.

Mrs. John Morris, San Pedro executive secretary, emphasized the job being done in Torrance as outstanding under the leadership of Mesdames A. E. Palmer and J. P. Montague and their committee and Miss Elaine Allsebrook, program director. As each staff member was introduced she gave a brief, true story of a girl who had been helped to fun and better living because of Y activities.

Dr. Cleveland Kleihauer's good humor and ability were clearly distinguishable in his address on "An Adequate Philosophy for Difficult Days" which was woven around this quatrain:

To Think Clearly—
To Love Sincerely—
To Have Honest Motives Purely—
And to Trust in Heaven and God Securely.

He emphasized that if all would try to live by these four short lines we should surely be better persons.

The evening was one of inspiration particularly to those of Torrance who hope to develop a strong YWCA in the community.

Attending from Torrance were: Mesdames A. E. Palmer, J. P. Montague and C. J. Fokum, hostesses; Mrs. Martin Kent and J. A. Barrington, Y-Teen advisors; Misses Jeannie Whitten, Joan Stevens, Irene Moreno and Melva Estes, Y-Teen and Teen-Timer members and Mrs. Robert Williams and Sandy Pointek, Young Adult members.

MRS. C. F. FIESEL IS HONORED AT REUNION LUNCHEON

Complimenting her mother-in-law, Mrs. C. F. Fiesel, 1442 Carson street, on the occasion of her 77th birthday, Mrs. Johnny Fiesel, 25534 Narbonne avenue entertained family members and intimate friends at luncheon.

A beautifully decorated cake, presented by Mrs. Martha Sparrelich, inscribed "To Our Mom" and bearing 77 candles centered the luncheon table set for 20 guests from Torrance, Lomita, Wilmington and Los Angeles.

SUPPER PARTY IS SET BY SCOUT MOTHERS

Mrs. Muriel Gately's home Wednesday was the setting for the monthly meeting of Mothers Club of Girl Scout Troop No. 610.

On the agenda were plans for a pot luck supper set for Wednesday evening, Feb. 23. In a brief plea Mrs. Ross Jones, leader, asked full support for this year's Girl Scout Cookie sale, stating that \$10 had been Troop 610's proceeds last season.



CLUB PRESIDENT PRESENTED WITH CANDLE—Joan Risler, (left) receives the lighted candle, badge of her high-ranking office, when she is installed president of Beta Tri-Y Club. Presenting the candle and also offering congratulations is Joan Kanasto, retiring club president. (Lomita News Photo by Arthur Willey).

Play Review Highlights Club Initiation Program

Torrance Junior Woman's Club held its semi-annual initiation banquet Wednesday evening, Jan. 26 in the clubhouse.

The U-shaped dinner table, seating 65 members, guests and initiates, was gaily decorated to portray some of the more realistic phases of the recent "unusual" California weather.

On a blue crepe paper path winding along the full length of the table were little men on red skis gliding among cotton snow balls, glittering with artificial snow. The centerpiece was a snubby cheerful snowman banked with red and blue flowers. Carrying out the winter theme, the programs were used as place cards and decorated with tiny fuzzy snowmen.

After dinner, the audience listened spellbound to Miss Frances Donovan, play reviewer, in her interpretation of "The Heiress," a play adapted from Henry James' novel "Washington Square." Miss Donovan explained and described the stage setting and enacted all parts of the play, changing her voice to denote the lines spoken by each character.

New members brought into the club at the formal initiation ceremony were: Mesdames C. A. R. Groover, William A. Walmsmith, W. E. Grubb, Robert R. Dexter, K. L. M. McBrean, P. M. Jacobs, C. M. Trezise, Thomas Rogers, W. B. Lewis, Mary Lee Boswell, E. J. Chapman, Janice Kendrick and the Misses Fern Rice, Gerry Faren and Lavenia Henry.

Guests for the evening were Mesdames G. C. VanDeventer, C. T. Rippey and John T. Ursler, the club's senior advisors, Miss Elaine Allsebrook, YWCA program director; and Mrs. S. V. Raus, past advisor.

Mrs. George A. Bradford, Jr., opened her home at 1323 Beach avenue for the monthly executive board meeting.

Suggested changes in the by-laws were discussed and arrangements were made for the dinner the members were planning to cater for the Senior Women's Club.

On Monday evening the Arts and Crafts group met at the home of Mrs. M. B. Millar, 2443 Andree avenue.

The group is forming a class in ceramics in addition to copper work and leather tooling which they had been doing.

At the conclusion of the informal breakfast, Mrs. Verne Barlow, president, conducted a board meeting during which plans were outlined for the organization's observance of Founder's Day.

Later several of the women left for Whittier to attend the First District winter conference in Whittier High School. Featured speaker was Mrs. P. D. Bevil, whose topic was "Have We Accepted Our Responsibilities?"

Among those representing Torrance P.T.A. units at the meet were Mrs. A. C. Turner, Torrance Council, First District; Mesdames Verne Barlow and John Spiller, Torrance High School; Mrs. V. T. Vanderpool, Fern Avenue; Mesdames K. C.

Kendall Oils to Be Shown

Community Arts Association and the public library and art gallery of Palos Verdes Estates announce an exhibition of oil paintings by Marie Kendall to Feb. 12.

The noted artist, a resident of Hollywood Riviera at 279 Via Linda Vista, is listed in Who's Who in Washington. She has held memberships for years in the California Art Club and in the National Association of Women Painters and Sculptors of New York, and in Women Painters of the West.

For years, too, she exhibited continuously with the California Art Club and had her work accepted by the National Association of New York City.

STORK SHOWER HONORS FORMER TORRANCE GIRL

Mrs. Tom Denman, the former Miss Barbara Tossas of Torrance, was honored at an attractively appointed shower given recently at the Long Beach home of Mrs. Al Tossas. Assisting as co-hostess was Miss Carlotta Dean.

Pink and blue streamers were suspended over the buffet table which was centered with a large stork holding a tiny bundle in his beak. The stork motif was followed for party favors and the dainty paper napkins were replicas of baby dresses. Each serving of white iced cake was decorated with a stork design.

At games which followed the opening of lovely gifts for the heir-to-be, the Misses Myrna Fossum and Renee Bechtel were prizewinners.

Others present were Misses Doris Lee Quaggin, Gerry Faren, Naomi Lockman, Wanda Moore, Jeannette Probert, Pat Coulshaw, Shirley Robinson, all of Torrance; Dolly Stone, Aileen Calahand and Rosemary Hill of Long Beach.

HALLDALE GROUP AT COUNCIL MEETING

Mesdames M. D. Hiebert, Les Smith, C. B. Humphrey, Don Wolf, E. M. Bernardin, H. T. Seeman, John Wright and W. C. Sidwell represented Halldale P.T.A. at the Founders Day meeting of the Lomita-San Pedro Council held at the Leland Street School Feb. 1.



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