



HONORARY CAR CLUBBER . . . Ralph Roath, safety engineer for the Douglas Aircraft Co., gets an honorary membership in the Torrance Police Car Club Assn. from Officer "Buck" Ingram, adult supervisor, as Johnny Zamrzla, of 2626 Cabrillo, applied a club decal to the windshield. John Amundson, of 4603 Tallman Ave., adult sponsor of the Playboys, looks on at left. Roath was honored for his assistance and that of his firm in helping with safe-driving roadco.

Tech Foreign Students Are Invited 'Out'

Students from foreign countries attending Harbor Junior College have been invited to attend the third International Student's Holiday Party to be held at the Los Angeles County Museum, Sunday, Nov. 27. Hazel M. Whedon, Administrative Dean of the College, said recently.

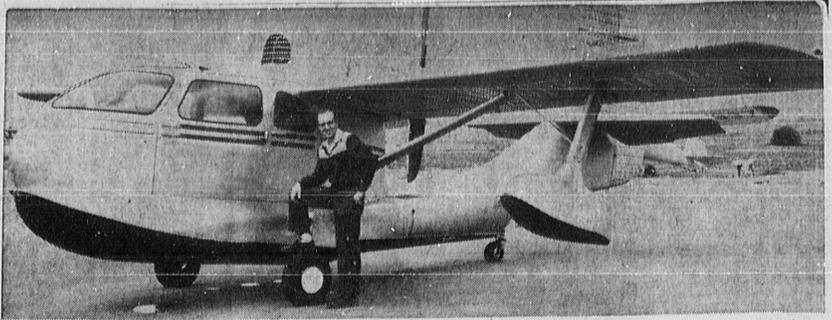
Sponsored by the Museum Association, invitations have been sent to foreign students attending the colleges located in Los Angeles County. Last year's party saw more than 500 students in attendance with a large percentage wearing the costumes of their native countries.

Theme for this year's party will be "behind the scenes at the Museum." Specially conducted tours will be made through the History, Science and Art Divisions where students will see and hear how objects and materials are prepared for exhibition; the restoration of canvases; and the minute details in registering and filing for further research.

The Education Division will hold its regular Sunday chamber music concert at 3 p.m., and there will be two documentary films "Tree Maritz" and "The Face of Lincoln" running continuously from 2 to 5 p.m., in addition to regular tours of permanent exhibits in the Museum.

BRIDGE COST

New Straits of Mackinac bridge will cost more than \$100 million, before it is completed.



MAN AND SALVAGED PLANE . . . Wayne Fether, of 4814 Carmelyne Ave., poses with the Republic Seabee amphibian airplane which he reconditioned into a flyable craft after it

was pulled from 300 feet of water in Shasta Lake. It took nine months to recondition it after the dunking, but he now flies frequently.

Torrance Man Salvages Seaplane, Enjoys Trips Up, Down West Coast

From 300 feet below the surface of Shasta Lake to 14,000 feet over the southern part of Los Angeles.

That's how the log book reads for the Republic Seabee amphibian airplane owned by Wayne Fether, of 4814 Carmelyne Ave.

Fether, a model builder at Douglas Aircraft's El Segundo Division, has parlayed ingenuity, foresight, and an initial investment of a few hundred dollars into an airplane worth several thousand dollars.

Salvaged Plane
"The plane belonged to an eccentric millionaire who had it tied up to a floating dock at Bridge Bay Resort, Shasta Lake," Fether explains. "It de-

veloped a leak in the aft fuselage, and one day disappeared from sight in 300 feet of water, taking the dock down with it. Divers went down, retrieved the submerged airplane, and it ended up ashore badly soaked and damaged."

Fether heard through his uncle, Arthur Dunlap of Redding, Calif., of the airplane and "got up to Shasta Lake in a hurry." He found it on a hillside near the lake, the left wing badly torn, the fuselage damaged, and all the windows smashed.

"About a dozen people wanted to buy the airplane," he recalls, "but maybe the millionaire just liked my looks. At any rate, he sold it to me."

