

Big Halloween Party 'Noisy' Success

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Christmas will be brighter again this year for the shut-in children at Harbor General Hospital. So say the members of Las Vecinas, who plan to repeat their very fine Christmas plans for the sick youngsters. Mary Beth Hornbeck, youth chairman of the women's group, reports that last Tuesday evening was meeting night for Las Vecinas members and Girl Scout and Brownie leaders to make plans and decide on projects for their Christmastime at Harbor General. The Girl Scouts and Brownies made stuffed dolls, hand puppets, and other gifts. These include painted and papered doll beds made from cigar boxes, as well as games designed specifically for bed-bound youngsters. Bed pockets, pencils and pads are obtained even by the members who also get and clothe small dolls and help the Scouts and Brownies in their projects. Mrs. Hornbeck also added that the club gives a check each month to the hospital to help defray expenses on articles which cannot be purchased by government-appropriated funds. Crayolas and certain other toys fall into this category, as well as medical items such as especially made burn bandages whose cost is so high as to be prohibitive under appropriated funds.

At the WAA-GAA convention next Saturday at Chaffey College, you'll find Mrs. Les Strobel of 130 Calle de Andalucia. She's one of a group of nine women who will attend the one-day workshop on problems encountered by WAA-GAA. What's WAA-GAA? Why, that's the Women's Athletic Association-Girls' Athletic Association. From the El Camino Board come these nine women of whom we spoke in leading Riviera news. There'll be nine girls from the school also, representing that side of the interested group.

Another letter is from former Rivieran Capt. Ruth Morrison and her mother Mrs. J. P. Morrison. In a message to the editor, Mrs. Morrison Hornbeck, 210 Calle de Madrid, the captain of hikes and other doings in Austria by her and her mother, who is with her on her European station as an officer of the Army Nurse Corps. Ruth is stationed in Austria and uses her time off to junket around the old country, taking in the "must-see" places. Mary Beth's other sister, Gwen, is with the Air Force in England, and coincidentally, all three have visited with one another on occasion. Ruth and Mrs. Morrison, whom so many of you Rivierans know, are planning to spend Christmas in the little German town where "Silent Night" was written. They are expected back sometime next year.

Juan Matute, 421 Via Pasqual, whom we reported last week as being a fire bearer at his alma mater's ceremonies, is this week in Mexico City on business. He is staying at the Hotel Prince in the Mexican capital.

Our sympathies go to the family of Edward C. Bressler, 129 Paseo de Granada, who died last week while at work at Douglas Beal and a Shriner and member

chikan, Alaska. He is survived here by wife Winona, and two sons, G. E. Brian Bressler and Robert Bressler. Funeral services were held last Saturday with interment following at Green Hills Memorial Park.

Hawaii-bound were the Charles Worthams of 112 Vista del Mar last week, when they left via air for Honolulu and a mid-Pacific vacation. They are staying at the Moana Hotel on Waikiki Beach and visiting the favorite tourist spots around the islands. In between tours, the Worthams are attending the International Optimist observance of the chartering of the Hawaiian chapter of the Optimists Club. Worthams, as you may already know, is president of the Optimists in Redondo Beach. Highlight of the club doings will be the charter dinner scheduled to be held next Saturday night. The Worthams also will visit with Mayor John Wilson of Honolulu, an acquaintance of theirs since the Democratic convention in Philadelphia in 1948.

Speaking of Honolulu, let's tell you about Mr. and Mrs. Joseph O. Moore and their son Don of 326 Via Colusa. He's an executive with Goodyear, who has seen fit to transfer him to their Honolulu operation. The Mortensens will be leaving Riviera Nov. 17 via SS Lurline, enroute to their new home and job in the islands. Mr. and Mrs. Bud Wright will be the new residents at the Via Colusa address. He's a United Airlines pilot and they have one child, a daughter one year-old, named Kathy.

