

More Gals in Public Office Is BPW Goal For 1953-54

Members of the local Business and Professional Women's Club will turn politically-minded in 1953-54, in line with the newly-adopted program of the State Federation to elect more women to public office.

The plan was presented and approved at a state convention which began last Thursday and concluded Monday at the Los Angeles Ambassador Hotel. Casting votes for the Torrance club were Mesdames Virginia Beck and Evelyn Lynch, president and first vice-president, respectively.

Other convention highlights included talks by Mrs. Dorothy Donohue, who was elected to the California State Assembly last fall, and Professor Alonzo Baker, world economics professor at College of the Pacific.

'It's Fun to Swim,' Says Red Cross Man at 186th PTA Meet

Using "It's Fun to Swim" as his topic, Roger Plaisted of the Red Cross Water Safety Division told 186th St. PTA members Thursday of the free swimming classes offered each summer by the Red Cross.

Plaisted, who spoke following a 2 p.m. business session at the school auditorium, also emphasized that every secondary school should have a swimming pool to increase the effectiveness of the water safety program.

'Stork Story' FROM TORRANCE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Mr. and Mrs. Irving S. Caulkins, 21604 Haldale Ave., now are parents of their second son who was born May 14 at 11:32 p.m. Father is employed at Union Oil Co.; grandparents are Messrs. and Mesdames Harry B. Oliver, 1904 Gramercy Ave., and Herbert O. Emerson, 26351 Hillcrest St., Lomita.

Newest addition to the 1602 W. 208th St. household of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ruiz is 6 lb. 9 1/2 oz. Robert, who was born at 6:20 a.m. May 13. He joins an 11-year-old sister, Nannette. Father is a cabinet maker with Taylor Stair Co.; grandparents are Messrs. and Mesdames Harry S. Woolway and Isidore Ruiz, all of Gardena.

Vicky Ann, 7 lb. 11 oz. daughter of the W. L. Thorps, 21810 Haldale Ave., arrived at 2:30 p.m. May 18. She has one brother, six-year-old Dennis Lee, and her father is a repairman for Torrance Tee Vee. Grandparents are Messrs. and Mrs. Everett Beall of the Haldale Ave. address, and W. L. Jones of Kansas City, Mo.

Announcing the arrival of their first child, 8 lb. 7 1/2 oz. Carolee, are Mr. and Mrs. George

Understanding Themes Perry Meet Tonight

"Walking Together Towards Avenues of Understanding" will theme tonight's Perry School PTA meeting, to be held at 7:30 o'clock at the school auditorium.

The session, last for the unit this PTA year, will feature installation of officers, with Mrs. Glenn Blake being seated as president for the second term. Mrs. A. C. Turner, First District PTA financial secretary, will be the installing officer.

Appointed at Tuesday's board meeting to plan the ceremonies were Mesdames A. MacKenzie, A. B. Cowie, A. Kupka, G. Runsted, and W. A. Wright.

Other committees appointed were Mesdames R. W. Ballie, Wright, Cowie, and M. Garrity to plan a luncheon for teachers on the last day of school, and Mrs. Garrity to arrange a hot lunch for students on May 28.

High School PTA Leaders Are Installed

Using music and harmony as theme, Mrs. J. J. Millard, citizenship chairman of the California Congress of Parents and Teachers installed 1953-54 leaders of Torrance High School PTA at last week's Tuesday meeting in the school library.

Seated to office were Mrs. I. O. Kasten, president; Mrs. Frank Lane, first vice-president; Dale Harter, second vice-president; Mrs. L. Flanagan, recording secretary; Mrs. L. M. Nash, corresponding secretary; Mrs. H. Wood, treasurer; Mrs. Hugh Bowman, auditor; Mrs. Jackson Moore, historian; and Elmer Moon, parliamentarian.

Camping Trip Enjoyed by Girl Scouts

Nineteen girls from Girl Scout Troop No. 1299, sponsored by Fern Ave.-Greenwood PTA, journeyed to San Clemente State Park last Saturday for a week-end camping trip.

Accompanied by Mrs. A. Krauszer and Paul Bischoff, leaders, and several parents, the Scouts spent the week-end hiking, cooking over an open fire, and singing in the evening seated around a camp fire. Credits were accumulated toward acquiring foot-traveler, camper, and outdoor cooking badges.

Girls participating in the project were Donna Arrasmith, Paula Bischoff, Joyce Cannon, Sharon Carter, Mardell Clayton, Diana Cook, Sharon Giles, Betty Jack, Susan Higdon, Diane Hinshaw, Marsha Hunt, Diane Hunter, Barbara Krauszer, Loretta Robison, Virginia Sandstrom, Susan Severin, Carol Shinoda, Terry Tucker, and Leo Spall.

LEGION LADIES PLAN TUESDAY CARD PARTY

Bridge, canasta, and pinochle will be the featured games next Tuesday night, May 26, when the American Legion Auxiliary, Bert S. Crossland Unit No. 170, holds its monthly card party at the Legion Hall on Sartori Ave.

