

El Nido P-TA Holds Special Exec. Meeting

The El Nido P-TA held a special executive board meeting at the home of Mrs. Vincent Mazzaro, vice-president, 18524 Hawthorne Blvd., to meet the new principal, Mr. E. W. Ecker, and also to approve the 1953-54 program and to check over the proposed budget for the year.

The first meeting of this new semester was held on Wednesday, September 23, 8 p.m., at the El Nido school, 4402 186th street. The theme for the month is "Hope" and the topic was "A Garden of Welcome Awaits You."

Introduction of principal and teachers was made and the school nurse delivered a message of importance to all parents.

A sincere effort on the part of the El Nido P-TA to participate in all Torrance Council P-TA activities as well as to meet the needs of their individual community, school and students was evidenced by their first speaker who will be Edward H. Risdon, president of the El Nido Civic Association.

Community singing was led by Roland Petrat's fifth grade class. Present at this special board meeting were: Mrs. Philo Mellor, Mrs. Vincent Mazzaro, Mrs. Sam-Mr. Roland Petrat, Mrs. William Post, Mrs. Ella Killian, Mr. Earl Eckert, Mrs. Ernest Pena, Mrs. Harold McNeas and Mrs. William Wright.

Dr. Sheblak Shows Film To Walteria P-TA Board

Eleven members of the Walteria P-TA executive board attended the Torrance Council meeting and workshop held recently at the First Baptist Church in Torrance. Dr. Vernon Sheblak, principal of Walteria school, showed a film, "Farewell to Childhood," and also led the discussion period which followed.

A meeting of the membership committee was held Sept. 23 at the home of Mrs. Joseph Pene, 3524 Newton st. The date for the drive has been set for Oct. 5 thru the 19. The theme for the drive will be "membership unlimited" with Mrs. Fern Springer, art

chairman, designing the poster for the drive. Two prizes will be given, one for the lower grades and one for the upper grades.

P-TA Holds Luncheon for School Staff

Over 60 teachers and other staff members of Torrance Elementary School gathered in the school recently for a "get-acquainted" luncheon held by the P-TA executive board.

Tables were decorated with ivy and marigolds, and little red school houses as place cards. Introduction of the board was made by Mrs. R. E. Moffitt, P-TA president, and by the principal, M. D. Boone Kirks of the faculty.

The Southern California Gas Co. will demonstrate Holiday cooking and decorating for the coming holiday season. Early in December a lecture will be given on holiday interior decorating and package wrapping.

The club meets every Friday morning from 9:30 to 11:30 at the Torrance YWCA, 2320 Carson St. The nursery and equipment located at the St. Andrews Episcopal Church of Torrance has been made available. All children will be cared for by Mrs. Juliana Miller, professional nursery school instructor.

Requirements to become a participant is to hold a YWCA membership. For further information or reservations call FA. 8-5914.

LAZINESS GROWS on people; it begins in cobwebs and ends in iron chains. The more business a man has to do the more he is able to accomplish, for he learns to economize his time.—Sir M. Hale.

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Moose Lodge Gets 1st Place Service Trophy

"... that man's greatest good is found in service to his fellow man."

This excerpt from the prayer recited en masse at the regular meetings of the Loyal Order of Moose, and which in itself is the foundation upon which international fraternal order was built, this week brought to the Torrance lodge No. 785 recognition from the California Moose Association in the form of a state-wide first place trophy for public relations activities.

Earlier this month, the local lodge received one of twenty-five world-wide citations awarded by the international organization for civic affairs work.

Trophy
James Evans, secretary of the local lodge, received the first place trophy, on behalf of the Torrance organization, Gov. Dan Desmond and Joseph Platt, public relations chairman at the recent state convention in Oakland.

The trophy and international citation was presented to the lodge at informal dinner ceremonies at the lodge hall, 1744 W. Carson, Torrance, Saturday, Oct. 3, at 7 p.m. The public was invited to the swiss steak dinner presided over by Dan Hutchinson, chef and treasurer of the Torrance lodge.

In a partial review of the lodges' community activity, Secretary Evans cited the work of the organization under the leadership of past-governor M. MacArthur in the resolutions passed requesting increased penalties for narcotic law violations, blood bank programs, athletic programs, youth activities and the sponsorship of a Scout troop, the annual Moose football party and participation in community and service club promotions.

Large Turn-Out At First Perry P-TA Meeting

The great influx of families from all parts of the country into North Torrance has created a great many problems and has made the interpretation of parent-teacher work increasingly important so careful consideration was given to the planning of the program for the year and something apropos and inspirational for each particular month was chosen and approved by the entire association when presented by Mrs. A. Kupka, vice president and program chairman at the first Perry P-TA meeting of the semester which was held recently in the school auditorium.

Over one hundred persons were present when Mrs. A. MacKenzie, president, sounded her gavel for the meeting to come to order.

Lester Foster, principal, was introduced and he in turn introduced all the members of the faculty. Mrs. A. MacKenzie then presented members of the 1953-54 executive board to the group.

