



**MOTHER'S TRIBUTE . . .** Honoring room mothers of the North Torrance Elementary PTA will be the incentive for a dinner at a Gardena restaurant at 6:30 p.m. May 19. Room representative chairmen to be honored are, from left, Mrs. Joe Begando, Mrs. John Hale and Mrs. A. J. Wrubel. Not pictured, Mrs. Deon McMillan. Tickets may be obtained from room mother chairmen or Mrs. Bert Cook. Planning the affair are: Mmes. Robert Payne, Tone Rogers, Bert Cook and Charles Colston.

## PTA Activities

### Narbonne

Narbonne High PTA members will assist the student body in a paper and rag drive to be held Friday, May 13. The usual stations will be manned by PTA and school representatives. Five feet of paper or ten pounds of rags will entitle a student to a ticket for the awards assembly. Anyone having papers they wish to have picked up may call Mrs. E. M. Barnardin, FA 83417.

The executive board will also meet Friday, May 13th, at 9:30 a.m. in the office of vice principal, Miss Elizabeth Parks.

The school library will be the gathering place for the regular meeting in May on Tuesday, the 17th, at 1:30 p.m. Installation of officers for 1955-56 will be held at this time. Mrs. D. W. TenEyck, president of the Gateway Council, will be the installing officer.

"A Seed of Creativity" will be the theme for the meeting which will feature the annual flower show and Art department display. There will be divisions for entry of exhibits of all types of flowers for both students and adults. Mrs. Minot Rugg will be chairman of the judging committee.

The department will have both displays and demonstrations showing the various types of art work learned in school.

The hostesses for the day will be the members living in the 259th Place area.

### Elementary

A gala May Festival will be held today, sponsored by the Torrance Elementary School PTA, at the school grounds, from 4:00 to 8:30 p.m. Many different activities are planned to delight both children and their parents.

The festival will feature an auction sale of household articles. No festival would be complete without hot dogs and these will be in plentiful supply as will other goodies such as Sno-Cones and Cotton Candy.

These booths will be under the direction of Mrs. A. Ascolosi and Mrs. T. Bellwood, 5th and 6th grade level chairmen. They are also in charge of the many fun-filled games. The Orange Drink booth is the charge of Mrs. E. Rovenzine, 7th grade level. Mrs. L. Anderson, 8th grade level, is in charge of the coffee and doughnut booth. Mrs. C. R. Phillips, kindergarten, and Mrs. M. H. Brooks, 2nd grade level, are the chairmen for the Bake Sale.

Mrs. L. A. Pixley and Mrs. T. R. Croly are in charge of the spaghetti dinner which is always one of the highlights of these annual festivals. The entire affairs is under the direction of Mrs. J. D. Dutton, ways and means chairman for the Torrance Elementary School PTA. Everyone is invited to attend the May Festival today, at the school grounds located at 2005 Martina Ave.

Proceeds derived from this affair will be used to further the welfare work of this organization and to assist in many important community projects.

### 259th Place

Tomorrow night is the night for fun and entertainment at an old fashioned ice cream social. The place is 259th Place School and the time is 8 to 9 p.m. There are events planned to entertain all who attend. Mmes. J. W. Creager and Raul Gerhart have secured some fine numbers for the performance which will be going the entire time. There will be square dances by the students, Scout activities and Mr. Glenn Elmer, with his educated yo-yo, will act as master of ceremonies. Jerry Croskey will play his guitar.

Cake, pie, ice cream, scones, cotton candy, popcorn, coffee and punch will be on the menu. The informal evening of fun will benefit the school with 80 per cent of the proceeds.

### Gateway

Colored slides of extra curricula activities of various high schools of the city system highlighted the program at the recent Gateway Council meeting on May 2 at San Pedro High School.

Earl Harris, supervisor of Youth Services of all secondary schools explained the different activities that were shown. Pictures were taken a year ago and is entitled "Let's Get Started." Students meet in classrooms during the day to plan for activities at night.

Mrs. Eric Heinman continued the explanation of the balance of the colored slides.

Six members of Gardena High School PTA and six members from the faculty, went to the Recreation Conference which was held at Riverside, reported Mrs. Robert Straighn.

