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TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, THURSDAY, JUNE 7, 1956



OUR CLOSEST FREEWAY . . . Harbor Area civic leaders marked the opening of the south link of the Harbor Freeway in Wilmington Monday, the first completed section of freeway in this area. Left to right here are Gus Ley, Mrs. Anthony Nizetich, Assemblyman Vincent Thomas, Mrs. Jean Hagler, and George Bradbeer. Traffic was open to south-bound lanes from Pacific Coast Hwy. to Battery.

The North Hi Breeze

By VICKIE ALMIEDA

Judy Fazio gave a party Friday night in her rumpus room about 7:30 p.m. Having a great time were many of the Saxons from North High. A slumber party was held for the girls later during the night, after the party.

Many of the Saxon party goers attended a party at Redondo Beach which was given by Bill Almeida and Clarence Johnson, graduates of Torrance High. Everyone had a ball, especially grunion hunters, the activity held after the party.

The Junior and Senior Prom will be held tomorrow night, June 8, at the Mayflower Ballroom.

"Sophisticated Swingsters" from Morningside will provide dreamy music from the hours of 9 to 12.

A senior boy and girl will reign as emperor and empress at the dance, to carry out the theme, "A Many-Splendored Thing."

The decorations are being kept a surprise until the night when the seniors of '55 will celebrate their last dance during their high school years.

The North Wind staff held a spaghetti dinner in the teacher's staff room at North High, Tuesday, June 8, at 6:30 p.m. Invited were the staff and their guests, Mr. and Mrs. Harter, Mr. and Mrs. Aher, Mr. and Mrs. Liffon, Mr. and Mrs. Steffy, and Miss Melton.

The French Club enjoyed themselves thoroughly at "Rand's Round Up" for a dinner to climax the last meeting of the year last night.

The Scholarship Society gave a banquet at the YWCA. The members and guests ate a delicious dinner and enjoyed themselves with the entertainment that was presented.

Speaker was Miss Jane Thompson, head of Placement Bureau at Long Beach State College.

Entertainers were Gerry Bolde, Diana Bybee, Bill Lee, and Lolita Lao.



GRAND OPENING TODAY . . . The new, modern Thriftmart at Palos Verdes Blvd. and Sepulveda will begin its gala four-day grand opening celebration today. The new market will feature all the modern facilities available to markets today which have been installed to make shopping the most pleasant ever. Special events, bargain prices, and favors will prevail during the opening.

Scout Trails



Girl Scout Troop 610
A court of awards and investiture were the main attractions at Girl Scout Troop 610's meeting last Saturday at Nativity Church Parish Hall.

New Girl Scouts initiated at the affair included Jeanne Franklin, Patricia Stetson, Katherine Strelch, Patricia Poitz, Gloria Zaklet and Judy Chandler.

Awards went to Janet Isenhour, Ann Montague, Catherine Herrin, Rose Ann Colton, Elin Colton, Sandra Derouin, Michele Green, Coralie Nenson, Karen Fenn, Charlene Garrison, Suzanne Melville, Charlotte Schmidt, Sara Jane Sargent and Patricia Kieckhefer.

Mary Simpson and Susan Loew were awarded the highest achievement which can be attained in intermediate scouting — the Curved Bar.

Mesdames Charles Garrison, Thomas Herrin, Ralph Montague and Clyde Purry were invested as leaders by retiring leader Mrs. Delbert White.

The meeting also was highlighted by the presentation of a birthday cake to the troop. It commemorated the 11th anniversary of the organization.

Cub Pack 211-C
Cub Pack 211-C sponsored by Howard Wood Elementary PTA held its monthly meeting at Torrance Elementary school auditorium last week.

Cub Master Jay Nielsen introduced Den 3, who gave the opening. Announcement was made of a picnic on June 10 and a committee meeting June 5 at the home of Mrs. J. Horton, 24104 Huber Ave. The Pack will not meet during the summer.

Lee Polick, Den Master of Pack 732-C gave the inspection on all the "Hobo" costumes for the evening and awarded the prize to Den 3. Parents also went along with the "hobo" theme for the evening and many were attired accordingly. Den 4 presented the games and Den 5 dramatized a "hobo" skit.

Awards were presented to Darryl Veazy, Don Myers and Neil Neimann, new Bobcats. Other awards were Paul Albright, silver arrow; Danny Hampton, bear badge; Dean Tilton, gold arrow; Jan Taute, lion badge; Mike Oliver, bear badge; Ronnie Simpson, gold arrow; Steven Brown, gold arrow and bear badge; Bobby Drury, silver arrow; John Hall, wolf badge; Bill Wassenberg, bear badge; Billy Sorenson, wolf badge. Refreshments were served by Den 4 with the closing service led by Den 1.

Model Finance Manager Happy In New Position

"It has always been my ambition to live and work in Torrance," was the comment made by Don Pepe concerning his recent appointment as manager of the local branch of the Model Finance Co.

