

# Director of Civic Symphony Earns Musical Spurs on Concert Stage

The Civic Symphony is presenting the Thirteenth Annual May Festival of the Arts next Friday, Saturday, and Sunday at the Redondo Union High School Auditorium. Already more than 30 local artists have signified their intention of exhibiting their work. Climax of the three days will be the Symphony and Ballet concert on Saturday evening May 20 at 8.

Maestro Elyse Aehle, director of the festival and conductor of the Civic Symphony, has won her title of "Master" not only at Fontbonne College, St. Louis University, where she received the honor of "Highest Possible Achievement" in orchestration, but also, in active professional experience.

Born in St. Louis, her talent was recognized by Rudolph Ganz, who presented her as violin soloist with the St. Louis Symphony, and advised her to take up conducting. Vladimir Golsman then became interested in her ability and made her his protegee with the unusual privilege of attending all rehearsals of the St. Louis Symphony so that she might perfect her baton technique. This led to a tour of the mid-west and Eastern states and later to a tour of Europe.

THERE SHE became soloist and concert-master of the Smetana Symphony. Upon her return to the U.S. she appeared twice each week on a national radio chain, at the same time continuing her solo work and directing the three branches of a large conservatory and conducting the Alton Symphony.

Wishing to withdraw from this rigorous activity Maestro Aehle came to California. But here she soon found herself involved in conducting the Civic Symphony and another orchestra. She was also appointed to the Los Angeles County Music Commission and served for six years. She received a citation from the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors for her "outstanding work" in music and service to the musical progress of the county.

THE CIVIC Symphony has grown under her leadership from 17 to a membership of 84. It is a member of the American Orchestra League, the Los Angeles League of Symphonies. It receives county support through the Board of Supervisors and the Music Commission. It also receives support from the Performance Fund of the Recording Industries through Local 47 A. F. of M.

In the review of their last concert, music critic Vera Mills, said, "this was no amateur performance—they held the audience spellbound from the opening pianissimo to the ethereal dramatic ending."

MEMBERSHIP includes Myron Fisher, Charles Zila, Helen Mandel, Harry Hall, Robt. Levine, Leona Huffman, Elizabeth Adams, Merwyn Tucker, Karen Heidebreder, Elizabeth Holborn, David Hannum, Dr. Peter Pinto, F. W. Farner, Ben Fleischmann, Howard Owen, Aldyth Waggoner, Bonnie Harrington, Anne Carpenter, Milton Friedlander, Constance Friedlander, Samuel Mittleman, Greta Couvillion, Joseph Pilson, Kathryn Johnson, Gloria Thorpe, Geo. Dolan, Inez Kurakawa, Chas. Galles, Gordon Groves, Raoul Iotti, Frank Drobny, Arne Shoden, Marilyn Johnson, Michael Malosek and Joe DiTullio.

Florence Lahmeyer, Robt. McKenzie, Emily Robinson, Beverly Laurison, Russell Black, Lawrence Willey, Eileen Romm, Don Berg, June Russo, Louise DiTullio, Albert Blau, Charlotte Carter, Arthur Gault, Marie Vogt, Dorie Rutger, Sylvia Romm, Chas. Lobb, Jack Labin, Alfred Grob, Norman Herzberg, Bernadette Makey, Carl Jeschke, Tom Marlette, Octave Bonono and Will Loughridge.

# Leavy to Direct 'Hope Sunday' Campaign Again

Sam Levy, for the fourth time has been named local chairman of the "Hope Sunday" drive on June 4 for the City of Hope.

In accepting as chairman, Levy said volunteer "Citizens of Hope" are being sought now for the one-day, door-to-door campaign for funds to help support the free nonsectarian Medical Center's pilot program against catastrophic diseases.

"Hope Sunday donations," he said, "will help provide absolutely free care for patients suffering from cancer, the leukemias, blood, chest, operable heart conditions and hereditary afflictions."

IN ADDITION, he said, the pilot medical facility is devoting its efforts to the development of new advances in patient care and research.

He pointed out that scores of residents from this community have received countless days of both in-patient and out-patient care at the City of Hope.

Voted 1958 "Man of the Year" in Torrance, Levy is well known in philanthropic and civic circles here. He urged residents to "respond from the heart" when called upon to participate in the humanitarian "Hope Sunday" march on June 4.

ARTHUR MAEBE, Eugene Schoebinger, Ruth Ann Wolf, Joe Bryant, Ronald Romm, Bernard Verkaaik, Harry Campbell, Ed. Ashell, Phil Kurakawa, Harry Goldstein, Walter Finn, Geo. Hiltz, Fred Wahl, A. Gilbertson, Samuel Romm, Erna Lou Gordon, Flo. Marceyes, Lois Craft, Re. Dashoff, M. Donnelly, Ken. Zieg. New members are welcome.

Saturday night the orchestra will play a Haydn Symphony, Suites by Khatchaturian and Moszkowsky, and new compositions by Lotweison. Featured will be the Tupin-Clare Ballet La Jeunesse which has recently received the highest praise of the critics.

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# American Heritage Project Gaining Southland Support

The American Heritage Project took another step forward this last Wednesday when the Project's Steering Committee met to discuss priorities in the action program.

As a cooperative project the school districts of Los Angeles County and the office of the county superintendent of schools are seeking ways of preserving and strengthening the teaching of our American Heritage. Also there is a firm conviction that we need to know more about the threats

to what we believe. The Steering Committee of about 30 members is representative of all levels of education from kindergarten through the junior college. Members also represent the various types and sizes of school districts. Each member is a specialist in matters of curriculum and administration in the public schools.

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## STAR GAZER

By CLAY R. POLLAN

Your Daily Activity Guide  
According to the Stars  
To develop message for Sunday, read words corresponding to numbers of your Zodiac birth sign.

ARIES	1 Expect	31 Spend	61 Work
APR 21	2 A	32 Gestures	62 To
21-24-36	3 Today	33 Problems	63 Of
36-44-82-83	4 Stay	34 You	64 Vital
Taurus	5 Favors	35 Short	65 Without
APR 21	6 Don't	36 Heart	66 Impulsively
1-23-47-61	7 Away	37 Could	67 That's
67-78-89-84	8 From	38 Far	68 Points
GEMINI	9 Social	39 Ventures	69 Out
MAY 22	10 You	40 Decide	70 Smoothly
JUNE 22	11 Opposite	41 Be	71 Person
20-29-40-45	12 Could	42 Helpful	72 Affection
64-67-74	13 Sex	43 A	73 Pay
Cancer	14 Life	44 The	74 Pending
JUNE 23	15 Your	45 Something	75 Today
JULY 23	16 Experts	46 A	76 Attention
1-23-47-61	17 Change	47 To	77 Keep
67-78-89-84	18 Free	48 Mount	78 Assuming
15-33-48-52	19 Try	49 Top	79 Practice
60-77-81-88	20 Don't	50 Be	80 And
Leo	21 Enjoy	51 Trip	81 A
JULY 24	22 And	52 And	82 Better
AUG 23	23 Plans	53 Certain	83 Indicated
4-7-8-43	24 Of	54 Designing	84 Quickly
33-54-71	25 A	55 You	85 Thrift
55-59	26 To	56 To	86 A
VIRGO	27 If	57 Much	87 New
AUG 24	28 Group	58 Nearby	88 Level-head
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