

# for and about Women

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**CHANUKAH CARNIVAL** — Members of the Sisterhood of Menorah Temple, Mmes. Lee Solomon (left), Paul Glassman, and Robert Eckhouse, try their skill at a game booth which will be one of the attractions at the group's festival Dec. 27, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., group's festival Dec. 27, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. —Press Photo

## Woman's Club Holds Brunch, Card Party

Torrance Woman's Club, District 18, CPWC, held a brunch-card party Wednesday to benefit the group's ways and means committee. The event took place at the home of Mrs. C. L. Porter, 1026 Elm Ave. Twenty guests attended. Those at the bridge table were Clara Dunbar and Mmes. Rufus Sandstrom, Ervin Moudy and D. P. Le Galley. Canasta players were Mary Scott, Eva Copeland and Mmes. Frank Runyan, Godfrey Nelson, W. B. Hickcox, J. W. Thuss, William Wells, Frank Ford, Robert Shields, Stanley Armitage, Donald Weisman, H. G. Stevens and T. J. McCutcheon. Other guests included Mmes. Ralph Shaw, Howard Halquist and F. C. Owens.

## Carolers Plan Serenade for Shut-ins Today

The holiday spirit will be heard in the harbor area today when the Camp Fire Girls, the Bluebirds, and the Horizon Clubbers entertain shut-ins and patients in city hospitals with a program of Christmas carols. Among the institutions the girls plan to visit are the Correll Rest Home and Riviera Hospital. The choral groups are under the direction of Glen Graig. They are sponsored by the Walteria Woman's Club.

## Menorah Sisterhood to Sponsor Carnival

The Sisterhood of Temple Menorah will sponsor a Chanukah carnival Dec. 27 in El Retiro Park, 126 Vista del Parque, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Featured at the event will be the Thompson Marionettes in a performance of "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs." Attractions will include a carnival clown, game booths, a country store, and various refreshments including the traditional potato pancakes. Mrs. Paul Glassman, chairman of the event, explained that the term Chanukah means dedication. The festival commemorates the successful revolt of the Hebrews against the Seleucid Greeks in 165 B.C. She added, "An ancient legend tells that the Jews returned to their temple after the victory and found only enough undefiled oil to light the holy lamp for one day—miraculously the lamp burned for eight days. Thus the celebration is also known as the festival of the lights." Mrs. Glassman's committee for the event comprises Mmes. Joseph Eskenazi, Jackson Belford, Kurt Bachheimer, Lee Solomon, George Nedleman, Phillip Weinstein, Daniel Coleman and Samuel Katz. Also Mmes. Irving Rodner, Milton Feinberg, Edward London, Albert Carmona, Ben Kaufman.

## Leading Torrance Men List Virtues of City's 'Woman of the Year'

If you haven't selected your candidate for Torrance Woman of the Year yet, write today. Letters are pouring in, so don't fail to give your favorite nominee a chance to be in the running. Last week, we took a poll of prominent women in the community to determine what qualities they felt a woman deserving of the award should possess. Last the male population feel slighted, we decided this week to get the masculine viewpoint on the subject. Here are some of the virtues they feel the Torrance Woman of the Year must have: John Lucas, 5010 Binde Wald St., principal of South High School: "She should be honest to herself, her family, and her society. Know her purpose in life and her direction." (Continued on Page 3-B)

## WOMAN OF YEAR UP TO YOU

Perhaps she's your neighbor, or someone you've only heard others mention. She could be a teacher in the school your child attends or the waitress that serves your mid-morning coffee. The Torrance Woman of the Year is waiting to be chosen by YOU. Address all entries to Woman's Editor, The PRESS, 1406 Cravens St.

## Mothers' Club Installs Officers at Yule Banquet

Against a background of holiday decor featuring red, white and green Christmas trees, Job's Daughters Mothers' Club held its annual yuletide banquet and installation rites Wednesday in the Crystal Room of the Palms Restaurant. Seated at the table of honor were Mary Lenton, retiring president, and Mmes. Don Wolf, installing officer and past president; Charles Jackson, incoming president; Leonard Babcock, past guardian; John Pollard, guardian; and George Crabtree, past president. New officers also included Mmes. Ken Clutter, vice president; G. M. Yancey, recording secretary; Q. R. Skaggs, corresponding secretary; C. W. Shattler, treasurer; and P. M. Crossman, publicity. Mrs. H. E. Halquist was event chairman; her committee comprised Mmes. George Powell, Lenton and Crossman. Guests included Mmes. Willys Blount, M. A. Orend, K. H. Kail, Ed Thayne and Ralph Allen.

## YWCA Holiday Party Slated

The Torrance YWCA will hold its family Christmas party Wednesday at 7 p.m. Sponsors are the Teen-Age Committee and the Y-Teen Inter-Club Council. Entertainment will include skits by the Deltas and Betas. The Coronets will present a program of seasonal music, and Shelly Lessin will give a monologue. Cheryl Perry is entertainment chairman. The Deb-teens, Pirouettes, Hi Debs, Hi Toppers, Junior Hi-Debs, Junior Torrettes and Coronets are in charge of hall decorations. Table and tray decorations will be done by Mmes. Carl Benson, Joseph Hubbard and the Phi Dels Y-Teen Club. Mrs. C. M. Phillips is refreshment chairman.

