

The Methodist Men will hold their annual pancake supper on Saturday, February 11, beginning at 6 p.m. The dinner is open to the public and tickets are available from officers of the Men's Club or they may be purchased at the church.

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# Triple-T Dance Club Celebrates 25th Year of Tireless Trotting



**MRS. TORRANCE' CONTEST** . . . Local Jaycees sit in on a conference to select 'Mrs. Torrance.' Standing are (l-r) Edward Howkeworth, division manager, Southern California Gas co.; Margie Ewen, home service representative; Bud Fellers, 'Mrs. America' chairman for the Torrance Jaycees. Seated are (l-r) Mrs. Kathleen Girvan, 'Mrs. California' of 1956; Phil Lisman, president, Jaycees and Mrs. Donna Griswold, 'Mrs. Westchester' of 1956.

## NTCIA Plans Gala Public Valentine Dance Saturday

Members of the North Torrance Civic Improvement association will lay business affairs aside for an evening of festivity on the occasion of the gala Valentine Dance to be held in the Eagles Lodge, 128 South Catalina ave., on Saturday, February 11, at 8 p.m.

The dance is open to the public and various neighboring groups will join in the social evening.

Tickets may be obtained from: Mrs. Bonita Nobbe, NTCIA ways and means chairman, FR. 2-0823; William Freeman, president of the South West Park Civic association, FR. 9-5509; Clarence DeCamp, Fuchsia society, DA. 4-5209; and Ev Carlstrom, institutional representative of Boy Scouts, DA. 4-0640.

A recent meeting of property owners was held at the Perry school on the subject of widening Prairie avenue and installing curbs, gutters, and sidewalks.

Only a few remaining signatures are required on the petition. Upon completion of the list, the petition will be submitted to the city for further action, announced Cloyd Kirkpatrick, NTCIA safety, health, and welfare chairman.

**VICIOUS PLANT**  
 The pitcher plant has a number of leaves, lined with stiff hairs. The pitcher-shaped leaf catches rain water and with the help of the tiny hairs traps insects and drowns them for food.

## WHO WILL BE 'MRS. TORRANCE'

After enjoying a steak dinner, Phil Lisman, president, and Bud Fellers, Mrs. America chairman of the Torrance Junior Chamber of Commerce, attended a conference to gain additional information on the "Mrs. America" contest which they are sponsoring.

"We feel that it was a privilege to meet and talk to Mrs. California, who placed third in the national contest at Daytona Beach, Florida," Fellers said. "We are now searching for a 'Mrs. Torrance' to enter as our candidate in the 1957 contest."

President Lisman pointed out that this is definitely not a beauty contest but a program of glorifying the American housewife, 21 years old or older, with over \$15,000 in prizes.

Application blanks are now available at local stores, Chamber of Commerce and gas company offices.

**Tri-Delta Pledge**  
 Judith Nash, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy M. Nash, 27147 Eastvale rd., Rolling Hills, has pledged Phi Gamma chapter of Delta Delta Delta sorority at Michigan State University. Judy, a 1955 graduate of Torrance high school, is a freshman at M.S.U. and is majoring in Social Science.

## ANNIVERSARY FETES CHARTER MEMBERS

Triple-T Dance Club celebrated its 25th anniversary with a dance at the Palms last Saturday night honoring active charter members: Dr. and Mrs. R. F. Bishop, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Guttenfelder, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Levy, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Paour, Mr. and Mrs. George L. Probert, Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Rippy, and Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Schultz.

The only active charter members unable to attend the dance were: Mr. and Mrs. Robert R. J. Deininger.

The Silver Anniversary Dance celebrated more than just the anniversary of the club's 25th year of activity. It was a testimonial to the personalities, the wit, the charm, and the loyalty of its members.

When an organization based on formal meetings and agendas of business to be transacted, manages to survive 25 years, it is a rare thing to see a club whose members have met together year after year with nothing but their own personalities and social abilities to keep the whole thing going.

Triple-T is a group devoted to having fun. To discover a large group of people who have found the secret of enjoying themselves and providing enjoyment for others is almost more difficult than finding the proper combination of delegates for an international peace conference. The "Torrance Tireless Treasures" have achieved this rare distinction, as the twenty-fifth anniversary has proved.

**Meaning**  
 The real meaning of the T.T.T. seems to have many definitions. Mrs. C. T. Rippy, one of the charter members, supplied the "Torrance Tireless Treasures" interpretation, and some of the newer members have translated the cryptic letters to mean "Torrance Tireless Trotters."

But, there is absolutely no doubt that the first "T" rightly stands for Torrance. The membership list has, since the beginning, read like a Who's Who of the top business, civic, and social figures in the city. As for the second "T," for Tireless surely no one deserves that appellation more than a group that has been dancing for 25 years.

This has been no off-again-on-again dancing, either. The by-laws state that any member who misses more than three dances during the year automatically loses his membership. Only after 20 years of membership may anyone become a Privileged Member, meaning that the couple may attend as few dances in the year as they wish and still retain membership.

There are now eight Privileged Members of the club. They include: Dr. and Mrs. R. F. Bishop, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Levy, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Deininger, Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Klink, Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Rippy, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Warner, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Burns.

**Beginnings**  
 Plans to form the club were begun in the fall of 1930 by Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Bilger, now of Burlingame, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Deininger, now of Newport Beach. Bilger, who was a member of the Rotary club, and Deininger, who was a member of the Kiwanis club, decided that Torrance should have a dance club. They began to gather prospective members and met to hold their first meeting in February of 1931 with a total of 25 members. At that time, members did not have to be married. Now, all members must be married couples to belong to the group.

Mrs. C. T. Rippy reported that

**Moose Plan Ham Dinner And Dance**  
 Ritual Night was held recently by the Torrance Women of the Moose. Arden Landivell, Ritual chairman, was in charge of the meeting.

Lee Erickson, former Deputy Grand Regent from San Pedro, was guest speaker for the evening. She discussed the proper use of the Ritual and the floor work. The group presented her with a gift in appreciation of her visit.

Helen Matasky was initiated into the chapter. She was sponsored by Arden Landivell. Gladys Griep was installed as the Assistant Guide.

Refreshments were served at the close of the meeting. The hospital committee was in charge of the card party held last night at the Moose Hall, 1744 Carson st.

## Torrance Hill Group Plans Valentine Fete

Torrance Hills Civic association is sponsoring a Valentine party for all residents of Torrance Hills in the Victoria Knolls, New and Old Weston and Pacific Hills tracts, on Saturday, February 11, at 8 p.m. Nickel's Ranch at 3100 Newton st., just off Pacific coast highway will be the site for the party.

Further information may be obtained by calling C. A. Hildebrand at DA. 6-2973.



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