

## State Officers on Official Visit to Torrance Court

The state regent, Mrs. Timothy Maloney of San Francisco, and the state vice regent, Mrs. Arthur Messerschmidt of Long Beach, honored Court St. Catherine, Catholic Daughters of America, with an official visit when they attended the business session Monday evening.

A most personable individual is Mrs. Maloney, who heads the CDA organization in the State of California; she addressed the groups, speaking on the various phases of CDA work, and complimented the local court on their accomplishments.

Presiding was the grand regent of the hostess court, Mrs. J. J. MacDonald. Committee chairmen reporting were Mesdames Bernard Harwood, Frank J. Farrell, M. N. Felker, Howard Schott and Frank H. Foyester. Mrs. Harwood has been named chairman for the CDA poetry contest, which the court will sponsor again this year among students at Nativity School. Local winner in her division, Betty Jessome placed 2nd in the state contest last year.

A Community Chest Award of Merit has just been made to Court St. Catherine, as sponsoring organization, and a similar award to Mrs. Lyle J. O'Hara as section chairman, it was announced. They were first "over-the-top" section in Torrance.

Gifts were presented to the two state officials. Greetings were extended by two visitors, Mrs. E. F. Gausehler who is state chairman of CDA Junior courts in Iowa, and Miss Helene

Thompson, grand regent of the Redondo Beach court. Our Lady of Victory.

Coffee and tea were served by Mesdames Joseph Ruber, Joe Graziano, John Hoffman, Peter Haboush, and Miss Theresa McIntier.

A representative group attended installation ceremonies for a new Bellflower court, at which Mrs. Joseph Lucas, of Court St. Catherine, served as assisting monitor. Mrs. Maloney was presiding official at the ceremonies.

Next on the local court's calendar is a meeting of the study club group next Monday evening with Mrs. O'Hara, 1615 Fern avenue.

Hostess for the occasion was Mrs. Edna Babcock.

## Guardian Council Meet Held

Mrs. Howard McDonald opened her Beech avenue home Monday evening for a meeting of the Guardian Council of Torrance Bethel, Job's Daughters.

## Jeweler Flies To Grandson In Kansas City

Flying to Kansas City, Mo. Saturday was Mr. Abe Robinson, owner of Lawson's Jewelers, 1317 El Prado, to attend the christening of his first grandnephew, Michael Henry Feinberg.

In addition to the baby's mother, the Torrance jeweler and his wife, who have recently moved to Torrance from Glendale, are parents of another daughter, Mrs. Dave Turner of Glendale, and a son, Samuel M. Robinson, manager of Lawson's Jewelers Bellflower store. Both Mr. and Mrs. Robinson plan to take an active interest in Torrance civic affairs.

Mrs. Robinson is a member of National Business and Professional Women's Club, and since coming to Torrance has affiliated with Women of the Moose and Royal Neighbors of America. The Torrance merchant is a trustee of the Glendale Moose Lodge, a life member of the Masonic Blue Lodge and a member of the Khiva Grotto of the Masonic Order.

## Debonnaires Dance Plans Set for 23rd

An Officers Training Conference was held at the San Pedro YWCA February 7 with about 100 girls from Torrance and surrounding cities in attendance. All Y-Teen club officers were invited. Club advisors and program directors led the conference with the purpose of helping officers to handle their responsibilities in the best possible manner. Mrs. Donald Hitchcock, Mrs. Douglas Baldwin, Mrs. Newton Sprouse and Mrs. J. R. Wyckoff, leaders, represented Torrance.

The Debonnaires, Y-Teen Club of High School Juniors, are planning a dance for all Harbor Area Y-Teens and friends to be held at the Civic Auditorium February 23.

## Busy Season For PTA Board

When North Torrance Elementary PTA board met Wednesday at the school, Mrs. Jules Ross was elected recording secretary to replace Mrs. Sam Harris who resigned.

Miss Olive Marshall's second grade room and Mrs. Lavona McKelvey's fifth and sixth grade room, won the treat in the recent paper drive, which netted \$100 for the budget. Mrs. William Sale, ways and means chairman, announced a rag drive set for February 28. A paper and rag drive also is to be held soon. Details will be announced at the regular association meeting.

Mrs. Aron Weibe, student welfare chairman, gave a report on the dental program, which is being discussed by many Torrance organizations.

Two classes in First Aid have been held at the school. Persons interested may still enroll and make up classes missed. Classes of the 18-hour course meet on Thursdays from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

## FOUR BETHEL'S UNITE TO HONOR GRAND OFFICER

Mrs. Zelma McCauley, grand guardian, International Order of Job's Daughters, State of California, was the honored guest last Tuesday evening at a combined meeting of four Bethels including Compton 32, Gardena 112, Lomita 137 and Torrance 50. Dividing the evening into four parts, Miss Barbara Gordon, Bethel president, presided over the escorts and honors portion. Miss Beverly Luster, junior past honored queen, substituted for Miss Donna Pat Wolf, honored queen of Torrance, who was ill, and directed the business meeting and Miss Edna Sandstrom, honored queen from Lomita Bethel, conducted the closing ceremony.

