

Annual Wisteria Festival to Be Held at Wilmington

The eighth annual Wisteria Festival will be staged at the Gen. Phineas Banning residence in Banning Park, 401 E. M st., Wilmington, at 2 p.m. on Sunday, March 23, it was announced yesterday by the co-sponsors of the event, the Wilmington Centennial Association, the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce, and the Los Angeles City Recreation and Park Department.

According to Walter E. Holstein, chairman of the 1958 Wisteria Festival, the event is one of the features of the year-long celebration of the 100th anniversary of the founding of the City of Wilmington by Gen. Phineas Banning.

Donald P. Loker, president, Wilmington Centennial Association, will preside at the program which will begin with the presentation of the National Colors by the color guard, United States Naval Station, Terminal Island; singing of the Star Spangled Banner by Rawson E. Gorsch, a c o m p a n i e d by Mrs. Verna Flynn; and the invocation by the Rev. Bert W. Bruffett, president, Wilmington Ministerial Association.

Highlights of the 1958 Wisteria Festival's program will include introduction of distinguished guests by Frode B. Kilstofte, Wilmington civic leader and president, City Recreation and Park Commission; vocal selections by the Wilmington Youth Chorus, directed by Donald Thrall and accompanied by Mrs. Verna Flynn; a historical sketch by Walter E. Holstein, principal, Banning Adult School; and music by the Mexican Tipica Orchestra, directed by Jose Cordova Cantu.

The orchestra will be presented through the courtesy of Local

No. 47, American Federation of Musicians, and was secured with the cooperation of the Bureau of Music, City of Los Angeles. The Wilmington Youth Chorus is also maintained by the Los Angeles City Bureau of Music, and is sponsored by the Wilmington Rotary Club.

Members of Wilmington Parlor No. 278, Native Daughters of the Golden West, attired in "Gay Nineties" finery, will assist as hostesses at the March 23 event, and members of Boy Scout Troop 223, sponsored by the Wilmington Lions Club, will serve as ushers.

According to Thomas J. Harrison, supervisor of park services in the City Recreation and Park Department, the annual festival spotlights the 200-foot-long wisteria vine, planted late in the 19th Century at the historic Gen. Phineas Banning mansion. In 1894, General Banning erected the stately Banning home which was for more than 20 years the center of social life in the area and has become one of Southern California's most significant landmarks, Harrison said.

Banning Home will be open for guided tours prior to the 1958 Wisteria Festival program, and every Sunday throughout the spring and summer from 1 to 4 p.m. Supervisor of Park Services Harrison said. The regular admission fee for guided tours is 25 cents for adults and 10 cents for children, he added.

Plan Rummage Sale
Altar Society of Nativity Catholic Church has named chairman for their rummage sale to be held in the parish hall on Friday and Saturday, May 9-10.

Mr. Harry Kale and Mrs. Milton Boudreaux are co-chairmen, assisted by Mrs. James Junio and Mrs. Frank Dihope. Donations will be welcomed and those wishing to have rummage picked up are asked to call Mrs. Robert Moffitt, FA 8-7443 or Mrs. L. S. Glass, FA 8-4006.

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MRS. BARTON A. TATUM, philanthropic chairman, and Mrs. John P. Schwartz, president, present \$1000 check from Torrance Junior Woman's Club to Hal Laudeman, representative of the Boy Scouts, who is on the board for the civic project Scout Center. The money has been designated for the first bricks to be used in the construction of the building which is planned for both Boy and Girl Scouts.

Youth Band to Play for Men's Club Dinner

Entertaining the Torrance Methodist Men's club, following their monthly dinner in Fellowship Hall, next Wednesday evening, James H. Van Dyck will present a group from his outstanding Youth Band. The band played in contest at Chicago last December and came home with high honors.

Because of the great interest Torrance residents appear to have in the Youth Band, reservations are open to the public. The dinner will be held at 6:30 p.m. and reservations may be made by calling the church office.

Sepulveda PTA

By Mrs. Dixie Mayer

At the Executive board meeting on March 13, 1958, Mmes. Emmett Milburn, James Craig, Robert Whitney, Ben Ruffalo, Ben Holden, and Emery Vrana, were nominated as delegates to attend the district convention to be held in the Long Beach Municipal Auditorium, April 17th.

