

### Four Pledges Are Accepted

The model meeting of Gamma Psi Chapter 1289 was held at the home of Delores Kesseler in Torrance with Alice Tremaux, president, greeting four prospective pledges.

Educational program was the first event for the evening. Mrs. Kurtze, from a personality school in Compton, was guest speaker who talked to the girls on charm and personality. The meeting was then turned over to the president at which time the new girls were made acquainted with all the facilities and history of Epsilon Sigma Alpha.

Coming events were discussed which will be a barbecue social at the home of one of the members in La Mirada on July 21, a preferential tea July 24, and a fashion show to be held some time during the month of September.

Meeting was adjourned and refreshments were served by the hostess.

### ONES BIRTHDAY PARTY TONIGHT

Torrance Chapter 380, Order of the Eastern Star, will have another big night tonight when the regular meeting is held in the Masonic Temple, 2336 Cabrillo Ave. Starting at 6:30, the annual chapter birthday dinner will be served to members and their families. Edna Babcock and Florence Vielle will be in charge of cooking the dinner. At 8:00 the chapter will observe Members' Courtesy Night, with the Star Points as chairman of arrangements. Worthy Matron Dorothy Fyken and Worthy Patron Edward Morgan will preside during the business portion of the meeting. This will be the last meeting of the chapter until Sept. 6th.

### JEWISH CENTER PICNIC SUNDAY

Gardena Valley Jewish Center will hold its seventh annual picnic next Sunday, July 22, at the Torrance Park. Baseball for the men and boys will take up the morning hours. Beginning at 11 a.m. food will be served. Games and prizes have been planned and a talent show will be an added attraction. The show will be staged by the Torrance Recreation Dept. at 1:30 in the bandshell. All members and friends are invited.

### Camp Fire Girls Have Busy Program

Some of the girls from the newly-formed Okiciyapi Winu-ke Camp Fire group are currently engaged in taking a 12-lesson course at Miss Dawn's Swim School in Redondo Beach. Those participating are: Linda Kern, Lynda Barber, Leslie Lightner, Peggy Taylor, Janet White, Carol Ellis, Gwen Glenn, and Jennifer Cable.

On July 19 some of the group will leave by bus for a week at Camp Yallani, which is one of the two camps maintained by the Los Angeles Area Campfire Council, in the San Bernardino Mountains. Those girls who will be attending camp are: Linda Kern, Peggy Taylor, Leslie Lightner, Janet White, Sherry Whitlow, Anne Yokoyama, and Vickie Thompson.

The entire group of Camp Fire Girls, which is under the leadership of Mrs. Delmer D. Kern and Mrs. Dean White, is currently making plastic-lined "Tote" bags, which will be useful to them in their various camping, swimming, and other group activities.

### AQUARIANS TO HEAR SPEAKER

Bill McFarland of the Marineland of the Pacific will be the guest speaker at the meeting of the Harbor Aquarian Society Tuesday evening, July 24, in the auditorium of the Gardena Valley Jewish Center, 1651 Market St.

The speaker, well known collector in the scientific field of Marine Research will show slides, speak on his many trips in all parts of the world and explain the purpose scientific collecting of Marine specimens.

The door prize will be a five gallon tank and hood. President Charles Jones will conduct the meeting after which refreshments will be served.

### DONISH FAMILY

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Donish of 1629 Greenwood Ave., and children Linda, Christina and Michael, Jr., have returned from a month's vacation spent on a cross-country motor trip to New York, Pennsylvania, and Connecticut. They visited Mr. Donish's mother, Mrs. Julia Donish of St. Clair, Penn.



DISTRIBUTING PLEDGE PINS... is Mrs. Florence Pfeiffer (right), president of the Eta Kappa chapter of the Epsilon Sigma Alpha sorority, as the unit begins its second year. Pledges pictured are (from left, front row) Misses Helen Dorsey, Naomi McVey, Sonja Holme. Back row (from left), Misses Jane White, Marjha Gillie, Ann Verne and Mary Espinosa. Pledges are accepted by invitation and they spend a six-month period studying the laws, traditions and purposes of the sorority before becoming full-fledged members.