Mrs. MacKenzie introduced Mrs. M. Garrity, past treasurer and Mrs. Blake, past president who had resigned due to their moving out of the Perry P-TA community.

Song Fest
Mrs. O'Brian and Miss Niska led the crowd in a community song fest and then Mrs. MacKenzie presented Mrs. Glenn Blake with a past president's pin.

Attendance gifts were won by Mr. Tucker for the upper grades, and Miss Weldon for the lower grades.

Mrs. C. L. Thompson, magazine chairman, announced that she could be contacted for the subscriptions for the California Parent-Teacher magazine or the subscription orders can be sent to the school.

186th STREET

P-TA Members Attend School Of Information

Twenty-one members of the 186th street P-TA attended the Harbor District School of Information recently, at San Pedro Methodist Church, under the direction of Mrs. Lawrence Lobach, Regional Director.

Special classes were held to give each chairman specialized information pertaining to her duties for the coming year.

Association members who attended were Mesdames: James McMillen, Floyd White, W. C. Attebery, F. C. Beech, A. B. Pond, B. B. Burrus, R. Stith, Herman Eisenbeis, W. A. S. Douglas, W. D. Early, C. C. Hill, B. H. Cothran, J. C. Parr, S. Noda, D. Meredith, E. A. Beck, P. Donaher, C. I. Moore, J. T. Evans, Jr., E. Gauley and W. S. Stewart.

Care of Youth Theme of Second P-TA Meeting

"Opportunities Unlimited to Determine Common Goals for the Care and Protection of Children and Youth" was the topic chosen by 186th st. P-TA for their second meeting held at the school, 2 p.m. Oct. 8. The committee featured is Youth Service. The speaker was Mrs. John Serdinsky, Tenth District Magazine Chairman, who discussed the history and function of the clinic which is maintained by Tenth District in the Tenth District Health Center Building in Los Angeles. Mrs. Serdinsky had a model of the Health Center Building on display.

Skit
The Campfire Girl group known as "Tandakowi" (which is Indian for Love, Honor, Respect and Faithful Friend) presented a skit representing their Campfire Girl laws. They also acted as hostesses at the social hour immediately following the association meeting.

Representing 186th st. P-TA at the Gardena-Wilmington Council meeting held at Carson st. school Sept. 25 were Mesdames B. H. Cothran, E. A. Beck, E. Gauley, C. C. Hill, and James McMillen.

P-TA Members At Workshop

Those attending the Torrance Council P-TA Workshop from Perry School P-TA recently, were: Mrs. A. L. MacKenzie, president; Mrs. A. F. Kupa, vice-president; Mrs. J. W. Arensmeier, secretary; Mrs. R. F. Dohner, treasurer; Mrs. E. Schuster, historian; Mrs. R. W. Baillie, radio and TV chairman; Mrs. G. L. Ware, room mother representative; Mrs. D. Barre, record book; Mrs. T. R. Jackson, child health; Mrs. C. L. Thompson, magazine and life membership; Mrs. G. R. Johnson, hospitality; Mrs. G. Lee, art; Mrs. D. D. Kern, publicity; Mrs. N. R. Walton, room co-chairman; Mrs. G. H. Blake, junior past president; Mrs. W. A. Wright, welfare chairman and also recording secretary for Torrance Council P-TA.

POLITICS I conceive to be nothing more than the science of the ordered progress of society along the lines of greatest usefulness and convenience to itself.—Woodrow Wilson.

Be honest but hate no one; overturn a man's wrongdoing but do not overturn him unless it must be done in the overturning of the wrong. —Abraham Lincoln

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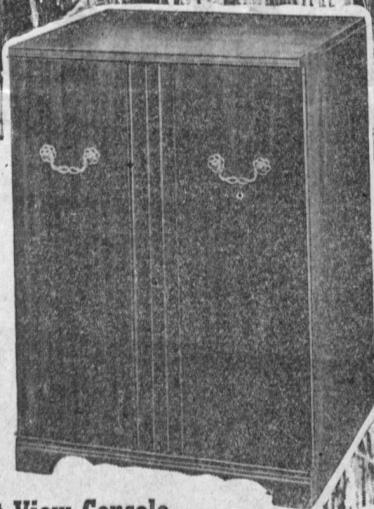
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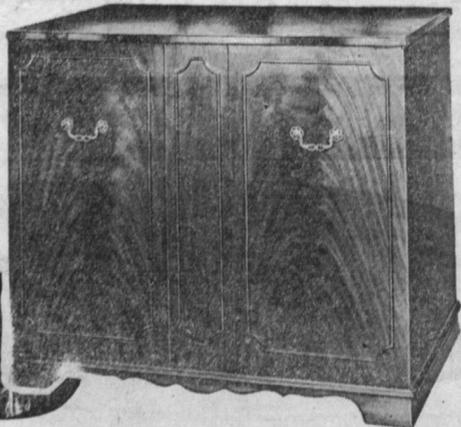


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