

# 'This Is Your Life' Staged For Woman's Club Leader

Mrs. Grover C. Van Deventer, outgoing president of the Torrance Woman's Club, got the surprise of her life Friday afternoon when her executive board presented "This Is Your Life" following a luncheon in her honor at the 1504 Post Ave. home of Mrs. M. A. Bauman.

The humorous skit told highlights of the leader's life from the time she was a little girl up through high school days, with special accent on her experiences and activities in this city.

Mrs. F. P. Foley, first vice-president for a second term, emceed the program as Ralph Edwards, while Mrs. H. L. Mitchell portrayed Mrs. Van Deventer's better half and Mrs. D. J. Thomson took the role of their daughter, Mickey. Appearing as the little sister was Mrs. W. I. Laughon, while taking the part of a high school girlfriend was Mrs. J. A. Eisenbrandt.

Mrs. A. E. Palmer told of her experiences with Mrs. Van Deventer in church work, Mrs. K. D. Figgins presented highlights of her PTA activities, and Mrs. Bauman told of her work in the Woman's Club.

Others attending the event were Mrs. Hugh Bowman and Miss Frances Dimitri.

Plink begonias and white stock in a silver bowl matching candlesticks holding green lapers set the color motif for the luncheon table. Board members presented Mrs. Van Deventer with an overnight bag.



**THIS IS YOUR LIFE**... Mrs. Grover C. Van Deventer, outgoing president of the Torrance Woman's Club, gets a book, "This Is Your Life," from "Ralph Edwards" (Mrs. F. P. Foley). Flanking her are her "husband" (Mrs. H. L. Mitchell) and "daughter" (Mrs. D. J. Thomson), while others watching the fun are, left to right, Miss Frances Dimitri and Mesdames J. A. Eisenbrandt, Hugh Bowman, W. I. Laughon, K. D. Figgins, A. E. Palmer, and M. A. Bauman.

## Torrance Church Calendar

**NATIVITY CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
1447 Englewood Avenue  
Rev. Father McGuinness, Pastor  
Telephone FAirfax 8-2776  
Seven Sunday Masses—8:00, 9:00, 10:00, 11:00 (High), 12:15, 5:00, 7:00, 8:00, 9:00, 10:00, 11:00 (High), 12:15  
One Mass at 9:30 in St. Joseph's Church, West 308th Street, (Pueblo) Torrance, Wednesday  
Evening Devotions 7:30-8:00 p.m.  
Confessions Three Times On Saturdays—8:30 a.m. to 10:30, 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.  
Baptisms Saturdays and Sundays at 9:30 a.m.  
Children's Instructions and Bible Study—Saturdays from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at 2571 W. Carson Nativity Catholic School. There are five groups beginning with the children of Elementary School to the last year of High School.

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

**FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
Carson and Flower  
Rev. Paul Wenzke, pastor  
Phone FA 8-3884—Res. FA 8-3248  
Sunday:  
9:45—Worship Service.  
9:30—Sunday School.  
10:45—Worship Service.

**TORRANCE ASSEMBLY OF GOD**  
3645 Torrance Blvd.  
Sun. 9:45 a.m.—Sunday School.  
11 a.m.—Bible Study.  
7:30 p.m.—Evangelical Study  
Wednesday—Bible Study  
Rev. W. T. Hinchey, Pastor  
Telephone FRontier 9-8562

**FOUR SQUARE GOSPEL CHURCH**  
1207 El Prado—Tel. FA 8-5734  
Rev. and Mrs. J. P. Lovell, Pastors  
SUNDAY: Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.  
Group Devotions 7:30 p.m.  
E.P. Cadets (Defenders)  
Evangelical Study 7:30 p.m.  
MIDWEEK: Wednesday Bible Study at 7:30 p.m.  
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**SOUTH BAY CHURCH OF GOD**  
1761 Yukon Ave., Torrance  
Rev. Cliff Tierney, Pastor  
Telephone FA 8-3884  
Sunday School—9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship—10:45 a.m.  
Youth Fellowship—6:30 p.m.  
Evangelical Service—7:30 p.m.  
Mid-week Services—Wed. 7:30 p.m.

