

May Festival of Arts Opens At Redondo High Tomorrow

Painting and sculpture, children's art, ceramics, photography, floral displays, weaving, lapidary work, jewelry-making, handicrafts in leather glass and copper; music by choral groups, orchestral selections, and ballet; one-act plays by three of South Bay's most widely-known theatrical groups—all will be featured at this year's Annual May Festival of the Arts.

Scheduled for tomorrow, Saturday, and Sunday, the Festival will again be sponsored free of charge by the South Bay Civic Symphony with the co-operation of F. A. Applegate, principal of the Adult education program, at Redondo Union High School.

Form Club for Woman Born In Australia

Now listed among organizations for women in the Harbor area is the Australian Club, open to women of Australian birth who are making their homes here.

The club held its initial meeting Wednesday of last week, electing officers for a six-month trial period. Mrs. W. L. O'Malley is president, assisted by Mesdames H. R. Simpson, vice-president; W. T. Larkey, secretary; L. Johnson, treasurer; and Dorothy Tricevich, publicity chairman.

Primary objective, Mrs. Tricevich said, is to afford the opportunity for home-folks to renew old acquaintances and make new friends. The club also aims at helping those who are lonely and unadjusted to settle down and be happy in their new land, she added.

The group will hold its next meeting Tuesday, June 1, 7:30 p.m., at the Waleria Recreation Hall.

Abraham Lincoln said:

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Art Exhibits Open Event

"Art in Action," a mammoth exhibition of a dozen distinctive types of artistic work, will open the gala event tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock.

Unique among this season's displays will be two newcomers, "Driftwood Creations" and "Underwater Fantasies." Actual finished pieces of jewelry and shell designs, all made "on the spot" as well as weaving techniques on the electric loom will capture interest.

Honors for the children's art entries will be shared among the Palos Verdes Scouts and pupils of Dorothy McAdams, Edna Hinkle and Vera Grub of Hollywood Riviera, a prize-winning member of the California Water Color Society and the Los Angeles Art Association.

Numerous distinctive demonstrations of pottery "thrown on the wheel" will illustrate the wide variety of styles and skills of local ceramists, while Lynn Scott Bennett and Betty Morozowicz will represent the sculptors of the South Bay area.

The Painters group will feature the latest works of 15 prominent South Bayans, including male Brent Sexton of Hollywood Riviera, recent winner of the first prize in the Los Angeles City Hall Tower Show with her romantic modern style genre painting, "Royal Street."

Art exhibits will be open to the public free of charge throughout the week-end. Hosts for the opening exhibit will include students of Mel Anderson at Palos Verdes College.

Local Choral Groups Sing

Torrance, San Pedro, and Bay Cities groups will be featured in the choral program, which also begins tomorrow night at 8 o'clock.

Included will be the women's choir of the Torrance First Methodist Church, who also will act as hostesses for the evening; the Torrance First Christian Church choir, directed by C. W. Bartholomew with the assistance of Eleanor Hanes and Ruth Shellman; Los Canejeros of Hollywood Riviera, directed by Barbara Mahin.

Symphony Eve Bowl Benefit

The South Bay Civic Symphony and more than 200 dancers representing groups throughout the South Bay and Harbor areas will take the spotlight Saturday evening at 8 o'clock. This program is being dedicated to the new Pacific Bowl Association as a benefit performance.

The specially-arranged concert of classical music of the Symphony will be under the baton of Director Elyse Aehle. Ballet numbers to be presented include "White and Silver Ballet," "The Romany Life," "Ebb Tide," "Dance of the Polovetz Maidens," and "The Wedding of the Painted Doll."

Dances from the opera "Lakme" and "Spring Fantasy," an abstract interpretation of Tchaikowsky's Waltz and Polonaise from "Eugen Onegin" also will be featured.

Drama Climax Of Festival

The Hampton, Mira Costa and Palos Verdes Players will join forces Sunday evening at 8 o'clock to wind up the Festival.

