

# 'Dance of Dimes' Series To Spark Polio Fight Here

The "March of Dimes" will turn into a "Dance of Dimes" in Torrance during the last week in January, according to Mrs. Clara Conner, city chairman for the annual drive.

Planned during that period are a series of three dances, all sponsored by local organizations, which will be held to raise money for the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

PLANNED BY DEMOS First of the series will be staged by the Torrance Democrats, Inc. at the Alan-Richard Hall, 4958 W. Carson St., on Saturday, Jan. 23. Ken Perkins orchestra will be featured, and refreshments will be served at the affair, which will begin at 9 p.m.

Among novel ideas to be introduced will be the sale of lapel pins in the form of crutches at the door and a broom dance, both of which will add to the "March of Dimes" fund. Tickets, at \$1 per person, may now be obtained by calling Miss Rose Sarukian, chairman, at ME 4-1934; Robert Burke at FAirfax 8-4949; or Louis Carreau at FRontier 5-1276. Duets also will be available at the door.

Assisting the aforementioned in planning the dance are Mesdames Irene Fraser and Eula Schwartz.

AT CIVIC Tuesday, Jan. 26, with the Civic Auditorium as setting, is the date selected for the second "Dimes Dance." The Square Dance class, held under the auspices of the Torrance Recreation Dept., will sponsor the 7:30 to 11:30 p.m. event. No tickets will be sold but donations will be accepted at the door. Square dancing will be the order of the evening.

MOOSE EVENT The Torrance Moose Club will be sponsors for the final dance of the series, scheduled for Jan. 30 at the Moose Hall, 1744 W. Carson St. The "Aldrich Three" will provide the music for the 9 p.m. affair, and tin cans bearing the March of Dimes insignia will be scattered throughout the hall so that persons wishing to contribute more than their \$1 admission may do so. Duets may be obtained from any member of the planning committee, which is composed of Charles Shiffer, chairman; Dan Desmond, Moose governor; and Joe Platt; from any other club member, or at the door the night of the event.

MANY PARTICIPATE Elementary school children, high school teenagers, Girl Scouts, the Junior Woman's Club, and local PTA's also are planning projects to aid the "March of Dimes" under the direction of Mrs. Conner.

Over 8000 cards to be filled with dimes have been distributed among the grammar school kids, high school students, the faculty, and Mrs. Conner will put their heads together early next week to decide on a suitable project, while Girl Scouts will schedule a day to canvass the city. "March of Dimes" cans in hand.

The Juniors were to have voted last night on a proposal to tape the city streets with money for the polio foundation. Results of the vote were unavailable at press time, but if the plan is approved, Juniors will set aside one day to stand on busy street corners and solicit funds from passersby, taping all contributions to the sidewalks.

The club took charge of the project last year, raising over \$500 to fight infantile paralysis.

MOMS TO MARCH Mothers in the city's many PTAs also will do their part in the community-wide campaign. On the evening of Feb. 2, they will join with PTA's throughout Los Angeles County in the annual "March of Mothers," canvassing their neighborhoods for funds.

Citizens are reminded to light their porch lamps that evening, if they wish to contribute, for the solicitors will stop only at homes bearing this beacon, the symbol of an open heart.

PTA presidents and "March" chairmen met with Mrs. H. E. Carr, Torrance Council PTA president, at her 1844 Marcella Ave. home to chart preliminary plans for the campaign.

# The Social World

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READY OR NOT... Here's my money, says Charles Shiffer, dance chairman, as he prepares to place a handful of change in a tin can even before Dan Desmond, governor, gets the "March of Dimes" sticker on. At the same time, Shiffer hands a ticket to Mrs. Clara A. Conner, city March of Dimes chairman. The duets, priced at \$1 per couple, may be obtained now from any member of the Moose, or at the door the night of the event. The "Dimes" cans will be placed throughout the hall to give guests an opportunity to contribute more. All proceeds will go to the Infantile Paralysis Foundation. (Herald photo).



"SHE'S JUST RIGHT" . . . to fit in my doll buggy," two-year-old Sandra Lea Smith says of her new baby sister, Patricia Ann, who, although now three months old has just reached the weight and size of a normal, new-born infant — 5 lbs. 12 oz. and 18 1/2 inches long. Mom and dad pictured with their two daughters are Mr. and Mrs. Jack Smith, 1850 Plaza del Amo. (Herald photo)

## Plan Wednesday New Member Tea, Rummage Sale on Slate for Seniors

Further plans for a January social and ways and means project will be made next Wednesday, Jan. 20, when the Torrance Woman's Club holds its second meeting of the New Year at the Clubhouse, 1422 Engracia, at 12:30 p.m.