After discussion of various ways and means projects, it was decided to hold a Bake Sale at Thriftmart, in the Southwood Shopping Center on March 29th. Mrs. James Craig was approved as Secretary Pro-tem.

Last minute preparations were completed for the dance and card party being held at Sea-Aire Recreation center. Election for next year's officers will be held at the association meeting at 8 p.m., March 20, in the Sepulveda School cafeteria. Nomination can be made from the floor.

A humorous skit will be presented by several PTA fathers. The Sepulveda "Fathersingers" will sing in Barbershop Quartet style. The history of PTA will

Walteria Business Women Fete New Membrs at Tea

A tea for new members of the Walteria Business Women's Club was held on Wednesday, March 5th at the home of the new president, Mrs. Wilmet Labit.

Decorations, entertainment and refreshments were centered around the theme of St. Patrick's Day, as the newest members and those who joined during the previous six months were honored. These included: Mmes. Bert Levy, Warren Cutting, Alvin Schneider, John Iwata, and Ernie Thieres. Hostesses were Mmes. Maze Moton and Joe Stimson.

On Wednesday, March 12th, the regular business meeting was held at the House of Rummage in San Pedro. Preparations for the rummage sale, held the next day, were directed by chairman Mrs. C. D. Wood. Following this a business session was conducted by President Labit.

An Easter project was planned for the residents of the Correll Home for the Aged and will be prepared by the Sunshine Chairman, Mrs. B. P. Pendleton.

On Sunday, March 30th a theatre benefit will be presented by the Manhattan Players, Redondo Beach. Their current production, "Harvey" will be featured and a sell out is predicted. Tickets may be obtained from any of the club members.

An amendment to the By-Laws was approved by majority vote and the meeting night is now officially changed to the 2nd Wednesday of each month.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 9th at the Elks Club in Redondo Beach.

be read by Mr. Albert Yackie, historian.

Raymond Sedlacek will present "Road to the Stars", a colored movie, distributed by North American Aviation. It is a documentary film showing the history of rockets and guided missiles from the earliest known rockets to the present day ICBM and IRBM. It provides up-to-date educational information on guided missiles.

Mrs. Russell Mayer was welcomed as Publicity chairman. Hosts for the meeting will be fathers from the rooms of Clark Merrill and Miss Prichard.

Sorority Will Give Fashion Show at Cafe

Last minute fittings are in order for the members of Epilou Sigma Alpha Sorority, Eta Mu Torrance Chapter, for 8 p.m. Thursday, March 27th, is the time of their first Annual Spring Fashion Show to be held at the Western Club Cafe. Proceeds from the evenings' festivities will go to the Harbor Area Exceptional Children's Foundation, which aids the mentally retarded children of the entire southern area.

Models will look their loveliest in the fashions furnished by the French Boutique Dress Shop at 17308 Crenshaw, hair stylings done by Romero's Hair Stylists at 17234 Crenshaw and shoe fashions provided by Inne's at 14804 Crenshaw.

Participants in the show will be Violet McCormick, president of the Harbor Area Children's Foundation; Mrs. James Lemon, Fashion commentator; Mrs. Ben Benson, Sorority President and hostess for the evening; all members of the chapter, hostesses and models.

Many door prizes have been donated by interested local merchants. Tickets will be available at the door.



MODEL KAY TRACY models one of the new style dresses to be shown at the Eta Mu sorority fashion show at the Western Cafe, March 27. Admiring the outfit are Mrs. Norman L. Boy, seated, and Mmes. Richard Forbes and Otis Bry.

Cub Pack Wins Awards at Blue and Gold Dinner

The annual Blue and Gold banquet was the feature of the February meeting. The delicious food was enjoyed by an overflow group of parents, grandparents, sisters and brothers, and cubs. Guests of honor included John Walgren, Harbor District Executive, D. Boone Kirks, Principal Torrance Elementary School, Mrs. Ruth Thompson, President Torrance Elementary School PTA, Ray Anderson, Institutional Representative, and Reverend John Taylor.

