

PTA Activities



FACULTY PARTY . . . given by teachers and the staff of the Halldale Ave. School was a highlight of Yule festivities at the school. A scene at the party includes, from left, Margaret Orr, Marain Jennings, Wilma Fisher, Amanda Bonwell, principal at Halldale; and Lillian Morris.

Seaside

The regular meeting of Seaside P.T.A. was held Thursday, Dec. 16, at 7:30 p.m. in the auditorium of the school. Boy Scout Troop 726 presented the colors, and then the school's glee club under the direction of Mrs. Maxine Bridgeman presented the music for the evening. The glee club sang the Christmas carols and two solos were given by Sheila English and Judy Connahan. A quartet composed of Phyllis Nickelson, Sharon Herbst, Lois Rush and Rosanne Weels also sang a number.

The sixth grade class presented the biblical story of Christ. The narrator was Hannah Boshna. The three wisemen were Charles Brown, Billy Steinwachs and Ronnie Jones. The angels were Jo Ann Brizius, Marilyn Show, Janice Anderson. The shepherds on the hillside were Earl Harris, John Muldoon, Donnie Morton. Joseph and Mary were played by Bruce Shockency and Gay Hurst. The school glee club furnished the background music.

Halldale

The faculty and staff of Halldale Avenue school held their annual Christmas party on Tuesday, Dec. 14, amid gala holiday trimmings. Arrangements, in charge of Mrs. Lillian Morris and Mrs. Marain Jennings, co-chairmen, included the traditional exchange of gifts, singing of carols, and festive refreshments. Mrs. Amanda Bonwell, principal, presented each member of the faculty with a gift from Mexico, and was in turn honored with a gift from the staff. Mrs. Violet Carter, formerly of the Halldale faculty and at present on the staff of the Primary Supervisors, South District, was a guest. Mrs. Adam Schilling and her committee of P.T.A. members assisted with the refreshments.

Perry

Perry PTA held their regular association meeting Thursday, Dec. 16 in the school auditorium. The topic for December, "Spiritual" and sub-topic "Living Up to Our World Heritage," were portrayed by kindergarten participating. Mrs. Erna Bennett's fifth grade students presented two plays entitled "Sky High" and "A Christmas Legend." "Jingle Bells," "Rudolph, the Red Nosed Reindeer," and "We Wish You a Merry Christmas" were sung by kindergarten students of Mmes. Margaret Jacobowsky, Florence Helbert, Mary Custer and Barba Watwood. Mrs. John Arensmeyer conducted the business meeting followed with the presentation of the flag by Scout Troop 938 and the troop led the group in singing "God Bless America." Mrs. W. E. Boell, welfare chairman, gave a report for the provision of baskets for needy families for the holidays. Lester Foster, principal announced that Jan. 3 will be moving day for 180 students to Cronshaw School from Perry. The transfer of students will enable the sixth, seventh and eighth grades to go on full-day session. William Feathers, from the public safety of the Automobile Club of California officially presented a safety flag to Perry School. The school earned the flag by not having any accidents in two years. Attendance prizes were won by Mrs. Margaret Jacobowsky and Mrs. Erna Bennett. Decorated cookies and coffee were served by Mrs. C. J. Simpson and Mrs. C. L. Thompson, hospitality chairmen.

259th Place

The story of "The First Christmas" was beautifully told by the fourth grade students at the December association meeting of 259th Pl. School P.T.A. Presented by the class of Mrs. Helen Shuler, the story followed the Bible journey of Mary and Joseph to Bethlehem and the shepherds and magi who came to worship the Christ child. The background drops were made by the students, while the parents helped with the wardrobe. Mr. E. R. Kozakiewicz made a manger and donated it to the school for future use. Mrs. Shuler wrote the script based on the Bible.

Those who participated in the play were Carl Seifert, Mike Forsberg, Michael Clements, Kathy Oberst, Dennis Potts, Sherry Qualls, Pat Hogan, Billy Shepard, Chris Kozakiewicz, Dan Buchanan, Bob Christofferson, Raymond McKenzie, Ann Lindsey, Ingrid Fink, Marilyn Cliff, Susan Courtney, Barbara Crosson, Sharon Ransom, Mary Jane DiMeglio, Judy Knowlton, Helen Manaster, Judy Wells, Elaine Lanza, Barbara Oglesby, Kristen Hatch, David Miller, Helen Bohannon, Cheryl Somers, Dennis Walsh, Dennis Taylor, John Bunch, Gus Kroesen and Steve Cowell. Michael Skilling was the narrator. Mrs. Eunice Ball directed a chorus of students from the classes of Messrs. John Garton, Kenneth Engleman, John Callins and Mrs. Ball. The chorus supported the play.