### Elk Ladies Plan Dinner For July 28

A barbecue dinner at Higgins Recreation Patio, 2217 West 174th St., will be held by the Ladies of the Elks and their guests on July 28 at 7:30 p.m.

After the dinner an informal evening of dancing and games has been planned. Plaid shirts, jeans, skirts or pedal pushers will be the attire for the evening.

The barbecue is open to all Elks, their ladies and guests. Reservations must be made in advance by calling Junita Littleton or Lucille Flowers.

The Ladies of the Elks are planning a public card party for Aug. 28 to be held at the Elks' lodge hall, Carson St.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS PICNIC

Quarters class of the First Methodist church has invited the Tomcoes class to an adult beach party to be held tomorrow evening, July 20, at Playa del Rey from 7 until 11 p.m. Exact location of the fire pits will be posted on the bulletin board on the south side of the parking lot. There will be supper and recreation. Hosts for the affair are Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Enger and Mr. and Mrs. Lew Broatch.

### VISITORS AT KESSON HOME

Miss Gloria Noble, vice principal of Barstow Union High School, spent a recent week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Kesson, of 2015 W. 182nd St.

Kenneth Kesson, teacher of the seventh and eighth grades of a Santa Barbara elementary school, motored here Saturday to attend the 10th anniversary re-union of the 1946 class of Torrance High at a dinner dance at Club Alondra.

### M. M. SCHWAB TO TEACH CLASS

Beginning Sunday, July 22, at 10:10 a.m., Mervin Schwab will teach a six week series of classes based on "Adult Quarterly," to the Quarters Sunday school class of the First Methodist Church. Mr. Schwab is a prominent lay member of the Methodist Church and a leader in civic affairs. He has taught the class on several occasions.

### AUSTRALIAN CLUB PLANS PICNIC

Australian Club of Southern California will hold a weiner roast Saturday evening, July 21, at 8 p.m. at Playa Del Rey. Directions will be found on the

### Evelyn Carr

Evelyn Carr PTA Teacher's luncheon was given by the executive board on June 15 in the school's home economics room.

There was a feeling of summer in the air—every one dressed for a picnic, table decorations in Sea Myth pattern, and paper plates carried out the theme of "Down by the Sea."

A farewell gift was presented to Donald Duncan, principal who is being transferred. The chairman of the "Sunshine" Club presented gifts to the teachers being married and to those who will become new parents.

Five of our men teachers, Messrs. Hoag, McDonald, Reynolds, Mackey and Olson made a big hit with singing "Standing on the Corner." Mrs. Steele was the pianist. A skit was given by five PTA members, Mrs. J. H. Cortez, Mrs. W. Towell, Mrs. R. A. Mooney, Mrs. R. Hubert and Mrs. D. Kinda who were dressed in gay nineties bathing suits bringing many laughs. Those on the luncheon and decoration committee were: Mrs. J. H. Cortez, Mrs. W. Towell, Mrs. R. Hubert, Mrs. D. Kinda, Mrs. J. Vance, Mrs. W. Sale, Mrs. P. Baker, Mrs. R. Stamm and Mrs. S. Warden.

### Seaside

Program planning committee for the Seaside Parent-Teacher Association held a meeting at the home of Mrs. Warren Boggs on Thursday, July 12 to plan the Seaside Parent-Teacher Association programs for the coming year.

The program theme set for the year will be "Our Investment in America—strengthening communities." A schedule was tentatively set up to include at a majority of the meetings, Community representatives to introduce their field of work. Plans were made to include a student, teacher, and parent panel discussion.

Those attending the meeting were: Lloyd Jones, Seaside principal; and Mrs. Warren Boggs, president; Doyle French, first vice president; and program chairman; Richard Guy, faculty representative; George Steele, music chairman; and James Rolfe, publicity chairman.

location bulletin board on the south side of Imperial Highway. For further information call Jean Gilmer, 4807 Towers, 4807 Towers St., Torrance.

### 186th Street

Faculty and staff of the 186th Street School were the guests of the 186th Street School PTA executive board at a breakfast held on June 13 at the school. The breakfast was a "thank you" for the splendid help and cooperation on the part of the teachers and staff during the past year.