Mrs. Claude E. Ferrel, drama chairman, and members of the Hampton Players of Hollywood Riviera will be hostesses for the occasion. As their contribution, they will present the original one-act play "The Cage," by James R. Kaye, currently of the production staff of NBC.

The play, which makes use of symbolism to create its effectiveness, is under the direction of Bob Farnsworth and marks the debut appearance of Ed Siani in the role of Hugh Mann.

Assisting Siani will be Claude Ferrel, Warren Lavender, Eve Adams, and Thelma Ledwidge. Clarinet effects will be handled by Bob Matson and Frank Callahan will be responsible for set lighting.

Following the Hampton Players will be Mira Costa High School students with A. A. (Winkle the Pooh) Milne's "Wurzel Flummery" which they presented earlier this year at the El Camino College annual drama festival. Cast and production staff is all composed of members of the drama class and graduating seniors.

Completing the theatrical picture will be the Palos Verdes Players with "The Pot Boiler" by Alice Gurstenberg, which they presented at the '93 May Festival.

Director Stan Johnson will portray Mr. Sud, pedantic playwright, who attempts to educate his particular Boswell, John Bastoni, who plays the part of Mr. Woudby. Other characters showing how a smooth-running rehearsal should proceed will be portrayed by Sam Geller, Mary Ann Huntington, Mickey Maurice, Glenn Cahill, and Evan Anderson.

Mrs. Frank Gately New Grand Regent of CDA

Court St. Catherine, Catholic Daughters of America, named Mrs. Frank Gately as grand regent for 1954-55 at Monday's meeting, held at the parish hall.

Elected unanimously following a report by Mrs. Robert Alfred, nominating committee chairman.

Halldale Ave. School Gets Safety Award

Richard Taylor, sixth grade teacher at Halldale Ave. School, accepted on behalf of the school a National Safety Council Merit Award consisting of a gold loving cup and a certificate for outstanding achievement in accident prevention when he attended the Council awards luncheon last week at the Los Angeles Police Academy.

Among noted speakers were screen and TV star Dale Evans, who spoke on the Roy Rogers Safety Award and Dr. Maurice C. Blair, association superintendent of Los Angeles City Schools, who pointed out that the awards were dividends on lives saved and accidents prevented.

STUDENTS IN SPOTLIGHT AT COUNCIL PTA MEET

Students of Barton Hill School took the program spotlight last week when the Lomita-San Pedro Council PTA met at the Homer Toberman Settlement House in San Pedro.

Sixth graders participating in the panel discussion, "What Kind of Parents Do Young People Want?" were Merla Lawter, George Watusuki, Frieda Hook, Bobby Montenegro, and Allan Wilcox, moderator.

Mrs. George Weeks, program chairman, presented Mrs. George Eads, who directed the first chorus in several catchy tunes, the words of which were written by Mrs. Eads and the music by Dr. George Weeks (Mrs. Weeks' husband) who is director of instrumental music at Narbonne High School. Dr.

Upon unanimous decision of the Council, the name of Mrs. A. C. Akerson will be submitted to the Chamber of Commerce in its drive to name the "Women of Merit of the Year."

Mrs. Felix Luciene, chairman of the ways and means projects, announced the need for a money-raising event to swell Council funds. Assisting her in plans will be Mesdames Ray Groover, Peter Brull, Thomas Reese, and Floy Goodrich.

Mrs. C. L. Wilson, president-elect of Council, reported on the recent CCTP convention at San Francisco.

The yearly historian's report by Mrs. D. G. Cheek and reports by unit presidents also will spark the session.

Weeks accompanied the chorus at the piano.

The fifth- and sixth-grade choruses, under the direction of Miss Leola Blair, sang several Mexican and Latin American folk songs, including "Siesta," "Palomita," "San Sereno," and "La Cucaracha." Numbers were announced by the president of the chorus, Kenneth Sepeda.