During the P.T.A. business meeting which preceded the program, Mrs. W. B. Zell, president, presented a \$25 check to the school as a Christmas gift. Michael Skilling accepted the check for the student body. It was voted to purchase two honorary life memberships to be presented in February. It was revealed that Mrs. Glenn Hipper, art chairman, had won prizes on two posters at a recent Lomita-San Pedro Council contest. She took second prize for her carnival poster and her membership drive poster. David Creager of Scout Troop 215, led the pledge of allegiance to the flag. Rev. Clarence Scott of the First Baptist Church of Lomita gave the invocation.



TURN TRICKS ON SANTA CLAUS . . . Student body of North Torrance Elementary School presented Santa with food for the needy instead of accepting gifts from him. Council officers pictured with Santa are Sharon Wright, secretary, on Santa's lap; Marilyn Herby, vice-president, and Barbara Steiner, president. Other portions of the money went to American Field Service, dental health and the Council milk fund. Others on the council are Brent Scott, Jo Ann Hofmeier, Brian McTeer, Don Sheffield and Tom Heydon. The money to the four causes was presented by the North Torrance PTA in the name of the student body.

Scout Trails

Christmas ornaments made by Cub Scouts of Pack 953-C decorated the tree Friday evening, Dec. 17, when the Pack gathered for a Christmas party in Perry School auditorium. Santa Claus was on hand to present gifts to all the children. Cubmaster, Carl Swahnstrom conducted a regular Pack meeting, presenting awards to those boys who had earned them. Caricatures were shown, and refreshments were served to boys and their families by the Cub Mothers Club, whose president is Mrs. Daniel Mangialini. The mothers made Christmas cookies to serve along with ice cream, punch, coffee, and socks full of candy. Cub Pack 953-C is sponsored by Perry PTA.

After the tree had been trimmed by the Cub Scouts, it was taken to Veterans Hospital at Long Beach, where one of the members of the Cub Committee, Samuel Freedman, of 4007 W. 176th St., is a patient.

At a Pack meeting recently, awards were made as follows: Den 1: Rodney White, wolf badge; Dennis Lawson and Robert Bartaglia, bobcat pins.

Den 2: Thomas Denman Jr., wolf badge; Joseph M. Scricca, bear badge and gold arrow; Harry V. Luciani, one year pin.

Den 3: James Dawson, bear badge, gold and seven silver arrows; James Roeder, lion badge; Edward Foster, bobcat pin; and David Brown, denner stripes.

Den 5: Richard Stubbs, gold and silver arrows; Ronald Dutton, 2 year pin.

Den 6: Sandy Tiederman and Lynn Pitts, bobcat pins; and Robin Moffitt, 2 year pin.

Den 7: Joel Redmond, lion badge, 2 year pin; Bill Denman and Jon Raines, bobcat pins; and Mickey Stittworth, denner stripes.

Den 8: Raymond Rodger, lion badge, gold and silver arrow.

Matthew Phillips, lion badge and gold and silver arrow; Larry Grasinger, denner stripes. Webelos den: Charles Rau, Robert Barton, Michael Radke and Fred Campbell, graduated. Den Mothers appreciation cards went to Lee Dutton, Maxine Brown, Berta Rau, Doris Ludwig and Marlee Luciani.

At the close of the meeting Santa Claus arrived and distributed gifts to Cub Scouts and other children present. A Brownie holiday began for the girls of Troop 1588 on Friday, Dec. 17, when they left for Sans Souci at Crestline with their leaders, Mmes. Robert Lusian and Arthur Haley.

R. B. Evans and Arthur Haley transported the group up to the site in station wagons. They stopped at Pasadena for a rest and then proceeded to San Bernardino for a nosebag lunch.

At their destination Mrs. Maude Houtz made it a holiday for the group. They hiked and enjoyed their first camping experience. On Saturday the troop's Grab Bag Christmas Party was celebrated under decorations collected on hikes around the cabin.

After lunch on Sunday the group, which is sponsored by Seaside P.T.A., headed for home in the cars of Mr. Haley, R. D. Clemens, Gordon Partridge, and Mr. and Mrs. George Steele.