Pepe, a four-year resident of Torrance, lives with his wife Viola, and two children, Cheryl age 10 years, and Donald John, 3 months, at 2506 Grand Summit.

Prior to his appointment here Pepe was active in the finance business in Huntington Park.

A native of Philadelphia he started his education under a Navy V plan at Central Michigan College and after serving aboard a minesweeper as Lt. (jg) returned to the Mount Pleasant, Mich., school to complete his education.

During the time the Pepees have resided in Torrance, Don has been employed in neighboring communities as well as an active member of the local Junior Chamber of Commerce.

He commented that as manager of Model Finance he hoped "to make available the services of this organization to residents of the community."

Briggs Named President of CSEA Group

The regular monthly meeting of the California School Employees Assn. will be held at the Fern Avenue School cafeteria at 7:30 p.m. tonight.

At a recent meeting Larry Briggs was elected as president for the coming school year. Serving with Briggs will be: vice president, Roy Foster; secretary, Mrs. Mae Rampley; treasurer, Henry Weaver; and reporter, Mrs. Dorothea Johnson. Walter Holloway and Henry Weaver will serve as delegates to the CSEA convention to be held on July 12 in Long Beach.

All school employees, both certificated and non-certificated, who wish to contribute blood to the school employees blood bank are reminded that on Monday, June 11, the Mobile unit of the Red Cross will be in Torrance at the Civic Auditorium. Hours of collection are from 3 p.m. to 7:30 a.m. Anyone wishing to make an appointment, may call FA 8-0510.

Tartar Teen Talk

By KAREN HESTER, DA 6-4801

Elections were held recently and results of the balloting were announced at the election date.

New student body officers are as follows: Dick Bentwood, president; Mike Bertolet, vice president; Dan Ovisit, court judge; Marilyn Moss, commissioner of records; Bill Montgomery, commissioner of athletics; Sharon Blakesly, commissioner of pep; Berta Rogan, commissioner of publicity; Violet Popovich, commissioner of finance; Penny Bernard, commissioner of activities; Jim Wyant, commissioner of group control.

Other officers included Eddie Shaw, Diana Cook, George Boscon and Miss Rogan, cheerleaders; Miss Moss, Barbara Carter, Connie Kulp, Mary Yoshoka, Sally Jo Reed and Georgia Sanford, song queens.

Senior class officers are the following: Charlie Jennings, president; Joe Rubeo, vice president; Wynn Welch, secretary; Judi Morgan, treasurer; John Emery, Boys' League representative; Miss Reed, Girls' League representative; Bill Evans, Boys' Court representative; Delores Roberts, Girls' Court representative.

Junior class officers are the following: Len Ehlers, president; Joyce Cannon, vice president; Rosemary Hill, secretary; Judy Elston, treasurer; Jim Sena, Boys' League representative; Becky Candler, Girls' League representative; Boscon, Boys' Court representative; Peggy Rynhart, Girls' Court representative.

Sophomore officers include the following: Carol Shinoda, president; Val Forella, vice president; Marcell Clayton, secretary; Victor Masaki, treasurer; John Bentwood, Boys' League representative; Loretta Robison, Girls' League representative; Gerry Day, Girls' Court representative.

Girls' League officers will be the following: Mary Yoshoka, president; Betty Yoshoka, vice president; Yari Yoshioka, secretary; Jim Zuber, treasurer; Diane DeNevers, treasurer; Barbara Merola, historian reporter.

Boys' League officers include the following: Tom Quaggin, president; Richard Ruffell, vice president; Jim Jennings, secretary; Dennis Brown, treasurer.

Another group we are quite proud of is the "Tears," who were on the Johnny Otis show last Thursday night singing "You Made Me Love You," written by one of the "Tears," Terry Akers.

This week is officially the last school week for all the seniors, the caps and gowns are issued next Friday, the day of the prom. I want to wish all the seniors who are now prepared to go out into the world on their own all the luck in the world. We will all be proud to say we were in the great class of '56.

Deadline For Pool Posts Is Today

Today is the final day to apply for personnel openings for the new Torrance Municipal Swimming Pool, which is slated to open next month.

Applications for positions will be taken from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at City Hall.

Positions available include pool manager, senior life-guard, looker room attendant and cashier-clerk.

Examinations for the posts will be given June 16 at 9:30 a.m. at City Hall. The written exam will count 60 per cent while an oral interview, weighted at 40 per cent, will follow.

RANGERS TO DINE TOMORROW NIGHT

South District Woodcraft Rangers will hold their annual dinner tomorrow night at an Ingelwood restaurant. Deputy Al Natvidad, of the sheriff's narcotics detail, will be the guest speaker.

The group recently held its family powwow at Stanley Ranch. About 300 Ranger boys and girls and their parents attended.

Four Torrance Poultry Ranchers Entries in Merit Award Contest

Four leading Torrance poultry ranchers are among the early entries in the 1956 Poultry Ranch Merit Award contest sponsored each year by the poultry department of the Los Angeles County Farm Bureau.