'Stork Story' FROM TORRANCE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Announcing the arrival of their first child, a 7 lb. 5 oz. baby boy, are the James Crabbes, 1917 W. 220th St. Named Jimmy Clinton, the infant was born at 11:55 a.m. May 5. Father is a machinist at National Supply Co.; mother is the former Janice Cowart, daughter of Mrs. Teresa Cowart, 954 Maple Ave.

Paternal grandparents are the C. L. Crabbes of Bonham, Tex. Attorney and Mrs. John A. Wild, 17216 Eastwood Ave., are welcoming the birth of their first daughter, 6 lb. 9 oz. Shirley Louise who arrived at 5:03 a.m. May 6. The couple also has one other child, 26-month-old Charles Frederick.

Grandparents are Mrs. Sterling Winans of Sacramento, Mrs. Kathleen Wild of Los Angeles, and Dr. J. Arthur Wild of Van Nuys.

Another May 6 arrival, born at 7:40 p.m., is Rebecca Lynn, 7 lb. 13 oz. daughter of the B. L. Whites of the C. W. O. and D. Campsite. The little miss has two sisters, Bobbie Lea, 2 1/2, and Beverly Kay, 1 1/2. Father is a petroleum engineer for C. W. O. and D.; Mrs. Polly White of Redondo Beach and W. E. B. Owens of Los Angeles are grandparents.

Michael Manuel is the name chosen by Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Rodriguez, 331 E. 223rd St., for their first child, a 7 lb. 11 oz. boy who arrived at 5:27 p.m. May 8. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Jose Chavez of the 223rd St. address and Rodriguez Jacabo of Mexico.

Thomas Batty, a letter carrier for the Torrance Post Office, and his wife, 2950 Dalton Ave., also are announcing the arrival of their first child. The boy, named Thomas Gerald Jr., was born at 6:51 p.m. May 9 weighing 7 lbs. 11 1/2 oz. The Clarence Batts, 222 Gramercy Ave., and the Ora Garrisons of Covt, Mo., are grandparents.

Arriving May 10 at 4:26 a.m. was James Marvin Jr., son of the Jim Dandy Market, 20509 New Hampshire Ave. The boy, who weighed 7 lbs. 12 1/2 oz., joins one sister, three and a half-year-old Karen Louise. Father is employed at Midland Rubber Co.; grandparents are the James A. Waltons and Mr. and Mrs. Brice A. Woods, all of Pomona.

Slate Dance, Craft Classes

Classes in modern dancing and crafts will be on the Y-Wives agenda when they gather at the YWCA, 2520 W. Carson St., tomorrow morning at 9:30 o'clock.

Miss Ann Douglas will direct the dancers, and the craft work will include figurine painting and jewelry making. Mrs. Rufus Sandstrom, press chairman, said.

Both craft and dancing groups are open to new members, she added, and additional information may be obtained by calling the YWCA at FAirfax 8-9314.

Plans were made last Thursday when the executive board met at the home of Mrs. Bruce Howey, 24734 Winlock Dr. Mrs. Carl Cramer, 1955-54 president, who also will serve during the coming year, received a gold compact engraved with the PTA emblem for her leadership.

Mrs. Cramer in turn presented members of her board with hand-made leather coin purses. Board members also charted plans for an eighth grade mother-teacher tea to be held at the school auditorium on May 20 at 2 p.m. and a bake sale, to be sponsored by Brownie Troop 390 on May 29.

After-Graduation Party Story Told

By MRS. JACKSON MOORE
MRS. MOORE, AS PUBLICITY CHAIRMAN FOR THE AFTER-GRADUATION PARTY SPONSORED BY THE TORRANCE HIGH SCHOOL PTA, HAS PRESENTED THE FOLLOWING STORY OF THE SOCIAL FOR THE BENEFIT OF PARENTS WHO MAY NOT KNOW "JUST WHAT IT IS ALL ABOUT."

Graduation from high school calls for celebration, and justifiably so. For many of our graduating seniors, school days are definitely over, and the stringent necessity of earning a living will begin. For the others, a new and more rigid program of further education is to be confronted.

