

### Sign for Mobile Now, Urges Blood Recruitment Chairman

The Red Cross bloodmobile will visit the Torrance Civic Auditorium Monday, Feb. 8, from 3 to 7 p.m., to recruit life-saving donors of blood for members of the Armed Forces; to increase the blood supply for the civilian program; and to process the whole blood into blood derivatives for national reserve.

So announced Mrs. Gordon Jones, blood recruitment chairman of the Torrance branch, American National Red Cross, yesterday in a message urging all local citizens to sign up now for appointments to meet the mobile.

Appointments to donate blood "to save lives of GI's still in hospitals overseas" can be made by calling FAirfax 8-0510. "Our blood is urgently needed now," the local chairman said.

In addition to setting up accounts in life-giving blood against families may draw in an emergency, our donations through the Red Cross mean that surgeons in Korean and local hospitals will have blood for GI's and members of our families as well.

With the increase in the population of Torrance, it is hoped that the quota of 250 pints will be reached long before the doors of the auditorium close on Feb. 8, Mrs. Jones said.

My co-chairmen, Mrs. David McMillan and Mrs. William Cochran and my entire committee will be working harder than ever this month to schedule all appointments. Please help us out by signifying your intention to donate blood at this time. We really need your pint!" the chairman concluded.

### Seaside PTA Plans Agenda For Thursday

Plans for next Thursday night's 7:30 o'clock meeting of Seaside PTA at the school auditorium keyed the agenda last Thursday night when the executive board met at the school homecoming room.

Dr. Woodrow Whittier and foreign exchange students from George Pepperdine College will be featured on the program. Mrs. Lorne Bristol, first vice-president and program chairman, announced.

Executives also charted plans for a parent education class on Jan. 20 and a teacher's luncheon on the same date.

The parent education class on reading and writing will convene at 7:30 p.m. in the school homecoming room. Colored slides with recording titled "Methods of Teaching Beginning Reading" will be shown.

The Sharyne Lane home of Mrs. Eugene Courtney will be the setting for teachers luncheon.

Ratified to take the post of third vice-president following the resignation of Mrs. W. C. Strittmatter was Mrs. E. R. Walker. Life membership committee, composed of Mesdames W. W. Poser, J. P. Nix, H. E. Wilkes, J. D. Wolfe met at the home of the chairman, Mrs. Byron Johnson last Thursday to discuss possible candidates for the life membership fund announced on Feb. 11 at the Founders Day program.

### GRANDMA OF 57 FETED ON 78th BIRTHDAY

Seven of her 12 children and many of her 57 grandchildren and 34 great-grandchildren topped the guest list last Monday night when Mrs. Annie Christensen, 1310 Madrid Ave., celebrated her 78th birthday.

Opening her home, 2407 Sonoma St., for the affair honoring her mother was Mrs. Von Bergen. While her sister, Mrs. Lenora Nelson, shared hostess honors. Other daughters attending were Mesdames Ashby Stringham of Lynwood, Ray Gray of Downey, and Harold Murphy of Venice, while sons included on the guest list were Harry Christensen of Long Beach and Bart Christensen of West Los Angeles.

A huge pink, blue, yellow, and green-decorated cake resembling birthday card, complete with verse, centered the refreshment table. Encircling the baker's delight were carnations and camellias in shades varying from white and pale pink to rose and deep red.

Mrs. Christensen has lived in Torrance for nearly five years and has entertained several times on television, singing folk tunes to her own guitar accompaniment.

### SWIM CLASS HIGHLIGHTS YW WINTER ACTIVITIES

In response to many requests, a swimming class for women of the Harbor area will be offered by the YWCA in San Pedro beginning on Tuesday, Jan. 12, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon at the YWCA, Mrs. Otis Blackstone, press chairman, announced this week.

Mrs. Anna Jensen of Hollywood Riviera, a water safety expert who coaches competitive swimmers, will instruct the group.

The course, consisting of ten lessons, is for both beginning and advanced swimmers. During the series, members of the group can fulfill the requirements for Red Cross Intermediate and Advanced Swimmers awards.

Free child care for tots two to five years old will be provided at the YWCA, 437 W. Ninth St., San Pedro, from 10:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. Each child is to bring a favorite toy or book.

All fees must be taken care of in advance at the YWCA, so that when the group meets at 11 a.m. at the YM, no time from the swimming instruction will be lost. Mrs. Blackstone said. Each participant must furnish her own towel and suit.

This class is offered to YWCA members only. However, YW membership is open to all at \$2 per year, which entitles the member to participate in other YW clubs and classes.

Among the winter series of activities now being offered, in addition to the swimming class, is a ballroom dance group for couples only, which will resume sessions on Friday, Jan. 15, at 8 p.m. Dean William McMaisters of Harbor Junior College is the instructor, and those interested in learning or improving their current dance steps are invited to participate.

On Monday, Jan. 18, at 7:30 p.m. a new eight-week series of bridge lessons will open with Mrs. Marge Marquis as instructor.