Made Mistake
"I hauled the fly-less hulk over to my uncle's home in Redding, and stood back and looked at it, wondering if I'd made a mistake."

During the ensuing months, Fether made the 500 mile trip to Redding on many week-ends to work on the airplane, and with the help of his uncle had it ready to fly in nine months.

"When we got the airplane finished, we had to turn right around and remove the wings and tail section so we could transport it to the airport behind my uncle's car. We then reassembled it at the airport."

Last Labor Day, Fether climbed aboard the four-place Seabee, rose into the air from Redding Municipal Airport, and headed south toward Torrance Airport. It took him six hours to make the 500-mile flight, and there were times when he wondered if he was going to make it, or if he should have left the water-soaked airplane at the bottom of Shasta Lake.

Shortly after he left Redding, a loud banging noise interrupted the flight, and he stuck his head out of the plane's door to notice a fuel cap loose, hanging by a chain, and hitting against the fuselage.

He set down at Davis Airport, fixed the cap, and took off again before he noticed he was low on fuel seepage, and looked around for another place to land and top the gas tank. The last miles of this six hour flight were made in the dark, and it was a relieved and tired pilot who landed at Torrance Airport.

Fether says the plane still needs re-upholstering and painting before he can call it a finished product. But he figures that he'll have about \$4,000 worth of flyable airplane when he's through—quite a transformation from the water-soaked craft which was pulled from Shasta Lake.

ELLINWOOD

Marzelli Re-elected Prexy of Little League; Managers Named

By JANE ROBINSON BARBARA WEAVER FR 5-7063

The first general meeting of the Pacific Coast Little League was held Monday Nov. 2, at the Newton School.

Managers for the coming season were chosen: Norm Hawkins, Padres, Rameriz, Seals, Bill Brooks, Stars; and Bruce Richardson—Angels, Richardson replaced Bill Simpkins, who was transferred to Tennessee.

The new officers of the League are, Al Marzelli, re-elected president; Arlen Charter, vice president; Bill Brooks re-elected treasurer; Art O'Keefe re-elected secretary.

Mrs. Arlen Charter and Mrs. Al Marzelli will care for the concession stand again this year.

Extensive plans for the year according to Charter, are a Valentine dance, a pre-season opening dance.

He states that the new board has drawn up a program this year built around the boys so they will be able to enjoy baseball and their summer vacations more. They will play on a split-season basis—five weeks of play, a week's rest, and another five weeks of play. The season will start around May 1 and during the weeks rest, there will be a big picnic on the field. They will wind up the season with their annual father-son banquet and another dance.

Charter states that he cannot stress enough the importance of all the parents of Little Leaguers to give of their time and services, because they cannot put over this program without the whole-hearted co-operation of the people. There is a much bigger job to be done this year than last; he declared.

The Pacific Coast Little League's first project for the 1956 season will be a Thanksgiving Dance to be held at the Hollywood Riviera Club on Saturday, at 8 p.m.

Arlen Charter, of 4414 Pacific Coast Hwy, reports that the proceeds will be used for a new sprinkling system and new lawn. Also a new field will be built adjacent to the present diamond located on the Pacific Coast Hwy, just east of Ellinwood. This field will be used for minor league play.

Tickets to the dance will be \$1 per person and may be obtained from John Bloom whose phone is FR 5-7073, Ed Kirkbridge, FR 5-7259, and Arlen Charter, FR 5-2917.

Charter urged residents to make up neighborhood parties to attend. There will be lots of fun for all—many door prizes and there will also be local talent on the stage.

Steve Moor, son of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Moor, of 4503 Newton St., celebrated his sixth birthday with a patio party. The patio was gaily decorated with multicolored balloons. Many games were played and lots of prizes won.

Mrs. Moor served beautifully decorated drum cakes, and inside the cakes were nickels and dimes so the children had a real treasure hunt. Steve's grandmother, Mrs. Glen Moor Sr., and Peggy Howenstein and Mary Peck helped Mrs. Moor serve the ice cream, cake, candy baskets, hats and pink lemonade.

