



A GARDEN THERAPY PROJECT . . . Greenthumbers Garden Club entertained at a silver tea last Tuesday afternoon at the Woman's clubhouse to which all garden club members of the area were invited. Mrs. Roderick Black, president of the Los Angeles Garden Club, was the speaker

on the topic, "Holiday Arrangements and Favors." Pictured here, just before the program, are Mrs. Eldon Sellmeyer, president of Greenthumbers; Mrs. Black, Mrs. Henry Allen and Mrs. George Horton. Twenty-seven guests attended the party.

Greenthumbers Club Entertains at Tea

Greenthumbers Garden Club entertained at a beautiful silver tea last Tuesday afternoon at the Torrance Woman's clubhouse on Engracia as a garden therapy project. Invitations to all garden clubs of the area were extended by Mrs. Eldon Sellmeyer, president of the Greenthumbers.

Greeting the guests at the door were Mrs. Clarence Barrow and Mrs. William Fitzgerald.

The guest speaker for the afternoon was Mrs. Roderick Black, president of the Los Angeles Garden club and district and state program chairman. She gave an interesting lecture and demonstration on "Holiday Arrangements and Favors." Mrs. Black was presented by program chairman, Mrs. George Horton.

Special guests at the affair were Mrs. R. O. Young, District 2A director, Mrs. Minot Rugg, president of the Torrance Terrace Garden club, Mrs. Margaret Clark, president of the North Torrance Fuchsia society, Mrs. B. N. Fonville, president of the new Riviera Garden club; Mrs. K. B. Slagle, co-chairman of the garden section of the Neptunian Club of Manhattan Beach; Mrs. Phyllis McIntyre, president of the Los Colinas Garden club and Mrs. M. B. Scott, president of the San Pedro Garden club. Twenty-seven guests were present at the tea.

After the program, refreshments were served from a festively decorated table in the Thanksgiving motif.

The centerpiece was of fruit and was flanked by candles in the autumn shades. Presiding at the tea services were two honorary members of the Greenthumbers club, Mrs. Howard Elliott of Canoga Park and Mrs. Ed Viskoell of Burbank. In charge of the plant and handmade Christmas gift table were Mrs. Dick Wilhelm, Mrs. Harry Allen, and Mrs. George Horton.

The Greenthumber club met Thursday evening at the Sellmeyer home, 4918 Bindewald, to discuss its Christmas philanthropies. The club has adopted an elderly gentlemen's ward at the Harbor hospital. The club will again this year conduct its annual home decorations and lighting contest for the Allied Gardens area.

The Beau Jardin Garden club has joined with the Greenthumbers club to sponsor Santa's visit to the Allied Gardens a few days before Christmas.

Club Gives Party for Mrs. Kelley

The birthday of Mrs. Eva Kelley Nov. 14 was the occasion for a festive party at her home when the entire membership of the J.F.F. Club gave a surprise for the charter member.

The usual business meeting was conducted after which Mrs. Kelley was presented with a beautifully decorated cake made by Anne Loughridge. Floral bouquets decorated the rooms and the honoree was presented with a shower of birthday gifts.

Attending the party were Nell Crovella, Elsie Minor, Anne Loughridge, Eva Kelley, Nettie Phillips, Bessie Sloane, Edith Burckingham, Georgia Cramer, Ida Haun, Helen Conze, Lorine Harline, Barbara Taraldsen and Luella Lessen.

The J.F.F. Christmas party will be held at the home of Mrs. Kelley on Tuesday, Dec. 17.

WEEK END TRIP

Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Crossman, 2143 Middlebrook Rd., and their two youngsters, Casey and Craig, last week end journeyed to Alpine, near San Diego. They visited Mrs. Crossman's great-aunt.

B&PW CLUB STAGES SHOW

Approximately 170 members and guests attended the fashion show staged by the Torrance B&PW Club last Tuesday evening at Club Alondra. The event had been planned as a get-together for all career women's clubs of the area and all were represented.

Numerous door prizes were awarded with Iris Nash capturing the main prize. A parade of fall and winter fashions was staged by Moore's dress shop and a male model displayed the correct fashions for men.