Card play will begin at 8 p.m., and prizes will be awarded for top scores in each game. Refreshments will be served.

In charge of arrangements for the evening is Mamie Atwood. The public is invited to attend.

NORTH CITY PTA SEATS LEADERS

Mrs. H. E. Carr, installed as president of Torrance Council PTA Wednesday morning last week, did a turn-about that same afternoon as she installed new officers of North Torrance Elementary PTA.

Seated as president of the northern unit was Mrs. Ott Fagnano. Those installed to assist her were the following:

Mesdames F. West, first vice-president; Donald Robinson, second vice-president; F. Stoelke, recording secretary; L. Blumfield, corresponding secretary; L. W. Van De Vort, treasurer; H. Bellehmen, historian; M. J. Walker, auditor.

Musical selections by the school orchestra and community singing highlighted the afternoon program. Hostesses for the social hour which followed were eighth grade mothers.

Child's Part In Family PTA Theme

Torrance Elementary PTA members will focus attention on "The Child's Part in the Family" when they meet today at 1:30 o'clock at the school auditorium.

Highlighting the afternoon will be the installation of officers, to be conducted by Mrs. A. C. Turner, financial secretary of First District PTA. Eighth-grade students also will present a spring fashion show, modeling clothes they have made during the past school year.

Hostesses for Junior Card Party Revealed by Chairman

A partial list of hostesses for the spring dessert party to be staged by the Junior Woman's Club next Wednesday night, May 27, was released this week by Mrs. Charles T. Rippey Jr., chairman for the event.

Among members who will open their homes for the final ways and means project of the club year are Mesdames Robert Mowry, John Kemp, R. R. Dexter, C. Albert Smith, P. E. Parker, L. G. Jones, R. G. Beecher, Warren Perry, William Tolson, H. P. Jensen, P. C. Penner, and W. C. Boswell.

Mrs. B. W. Roberts, a past president of the Senior Woman's Club, and junior advisor during the past year, also will be a hostess for the affair.

Council PTA Will Install

Installation of officers will highlight tomorrow's session of the Gardena-Wilmington Council PTA, to be held at Gardena Elementary School.

An open session, the affair will begin with a 9:15 a.m. breakfast served by members of the Gardena Elementary PTA.

During the ceremonies to follow, Mrs. Michael Foxhaven will be installed as president of the Council, succeeding Mrs. James A. Gauley, who has held the office for the past two years.

Story of the state convention, the historians' report, and presentation of the Council publicity record book will be included in the business agenda.

Civic Group Session Calls For Shouts

"Something to really shout about" is the June 3 meeting of North Torrance Civic Improvement Association, Mrs. W. A. Wright, publicity chairman, said this week.

Program for the evening, to begin at 7:30 o'clock at McMaster Hall, will feature a community talent show and a male fashion parade. Five women prominent in civic affairs, including Mrs. Otto B. Willett, wife of the South Bay Municipal Court judge, have been invited to participate as judges.

Children are welcome, and everyone in the community is invited, Mrs. Wright said. Special invitations are being mailed to all North Torrance clubs.

Refreshments will be served at the conclusion of the meeting.

G. LANES ANNOUNCE BIRTH OF DAUGHTER

Announcing the arrival of their first child are Mr. and Mrs. Grant Lane, 1503 W. 215th St.

The new infant, born at 3:30 a.m. May 3 at Torrance Memorial Hospital, has been named Mary Margaret.

Locals Give Nearly \$900 In Polio Drive

Torrance citizens gave nearly \$900 worth of aid in the fight against infantile paralysis from May 7 through 14, Mrs. H. J. Osborne, chairman of the Sister Kenny Polio Drive here, announced this week.

Funds totaling \$868.98 were raised through campaigns in local business firms and through house-to-house soliciting by volunteer workers, Mrs. Osborne said. All proceeds will be turned over to the Sister Kenny Hospital in El Monte to help construct a new wing which will double the bed capacity of the care center and stand as a living memorial to the famed nurse.

Those who wish to contribute further monies to the drive may do so by contacting Mrs. Osborne at Torrance 3754-J before May 29, when all donations will be tallied at the Los Angeles office of the Kenny Foundation. "We expect that local contributions will reach the \$1000 mark," the chairman said.

PTA Leaders Plan Installation

Plans for tonight's Fern Ave.-Greenwood PTA meeting were made Tuesday when Mrs. G. J. Derouin, past president, entertained members of the executive board Tuesday morning.

The meeting, to begin at 7:30 p.m. at the school cafeteria, will feature installation of officers for 1953-54.

Attending the Tuesday session were C. I. Creelius, principal of Fern Ave. School; R. F. Ellerman, principal of Greenwood School; and Mesdames C. F. Malone, E. W. Ingram, P. E. Humphreys, G. W. Simons Jr., A. K. Krauszer, G. D. Arrasmith, C. S. Connors, R. E. Murphy, J. L. Hinds, G. G. Grubb, Von Berger, and K. O. Bowdoin.

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