**ST. ANDREWS EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
Rev. Arthur E. Bails, Rector  
Phone FA 8-3781, Res. FA 8-5649  
1452 Englewood Avenue  
Across From Torrance Memorial Hospital  
Holy Communion 8:00 a.m.  
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.  
Evening Service 7:30 p.m.  
Sunday Service 11:00 a.m.

**THE FIRST METHODIST CHURCH**  
El Prado at Manuel Avenue  
Rev. John L. Taylor, Minister  
Church School 9:00-9:30  
Rev. Worship—Youth Choir  
Church school fourth grade and below  
10:00 Church School, all ages  
extended sessions 10:00-11:00  
11:00 Morning Worship—Adult Choir  
Infant care from 9:00 to 12 a.m.  
6:30 High School Youth Fellowship

**SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST**  
Pastor, Elder Stanley C. West  
Corner of Acadia & Sonoma  
Sabbath School 9:00 a.m.  
Church School 9:30 a.m.  
Church—10:30 a.m.  
Young people's meeting—Saturday, 4:00 p.m.

**THE FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF TORRANCE**  
2930 El Dorado, Torrance  
Rev. J. Walker, Pastor  
Res. Phone FRontier 9-5258  
Sunday School—9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship—10:30 a.m.  
Church Fellowship—7:30 p.m.  
Christian Youth Fellowship—7:30 p.m.

**HOPE CHURCH EVANGELICAL UNITED BRETHREN**  
3847 W. 174th St.  
Rev. Homer Meyer  
Ph. ME 8-2771, Res. ME 9-3542  
9:30 a.m.—Sunday School  
10:45 a.m.—Morning Worship  
7:30 p.m.—Evening Worship  
Church Fellowship Night—Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.

**CALVARY COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
Milton and Elliott  
Between Vermont and Normandie  
Pastor Donald J. Flitgate  
Phone ME 4-5271  
Sunday—Bible School  
9:00 a.m.—Morning Worship  
10:45 a.m.—Morning Worship  
7:30 p.m.—Evening Service  
Wednesday—7:30 p.m.—Prayer Meeting and Bible Study

**Vacation in Texas**  
Presently enroute to Fort Worth, Tex., on a combined vacation and pleasure trip are Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Johnston and their son Torrance.

They were recent guests at Del Camino and also had the opportunity to see the neighboring communities of El Paso and Juarez, the two largest cities on the Mexican border.

**Hospital Auxiliary Elects Mrs. Eastham President**  
Mrs. G. M. Eastham, wife of the local ear, nose, and throat specialist, will lead the Woman's Auxiliary of the Torrance Memorial Hospital during 1954-55.

Elected at Tuesday's luncheon meeting at the Fish Shanty, the new president will be assisted by Mesdames Eugene Cook, first vice-president; Melvin Howard, second vice-president; Ernest Butt, third vice-president; William Grubb, recording secretary; F. F. Haynes, corresponding secretary; and Paul Roetter, treasurer.

Mrs. John Melville, outgoing president, and Miss Esther Maxwell, hospital superintendent, composed the board of directors. Officers will be installed June 1 at 12:30 p.m. luncheon meeting at Portuguese Bend Club house, Mrs. Melville said.

**City PTA Sets Installation, Paper Drive**  
Installation of officers, musical selections, and a fashion show will feature next Thursday's meeting of Torrance Elementary PTA to begin at 1:30 o'clock at the school.

Mrs. H. F. Heinlein will take office as president; the junior band and orchestra will play; and seventh and eighth grade girls will model clothes they have made in home economic classes. Kindergarten and first grade mothers will be hostesses.

Plans for the session were charted at an executive board meeting at the home of Mrs. R. E. Moffitt, outgoing president, last week. Leaders also slated a paper drive for next Wednesday, May 19, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the school.

Proceeds of the drive are earmarked for welfare work. "This is the third and last one of the year," Mrs. William Piercy, press chairman, reported, "and we hope it will be well supported, for there is much to be done in the field of welfare."