ALUMNAE VIEWS GIFT ITEMS

November meeting of South Bay Alumnae chapter of Delta Zeta was held Wednesday evening at the home of Mrs. Harry Forrester in Hermosa Beach.

After the business meeting, many do-it-yourself Christmas ideas were exchanged including candle-making, ornaments for tree and home, and Christmas cards.

Any Delta Zeta in this area interested in joining the alumnae group may contact Mrs. Lawrence Ivins or Mrs. Mitchell Gilbert.

FIRST SNOWFALL

The first snowfall at Rim Forest was enjoyed last week end by Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Figgins who were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Percy Bennett of Torrance who are spending two weeks at Rim Forest.



FLYING COUPLE . . . Hampden and Christina Wentworth, 36 Portuguese Bend Rd., Rolling Hills, flew from California to Puerto Rico in their one engine Beech Craft Stagger-Wing on a combined business and pleasure trip. Here they take time out from touring factories on the island to visit the grounds of the luxurious Caribe Hilton Hotel, where they were guests, accompanied by General Manager Alphonse W. Salome Jr. and Bill Dorvillier, Business Newsletter publisher in P. R.

CHRISTMAS COMES EARLY AS BABY MAKES ARRIVAL

Christmas came early for Mr. and Mrs. Richard Turner, 1625 Juniper Ave., when they were chosen as parents by little Jennifer Ann.

The infant, born Nov. 16, weighed 7 lbs. 2 ozs. and already is making her home in Torrance.

This is the first child for the Turners. Mr. Turner is the coach of Torrance High's varsity football team.

Jennifer missed having the same birthday as her new father by only one hour.

Proud grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Ed Siedel, 1760 Santa Fe, and Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Turner, 1008 Acacia St.

KANSAS GUESTS

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Beecher, 1518 Engracia Ave. has as their guests for four days last week, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Peterson, old friends from Wichita, Kansas.

Arlington

Regular monthly meeting of Arlington PTA was held at the school cafeteria on Nov. 14, Mrs. Jack Prince presiding. Many new members were in attendance and were welcomed by both President Prince and Principal Richland. Prizes for the most members offered by the membership committee were won by Mrs. Evelyn Carr's sixth grade room and by Mrs. Wieman's kindergarten.

The association agreed without dissent to contribute to the Torrance Area Youth Band, thus helping to sponsor one member for the conference in Chicago. The room count for the evening was won by Mrs. Edna Wright's kindergarten and Mrs. Kaye Rollins' fourth grade.

An amusing skit entitled "How NOT to Have a Conference With Your Child's Teacher" was enacted by Mrs. Myron Spaulding and Mrs. Lloyd Van de Vort. This was followed by another skit with Mrs. John Martin and Mrs. M. E. Cahill showing the correct way to have a conference.

Principal Malcolm Richland spoke on "The Reporting System and the Value of Parent-Teacher Conferences," inviting parents to visit the school at any time.

FERN-GREENWOOD

A most successful hobby show highlighted the recent meeting of the Fern-Greenwood PTA held at the Fern Ave. cafeteria. Children and adults entered their hobbies, miniature railroads, demi-tasse cups, coin collections, dolls and doll clothes, stamps, and airplanes, and boat collections.

The crafts of enameling on copper, wire pictures, and cake decoration were demonstrated. Handicrafts of needlework, ceramic pictures, both embroidered and made from real flowers, weaving, and basketwork. One of the most unusual handicrafts was violin-making.

A clear night enabled the group to view the stars through the telescopes set up on the blacktop.

At a short business meeting Mrs. Ari Campbell, president, announced the carnival profits were \$576.68. The membership to date in the unit is 579. The changes and revisions in the by-laws were adopted.

Mrs. J. N. Oswald, director of the Mothersingers, announced the Christmas concert to be given by the combined Mothersingers, a children's chorus, and the high school chorus to be held Dec. 8 at 2 p.m. at the high school auditorium.

Heard that the PTA and the Student Body fund share jointly the cost of the ice cream; and that the parents of the students be invited to furnish Christmas cookies and favors. Since the room representatives contribute so much in time as well as furnishing refreshments, the committee thought that parents who were unable to serve personally would welcome this opportunity to share in their children's Christmas threats.