The meeting was opened by Den 2, Cubmaster Bob O'Beitz presented the following awards: Wolf badges to Timothy Ferguson, Ernest Foster, David Robb and Paul Simpson.

Arrow points on Wolf Badges to Howard Greybehl, Robert Fulford, Eugene Zlaket, Raymond Sullivan, Michael O'Beitz, Timothy Ferguson, Ernest Foster, David Robb, Terry Sandell, Ronnie Richards, Raymond E. Anderson and Paul Simpson.

A bear badge and arrow points to Alan Eaton.

One year pins to Peter Zappas, Terry Sandell and Bill Click.

Two year pins to Jimmy Crockett, Alan Eaton, Robert McGhan and Rex Whisnand.

Denner and assistant denner stripes to Peter Zappas, Raymond E. Anderson, Jerald Roventine and Bill Kristufek.

Steven Maddy and Mark Maddy joined Den 5 as Bob Cats. Ray Grove was awarded a lion badge and denner stripes and became a webelo. Bill Sullivan was awarded his three year pin and accepted into Scout Troop 732 by Scout James Perry.

Raymond E. Anderson was presented a six year pin and a certificate of appreciation for his work with the pack. After group singing and a movie the meeting was closed by the singing of "God Bless America."

Mothers Club Elects Officers

Election of officers was the business of the day at the last meeting of the McMaster's Mother's Club, held Wednesday, February 26, at McMaster Park. The Mmes. Madge Worn, president; Lois Dittmar, vice president; Betty Vandervort, treasurer; Betty Thistle, secretary; Beverly Tucker, publicity chairman; Dee Dee Davis, telephone chairman; Marge Strubbe, hospitality chairman, and Oueda Edwards, refreshment chairman.

The next regular meeting will be held at 1:30 p.m. March 19 at McMaster's recreation rooms, 174th st. in North Torrance.

Plans are underway for the forthcoming Easter party to be held for the children at the park.

A hearty welcome is extended to anyone interested in joining.

Kidnap Breakfast

A Kidnap, Come As You Are, Breakfast was held for the Harbor City PTA last Thursday morning at the home of Mrs. Jo Balch, 1734 W. 256th st. Co-hostesses were Mrs. Dee Dudley, and Mrs. Ora Bell Johnson.

Mrs. Jerry Nedros won first prize for her most unusual early morning wearing apparel. Proceeds of the breakfast are to promote child welfare in the Harbor City School.

Clipped Wings Club to Have Fashion Show

Former TWA Hostesses from the Greater Los Angeles area will meet for the annual membership luncheon of their Clipped Wings Club at The Crescento, 8572 Sunset Blvd., at 1:00 p.m., Saturday, March 29, 1958.

Event chairman, Mrs. George Bishop of North Hollywood, has a fashion show planned to highlight the afternoon gala. Gowns will be from the Lol Shop owned by former hostess Lois Sullivan, and modeled by club members: Mmes. John Daro, Sherman Oaks; James Hoskins, Westchester; Walter Wayman, Newhall, Sep Drelling, Los Angeles.

The drive for new members means added support for their Philanthropic Project Cystic Fibrosis.

Newlyweds Are Home from Wedding Trip

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Monroe have returned home from their wedding trip to Carmel and San Francisco following their wedding Sunday, March 9, at the home of the bridegroom, 27010 Dapplegray Lane, Rolling Hills. Bishop Ware of the Mormon Lomita ward officiated at the double-wed ceremony.

The bride is the former Sherman Thompson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thompson, 24339 Pennsylvania ave., Lomita.

The bridegroom's parents are Mrs. Bertha L. Monroe of the Dapplegray address and Ralph Monroe, Akron, Ohio.

The bride wore a cocoa brown tweed dress and her bouquet was orchid-centered. Given in marriage by her father, the bride's maid of honor was Miss Elgie Wightman. Jim Firlit served as best man. Following the ceremony, the bridal party enjoyed a wedding dinner at the Polynesian.

The bride will be graduated in June from Narbonne High School and the bridegroom is attending USC.



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