Bowling is held each Monday night, with instruction given by the teacher at the bowling alley. At 6:30 p.m. the girls class, which meets each Tuesday at 10 a.m., at the Palms Verdes Golf Course, is full, but if enough sign up, another group may be set up. Mrs. Blackstone said.

Other future plans include five sessions of a class in group dynamics to start Feb. 3, and a square dance group which meets the first, third, and fourth Saturdays at 8 p.m. with Bob Weyrauch as caller. The Art Forum meet at the YW on the fourth Thursday at 8 p.m. is jointly sponsored by the YWCA, the San Pedro Adult School, and the San Pedro Art Association.

### Note for Housewives High Color Exciting Feature Of Newest Home Furnishings

What Torrance homemakers will find in their stores come March and April in the ways of furniture, fabrics, carpets, lamps, kitchen and laundry equipment is being unveiled this week at the Merchandise Mart in Chicago, Ill.

"The new home furnishings are attuned better than ever to modern homes and modern living habits," according to Wallace O. Ollman, Mart general manager. "They represent a remarkable co-ordination of design talent, technological skill and the use of interesting materials. Not only are the new products appealing to the eye, but they're engineered to 'take a beating' and can be maintained with minimum care."

Greater elegance pervades the new showings, exemplified by smoother upholstery fabrics, like silks, linens, and iridescent nylons. More elegance is found even in items formerly bought for use and comfort, like the bed sofa upholstered in fine needlepoint, and another sleep sofa with back and legs of brass.

Furniture is generally built lower to the floor; lines are alluringly more delicate. Slimmer, yet strong, legs on sofas and chairs are achieved by reinforcing processes, or as in one case, the slim brass legs are strengthened by the hidden steel frame of the seat.

Furniture mobility has been extended even to castors on sofas. New pieces are flexible and interchangeable. There are knock-down and build-up self groups—like the set of six components which combine to make 12 different pieces, including benches, buffets, tables, and cabinets. A new version of the old Morris chair lets down flat to a full length couch.

There is the three-sided sofa and a long, low sofa with extra seating capacity on back and drier, the "silver" tables designed to fit behind sofas, stand alone, or act as a desk.

WINDOW COLORFUL In window fabrics, too, colors are clearer, whether they are pastel or brilliant shades. Exciting combinations of color are frequent, such as pink and turquoise on chaise, and at least one designer has produced interesting effects by using like color together—plum and emerald, red with orange, turquoise and blue, or citron and yellow. Blues are particularly good, and white or pale-neutral backgrounds are being introduced.

NEW MATERIALS But color is not the only star in the new design horizon. Exciting too are the materials of which new furniture is made. Besides woods, metals, and plastics; leather is used in combination with other materials as well as to cover it. Leather serves as the woven shelf of a table, covers an entire chest even to the tambour doors, and upholsters one side of a reversible seat cushion. White porcelain drawer and door pulls are frequent; slate, marble, and glass continue; and one noted designer has created accent tables with colorful mosaic tops.

Metals are given a variety of interesting treatments, such as powderizing, bronzing, and lacquering. Brass leads the field in medium and higher priced furniture, used as complete structural supports, rimming, banding, or inlay. But wrought iron continues popular, and chrome, aluminum, copper, pewter, and stainless steel are employed.

Walnut, cherry, and birch are the most frequently seen woods, though mahogany and maple are popular, and oak and other woods appear. Dull, rubbed surfaces are favored. The use of highly figured woods is confined chiefly to inlays and banding, or to smaller objects. Plastic laminate surface increasingly cover table tops and serving areas, toire, and Early American tones are being introduced. New modern includes both architectural and sculptured forms, as well as graceful current styles that reflect both traditional and modern.

Printed designs are important, and one firm has even more convincing by bringing an overall denim look around the pattern.

CARPET STORY — Fibers and design combine to make new in carpets. Cotton, tufted nylon, rayon, and other man-made fibers, as well as many new wool patterns, are being introduced. High fashion colors accent a greater showing of modern designs, including striped and blocked patterns, in addition to abstract and rug. Traditional floral patterns also are much in evidence, and a traditional "fleece" has been given to numerous plaids and other patterns. In both modern and traditional, a greater dimensional effect has been achieved with contrasting yarns and weaves.

Appliances being introduced reflect the manufacturers' constant effort to build-in greater convenience for the housewife. A refrigerator with revolving shelves, and another with an exterior door water-faucet feeding from an interior container, are examples. There are increased showings of matching upright home freezers and refrigerators, as well as many combinations with greater freezing space in the same size unit as before, often with separate doors.

New lamps emphasize greater use of brass in combination with blue and wrought iron, white and other metals, highlighted by textured fabric shades. "Modern" is the keynote, although a considerable number of new traditional and provincial designs combining ceramic and wood interest also are shown. New lamps tend to be somewhat less tall than previously shown, but a greater number of wall lamps that will give increased leeway for light height placement are being introduced.

