

Robert Surber to Be Installed Sportsmen President

Tonight, Thursday, Oct. 20, the newly elected officers of the Hollywood Riviera Sportsmen's club will be installed into office at a special installation ceremony and dinner to be held at the Hollywood Riviera Beach club.

Installed into the office of presidency to succeed Rex Hayes, will be Robert C. Surber, 112 Via la Ciruela, who was elected at the Sportsmen's last business meeting on Oct. 6.

Into office of vice president will be Don T. Mason, 738 Calle de Arboles; while Lamar Bonnette, 132 Via la Ciruela, succeeds to the post of treasurer. Phil Eschandi, 648 Calle Miramar will serve as secretary, and Stanley Sutherin, 107 Calle de Andalucia, will be installed as sergeant at arms.

Six Sportsmen were chosen as executive board representatives of the various districts of Hollywood Riviera. They were Charles Hickey, district 1; Joe Digney, district 2 and district 3; George Kuehnel, district 4; John Walti, district 5; and Ted McLane, district 6. Named temporary representative for district 7 was W. R. Ausmus, 342 Paseo de Playa.

As is the tradition with the Sportsmen, the outgoing officers led by outgoing president Rex Hayes, are in charge of the installation dinner and ceremony. Other outgoing officers include Pat McGowan, Roy Nash, Dayle DeSonne, and Will Zens.

First major project of the Sportsmen follows right on the heels of the installation. It is the annual Halloween party for all Riviera, scheduled for Monday, Oct. 1. This 31 traditional affair, to be held in the evening at El Retiro park rotunda, will feature a costume contest, with prizes awarded to the best costumes in each age group. Sportsman Art Dennis is chairman in charge of the party, to which all Riviera children are invited.

Condolences are offered to the family of Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Lyons, 111 Via Pasqual, on the passing of Mrs. Lyon's father on Tuesday of last week. He passed away Tuesday morning Oct. 11 at Queen of Angels hospital and was interred at Holy Cross cemetery on Thursday, Oct. 13. He had been staying at June Lake, near Bishop, but came to Los Angeles for care following a heart attack he sustained at the lake.

Mrs. Laurence Wing, 516 Via Monte de Oro, residential division chairman for this year's Community Chest drive, announced the names of her section chairmen for this area. Mrs. Wing will have 10 members on her staff, and they will point towards Nov. 2 for the

kick off of the door to door campaigning to be held in this area.

Meanwhile, they need additional neighborhood workers, to help with the campaign. Those who can work in the 1956 Community Chest drive are asked to call any section chief to volunteer. Following are the names and phone numbers of the section chairmen: Mmes. August Muizers, FR 5-5333; Francis Sterko, FR 5-3729; James Cooley, FR 5-1871, all of section C, upper Hollywood Riviera. Mmes. Michael Wold, FR 5-9419, and Joseph Soifer, FR 5-7557, Hollywood Riviera Estates section; Mmes. Lamar Bonnette, FR 5-2175, and Albert Koester, FR 5-3980, section D, lower Hollywood Riviera. Mmes. Ray B. Anderson FR 5-1260, section E, Seaside Ranchos and Allied Gardens; Charlton Mewborn, FR 5-1635 and Bill Davis, FR 5-7283, Ellinwood. Mrs. Laurence Wing, division chairman will also take your call. Her telephone number is FR 5-4836. Chairman for section A, Sepulveda are Alvin and Mrs. Isy, yet to be named. Seaside Heights chairman is James P. Nix, FR 1-1596.



HELPS THOUSANDS . . . Pleasure along with duty keynote Mrs. Earl A. Miles' lengthy association with the Torrance Red Cross Canteen. Here she prepares to write the latest on the group's activities to Capt. Robert Gannon, of Escanaba, Mich., one of many friends she made while serving with the Canteen during World War II.

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Don Dutwiler, 116 Via Colusa, and activity chairman for cup pack 718-C, reported this week that the pack will hold a "cake walk" on Monday evening, Oct. 24, at 7:30 p.m. at El Retiro park clubhouse. This is a special occasion to which everyone is invited, says Dutwiler, and all their friends too. Seems the cake walk they're preparing involves cakes prepared by the mothers of the pack members, and the game works something like musical chairs. Lucky persons will go home with a cake next Monday evening, concludes Dutwiler, which should make it very tasty Monday evening for many families.

Residents of Riviera have asked this column to carry their public thanks to the Torrance City Council for their good work in their behalf in regards to heavy truck traffic that has been harassing our citizenry. At the last Council meeting at the City Hall, it was written into the records that an adjacent tract developer could continue his building program only when the access road promised by him some time ago was completed. This access road will keep heavy machinery and equipment off Hollywood Riviera streets and away from our children. Thanks again!

