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Last Saturday night "Les Galtes," the Sandpipers annual Charity Ball, was held at the Riviera Country Club. Preceding the event Mr. and Mrs. James Hall entertained with a cocktail party. Included among the guests were Messrs. and Mmes. Harvey Spelman Jr., Everett Rowan, Charlton Mewborn, Earl Sacks, William Schmitz, whose guest was Mr. Gene Ziegler; and from Riviera Mr. and Mrs. Richard H. Blakeley.

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George Betus, Stanley Briggs and "Jeep" LaPoore were feted at a Father's Day luncheon on the terrace of the Betus home at 23214 Robert Rd. last Sunday. The Betus family, including five-year-old Pamela and two-year-old Billy, are recently from Glen Cove, Long Island. The LaPoores, of 5344 Linda Dr., are new neighbors from Inglewood, and the Stan Briggs family, of 5334 Linda Dr., are former residents of Torrance. They have recently returned from a 10-month stay in Ontario, Calif. Their children are Patty and Mary Beth, four and two years old respectively. These new residents are hoping that the older residents will drop in to see them at any time.

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Paul Barth and daughter Sharon vacationed at Catalina Island last week-end. Paul returned to find wife Frankie bedded again with a back ailment, and shortly after, Frankie was taken to Torrance Memorial Hospital for proper care.

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The Pomeroy family, Jack, Dottie and children Leslie and Christine, flew to Denver last week-end, where Jack will be taking another United Airlines course. Dottie and the children flew on to Wichita, Kans. for a two-week visit with her mother and grandmother.

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A buffet supper in honor of their wedding anniversary was given by Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Boyle last Saturday evening. The Boyles were presented with an enormous wooden salad bowl by guests Dorothy and David Hurford, Margaret and Paul Roettger, Helen and Bill Schmitz, Dottie Haegele and Mary Jane, and Leo Sidebotham. Marvelous movies taken on previous tuna fishing trips down the South American coast were shown.

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Mary Jane and Gene Miller of Sharynne Lane celebrated their 10th anniversary with Ruth and Frank Hanover, having a lovely champagne dinner party at Allen Center. The Millers leave soon for the mountain country in Idaho to visit Gene's family.

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More brief trips of last week-end: Pat and Pierce Venable visited friends in Laguna, and Eadie and Harold Teach sailed to Catalina on a friend's cruiser.

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The date of the Las Vecinas Woman's Club installation of new officers is June 26, and the installation will be at the Redondo Woman's Club at 1:30.

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Mrs. Agnes Wright, prominent clubwoman of Redondo Beach, will install the following officers: Frances Webber, president; Dorothy Hurford, first vice-president; Mary Beth Hornbeck, second vice-president; Jan Kirby, recording secretary; Jo Jurisich, corresponding secretary; Mary Pinkney, treasurer; and Thelma Simmons, historian.

A summer theme will predominate in the decorations. Young pianist Mickey Vandeventer will play several selections.

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Now your Potpourri reporter must announce with regret that we are no longer able to continue with the column. It has been most pleasant having had this contact with you, and we feel very strongly that there should be such a representation in our Torrance paper. We hope that anyone who would enjoy reporting the activities of their friends and neighbors will contact Reid Bundy or Jack Baldwin at Torrance 444.

That's it, neighbors.

HC Visitor In Accident

A San Diego visitor to Harbor City was painfully injured when she lost control of her car and was involved in a collision with two other autos at Belle Porte Ave. and Anaheim St. Friday night.

Taken to Wilmington Emergency Hospital was Mrs. Gertrude Brown, 29, of San Diego. She was treated for severe cuts and a fractured jaw. She later was transferred to Harbor General Hospital, according to Harbor Division police.

Walteria News Notes

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The summer reading project, "I Am An American," formed around the American Heritage program which the Los Angeles County Library has been asked to participate in by the Ford Foundation, will open for enrollment on Monday, June 23. The same rules and awards will be given as have been in the past years, with the exception that a special list of books have been selected for the program instead of random reading for the participants. These reading projects are enthusiastically received by the school-age youth of our community, and have been a great success in the past. Here's hoping for an even bigger and better year.

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The Nathan Gordons who run the grocery store on the corner of Pacific Coast Hwy. and Neece Ave., have taken off for a three-week vacation in the middle east. Very able substitutes are present to take over and give customers service while the Gordons are enjoying themselves.