The young Scouts participating will be Janice Abernathy, Marian Barden, Mary Briske, Doreen Breiner, Cheryl Clemens, Valerie and Vickie Evans, Cherie Lusian, Diane Partridge, Claudi Fitzgerald, Cathy and Linda Haley, Sharon Rowland, Nancy Slover, and Susan Steele.

The Story of the Christmas Carols was presented by Brownie Troop 758 recently at Wayside Chapel. The many parents and friends who attended heard the history of all of the favorite Christmas carols. As each carol was discussed, a chorus sang the song. Community singing followed the play. Leaders of the troop are Mrs. Raoul Gerhart and Mrs. Floyd Deck, with

NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY PLANNED

Plans are under way to make Temple Menorah's New Year's Eve party an outstanding affair, announces Ira Lichtig, chairman. The party will be held Dec. 31 at 112 N. Catalina Ave., Redondo Beach, beginning at 9 p.m. Cocktails will be served, after which there will be dancing and a midnight buffet supper to usher in the New Year.

The committee assisting with preparations includes Mr. and Ben Kaufman, Paul Mandel, Mrs. Ira Lichtig, and Richard Barrar. Reservations are being taken by Ira Lichtig and Ben Kaufman.

Mrs. Vernon Burke at the piano. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Glenn Holloway and Mrs. Richard Chitwood. Mrs. Donald Hatch sold tickets at the door. The money will be used for a Juliette Lowe donation and a Christmas party will be given for the girls. The girls in the troop are Pamela Burke, Judy Campbell, Lynne Cole, Connie Chitwood, Ellen, Ellen and Elaine Deck, Peggy Gerhart, Kristin Hatch, Linda Holloway, Cathy Repley Dona, Kinannon, Celia Sawyer, Ruth Scott, Susan Tenney and Sheila Weirich.



THE STAR THAT GUIDED THE WISE MEN OF THE EAST ON THE FIRST OF ALL THE CHRISTMASSES IS SYMBOLIZED BY THE CHRISTMAS CANDLE.

THE MELLOW RAYS OF THIS CHRISTMAS SYMBOL HELP TO DISPEL THE DARKNESS OF DESPAIR, THE GLOOM OF DOUBT, THE MURK OF UNCERTAINTY, AND IT BECOMES A BEACON OF JOY AND HOPE FOR ALL WITHIN THE CIRCLE OF ITS CHEERFUL RADIANCE.

TO ALL OUR FRIENDS, IT IS OUR HEARTFELT WISH THAT THE RADIANCE OF YOUR CHRISTMAS CANDLE WILL GLOW MERRILY UPON A SCENE OF CHRISTMAS HAPPINESS AND THAT IT WILL FORETELL FOR YOU A NEW YEAR OF GOOD HEALTH, CONTENTMENT AND PROSPERITY.

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Meadowpark

Cub Scout Pack 960-C presented colors under the direction of Basil Lewis, Cubmaster, at the meeting of the Meadowpark PTA Wednesday, Dec. 15. Mrs. Carl R. Hall is president. Rev. George F. Cain, South Bay Baptist Church pastor, spoke on "God's Unspeakable Gift."

Mrs. Frank Weier's fifth grade pupils presented a comedy. During the business meeting, Mrs. James Anagnost, budget and finance chairman, presented the budget for 1954-55, which was approved by the association. H. J. Farris, principal, made

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gave the invocation. To honor Bill of Rights Week, Mr. William Kepley Jr. of the Harbor Junior College teaching staff, spoke briefly. He spoke on the pros and cons of the Fifth Amendment and the right of free speech and self-incrimination.

Mrs. Caroline Blake described the school art program exhibit. Refreshments were served by the fourth grade room mothers. The class having the highest attendance was Mrs. Shuler's and will receive an ice cream treat.

the PTA attendance award to Mrs. Frank Weier's fifth grade class.

Mrs. David Nelson and Mrs. William Salter worked with Mrs. Jack Thomas, hospital chairman, serving refreshments supplied by the kindergarten and eighth-grade classes.

The next PTA meeting will be held Jan. 19 at 7:30 p.m. when Walter Rehewoldt, of the Unified School District, will speak on "Method of Teaching Reading." He will also show slides and hold an open discussion.

California is the second largest state in the Union with a total land area of about 156,000 square miles.



Season's Greetings

May this greeting serve to carry the wish that your Christmas be joyous and the New Year hold all that you desire.

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A Merry Christmas

To all our friends and neighbors we send our sincerest wishes for a joyful, cheerful, healthful Holiday Season.

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AND
BRYNE'S TEEN SHOP
-IN THE REDONDO BEACH TRIANGLE-