Lots of little hearts were happy last Saturday night when the Riviera Sportsmen staged its annual Halloween party for our youngsters, down at El Retiro Park. There were apples to bob for, there were balloons to chew up and then try to whistle. And all for prizes, which made the little hearts happier than ever. Prizes for every contest—yo-yos, and air speedometers for bikes, and other prizes. The biggest prize of all were given for the outstanding costumes in which all the little hearts came decked out. There were favors that made lots of noise, a very necessary ingredient on Halloween. Favors like crackers and 10-cent bells and those orange and black deals that small people hold in their hot little hands and whirl around and it makes a b-r-r-r-ing sound. And the happier the little ones were, the happier were their parents, who came to sit around and enjoy their youngsters' enjoyment and remember when things were like that for them. The biggest highlight of all the highlights of the Halloween party came when the costumes were judged. Round the Riviera, the center of the runda pranced the little ones, all gay and dressed up as every imaginable thing. It was the hard job of School Principal Robert Dexter, Mrs. Ross Dorsett, and Dee DeSonne to judge the best of the costumes in each age group. They watched, and they pondered and they conferred, and finally came up with the lucky names that won the biggest prizes of all, like dolls and teddy bears, and potato games and other precious loot in the age group up to 4, the three winners were Janet Surber

and Fredrick Elston, who dressed as a rather large box of popcorn; Lucy Moore, 7, won as Bo-Peep; and Robert Highsmith, 7, impressed the judges sufficiently as a pirate. In class 9 to 11 years old, Mike Behrendt, 9, won as a clown, as did Art Linemeyer in his Mammy costume. Pamela Stangler, 10, also won in this grouping with her princess costume.

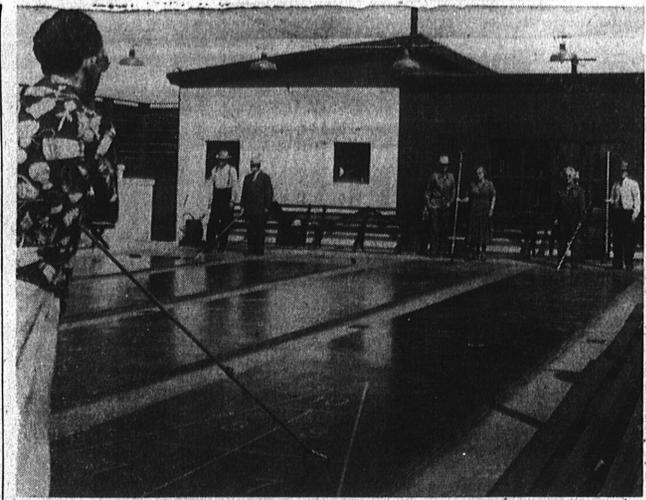
In the 11 and up class, six winners walked off with wanted prizes. They were Ronald Regan, 12, a ghost; Preston Griff, 11, as Denny Dime; and April Satterlee, 12, as Huck Finn's sister, Gail Bowman, 12, won in this grouping also with her devil costume, as did Barbara Jean Hummel, 11½, who came as a witch, and Sue Dorsett, 11, who dressed as a War soldier (heck, Army, that is). A special prize was awarded by the three judges to sisters Karen Ann and Sandra Beard, who came costumed together as the organ grinder and his monkey.

Thus climaxed the Sportsmen's annual Halloween party for Riviera youngsters, a success each year since its founding some four years ago.

Something new has been added on Via Colusa. Participating women call it a "fresh air" course, and it's proving mighty popular along the street. Under the supervision of Mrs. Virginia Dutwiler, the ladies are meeting almost daily in the late forenoon to engage in calisthenics and other body-building exercises. Regular attendants are Mrs. Polly Edwards, Madeleine Gauthier and Florence Miller, who are all charter members. Women interested in joining the fresh air class may call Frontier 5-4489 for further information concerning time and dates. Florence Miller will answer all your questions.

Next on the Riviera PTA agenda is its fashion tea, scheduled to be held at Portuense Bend clubhouse on Nov. 18. It's the first of a series of events planned for this year by the club's ways and means committee.

"Round the Clock" fashions will be featured, says Mrs. Henry Graef, publicity chairman for the group. Accommodations are limited and she urges those interested to reserve their ticket to the affair by contacting any member of the Riviera PTA. Mrs. James Booth, chairman, is being assisted in this event by Mrs. Donald Hausen, Mrs. Joseph Work and Peter Breen, all of Riviera.



RELAXATION . . . Torrance's senior citizens have put in many a pleasant hour on the shuffleboard courts at the Adult Center, 1318 Cravens Ave., since the center was built and then rebuilt, last year. It was rebuilt after a fire that partially destroyed the building.

