

'Round the Riviera

Girl Scouts' Yule Project Nears End

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Riviera Girl Scouts and Brownies are completing their year-long Christmas project for the children of Harbor General Hospital. Mrs. Paul J. Howey, youth chairman of the sponsoring Las Vecinas, reported this week.

It was just recently that Las Vecinas donated \$100 to Girl Scout, and Brownie troops #67, 110 and 138, 98 and 112. The donation was used to purchase a craft tool library for leather and copper tooling, easels, linoleum block printing and stenciling. With these tools, the Scouts and Brownies have fashioned hand puppets, leather bed pockets, pictures, and painted bed boxes for doll beds. They have made doll bed mattresses, sheets and pillow cases; all for the little shut-ins at Harbor General to brighten their Christmas.

Las Vecinas bought the material needed for these projects and then chipped in with time and effort on the members' parts. First on their list was 25 dolls to give to the children in the 2 to 13 year old age group. Members made up two complete outfits for each doll. Then they picked in and made 18 pairs of felt stockings which will be filled with candy, nuts, and favors for the children. The baby ward (those under two years old) will be brightened with stuffed toys and rattles supplied by Las Vecinas.

Another project of the club is to supply these children with slippers. This project is a continuing one, since the children are given the slippers and permitted to take them home when they are discharged. The supply is replenished by Las Vecinas whose members keep making them the year round.

To Las Vecinas and their Girl Scouts and Brownies goes a hearty "well done" from this

column, a compliment that we are sure is echoed by your neighbors throughout the Riviera. This is the third year that the club has worked for a better Christmas for the Harbor General Hospital's youthful inmates; we are proud of you and your good work. Let us include too, the Girl Scout Troops 1955, 1394 and Brownie 1058 from Sealife, who pitch in and help our Rivierans in this worthwhile task.

Another evidence of Christmas can be found over at the Sportsmen's Club, where proxy Louis Regan oversees their annual Christmas tree sales. Ray Borman, 713 Calle de Arboles, is in charge of setting up the lot this year, and Leon Oakes, publicity chairman, reports that the trees will go on sale Saturday, Dec. 13. Will Zena, committee chairman for the project, had all available Sportsmen out on the lot last Saturday sawing and nailing and generally preparing for the coming sale.

The lot, of course, is the same one they have used for the past few years, and proceeds from the sale of these trees will go toward the many youth projects sponsored by the club. You'll find trees of all sizes to fit every need, and you'll know your money will go to a worthy Riviera cause. The a string around your little finger; Santa himself will be present on the Christmas tree lot from 2 till 4 on Saturday, Dec. 20, and from 1 until 4 on Sunday, Dec. 21. He'll have a favor for every tot who comes down to help mom and dad pick out a tree.

Recent birthdays in the Riviera included Sherrill Ingram, who was six on Nov. 19 and celebrated with a birthday party for many of her friends. One week later, Tim and Terry Marsh, 4 and 5 years old respectively, celebrated their birthdays with a backyard party for their friends. Third birthday party was celebrated by Thomas Jones, who was 7 on Nov. 15.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Williams, 210 Via Los Alamos, celebrated their 48th wedding anniversary on Nov. 24 with a dinner at their daughter's home. They are the parents of Mrs. Raymond Holt, 816 Calle de Arboles, and their daughter reports they are now looking forward to the rapidly approaching golden wedding anniversary in 1954.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Will Zena, 167 Via Los Miradores, on Sunday, Dec. 7, at 1 a.m., was an eight and one-half pound boy, whom they have named Michael. St. John's hospital, Santa Monica, was the location.

Mrs. Jim Henning, 308 Via Pasqual, recently attended a four day convention for the AFL held at the Wilton Hotel in Long Beach. Mrs. Henning is president of the L. A. County Local Employees Union 347. After the convention, a dinner dance to which their husbands

were invited, was staged in the Marine Room of the Wilton Hotel.

The pack meeting held Nov. 28 by Cub Scouts 718 at El Estero park featured a talk by Salvation Army official, Mrs. Boyd. The boys brought canned goods to be given away by the Salvation Army to needy families. Jack Batterbee, 255 Calle de Andalucia, is Commodore of this Riviera pack.

Riviera PTA publicity book chairman Mary Webb was present at a First District meeting of publicity book chairmen held recently at the home of Mrs. Victor Benard, Torrance Council president, 1445 Esparanza, Torrance. Mrs. Winifred Jackson, First District record book chairman, gave all chairmen present an outline and method of procedure for handling and keeping up the PTA yearbooks. Ten publicity book chairmen from this district were present at the meeting.

Mrs. Ernie Russell, 213 Calle de Madrid, was honored last week at a baby shower given by Mesdames Howard Webb, Fred Seaborn, and Morris Hornbeck at the latter's home, 210 Calle de Madrid.

Calla lilies set in a rubber doll base provided the center-

piece at the table. Dolls for decoration were brought to the party by most of the guests. Mrs. Hornbeck's large collection of dolls was dressed especially for the occasion in dainty christening clothes.

Coffee, cake and ice cream were served, while "Pin the Diaper on the Baby," a deviation of the old children's party game, was played. Mrs. Ivan Hornbeck won first prize, while Mrs. Lawrence Mosen won booty prize. Guests included Mrs. F. F. Buckley, mother of Mrs. Russell; and her two sisters, Mrs. John McKnight Jr., and Mrs. Ivan Hornbeck, of Los Angeles and Inglewood, respectively. Also present were Mrs. I. H. McCamant Jr., Mesdames Lawrence Mosen, Frederick Aber, H. C. Vanderberg, E. L. Huffine, R. E. Simmons, Joseph Boyer, Henry Schumacher and Edwin Sih.

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