Invitations were sent out saying "You're an Angel" and this was the theme of the table decorations and place cards. Miniature angels of sequins and feathers were at each place.

Mrs. Melvin Sogge was in charge of the planning committee and members of the executive board acted as both cooks and waitresses.

Miss Ruth Engdahl, principal expressed the faculty's thanks and hope for the continuing close relationship of the school and the Parent-Teacher Association.

Following the breakfast Mrs. Guy Cels, program chairman for the coming year, held a meeting to plan the 1956-57 program. A very interesting tentative program was planned featuring more night meetings, parent participation and understanding of the school program.

A family picnic is planned for the first meeting in September, and will feature a well known speaker on crafts and hobbies for the entire family.

## LOCAL PTA ACTIVITIES

### Perry

A new vice-president of the Perry PTA, Mrs. Kenneth Judd, was elected at a meeting of the executive board at the school on June 21. She will replace Mrs. Wilson Willey, whose resignation was due to moving from the Perry district. Mrs. Frank Solls was elected to fill the office of secretary vacated by Mrs. Judd.

The following appointments on the executive board were ratified at the same meeting: parliamentarian, Mrs. R. F. Dohner; child health, Mrs. J. C. Ahlgren; civilian defense, Mrs. Clifford Nelson; courtesy, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Solls; honorary life membership, Mrs. Andrew Hansen; hospitality, Mrs. Henry D. Watkins; co-hostess, Mrs. Edward Beck and Mrs. J. W. Jones; inspirational, Mrs. Catherine Baker; juvenile protection, Mrs. R. S. Butterfield.

Others were: library, Mrs. Curtis Hirsch; co-library, Mrs. James Hansen and Mrs. Kenneth Clausen; magazine, Mrs. C. J. Warnell; membership, Mrs. Carl Miller; music, Mrs. Edward Murawski; music, Mrs. Howard Zook; co-music, Miss Marjory Olson; newswriter, Mrs. James Reynolds; co-newswriter, Mrs. Thomas Depkovich; parent education, Mrs. Eugene Phillips; co-parent education, Mrs. R. W. Baillie; publicity, Mrs. Stanley Hoffman; record book, Mrs. William Bost; recreation, Mrs. Kenneth McVey; room representative, Mrs. Roy Murphy; co-room representative, Mrs. Carol Parker; safety, Mrs. C. C. Wilkerson; school education, Mr. William Forrest; ways and means, Mrs. William Gresham; ed-ways and means, Mrs. R. Broderick; welfare, Mrs. Glenn Thomas; co-welfare, Mrs. Jerome Lemberger.

The date of Perry PTA's annual carnival was set for Saturday, Oct. 27. It was decided to hold a Welcome Tea at Perry just before the opening of school in the fall. The traditional coffee hour for faculty and board members will be given on the morning of Sept. 12. Mrs. Thomas Depkovich is chairman of the committee in charge of this event.

Appointment of budget, program and membership committees was made by the president.

### Seaside

Seaside PTA held a special executive board meeting at Seaside School July 5. The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. Warren Boggs.

Mrs. T. N. Drake, program chairman for the coming year, asked for suggestions for programs for the association meetings. Emphasis will be placed on more student and adult participation. The program committee met Wednesday, July 11, at Mrs. Boggs' residence.

Mrs. W. L. Steinwachs, hospitality chairman, discussed plans for the teachers' luncheon. It will be held Sept. 10 at 12 p.m. at Seaside School. Plans were made for the annual get-acquainted breakfast.

It will be held on Thursday, Oct. 4, at 4846 Mindora Dr.

Mrs. J. W. Keyes, ways and means chairman, discussed various ways and means projects for the coming year. The main project will be a dinner and variety show at the school on Oct. 11.

Mrs. Albert Yackie, corresponding secretary, read a letter of resignation from Mrs. David Daniels as membership chairman; also a letter from the American Field Service of International Scholarship, thanking the association for its contribution.

The first regular meeting of the association will be held Sept. 25 in the school auditorium.



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