For both, four years of work and pleasure have ended and the "after graduation" party is their farewell to a very special period of their lives.

This farewell party can be safe, sane, and comparatively inexpensive, or it can be a costly and dangerous occasion. Four years ago Torrance High School PTA took over the sponsoring of the after-graduation party. Prior to that graduating seniors found entertainment at far-flung points of interest in Los Angeles and surrounding cities, involving night club expense and the dangers of traffic accident and questionable environment.

For the past three years, in support of Torrance High School PTA, the people of Torrance have taken pride in celebrating with each graduating class of its future citizens. They have proved it by donating the money necessary for the expense of this traditional all-night party.

They are proving it again this year. Mrs. Victor Benard reports contributions from the following organizations and service clubs:

California Employees Association
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North Torrance PTA
Waleria PTA
High School PTA

These contributions are most sincerely appreciated. The support of the graduating seniors' parents is most urgently needed. If each family with a graduating senior would donate at least \$1, raising the necessary \$800 would be greatly facilitated. This is the approximate amount needed to furnish the entertainment planned for the night of June 10 at the Hollywood Riviera Clubhouse.

The graduating seniors will have the exclusive use of the clubhouse and swimming pool, dancing to the Elliott Brothers' orchestra, a variety of games and prizes, a recent feature film, and breakfast served at 4:30 a.m.

Bake Sale To Increase AFSIS Fund

Funds for the Torrance High School after-graduation party will be swelled Saturday, May 15, when the JayCettes sponsor a bake sale in front of Sam Levy's Department Store and the Jim Dandy Market.

Booths will be open at 10 a.m. and cakes, pies, cupcakes, and cookies, all home-made, will be featured. Mrs. Ed Karlow, publicity chairman, said.

Results of the sale, chairmaned by Mrs. Robert Johnston, will be told next Tuesday evening, May 18, when members meet at 8 o'clock at the Chamber of Commerce Building. Immediately following the regular business, the club will adjourn for a special election meeting to name officers for 1954-55.

Eight prospective members were guests at last month's dinner meeting. Mrs. Karlowitz said. Honored were Mesdames Robert Melger, Leonard Sladec, Fred Stanton, Jack Smith, Wayne Morse, Keith Pischel, Wayne Morse, Keith Pischel, Fred Gartrell, and Leonard Radford.

CONTROL LIFE BY THOUGHT LECTURE TOPIC TONIGHT

That man has the power to control his thought world and attract to himself the good or bad according to the degree in which he lives in the realm of the positive or the negative will be the gist of a talk at the Patio of Arts, 2623 Manhattan Ave., Hermosa Beach, tonight at 8 o'clock.

Dr. Charles R. Craig, territorial manager for the Concept Therapy Institute in California, Utah, and Nevada, will be the speaker, according to Fay Johnson, publicity chairman.

The lecture is being sponsored by a group of students under the direction of Helen Johnson. Additional information may be obtained by calling FRontier 4-7788 or FRontier 2-9869.

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Wright, Janet Van Dyke, Babs O'Hanlon, Sylvia Reed, Babs Whitley, Mike Silver, Cynthia and Mary Sue Easley, and Ann Steinhagen.

Mesdames Joyce (Bever) Holmka; Noella (Moyen) Lawson; Sally Bezanon, Penny Boien, H. C. Martin, J. H. Bezanon, and Gladys Kessler of Seattle, Wash., mother of the benedict.

The bride-elect plans to marry Ralph Bezanon on June 27.

A replica of their wedding cake centered the gift table, while on the buffet table miniature automobiles with tiny shoes and cans tied to the back were set amid an arrangement of daisies.

Traditional bridal games were played, with prizes going to Misses Beverly Briley, Lynn Saine, Adele Curtis, Suzie Bernard, and Diane St. Martin.

Others invited to the event were Misses Nancy La Duke, Marion McDonald, Janet Williamson, Claire Bentwood, Priscilla Bennett, Suzie Beck, Dorlee Chaffin, Marca and Judy

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