The boys and girls enjoying the afternoon were Mike, Steven and Deborah Flamm; Larry Glarum; Johnnie and Vickie Yates; Gary Jung; Gary Lail; Michael Harney; Michael Hampton; Cathy and Caroline Peck; Julie and Michael Moor; and Dougie Irvine.

Bernie Pickering is recovering nicely after undergoing surgery 10 days ago at the Fort McArthur Hospital.

Her husband, Capt. Ramon Pickering, was called home from maneuvers in Louisiana to be with their two girls while Bernie is in the hospital. They expect her home next week.

Mr. and Mrs. William G. Gibson, of 4438 Newton St., are happy to announce the arrival of a new member in their family—Jennifer Joyce who made her debut Nov. 3.

The little Miss weighed in at 8 lbs, 9 ozs., at the Queen of Angels Hospital. A sister, Barbara Lee, 3, and brother Will-

iam Gary, 17 months, welcomed her home.

Jennifer's maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Schons of Chicago and her paternal grandmother is Mrs. Martha Gibson of Maywood, Ill.

The Newton St. Sewing Circle met this week at Barbara Flamm's home from 1:30 to 3 p.m. on Wednesday.

Banana cream pie was served to Peggy Howenstein, Annetta Hume, Rose Glarum, Mary Peck, Helen Lail, Ann Moor, Pat Yates, Beverly Parkinson, Norma Nelson, Jenny Jung, Joyce Matier and Ray Hatcher.

Another new Brownie Troop has been organized. The organization meeting was held at Mary Peck's home, 4538 Newton St., last Tuesday night.

Mrs. George Peck is the new leader and Mrs. Roland Rogers is the new co-leader. Troop committee chairman is Mr. S. P. Sinclair while Mrs. C. V. Christensen is telephone committee chairman. Transportation chairman is Mrs. E. E. O'Kain and cookie chairman are Mrs. E. L. New and Mrs. C. R. McClung. Troop 240 is composed of second graders from Southwest Torrance.

Joanne Pope hosted the bi-monthly group last Thursday evening, with Janet Smith winning first prize.

Others present were JoAnn Doudna, Jean Asher, Cecil Banaynski, Rosalie Davis, Sonnie Tomchak, and Janet Robinson. Guests were served lemon cream pie and coffee.

Amnetta Hume also had a card party at her home last Thursday.

Attending were Beverly Parkinson, Mary Peck, Lois Gibson, Pat Yates, Rose Glarum, and Barbara Flamm.

Three Local Clerks Get Union Offices

Three Torrance residents were elected to offices of the Retail Clerk's Union, Local 908 with headquarters in San Pedro, as an outcome of balloting held Thursday in Wilmington.

Alice Hill, of 1441 W. 220th St., was named second vice president of the union. Sally Morris, of 4504 W. 231st St., was elected a trustee, and Gerald Prendergast, of 2519 S. Arlington Ave., won the recorder's office after final tabulation of the votes.

Other officers named in the election included Walter E. Scheppman, Wilmington, president; Herbert Blank, Wilmington, first vice president; Ben N. Scott, San Pedro, secretary-treasurer; Kenneth Green, Wilmington, guardian; Donald Duff, Gardena, and Bernard C. Robinson, Wilmington, trustees; and Ivan M. Morris, Ann Lindner, Edna Johnson, Virginia Poli, all of San Pedro, and Joe Yamamoto, Gardena, members of the executive board.

Morris and Scheppman will serve as business representatives of the union. All terms are for four years.

The new officers will be installed Jan. 19, with A. B. Crossler, international vice president, serving as the installing official. Crossler, who is vice president of the seven Western states, is from San Francisco.

Phone Booth Burglarized

Another General Telephone Co. phone booth was burglarized Thursday when someone pried open the coin box of a phone at 18178 Prairie Ave., and got away with \$55.01 in cash.

An employee of the company notified police Thursday evening that the booth had been tampered with. Counting damage to the phone and loss of the cash collector itself, total loss from the burglary was set at \$64.21.

A number of phone booths in the north Torrance area have been burglarized in the same fashion in recent months, Torrance police detectives stated.



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