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Two lovely bridal showers have been held recently with the honoree being Miss Irene Moreno. The first shower was held on Monday evening, June 2 at the home of Mrs. Manuel Moreno, the bride-to-be's mother, on Ward St. Hostesses for the evening were Mrs. Paul Brow and Mrs. Joe Lopez. The color scheme for the evening was carried out in pink and white, with crepe paper decorations in the room, and a huge three-layer cake with pink waxen roses on it. Over 23 guests attended the affair and enjoyed themselves immensely with the various games. The honoree was showered with many lovely gifts both at this shower and at the one held on Saturday, June 7, in San Pedro. Hostess for the San Pedro party was Mrs. Candy Moreno, who centered her theme on entwined hearts with a huge heart decorating the cake served for refreshment. As yet no definite date has been set for the wedding, although it will certainly be in the very near future. May we take this opportunity to wish the young couple the very best of wedded bliss.

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Our deepest and most sincere sympathy goes this week to Mrs. Margaret Dowd, librarian in our local branch county library, upon the loss of her mother, Mrs. William D. Stark, of San Gabriel. Mrs. Stark passed away on June 16. She was grandmother of Mr. William Mitchell, Danaha St.

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A newcomer to the Montgomery Apt., Neece Ave., is Mrs. Barbara Combs and her infant daughter, Vickie. Barbara is the wife of Sgt. Chuck Combs, now serving with the U. S. Air Force in Korea. Her husband's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Carl Combs, who have lived on Neece Ave. in our community for a number of years. Welcome to Walteria, Barbara.

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Talk about hard luck, Dickie Ziske, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Ziske, Adolph St., has had it. He just got his shoulder out of a sling following a dislocation when he had the misfortune to jab a pitchfork through his left foot last Friday. May we wish him a change of luck!

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We were sorry to hear that Al Freels, Danaha St., is in the hospital for treatment on a bad back. Here's hoping he enjoys a speedy return to his usual good health. We'll miss seeing him working diligently in his yard while he is sick.

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Farewell was bid this week to the Alex Knox family who have been living on Danaha St. They have moved into an apartment in Lomita. May we wish them happiness in their new residence?

Receives High Defense Post

Lt. Col. Michael T. McLean, USAF, brother of Cletus McLean of 1028 Arlington Ave., has been assigned to duty with Headquarters, United States Air Force, in Washington, D. C., it was announced yesterday.

He will be on duty in the office of the deputy chief of staff for materiel following his graduation from the Industrial College of the Armed Forces next Thursday.

Colonel McLean, as a member of the resident class, is completing a course of study in joint logistic-strategic planning and in the economic-military aspects of national security.

The colonel was chief, materiel division of the Military Assistance Advisory Group to the United Kingdom when assigned to the college last August. Before that, he held the same position from 1947 to 1950, with the American Mission for Aid to Turkey. He holds the Legion of Merit, Commendation Ribbon, and the American Defense Service Medal.

Doctor Save Arm Of Injured Worker

Melvin L. White, 45-year-old plant production man at Chandler's Sand and Gravel Co. was seriously injured Saturday morning when his right arm became entangled in a conveyor belt while he was working on a sand loader.

Doctors said yesterday that efforts to save his arm have been successful, although it was fractured in several places. He will be able to leave Torrance Memorial Hospital in about two weeks.

White, who lives at 25417 Senator Ave., Harbor City, has been employed at Chandler's for 14 months.

The victim was rushed to the hospital from the sand pit at 26311 Narbonne Ave. by Jacob's ambulance after other workmen witnessed the painful mishap and summoned medical aid.

Guy Hoyt to Address Narbonne Graduates

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School days are virtually over for 132 Narbonne High Senior "A's" who tomorrow evening will receive diplomas during graduation ceremonies held on Griffin Field, according to Earl Barnett, Narbonne principal.

Many of the 132 will go on to higher institutions of learning; many more will put an end to school and settle down with jobs.

Starting at 5 p.m., the commencement program will include presentation of honors to outstanding students and also an address by Guy Hoyt, associate superintendent of Los Angeles City Schools.

Vice-principal Pat Turner will present the class of summer, 1952, to Barnett, who will award the diplomas. Miss Elizabeth Parks, girls vice-principal, will present honor awards.

Yesterday afternoon 220 junior high school students held commencement exercises at the high school.

Members of the student body who will take part in tomorrow's graduation include soloists Jim Butterfield, Frank Algarme and Don Bruton, student body president.

Senior members of the band, directed by George Weeks, and the a cappella choir conducted by Miss Alice Sturdy, also will take part. Stan Willis will present the class gift.

NHS Honor Students Named by Principal

Honor and service awards to graduating Narbonne High School students were announced this week by Principal Earl Barnett. Graduating services will be held tomorrow evening, 5 o'clock, on Griffin Field.