Other committee reports were given by Mrs. W. D. Earley on safety; Mrs. Claude Hill on juvenile protection; and Mrs. Joel Steele on newettes.

Mrs. M. P. Allan, record book chairman for Gateway, congratulated all record book chairmen for the splendid work they did on their books. Those chairmen receiving the Tenth district certificate and seal for their books are, Mrs. Charles Keith, Banning PTA; Mrs. Perry Mendenhall, Dana Jr. High; Mrs. H. T. Grubb, Gardena PTA; Mrs. I. D. Moreland, Narbonne; Mrs. John Reese, San Pedro, and Mrs. Norwood of Wilmington Jr. High School.

Mrs. D. W. Ten Eyck, president of Gateway, announced that Mrs. A. C. Akerson will attend the honorary life membership dinner at the state convention.

Presidents reports were given by Mmes. Robert A. Schultz, Dana; Warren Taylor, Gardena; E. M. Barnardin, Narbonne; E. B. Snow, San Pedro High; and Kenneth Scott, Wilmington Jr. High.

### 186th Street

The topic, "We Train for the Profession of Parenthood" will be featured at 186th St. School when the PTA holds its monthly meeting today. Guests speaker will be Mrs. A. Harold Miller, Tenth District Honorary Life Membership chairman, and recognized expert on child guidance and child psychology.

The Merry Bluebirds, led by Mrs. Herman Eisenbeiss, will entertain. This is one of a number of youth groups sponsored by the 186th St. Assn.

First grade room representatives will be hostesses for the social hour, with first grade teachers acting as honorary hostesses.

### Nursery Board Holds Meeting

Monthly board meeting of the Torrance Co-Op Parent Nursery school was held May 2 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard O'Brien, 610 Gertruda Ave., Redondo Beach. May plans were completed at this time.

Membership meeting of the parent education class will be held May 9 at 7:30 in the high school cafeteria. Speaker for the evening will be Mrs. Erma Pixley, spiritual and moral guidance director for the Los Angeles City School.

May 12 a workshop will be held at 7 p.m. There will be a general discussion on specific nursery school problems and teaching technique.

A special treat is in store for children of the nursery school and their fathers on May 14, when the annual Father's Day will be held. A regular school day will be held with fathers as teachers, no mothers allowed.

Nursery school registrations are now being taken for the fall semester and interested parents should contact Mrs. Galen Truesdell. Children must be 2 and a half years of age or older.

## Reunion Held At Local Park

Torrance Park was chosen as the locale for the Mother's Day party of the Stanton families of Lomita and Torrance.

A picnic gathering brought together four generations to honor the mothers of the group. Topping the list were the senior Stantons, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. of Lomita who celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary two years ago.

Joining with them were their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren which included the Rev. and Mrs. W. M. Stanton of Torrance, Rev. Stanton is pastor of the Central Evangelical and United Brethren Church of Torrance; C. M. Stanton and J. R. Stanton of Lomita and C. F. Pisel of Torrance.

Children of the W. M. Stantons' who were present were Sharon, John and Mrs. Charles Moore. Present of the S. M. Stanton family were Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Jones and Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Rose, all of Torrance, J. R. Armstrong of Torrance, J. R. Stantons of Barbara and Gerald and the C. F. Piseles were LeAnn, John and Mrs. Gerald Storck of Torrance and Lomita.

### Scout Trails

Den 5: Daniel Cunningham, bear badge, gold and silver arrows; and Bill Jolke, silver arrow. In Den 6: Bradley Thompson, bear badge, gold arrow and 8 silver arrows; David Ludwig, lion badge, gold and silver arrow; and Robin Moffitt, lion badge, gold arrow and 8 silver arrows. Tommy Cooper of Den 1 received recognition for selling the most doughnuts in the recent sale and Den 1 also received the pennant for parent representation.

Explorers of Post 785, sponsored by St. Catherine Labourer Church of Torrance, averted a possible dangerous forest fire on April 16 in the Barton Flats mountain area above Redlands.