Mrs. McCauley, wearing a cream-colored lace gown, carried a unique arrangement of a musical staff, the treble clef, and notes to which red and white carnations were attached with red and white ribbon streamers. In keeping with the theme "With a Song in My Heart" Mrs. McCauley was escorted and presented to the capacity-filled hall and sat in the East for the remainder of the evening.

With February being a patriotic month, Ann Stephens, librarian of Torrance Bethel, read "The Job's Daughters Flag." During escorts and honors the following honored guests were introduced: Mrs. Mildred Edwards of Torrance, deputy grand guardian of district 84; Mrs. Nelle Montague, of Long Beach, deputy grand guardian of district 40; a guardian of Compton Bethel Mrs. Katherine Mitchell, and associate guardian Russell Alford; Mrs. Enola Rappier, guardian of Gardena Bethel, and Robert Park, associate guardian; Mrs. Ruby Francis, guardian of Lomita Bethel, and Michael Hickey, her associate guardian, from Torrance Bethel were Mrs. Edna Babcock, guardian, and William Brenner, associate guardian. Mrs. Leon Larson of Wilmington, vice-associate Supreme Guardian, was presented and spoke briefly. Mrs. Vivian Cook, worthy matron of Torrance OES Chapter, and Leonard Babcock, master of Torrance Masonic Lodge, Past worthy matrons present included Jeanette Clark of Torrance Chapter, OES; Mrs. Francis Walder, of Detroit, Michigan; Past associate patrons, Mr. Royal Milhauser of Gardena, and Mr. W. Walder of Detroit.

Mrs. McCauley gave a short speech stressing the values for which Job's Daughters stand. As she stood before a large red and white cellophane heart, Miss Sydney Young sang "With a Song in My Heart," accompanied at the piano by her mother, Mrs. Emily Young.

## Sharon Notes 14th Birthday

Sharon Felker celebrated her 14th birthday with a lovely Valentine party arranged by her mother in their Beech avenue home.

A group of Sharon's school friends and neighbors were invited to a slumber party and during the evening games were played and a birthday cake and other refreshments in valentine theme were served. Attractive personal gifts were presented to the birthday honoree.

Breakfast concluded the festivities for Sharon and her guests, who were: Ann Liebert, Mary Louise Spaulding, and Marlene Weber, Los Angeles; Mary Scott, Betty Weber, Shirley Moody, Julie Rhone, Betsy Shaw and Loretta Vonderahe, all of Torrance.

## Varied Activities Announced By Torrance Women of Moose

At the regular meeting of Torrance Chapter 44, Women of the Moose, held last night in their clubhouse and presided over by Senior Regent Clawson, plans for forthcoming events were outlined. A cordial invitation was extended to chapter members and others wishing to participate in the various activities.

The chapter has a Civilian Defense committee alerted and ready for an emergency call, it was announced.

The Friendship dance sponsored jointly by Women of the Moose and Loyal Order of the Moose and held Saturday evening in the clubhouse was a splendid success. Another dance party is being planned for next month. The public is invited, as well as the membership of both organizations.

The home of the hospital chairman, Mrs. Lucille Meyers, was the setting for a meeting of her committee. Following luncheon, gifts were prepared for the Valentine party for patients in the chapter's adopted ward in Harbor General Hospital.

Last week's card party was an outstanding success under direction of Marie Bankston, ritual chairman.

Thirty-five members of the chapter attended a television show in Hollywood recently with three of the Torrance women participating on the program. Gifts were received by Anna Belle Holland, Sophia Duncan, and Ila Mae Ambach.

Representing Torrance at the Friendship Breakfast at Compton Sunday were Velma Scanlon, Martha Evans, and Ila Mae Ambach. A table was decorated by the Torrance group, headed by Mrs. Scanlon and personal gifts for guests at the speakers' table were presented by Mrs. Ambach, according to Elsie Smith, news chairman.

## BROWNIES CELEBRATE BIRTHDAYS

Valentine Day and members' birthdays provided a party incentive this week for members of Brownie Troop 435.

Birthday celebrants were: Jan Lee Planz, Daline Goode, Adrean Swan, and Diane Lee St. Martin. Refreshments were served by their mothers, who were assisted by Mesdames Betty Hunter, leader; and Eloise Ricci, and Marguerite Williams, assistant leaders.

Dressed as St. Valentine Day pages were Marilyn Edwards, Lenore Sexton, Shirley Aniker, and Shirley Snuffin of Gardena, each of whom presented Mrs. McCauley with a musical note enclosing money from her Bethel.

From a buffet table, refreshments of assorted decorated open-faced sandwiches, a red and white sheet cake, coffee and punch were served.

Mrs. Katherine Lane, Torrance promoter of hospitality and the promoters of hospitality of other Bethels were in charge of the dining room where guests of honor were seated at a long table decorated with a centerpiece of red and white flowers.

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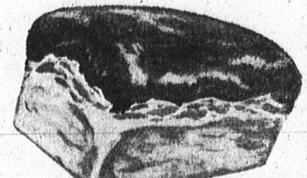
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