Ephebian Society members are Muriel Gately, Manuel Murrieta and Donna Pat Wolf. Elected as life members of the California Scholarship Federation were Chester Bean, Bill Whetstone, Miss Wolf and Miss Gately.

New members of the Guilders are Charles Allen, Barbara Duffy, Bette Hartley, Miss Gately, Norma LeClercq, Mary Ann Lenton, Dorothy Merriam, Johnny Mitchell, Alice Phillips, Elaine Sorenson and Byron Suiter.

Attendance Awards

Attendance awards will be presented by the Registrar's office to Chester Bean, Stanley Hall, Nobue Hiraoka, Joan Holland, Charles Huggins, Dorothy Kishiyama, Kay Minobe, John Mitchell, William Oakes, Alice Ueda and Stanley Willis.

Bean was selected for the special Science Award and John Mitchell for the Key Club Award. Honor Service awards will be presented to Bean, Jim Butterfield, Richard Campbell, Cullen Deck, Betty Donnel, Barbara Duffy, Jack Hawley, Joan Holland, Dorothy Kishiyama, Elaine Sorenson, William Whetstone, Mary Learman, Norma LeClercq, Dorothy Merriam, Earl Miller, Carolyn Powers and Dorothea Schweitzer.

The Kiwanis Service Award will be presented to Johnny Mitchell. Graduating members of Jane Addams service organization are Bonnie Bryan, Betty Donnel, Barbara Duffy, Muriel Gately, Carol Hart, Bette Hartley, Mary Learman, Norma LeClercq, Dorothy Merriam, Alice Phillips, Carolyn Powers, Dorothea Schweitzer, Elaine Sorenson, Alice Ueda, Donna Pat Wolf and Janice Woodman.

Honor Vigilantes

Vigilante Club senior members include Cullen Deck, Martin Durham, Ronald Farish, Jack Hawley, Manuel Murrieta, Denvil Phifer, Doug Strong, Byron Suiter and Stan Willis.

Manuel Murrieta will receive the Elks Scholarship award. Class officers are Stan Willis, president; Martin Durham, vice president; Bonnie Bryan, secretary; and Carol Hart, treasurer.

Swimming Is Healthful Sport If Simple Safety Rules Heeded

Swimming remains one of the most popular, enjoyable and healthful of sports but it is not without danger since more than 6000 individuals were drowned in the United States last year.

With the foresight and caution supplied by good swimming instruction, a great many of these deaths could have been prevented.

Fear is the bane of the inexpert or non-swimmer. Panic-stricken individuals who get into difficulty while in the water frequently dissipate their last chance for survival in a futile struggle. Yet it is not hard to acquire some skill in swimming and still easier to learn to stay afloat since the fat and air in the human body make 90 per cent of the men and practically all women buoyant. This is especially true when in salt water.

Anyone Can Swim

Everyone can learn to swim. In youth it helps to build strong, healthy bodies. For older people swimming in quiet water and in moderation, provides gentle exercise and does not strain the heart. Instruction in the art of swimming imparts skill and confidence, teaches the individual to avoid hazards, and makes him better able to handle emergencies that arise at less risk to himself.

You do not have to be a swimmer in order to save someone from drowning. The Red Cross points out that if a person is in danger a rope, an oar, a fishing pole, even an article of clothing may be extended as a lifeline from a boat, dock, or the shore.

If the victim is farther away a wooden plank, tire, or other object that floats may be shoved out to act as a buoy while help is obtained.

Only as a last resort should anyone, other than a strong swimmer, swim out to help a drowning individual. Double fatalties frequently result because a weak swimmer uselessly sacrifices himself in the attempt to rescue someone whose life is in jeopardy.

Learn Safety Rules

Anyone looking forward to a wet summer should learn the safety rules complied by the Red Cross and the National Safety Council. Their timely warnings are herewith listed:

Select a safe place for swimming—preferably one supervised by a lifeguard.

Never go swimming alone.

Don't dive unless you know the depth of the water—make sure there are no hidden obstructions.

Don't enter the water when tired or overheated.

Don't Be a Show-off

Don't demonstrate abilities you do not possess.

Don't swim immediately after eating. The length of time you should wait depends on the amount and kind of food eaten. If full of hot dogs and potato salad, keep out of the water for two hours. Stomach cramps are almost completely incapacitating.

Unless panic know how to swim do not venture out in small boats or canoes.

Don't panic if leg cramps occur. Paraplegics, paralyzed from the waist down, swim constantly in deep water.

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