**Reflections**  
By J. HUGH SHERREY, JR.  
LINES  
Lines convey our thoughts on paper; our homes were lines; nature blends lines to make hills and flowing river; the lines we love the most are the lines we see on the faces of our parents.

Age etches lines on the faces of mankind with the tool of time. Our parents stood up and promised they would cherish each other; love chiseled the first tiny lines. When we came, responsibility started to work on other lines. After the toll of day, our father came home with lines of love around his eyes, then listened to our childish troubles; they made furrows in his brow.

The lines we appreciate esthetically are the lines we put on paper but the ones we love belong to us—the lines on the faces of father and mother. Revere them. Glorify them. They represent nobleness, kindness, and unselfish devotion to ideals of living.

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**Orchestra to Provide Music For Installation**  
The school orchestra will provide the musical theme for its installation ceremonies seating Perry PTA officers for 1954-55 next Thursday evening, 7:30 o'clock, at the school auditorium.

Mrs. Kenneth McVey who, along with Mrs. T. R. Jackson, was chosen to represent the group at the May 26 Dental Health Association Dinner at last Wednesday's board meeting, will take office as president.

A Maypole and birdhouses took the spotlight in table decor at potluck dinner following the board session, held at McMaster Hall, Mrs. A. L. MacKenzie, outgoing president, was presented with a large plate decorated with the PTA emblem, oak leaf and acorns, and signed by members of the board.

Mrs. MacKenzie in turn presented Mesdames W. A. Wright and G. H. Blake with corsages as a token of appreciation for their service. Receiving piggy banks from the board were Mesdames W. E. Boell and W. Willey, expectant mothers.

**North City PTA Donates Nearly \$300 for Service**  
Nearly \$300 were expended for philanthropy Wednesday night when North Torrance PTA held a business session combined with installation of officers at the school auditorium.

Largest sum, \$100, went to the Dental Health Association, while an additional \$75 was voted for the eighth grade graduation party. Fifty dollars went to the new Evelyn Carr PTA, \$25 found its way to the treasury of the Torrance Chapter, American Field Service International Scholarship Fund; and another \$25 was contributed to Los Angeles Juvenile Hall to purchase toys for the children.

Election of a third and fourth vice-president, Mesdames Robert Payne and W. J. McCausland, respectively, in accordance with the new bylaws preceded installation ceremonies conducted by Mrs. Mary West, program chairman.

Taking office for the second term as president was Mrs. Francis Stoeckle, while seated as first and second vice-presidents, respectively, were Mesdames Clarke Harris and Charles Denmarsh.

**Pedro League To Welcome Local Women**  
Mesdames Henry Low of Lomita and John R. Amundson of Palos Verdes will be among provisional members welcomed into the Assistance League of San Pedro at a tea next Tuesday, May 18, at the Clubhouse.

Other provisionals to be welcomed are Mesdames Robert Bonner of Miraleste and Kristian Jensen of San Pedro.

Three hundred invitations, including Associates, Colleagues, and Junior Auxiliary members, have been extended, Mrs. Bryce Pizey, membership chairman, reported. Mrs. Frank Reichenmacher, president, and her executive board will be hostesses for the afternoon.

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## 'Stork Story' FROM TORRANCE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Patli Diane is the name chosen by U. S. Navyman and Mrs. M. H. Moffitt, 1103 Amapola Ave., for their first born, a 7 lb 5 oz. daughter. The little miss arrived at 1:24 p.m. May 10. Grandparents are the C. W. Moores of the Amapola Ave. address and the H. D. Moffitts of Kodink Ains, Kans.

Also born May 10, at 12:25 p.m., was a 6 lb. 5 oz. boy to Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Millard, 20014 La Salle St. Named Robert Layton, the infant joins four other children, Shirley Virginia, 6; Marcus Ray, 4; Willie Ray Jr., 3; and Dorothy Leigh, 18 months. Father is a process operator at General Petroleum Co.; grandparents are the E. M. Millards of Ventura and Dorothy Mae Cline of the S. La Salle St. address.