On the slate socially for the Seniors is a tea honoring new members which will be held Jan. 26 at 375 Camino de las Colinas.

At the resignation of the president, Sophia Pantaz, and on. Board members will be hostesses at the event.

Funds will be added to the club treasury by a rummage sale scheduled for Jan. 29 at the clubhouse, with Mrs. A. E. Palmer, ways and means chairman, in charge.

Tickets also will be distributed at the Wednesday meet for a third club affair, the chuckwagon dinner calendared for the evening of Feb. 3 at the clubhouse, with husbands as honor guests.

Mrs. Grover C. Van Deventer, club president, and a number of other members attended a meeting of the Bachelorettes at the Assistance League Clubhouse, in the ocean was marked.

## Evelyn Harlan Has Seventh Birthday Fun

Allee in Wonderland topped the ice cream cake last Friday afternoon when little Miss Evelyn Louise Harlan, daughter of the Leo Harlans, 2121 Andree Ave., celebrated her seventh birthday.

Decorated in pastel colors, the square-cut cake was inscribed with the traditional "Happy Birthday, Evelyn," and harmonized effectively with the pink candy cups and balloon favors at each place setting. Cocoa, dramatized with floating marshmallows, completed the refreshments.

Each small guest received as a memento of the fun a picture of the party group. Sharing in the celebration were David and Donnie Burns, Gayle and Allen Lackey, Bunny and Vicky Brodes, Anna Bowen, Gayle Hardesty, Vincent Basile, and the honoree's 10-year-old sister, Frances Harlan.



PARTY-GOERS . . . Evelyn Harlan, seven-year-old honoree, holds her birthday cake, while seated with her are Allen Lackey and Donald Burns, and standing, left to right, David Harlan, Jill Ingram, and Vincent Burns, Gayle Lackey, Ann Bowen, Gayle Hardesty, Frances Harlan, Vincent Basile, and the honoree's 10-year-old sister, Frances Harlan. (Harlan Studio photo)

## Incubator Tot Now at Home

Now home, 1850 Plaza del Amo with mom and dad and sister Sandra Lea after spending three months at Torrance Memorial Hospital is pintaized Patricia Ann Smith, newest daughter of the Jack Smiths.

The little bit of femininity, who weighed but 2 lbs. 5 oz. and was only two inches longer than a foot rule when born three months prematurely Oct. 19, now tips the scales at 5 lbs. 12 oz. and is 18 1/2 inches long.

"We didn't announce her arrival," Mrs. Smith said, "because for a long time doctors weren't sure whether she would live or not. She was kept in an incubator and fed through a tube in her nose until about three weeks before we brought her home last week."

Little Miss Patricia shares her birthday with two-year-old Sandra. Father is with State Farm Insurance, grandmothers are Mesdames J. Ritchie, 1617 Arlington Ave., and Ethel Smith, 3617 Garnet St.

## Health Officer Gives Talk to Crenshaw PTA

Story of "What the Community Has to Offer," as told by Dr. E. A. Kagan, District health officer, highlighted the January session of Crenshaw Elementary PTA, held at the school auditorium.

Members also heard the story of blood banks through a talk presented by a representative of the Inglewood branch, American National Red Cross, and listened to program selections presented by students at the school.

Spotlighted during the business session were reports of the December coffee hour and paper drive.

Joining the membership for the meeting was Mrs. Philo Melor, president of El Nido PTA.

## Paper Drive Set by North City PTA

Plans for a paper drive on Friday, Jan. 22, highlighted the agenda last week when the executive board of North Torrance PTA met at the 17225 Crenshaw Blvd. home of Mrs. Robert Richter.

Hours of the drive will be from 7:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m., Mrs. Tone Rogers, publicity chairman, reported.

Although the new Evelyn B. Carr School will be opened that same day, Mrs. Rogers continues, present plans do not include the organization of a new PTA for that school. North Torrance PTA will handle activities of both schools for the time being.