Adult Center Survives Fire After Opening, Grows Bigger and Better

The Torrance Adult Center, 1318 Cravens Ave., was built in 1952—twice. Shortly after the grand opening of the building last year, fire broke out and partially destroyed the inside of the structure. But it takes more than a fire to squelch the indomitable spirit of Torrance's senior citizens.

Undaunted, they started practically from scratch and rebuilt the center, making it one of the best-equipped and most modern centers in the Harbor area. Its shuffleboard courts have been the scene of both local and county-wide tournaments. The center has become a mecca for Torrance adults and has a bright future before it. Plans are being put forward now to form an adult club, which will elect its own officers, have its own constitution, and which will be dedicated to providing all varieties of recreation and entertainment for its members.

The center, with its shuffleboard courts, game rooms and TV room, is open to all Torrance adults on week days from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m.; on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and on Sundays from 12 noon to 6 p.m. Two directors are employed by the City of Torrance to run the adult center—Mrs. Ann Hight and Robert J. "Scotty" Little.

Mrs. Hight is the wife of Guy R. Hight, head custodian of municipal buildings for the City of Torrance. The Hights have lived in Torrance for 18 years, have four children, eight grandchildren, and one great-grandchild. One daughter, Mrs. Leota Norris, and her husband and two daughters live in the Shoestring Strip, and her son, James Hight, lives in Torrance with his wife and four children. The elder Hights live at 23013 Arlington.

"Scotty" Little was born in Edinburgh, Scotland, 73 years ago. He attended the College of Thumberland, England, and was graduated as a mining engineer. At the age of 22, "Scotty" entered the ministry, and was graduated from the Independence Fundamentalist Ministerial Association of Chicago after five years' study. He has traveled extensively through England, Scotland, Canada and the United States doing missionary work, and is a member of the Ministerial Association of Torrance.

"Scotty" is married and has a son, Robert Little, living in Torrance, and a grandson who attends Serra High School in Gardena. The Littles have lived in Torrance since 1951, and reside at 930-Arlington Ave. "Scotty" was appointed the first director of the adult center in August, 1952, and has held the position ever since. He has had a rich and varied background in sports, having played semi-pro soccer in England. In fact, he was the captain of a championship soccer team for 15 years. In his church work, he has taught fencing, swimming, boxing, and wrestling. So, the adult recreation center has entered its second year of providing a meeting place for Torrance senior citizens, and will undoubtedly continue to do so for many years, fires or no fires.

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Elks To Tour Steel Plant

Members of the Redondo Elks Lodge will tour the Columbia Steel plant here on Thursday, Nov. 12.

The tour will begin at 7:30 p. m. for members and their families. Steel officials hope to show the group the tapping and pouring of a heat of steel, an impressive sight.

Participants will meet at the main gate of the Steel Company, 840 Border Ave., and will be escorted through the mill in small groups so that they can more easily absorb the explanations by the guides.

Plant officials requested that the group be limited to not more than 50 persons and that no one under 16 be admitted. However, if more than 50 members express interest, another tour will be arranged later, lodge spokesmen said.

Announce Sermon Topic

"Christians Are Concerned" will be the topic of the sermon to be delivered Sunday at the 11 a. m. service of the Christian Church, 1415 Broadway.

Notes on Narbonne

NHS Tri-Hi-Y Dance To be Held at YMCA

BY ADRIENNE SIDWELL

Come on Gauchos! If you haven't already ordered your El Eco, better hurry and do it by the deadline tomorrow. If 1100 annuals are not sold by then, we won't get the padded covers. So let's go!

A grand time was reported by all the Sr. G.A.A. girls who attended the Induction Party for the new Lettigers, new members and B-10's. Games, skits and refreshments were featured at the party.

Last Friday was the deadline for "Lettigers" applications.

Oh boy, no school next Wednesday, it's Armistice Day!

Last Friday as an award for keeping the campus clean school was out about seven minutes early. Let's get out 52 minutes early tomorrow.

A movie titled, "The Long Way Home" was shown to the student body last Friday as part of the Community Chest Drive, which is scheduled to start this week. All the kids thoroughly enjoyed it.

On Friday, November 20th, there will be a Tri-Hi-Y Dance at the Torrance YMCA. The admission price is 50 cents stag and 75 cents per couple. It promises to be a lot of fun. The Tri-Y officers this semester are: Dolores Khautlia, president; Leona Thompson, vice-president; Bonnie Damosko, secretary; Flora Hammetman, treasurer; and Elaine Baxley, historian.