### Torrance Church Calendar

**CENTRAL CHURCH EVANGELICAL UNITED BROTHERS**  
Marcella & Arlington  
Rev. Walter M. Stoughton, FA 8-3010  
11:00—Morning Worship  
6:30—Youth Fellowship  
7:30—Evening Worship  
Midweek Worship Service 7:00 Wednesday evening

**FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
Avalon and Sonoma  
Rev. Paul Wenske, pastor  
Phone FA 8-5884—Res. FA 8-3249  
Sundays: 8:00—Sunday School  
9:00—Morning Worship  
10:45—Sunday School  
10:45—Worship Service.

**FOUR SQUARE GOSPEL CHURCH**  
1207 El Prado—Tel. FA 8-5736  
Rev. and Mrs. Jas. F. Lowen,  
SUNDAY: Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.  
Group Services 8:30 p.m.  
Evangelistic, 7:30 p.m.  
Midweek: Wednesday—Bible Study at 7:30 p.m.  
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**SOUTH BAY CHURCH OF GOD**  
17661 Yukon Ave., Torrance  
Rev. Cliff Tierney, Pastor  
Telephone 75-6263  
Sundays: 9:00—Sunday School  
10:00—Morning Worship  
7:00—Evening Service  
Evangelistic, 7:30 p.m.  
Midweek Service—Wed. 7:30 p.m.

**ST. ANDREWS EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
Rev. Arthur E. Bello, Rector  
Phone FA 8-5781  
1422 Ingraves  
Address From Hollywood Memorial  
Holy Communion 9:00 a.m.  
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
Family Service 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday Service 11:00 a.m.

### Juniors Vote On Dimes Plan Wednesday

The Junior Woman's Club membership will vote on a novel project to aid the March of Dimes when they meet next Wednesday night, Jan. 13, at the clubhouse, 1422 Ingraves Ave., at 8 o'clock.

If the vote is affirmative, clubwomen will take one day to solicit coins and bills on downtown street corners, taping all donations to the sidewalk to form a rope of funds for philanthropy around Central Torrance.

Proposed by Mrs. Clara A. Conner, city March of Dimes chairman, the project, if approved, will be directed by Mrs. Joe Helphand, philanthropy chairman. It is expected that the Juniors will favor the activity, as they participated in a similar one last year, collecting over \$500 for the March of Dimes.

Also on the club agenda for Wednesday night are final plans for an initiation dinner, to be held at the clubhouse at 7 p.m. Jan. 27. Mrs. J. A. Barrington, president, and Mrs. George Stevens, first vice-president and membership chairman, are in charge of arrangements, while Mrs. James Halle heads the decoration committee.

**SPEECH IMPORTANT**  
About 75 percent of all human activities, vocational as well as social, involve the faculty of speech.

### Education in Foreign Lands PTA Topic

"Education in Different Lands," presented by foreign students now attending El Camino College, will be highlighted at next Thursday's Fern Ave.-Greenwood PTA session, to begin at 2:30 p.m. in the cafeteria.

Also on the agenda will be a speaker from the American Red Cross, who will discuss the need for giving blood in the coming drive. Hostesses for the day will be fifth grade mothers.

At last Tuesday's board session, division of First District PTA and the formation of a new district featured the agenda. Announcement also was made of the University of R. B. Haas of the University of California at Los Angeles will hold on four consecutive Wednesdays beginning Jan. 20.

The talks, which will include "Mental Health in the Home" and "What's Right About the Schools" will be held in the cafeteria from 9:15 to 10:45 a.m.

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### Jobs Slate Skating Party

An ice skating party in Paramount will be the first "purely social" activity of the local branch of Job's Daughters, in the city of Torrance.

Seated on the Council were Mrs. Pearl Thayne, guardian; Leonard C. Kane, associate guardian; Mrs. Katharine Lane, secretary; Mrs. Mavis Cook, promoter of hospitality; Mrs. Eunice Crabtree, promoter of social ability; Mrs. Helen Rice, director of paraphernalia; Mrs. Edna Moffatt, director of music; and Mrs. Maryann Bradford, director of epochs. Mrs. Babcock will take the director of finance post.

### MILLSTEADS TELL OF GRANDSON'S BIRTH

Announcing the arrival of a new grandson, born to their son, Thomas Kay Millstead, P.T.S. USN, and his wife, are Mr. and Mrs. T. K. Millstead, 2112 Gramerey Ave.

The new baby, named Thomas Kraig, was born at 8:25 a.m. Dec. 24 at San Pedro Community Hospital and weighed 12 lbs., 12 1/2 oz. Mom and dad and the maternal grand mother all make their home in San Pedro.

### 186th Streeters to Spotlight Juvenile Protection, Unit Goals

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Mrs. Anne Mattern is the instructor for the child observation class held each Thursday from 9 a.m. to 12 noon and co-sponsored by the YW and the San Pedro Adult School. The Stork Club for expectant mothers meets at the YW on the second and fourth Tuesdays from 10 a.m. until 12 noon.

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