LEADING PLAYERS . . . Michael Wilson and Carol Kristufek played the starring roles in "October Gave a Party"—a third grade presentation for the Nativity School Mothers Club. The two youngsters were known as "Professor Wind" and "Miss Weather."

Flavian

Flavian Parent-Teacher Association plans to hold a "get-acquainted" progressive card party on Saturday, Dec. 7, at 7:30 p.m., it was announced recently by Mrs. Z. W. Giza, program chairman.

Donations from this social event will be used to purchase needed music for the newly formed Flavian Mothersingers. It is requested that those who plan to attend contact either Mrs. Hugh Chadwick, Mrs. Zygmond Giza or Mrs. Chester Black for information and to make reservations no later than Dec. 4.

At the November board meeting of the Flavian PTA two more chairmanships were appointed and ratified—Mr. George Russell as Safety chairman, and Mrs. L. B. Shaver, as the Torrance Education Advisory Council chairman.

Mrs. J. K. Edwins, president,

announced that the Nov. 21 association meeting entitled; Unity—Child, School—You?, will include a panel discussion on "How NOT to have a parent teacher conference." She also announced a special television series recommended for all parents. They are the following: "Problems of Today's Living" Tuesdays 4-4:30 p.m. on channel 13 and "Know Your School," Thursdays at 2:30 p.m. on channel 4.

Mrs. John Black, ways and means chairman, reported on the "Harvest of Fun" held Halloween night at Flavian, and thanked all those participating in making it a big success. She also stated that the Saturday "cartoon" movies,

will resume shortly. Mrs. B. W. Mann, child welfare chairman, gave a report on the recent Dental Health luncheon. The subject under discussion was "Fluoridation of Our Water Supply."

LIONESS CLUB AT SMORGASBORD

Twenty members of the Torrance Lioness Club enjoyed a smorgasbord at the Officers' Club on Terminal Island last Tuesday evening. Following the dinner, games were played and prizes awarded.

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Christmas Concert to Be Presented by PTA Council

A two-hour concert of Christmas music ranging from the popular "Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer" to the inspirational "Hallelujah" will be presented at the Torrance High School auditorium at 2 p.m. Dec. 8.

Arranged under the sponsorship of the Torrance Council PTA as the "PTA's gift to the community," the program will feature 142 PTA Mothersingers and a childrens choir of 250 voices. They will be joined by the 75-voice choir of Torrance High School for the free holiday program.

Rehearsals for the program have been underway by the various sections of the program during the past months, and the first complete rehearsal is scheduled for Saturday morning, Nov. 30, at the auditorium.

The high school choir will open the program with three selections: "Carol of the Bells," "Adoramus Te," and "Sing and Rejoice."

The Fern-Greenwood mothersingers will introduce the second section of the concert with "Winter Wonderland," and "White Christmas." The Flavian Mothersingers will sing "Hark the Herald Angels Sing" and "O Christmas Tree." The

Meadow Park and Sepulveda Mothersingers will follow with "12 Days of Christmas" and "Jesu Bambino," childrens choir will sing "Jingle Bells," "Frosty the Snowman," "Away in the Manger," and "Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer."

The Evelyn Carr Mothersingers will follow the children with "Angels on High" and "The Christmas Song," and the Howard Wood singers will sing "O Come All Ye Faithful," and "O Little Town of Bethlehem."

The Carl Steele group will close the second section with "In Bethlehem" and the "Hallelujah Chorus" from Handel's Messiah.

All Mothersinger groups will combine for the finale in presenting "Silent Night," "The First Noel," "O Holy Night," and "Joy to the World."

Conducting the concert will be Mrs. J. N. Oswald, director of the Fern-Greenwood PTA Mothersingers and music chairman of the Torrance PTA Council.

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186th Street

A meeting of the committee to decide how to handle the Christmas room parties and to bring the recommendation back to the association, was called by Mrs. Herman Eisenbeis, room representative chairman of the 186th Street School PTA, on Friday, Nov. 8. The meeting was held in the office of the principal, Miss Ruth Engdahl, with Mesdames James Ellis, Floyd Phillips, Ralph Nichols and James McMillen completing the committee. It was decided to recom-

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