Gee whiz! Gauchoville certainly is lucky! Narbonne has been chosen to participate on the Young America Sing's Program! Be sure to listen on KFI at 12 noon on February 7th.

Hey girls, don't forget November 20 is Blue Jeans Day. Have you got a brightly colored shirt yet?

On Friday the 13th, the first ten-week report cards will come out.

Halloween night was a night of fun for a lot of Narbonites. Some kids were seen at the Torrance Civic, some trick or treating, some at the show and some out celebrating at the Hot'n'Not.

Around the Garden in Plaza

Gardens-Plaza Homes Alive with Parties

By HELEN AMOS
FA 8-1866

We have lots of Halloween party news this week. To start it off, Mr. and Mrs. John Potts, of 911 Fonthill, had a costume party for 30 of their friends and neighbors Saturday evening. Everyone had a wonderful time dancing and playing games.

Little Donnie Allen, of 2934 Opal St., entertained 10 of his friends Friday evening. All the children were costumed and had fun dunking for apples and playing guessing games. Those children who attended were Patty Bradford, Steve Petrat, Candy Burrows, Dolaine Gonzales, Bonnie Schmidt, Coby Roberts, Larry McGuffin, Sherry Winters, Kenny Hall, and Donnie's little cousin, Donna Lee Trainor.

Few of our residents had a wonderful time at the Pacific Sports Car Club's annual Halloween Party Saturday evening at the club's new hangout, the "Camer-Inn" which is owned and operated by Bill Brant and Cam Cooper. The 101 Highway club near the Torrance Municipal Airport was filled with cavemen, babies, pirates, and scotchmen. "Madam Ferrari" got fortunes.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Crooker, of 809 Cranbrook, also gave a costume party Saturday evening at their home. Twenty couples were entertained in the traditional Halloween fashion. Besides all the couples from the tract, there were guests from Westchester, Manhattan Beach, and Pasadena.

Norm Laverty and Earl Eckart took their wives to the UCLA-California game Saturday. It was being banded about that Norm had a few chills down on California for the fray.

Don West, of 1309 Cordary Ave., and Jim Cahow, of 804 Maple Ave., have been sent to the Radar School in Baltimore by Douglas Aircraft. After six weeks, they will be coming home this week-end. Two wives, DeLane Cahow and Shirley West, are eagerly awaiting their return.

Mrs. Joan Schmidt, of 1220 Maple Ave., is awaiting the arrival of her sister, Carol Joyce, for a short visit. Carol is an airline hostess for TWA.

Donna Truesdell, of 1006 Felbar Ave., still has bows

glasses, silverware, and tea towels that someone left behind at the Homeowners picnic last August. Hain't anyone missed any of this stuff? You can call Donna at FAirfax 8-0559 if any of the articles are yours.

Collecting for the street lights has started and the response has been very good so far. Officers of the homeowners group still want 100 per cent by Dec. 1, the deadline.

The Girl Scouts are on a three-week vacation while the troop is being divided into two troops instead of one. There will be two Girl Scout troops and two Brownie troops from Madrona School.

Quite a few of the Gardens-Plaza Optimists attended the club's annual Halloween costume party at the Playhouse on Cabrillo Saturday evening. Among those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Anderson, 914 Cranbrook; Mr. and Mrs. Reid Bundy, 1121 Patronella; Mr. and Mrs. Bob Evans, 1212 Pylbart Ave.; Dr. and Mrs. Allen Fyeatt, 804 Cerise; Dr. and Mrs. J. S. Roberts, 1285 Felbar Ave.; Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Stuckey, 827 Cranbrook; and Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Woodcock, 911 Korrulm.

That's all for this week. Don't forget to call your news to me before Monday morning. The phone number again is FAirfax 8-1866.

Narbonne Water Mains Improved

Construction has started on improvements in water mains in the area served by the Narbonne Ranch Water Co., according to A. E. Cook, manager.

In conjunction with the present work of widening Lomita Blvd., being carried on by the city, the water firm is lowering its mains to allow for increased pressure to homes along Lomita Blvd. between Allene Ave. and Crenshaw Blvd.

Cook said the work will necessitate disruption of services to homes for short periods of time.

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Lake Tulainyo in California, 12,965 feet high, is believed to be the highest in the United States.

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