## BETSY ROSS CLUB TO MEET TUESDAY

The Betsy Ross Club of the Eastern Star will hold its first regular meeting of the year at the 1621 Cota Ave. home of Hazel Fossum next Tuesday, Jan. 19, according to the press chairman, Althea Smith.

Mrs. Fossum, assisted by Nellie Haynes, will serve a luncheon open to all Eastern Star members following the session.

## VOCALIST, PIANISTS PRESENT RECITAL

An enthusiastic audience enjoyed the voice of Bill Souder, promising young vocalist, when he appeared in recital at the Torrance Woman's Clubhouse, 1422 Engracia Ave., last Sunday.

Appearing on the program with him were his accompanists, Linda Wiese, and other pianists, Vicky Hippole, Barbara Hiebert, Roger Chadwick, Jackie Scherer, Karen Shell, and Jimmie Roberts.

## Wives To Hear Of Narcotics

Sgt. D. C. Cook, juvenile officer of the Torrance Police Dept., will tell the Y-Wives about "Narcotics" tomorrow morning when they meet at the YWCA.

Pre-school children will be cared for by an instructor at St. Andrews Episcopal Church during the session. All interested women in the community are invited to attend.

## Pacific Hills Group Elects New Leaders

Ernest J. Robinson, re-elected president of the Pacific Hills Homeowners Association at the first general meeting of the new year, will open his 24735 Winlock Dr. home for an association gathering next Monday night, Jan. 18.

Agenda highlights of the 7:30 o'clock session will include a discussion of 54 plans and the naming of chairman to assume various duties of the Association.

Robinson will be assisted by E. A. Schoonover, vice-president, who succeeds Mrs. W. H. Crochere; B. Hobbs, taking over the secretarial position formerly held by Mrs. Herman Butow; and J. B. John, who was unanimously re-elected as treasurer.

The '54 board of directors is composed of Everett Balcom, Charles Donsi, George Davies, Harold Simons, Jim Minter, William Cameron, Ralph Farber, and Lyle Johnson.

## Secretary of Assembly Speaker Will Address Local BPW Club Monday

Geraldine Hadsell, past chairman of the state BPW political promotion committee and current secretary for James W. Silliman, speaker of the California State Assembly, will be the featured speaker at next Monday night's dinner meeting of the local Business and Professional Women's Club.

Setting for the affair, which will begin at 7:30 o'clock, will be Gonzales Restaurant in Wilmington, according to Virginia Beck, club president.

"She is an outstanding person whom I admire very much, and a forceful, dynamic speaker as well," Zada Ramsey, Harbor Section chairman and a past president of the local club, said of Mrs. Hadsell. "I recommend that the entire club membership turn out to hear her."

Mrs. Ramsey presided at last Sunday's Harbor Section breakfast, held at the Western Club in Gardena with 108, including seven from the Torrance club, in attendance. Localities participating were Beck, Bessie Turts, Mollie Marshall, Ellen Black-

## Psychologist To Address Parent Class

Board of directors will discuss affairs of the Torrance Co-operative Nursery School tomorrow night when they meet at 7:30 o'clock at the 1017 Certe Ave. home of Mrs. Charles Moore.

The following Monday, Jan. 18, the parent education class will convene at Torrance High School cafeteria at 7 p.m. with "Father's Night" as its theme. "Do We as Adults Expect Too Much from Pre-schoolers?" will be the feature address, to be delivered by Jack Metlock, psychologist for Long Beach City Schools.

Plans for both meetings were charted last Monday night when the class held its first '54 session following a potluck dinner. Presentation of a new slate of officers, to be elected at the Jan. 25 meeting, also highlighted the agenda.

Mrs. Foyle, director, explained routine and procedure of the nursery school for the benefit of new members as well as veterans.

Any parents interested in the school or in the adult evening classes may contact Mrs. Jim Cahow, membership chairman, at FAirfax 8-1638.

## Harbor Aquarium Group To Nominate Officers

Nominations for new officers will be made by members of the Harbor Aquarium Society when they meet next Monday night, Jan. 18, at 7:30 o'clock in McMaster Hall. A speaker, films, and refreshments also are on the evening's slate.

The Society has chosen Tetras of any kind as its fish of the month.



AFTER NUPTIALS . . . Mr. and Mrs. Clark Wheeler are shown leaving the Flamingo Chapel in Las Vegas after they exchanged wedding vows on Christmas Day. The bride, the former Vera Marsh, and her husband are now making their home at 17640 Fonthill Ave.