NEW NEIGHBOR DEPT: Helios from all of us to Mr. and Mrs. Wylie Piper and family who have moved into their new home at 109 Via la Ciruela. This is a sort of hello and goodbye, for they moved from their former residence at 203 Paseo de Granada to the new and larger home on Via la Ciruela. They're owners of Wylie's Sporting Goods on Pacific Coast Hwy.

After spending three weeks in Riviera visiting her son and daughter-in-law, Mrs. Richard Wing, mother of Laurence Wing, 516 Via Monte de Oro, has returned to her home in Montclair, N. J. The Wings report she saw many of the Southland sights while here, in addition to visiting with her grandson, Christopher, 8. She left Friday, Oct. 5, via American Airlines.

Mrs. Victor Bernard, extension chairman for the 33rd district of the Parent Teachers Association, will conduct the next meeting of the Newton school parents and teachers group. The meeting will be held at the Newton school cafeteria tonight, Thursday, Oct. 20.

Danger of Fire Described by Insurance Man

In the last decade, fire has killed more than 100,000 persons, and disfigured many hundreds of thousands more, according to Paul Mandel, new manager of the insurance department of Alter Realty and Insurance.

Each year about 12,000 Americans die needlessly in fire and more than twice that number are severely burned or disfigured for life.

Every day, there are 1150 home fires . . . 34 deaths by fire . . . 105 store fires . . . 101 factory fires . . . 82 barn fires . . . 11 deaths by fire. A hospital fire, Mandel pointed out. The combined United States and Canadian fire loss total in 1954 was more than \$1 billion.

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Grandma Enjoys Red Cross Work

"Duty Before Pleasure" may have been the motive that inspired Mrs. Earl A. Miles to join the Torrance Red Cross Canteen service in 1942, but she has seen duty and pleasure march happily hand in hand down the years from then to now, bringing this active bright-eyed lady rich rewards in enjoyable experience and lasting friendship, as well as the satisfaction of work well worth while.

Mrs. Miles, mother of three, and grandmother of seven, has been a Torrance resident since 1917, when she came from her native Illinois with her husband, who is now employed at the Douglas Aircraft Plant in Long Beach. She joined the local Red Cross Canteen shortly after its inception, and has never found that its duties interfered for a moment with her activities as a member of the Woman's Club, a popular bridge player, or a devoted grandma. Indeed, Mrs. Miles claims her grandchildren as her really important hobby.

Visited Hospitals

She was no sooner enrolled than she went on active duty with the group, visiting the patients at the Harbor General Hospital every Friday evening. World War II brought the more outstanding expert on constant call to meet the boats at the Harbor. These calls came at least once a week . . . and with bloodbank duties and Friday evenings at the hospital, . . . accounted for at least two days of each worker's week.

"We never knew whether we would have the wonderful thrill of greeting an incoming ship, and see the boys waving joyfully the moment they caught sight of the harbor," recalls

Up At Night

"But either way, it was a fine feeling of participation in world events, and nobody seemed to mind getting up in the middle of the night, if necessary, to prepare food and take it down to the ships — often a 24-hour chore. In fact," she continued, "what with laughing and kidding each other, we seemed to have more fun than anybody . . . And when a big-name stage or screen star made an appearance for the boys, no one enjoyed the excitement more than we did."

Her most vivid memory of the war-days, however, is not any one occasion. What Mrs. Miles "just never could get over," she declared, was the way the returning servicemen clamored for fresh milk. "I guess they got canned milk, if any, overseas," she added. "They were downright ravenous for milk." She has no outstanding memory of any particular ship, except they were "all fine vessels, as war-time camouflage made them look much alike."

Made Many Friends

Among the many friends Mrs. Miles had made in the course of her Canteen work is Capt. Robert Gannon, now of Escanaba, Mich., who appealed to the Red Cross for help in making his boys more comfortable, as their encampment was practically without furnishings. He was turned over to Mrs. Miles and her canteen aids, who took the matter promptly and efficiently in hand, having a great deal of fun in the process.

"Altogether I take so much personal satisfaction in Canteen work that I feel I am continuing it from selfish motives," confessed Mr. Miles her eye twinkling, before going on to explain, in all seriousness — that there is a need now, and always will be for Red Cross Canteen volunteers.

"There are sick boys to be cheered, bloodmobile visits to be serviced, and who knows when a disaster will require the services of a large group of women specially trained in the skills of mass feeding?" she queried while inviting Torrance women who find it at all possible, to join the local canteen.

Registrations for a brief training course to be held next Monday, Oct. 24, from 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon at the Hermosa Beach Woman's Club, may be made by calling the Torrance Red Cross headquarters at FAirfax 8-0510.

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