The four local poultry ranchers are K. L. Christofferson, 3516 Emerald, Leo Radford, 3440 Emerald; Leonard H. Radford, 3430 1/2 Emerald, and Charles Rubin, 304 W. 223rd St. Christofferson is the Los Angeles county chairman of the event and was also one of the 29 award winners in the 1955 competition which covered the entire Los Angeles county area.

Another local entrant is John Lindeberg, P.O. Box 501, Harbor City, a first-time entry.

They are among the more than 60 entries already received from all parts of the county.

The program has been called a major step forward in the beautification of Los Angeles county and judging will be done the first two weeks of July.

More than three times as many Los Angeles county poultry farms have entered this year's contest than in 1955, the first year of the program.

The award, in the shape of a large metal sign, is hung at the entrance of the winning ranches, and is taken away if the ranch fails to qualify in the following year's contest.

Large Industry
The voluntary program of cleanup and beautification of one of the county's largest industries is sponsored by the poultry department of the Los Angeles County Farm Bureau, and will be judged by "task forces" composed of representatives of the Los Angeles County Health Department, the Los Angeles Beautiful Committee of the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce, and local newspaper and Chamber of Commerce officials.

The "Poultry Ranches of Distinction" will be judged on their use of thrifty, well-kept plants and trees, the use of vines and shrubs to screen the ranches from view, and maximum sanitary conditions.

Other factors include neatly painted buildings in good repair, uniform fences which are light, straight, and neatly painted or otherwise attractive, poultry areas and driveways free from weeds and trash.

Douglas Tabbed For Air Advance

Four of the nation's foremost engineering societies have honored Donald W. Douglas for advancing the art of transportation through development and production of the "DC" series of airplanes.

Douglas, founder and president of Douglas Aircraft Co., was chosen to receive the 1956 Elmer A. Sperry award.

Announcement of Douglas' selection was made by Robert B. Lea, chairman of the Elmer A. Sperry Board of Award, on behalf of The American Society of Mechanical Engineers, American Institute of Electrical Engineers, Society of Automotive Engineers and The Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers.

Douglas has pioneered in many fields of aviation but is perhaps best known throughout the world for the "DC" series of airplanes including the famous twin-engine DC-3, backbone of commercial airlines for a decade. It was the most commonly used passenger plane ever built and many are still in service throughout the world.

Improvements at Alondra Park Lake Approved

Contract for extensive improvements to the lake area at Alondra park was awarded yesterday by the board of supervisors to the D and M Sprinkler Co. for \$73,917, according to Supervisor Kenneth Hahn.

The improvements to be accomplished under the contract include the construction of new curbs and grading around the perimeter of the lake and island, new walks, lawns, new terraces around the recreation building, and new benches and drinking fountains.

The entire area east of the lake, for many years barren and sandy, will now be beautifully landscaped with grass lawns, trees and plants.

Project is being carried out under Supervisor Hahn's announced intention to have Alondra Park developed as a major regional recreation center to serve the rapidly increasing population of surrounding areas.

New Paint Store Holds Open House

Open house will be held today, tomorrow and Saturday at the new Merrell Paint Co. store, 380 N. Hawthorne Blvd., in Hawthorne.

Maurie Merrell, owner, recently moved his store from its old location, 478 N. Hawthorne Blvd., where he had been in business nine years.

Balloons for the youngsters, orchids for the ladies and a number of door prizes will be awarded free at the fête, Merrell said. Big item ticketed for give-away is a complete outside paint job for a home — which will be awarded at 3 p.m. Saturday.

Merrell said the new store is double the floor area of the old paint store.

Open House, Registration Set At Perry School

Registration for all kindergarten children entering Perry School next September has been set for June 11, 12, and 13, John Strom, principal, announced.

Parents wishing to register their children may do so at the school office. Registration can be done without appointment between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. on any of the three days.

Open House for next September kindergartners and their mothers has been set for tomorrow. All children and mothers interested are invited to attend classes for one hour between 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m., or between 1 p.m. and 3 p.m.

Soldier Now In Kansas

Specialist 3rd Class Charles W. McCown, whose wife, Barbara, lives at 2263 Tomlinson Ln., Las Vegas, Nev., is a member of the 1st Infantry Division at Fort Riley, Kan.

The "Big Red One" division returned to this country in October, 1955, after 13 years overseas.

Specialist McCown, son of Mrs. Don Rogan, 1524 West 203rd St., is a mechanic in the 33rd Field Artillery Battalion's Service Battery of the division. He entered the Army in May, 1954, completed basic training at Fort Ord, and was last stationed in Germany.

He attended Torrance High School. His father, A. A. McCown, also lives in Las Vegas.

TROJAN REALTY IN NEW OFFICES

Mike C. Lotito of Trojan Realty Co. has announced the opening of a new office at 24403 Narbonne Ave. in Lomita. The office formerly occupied quarters at 2213 Lomita Blvd.

"We will represent the Trojan Construction Co., builder of fine new homes in the Harbor Area," Lotito said.