About 11:00 a.m., while en route to Barton Flats, Scoutmaster George Neeland, Assistant Scoutmaster Jack Wingett, Buzz Williams and Jack Ward, committeemen Paul Segura, Raymond Adams and Clarence Weiders were advised by a camper of a brush fire two miles north of Barton Flats.

A practice camp had been set up the day before by the Explorers for Bay Scout Troop 785 in anticipation of the Scout Camporee, April 28 at Griffith Park. These men rushed nine Explorers and their adviser Paul Coulombe to the fire area and began cutting fire breaks and bringing the fire under control. Due to a lack of communication in a remote and not easily accessible area, aid from the Forestry Service was not available until 1:30 p.m. By this time, the fire was well under control.

Ranger Smith commended the boys and men on their prompt action and fire fighting methods as the fire would have become very dangerous if it had reached the tops of the trees where strong winds would rapidly spread a crown fire. Ranger Smith also advised the boys their soil conservation project was accomplished for 1955.

Preparedness was demonstrated as plenty of shovels and axes were available.

The Explorers later continued their practice camp, aiding 24 Bay Scouts to prepare for the Camporee, where the Boy Scout Troop will also receive a plaque for the highest rate of advancement in the Harbor District.

Explorers participating were Stanley Linmer, Jerry and Way Edwards, Kenneth Benson, Vincent Dodge, Jean Coulombe, Tom Swain, Tat Hanna and Earl Armatage.

Cub Pack 728c sponsored by Fern-Greenwood PTA, held its monthly pack meeting Friday evening, April 22. Invocation was given by Rev. John Taylor of the Methodist Church.

### HOUSEPARTY

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Clinkscale, 1451 El Prado, spent last week in Palm Springs where they were houseguests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Schultz. On Thursday they were joined by Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Rippey who spent the remainder of the week there.

### ON VACATION

Mrs. Richard Rojo and son, Chris, 818 Madrid Ave., and Mrs. Rojo's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Guy DeWitt will leave Saturday for a three weeks vacation in Oklahoma City and McAllister where they will visit with relatives and friends.

### WATER NEEDS

About 3,750 gallons of water are needed to raise a beef steer.

### BETSY ROSS CLUB

Betsy Ross Club will meet at the home of Jean Mosher, 2306 West 248th St., Lomita, on Tuesday, May 17, at 10:00 a.m. It will be a pot luck luncheon. Members do not need to bring their own service. For transportation call Marguerite Morgan.

### Pensioners Meet

Opposition to bills pending in the State Legislature which allegedly provide for the taking of liens on the homes of old age pensioners will be voiced at a meeting of the local old age pension group in Torrance, today at 10:30 a.m., in Moose Hall, 1744 Carson.

### IN RIVERSIDE

Mr. and Mrs. John Keefe were in Riverside last week end where they were guests of their son, Major John Keefe and family. On Mother's Day, Major Keefe took his family and his parents to Hemet where they attended the Ramona Pageant.

### IN PALM SPRINGS

Mrs. R. F. Bishop and Mrs. Henry F. Ubright spent Saturday, Sunday and Monday in Palm Springs.

### WEEKEND GUEST

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Warner, 1452 El Prado had as their weekend guest, Miss Janet Campbell of Pittsburg, Calif.

## The Stork Story

Julie Anne is the newest member of the household of Mr. and Mrs. Arvel Gipson of Hermosa Beach. The little lady made a 6 lb., 14 oz. appearance April 5 at 7:38, Torrance Memorial Hospital. She is being greeted by sister, Roselee, 18 months and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gipson of Tracy, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. James Carter also of Tracy.

April 6 arrival at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Hunter of Hawthorne is Roberta Jean who made her initial appearance at Torrance Memorial Hospital with a birth weight of 6 lbs., 8 oz. She has a sister, Kathleen Ann, 1 1/2 and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Emil F. Ziemke of Torrance and Mrs. Pearl Hunter of Hawthorne.

Mr. and Mrs. V. J. Austin of 624 Pine Drive welcomed their second son, Jeffery Scott on April 7 at 12:15 p.m. at Torrance Memorial Hospital. He has a mother, Joey age 21, sister, Gwendolyn, Mrs. grandparent are Mr. and Mrs. J. Austin and Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Peden of Los Angeles.

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