G. R. Wilson, Shell Chemical employee, and his wife, 1656 W. 224th St., also are announcing the arrival of a new son, Adrian Harold, who was born at 6:20 p.m. May 11. The 8 lb. 7 oz. boy has a five-year-old sister, Neva Diane, and a two-year-old brother, Jeffrey Lewis. The C. C. Carters, 22408 Denker Ave., Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Summers, 1650 W. 256th St., and Mrs. A. B. Wilson of Sun Valley, Cal., are grandparents.

## Council PTA Elects Two To Fill Vacated Offices

Torrance Council PTA elected two new leaders to replace women who have accepted unit presidencies at a recent meeting at the home of Mrs. E. W. Ingram, Mrs. John Hinds, publicity chairman, reported this week.

Mrs. Glenn Blake will take over the office of third vice-president, replacing Mrs. Ralph Eyston, Crenshaw PTA president, while Mrs. Duane Sherwood will serve as corresponding secretary in place of Mrs. Leo Pollock, who will lead the new Howard Wood PTA.

Council also ratified the following standing committee chairmen for the year:

Mesdames A. C. Turner, parliamentarian; Bruce Howe, program and Founders Day; Evar Jansson, magazine and emblem; Robert Payne, membership; R. E. Moffitt, juvenile protection; Elmer Moon, legislation; Paul Stonecker, safety and civilian protection; Glen Runstead, community relations.

Mark Wright, school education; Loren Edman, music; Paul Mosman, radio and television; Hartley Carr, spiritual and character education; Ross Dorsett, parent education; W. A. Wright, dental health; Blake, student welfare; Ingram, finance and budget; Louis Dyer, publicity; J. O. Kasten, record book; W. R. Towell, room representative; A. MacKenzie, honorary life membership; C. S. Connors, hospital; H. Wirtz, courtesy and R. L. McDonald, registrar.

The board-elect plans a special session on June 4, 11:30 a.m. at Torrance Park. Also on the future slate is a Council program workshop to be held June 7 for all unit program chairmen.

**Eastern Star Advance Night Draws over 300**  
Over 300 members and guests filled the Chapter room and crowded the small banquet hall beyond capacity last Thursday evening when Torrance Chapter No. 380, Order of the Eastern Star, held Advance Night to honor line officers.

Associate Matron Phyllis Peverley and Associate Patron Earl Wells advanced to and presided in the East. Mrs. Peverley was gowned in bouffant yellow lace and net and carried a bouquet of yellow rosebuds and cymbidiums.

Her costume harmonized effectively with the watermelon pink net over silver gray taffeta gown chosen by Conductress Dorothy Moore and the green taffeta, trimmed in pink gossamer selected by Associate Conductress Joyce Miller. Both women carried Colonial bouquets to match their gowns.

Mrs. Moore filled the station of associate matron while Thomas Foster, junior past patron, presided as associate patron. Mrs. Miller filled the station of conductress while Junior Past Matron Joan Pierce acted as associate conductress.

These advancing officers presided during opening, escort, good of the order, and closing, while Worthy Matron Florence Viellenave and Worthy

**Harbor PTA Charts Grad Party Plans**  
Plans for the A-6 graduation party on June 17 were made Tuesday when Harbor City PTA executives met at the school cafeteria with Mrs. Ray Groover, president, presiding.

Frances Weston, deputy grand matron, was escorted and presented, as well as five worthy matrons and two worthy patrons of the District, and past matrons and past patrons of the Torrance Chapter. Also receiving escort were past matrons serving as deputy grand matrons in 1949, 1952, and 1953, Louise Thompson of Playa Linda Chapter; Rena Pearson of San Pedro Harbor Chapter; and Edna Babcock of Torrance Chapter.

A large number of past matrons and past patrons of this and other Grand Jurisdictions also received escort.

Indian theme of the evening (chosen because the associate patron was born in the Indian Territory) was cleverly carried out in presentation of monetary gifts from Chapter officers to Mrs. Peverley and Wells. Presentations were made by Mesdames Moore and Miller.

Program, arranged by Past Matron Vivian Cook, chairman for the evening, consisted of three Indian songs sung by Mary Robert E. Murphy, president of Fern Ave. Greenwood PTA, and her corps of officers last Thursday evening.

Others seated were Mrs. K. O. Bowdoin, first vice-president; Mrs. C. S. Connors, second vice-president; Charles Crellius, third vice-president; Mesdames J. S. Gable, recording secretary; A. H. Champe, corresponding secretary; A. F. Ingram, treasurer; E. W. Ingram, auditor; G. Arasmith, historian; and C. F. Malone, parliamentarian.

Mrs. Arasmith presented the

**Brownies Tour L.A. Creamery**  
Girls of Halladae Ave. PTA's Brownie Troop 698 took a guided tour of the Knudsen Creamery Co. plant in Los Angeles recently, climaxing the sight-seeing with a picnic lunch at Exposition Park.

Brownies making the trip were Charlee McNeese, Claudia Bowers, Valerie Neal, Melinda Dane, Sandra Ruggies, Becky Tapia, Carolyn Schilling, Marilyn Schilling, Carol Salcido, and Regina Carlton.

The girls were accompanied by Mesdames J. Bowers, E. E. Salcido, A. G. Schilling, and A. B. Tapia.

**Noble Grands to Meet**  
Past Noble Grands of Trio Rebekah Lodge will meet next Wednesday, May 19, for a noon luncheon at the Middlebrook home of Mrs. Clarence Brown. Mesdames John Ferguson and Joe Sana will share hostess honors.

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## McNees Wins Honorary Life from El Nido PTA

Harold McNees, El Nido PTA's newly-installed auditor, won an honorary life membership from the Association at last Wednesday night's meeting.

The Redondo man, said Mrs. W. A. Wright, Torrance Council PTA president, as she presented the award, has brought "sunshine into our hearts" assisting actively with all PTA projects and devoting himself to the welfare of children in our community most notably through his work with Cub Scout Pack 871-C.

McNees was installed in the auditor's post along with Mrs. E. E. Mellor, president, and other officers by Mrs. A. C. Turner, committee chairman for the new 33rd District PTA. Also assuming executive positions were Mesdames Paul Herring, vice-president; Julian Burch, recording secretary; Lois Meredith, treasurer; and E. Sexton, historian.

Mesdames Herring, C. Dunbar Al Dresher, and Gene Killian each received a PTA membership for their service as room mothers during the past year. Receiving a similar award was Mrs. Wright.

Mrs. Hartley E. Carr, outgoing president of Torrance Council, explained the workings of PTA on unit, council, district state, and national levels. Other program highlights for the evening were a safety skit by Brownie Troop 885 and a film on safety presented by Ray Craine, membership chairman.

Teachers were hostesses during the social hour.

**Garden Installation Theme For Fern-Greenwood PTA**  
Using the colorful Garden of Flower ceremony, Mrs. A. C. Turner, financial secretary of First District PTA installed Mrs. Robert E. Murphy, president of Fern Ave. Greenwood PTA, and her corps of officers last Thursday evening.

Others seated were Mrs. K. O. Bowdoin, first vice-president; Mrs. C. S. Connors, second vice-president; Charles Crellius, third vice-president; Mesdames J. S. Gable, recording secretary; A. H. Champe, corresponding secretary; A. F. Ingram, treasurer; E. W. Ingram, auditor; G. Arasmith, historian; and C. F. Malone, parliamentarian.

Mrs. Arasmith presented the

**Klipwings Give Check TO KIDS' FOUNDATION**  
The Exceptional Children's Foundation got a check for its scholarship fund from Klipwings (United Stewardess Alumnae Association) at a recent meeting, held at the Toberman Settlement House in San Pedro.

Mrs. Orville O. Fligg of Redondo Beach, president, presented the tab on behalf of the Klipwings, citing the work done by the Foundation in schooling of retarded children.

"Since they have been attending the Foundation school, some of these children have learned beyond what was deemed possible in the way of personal adjustment and co-ordination as well as elementary school work," she said.

Guest speaker at the session was Miss Gertrude Blacksteel of the California Department of Mental Hygiene.

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