## Y-Wives to Hear Health Speaker

Y-Wives of Torrance will welcome John Kinsman of Air-O-Tan Sunbathing Association as guest speaker at a dance-exercise meeting Tuesday. The group will attend the YWCA Christmas party Wednesday at 7 p.m. The Santa Claus party for children will take place Saturday at 10 a.m. Parents are being requested to bring 50c with their child's name on it. CARE is assisting in distribution of this country's surplus food among the needy overseas. Much of it goes to homeless refugee families.



MRS. NORMAN JACK PEARSON —Photo by Seeman

## Miss Gail Nancy Foster Bride of N. J. Pearson

Miss Gail Nancy Foster became the bride of Norman Jack Pearson in a double ring holiday ceremony in North Redondo Chapel Friday evening. The Rev. Herbert H. Richardson officiated. Mrs. Pearson is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald D. Foster, 25213 Feijoa Ave., Lomita. Her husband is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Pearson of Phoenix, Arizona. The bride-elect, given in marriage by her father, wore a gown of chantilly lace featuring a front panel of tulle cascading over rows of nylon net. A crown of pearls and sequins secured her chapel train. She carried a snow ball arrangement of white carnations and holly with a Christmas candle as centerpiece. The Christmas theme was further accented by large baskets of red and white carnations on the altar. Miss Carol Foster was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Brenda Dunford and Joanne Bishop. Bonnie Foster, sister of the bride, was junior bridesmaid. The attendants were attired in red brocaded taffeta with red velvet detail. Jennifer Scott was flower girl; her brother Bruce was ring bearer. Mrs. Foster, mother of the bride, wore a royal-blue silk sheath with matching accessories. The bridegroom's mother wore a rose-beige lace sheath with coral accessories. Don Rother served as best man. Ushers were Bruce Foster, Ray Bishop, David Land, and Dean Ferguson. Following the service, the couple welcomed guests to a reception in the church hall. After a wedding trip to Big Bear and Crest Line they will reside at 24627 1/2 Pennsylvania Ave., Lomita. Mrs. Pearson was graduated from Narbonne High School and Harbor Junion College. She is employed by Pacific Telephone, San Pedro. Mr. Pearson attended schools in Michigan and Arizona, and is now with Gasser's Service Station in Lomita.

## Fred Schwartz to Take Bride in Puerto Rico

Fred Schwartz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Schwartz, 23612 Park St., will marry Isabel Marino Saturday in Puerto Neureo, Puerto Rico. The bride-elect, a former model, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. Marino of Puerto Rico. Schwartz, a native of Milwaukee, has been stationed with the U. S. Navy at the Teddy Roosevelt Base, Puerto Rico, for the past two years. After his discharge next summer, the couple will reside in Torrance.

## It's A Wise Parent

A Common Sense Approach to Your Child

By Janice Coe

Many parents have written asking what to do about a child who is almost delinquent. There are problems that go beyond the ordinary everyday cares of child rearing. Sometimes, before we realize it, a boy or girl has gotten into really bad habits of lying, defying parents, and even stealing. How do you help a child who is headed for serious trouble, but might be stopped before becoming a dreaded juvenile delinquent? The answer, for Torrance parents . . . dial FA 8-3456 and ask for Lt. Gus Rethwisch, head of the Juvenile Bureau. His warm, understanding voice on the phone has advised many a worried parent and saved many a boy or girl from being dragged in to see him in person. "Do people turn to you for advice about their children?" I asked him. "Frequently," he replied. "A typical call would be, 'I wish my boy would join an organization. I don't want him hanging around with the wrong crowd. Where can he go?'" "I don't want to boast," he continued, "but I think this community is on the ball . . . and I don't mean maybe! We have agencies here ready and able to do a fine job with our young people." Parents, please note: the police, under the able direction of Chief Percy Bennett who has fostered in-service training and scholarships for his personnel, are far more eager to prevent juvenile crime than to punish it. In this they have the complete cooperation of agencies like the Y's, churches, service groups, Family Service of L. A. Harbor Area, Bureau of Public Assistance and the city Recreation department.

Are you concerned about the car craze and drag races by the kids? The police department itself runs a Car Club Association, and you would be wise to insist that your child's gang join it. Car clubs in the area operate independently, but the association acts as a parent and advisory group which controls and shapes the activities of the boys. And police woman, Regina Ryan sponsors a Girls' Car Club which holds weekly meetings. What about special training for the job of head of a Juvenile Bureau? Lt. Rethwisch, who first served in the patrol division, traffic court and as a warrant officer, was given a police department grant and graduated from the Delinquency Control Institute of the School of Public Administration of University of California. He continues his studies at El Camino College and is active in the Delinquency Control Alumni Association which is interested in juvenile legislation and welfare, and in promoting professionalism in the police field. If you have a serious problem with your child, don't hesitate to call FA 8-3456. Lt. Rethwisch, or one of his staff of four officers and one police woman will be competent, friendly and understanding. If you are concerned about your child . . . they are equally so.



MISS ISABEL MARINO

FRED SCHWARTZ

**Nursery School Slates Bob Baker Marionettes** The Coast Nursery School will present the Bob Baker Marionettes Dec. 29, at the Parkway Elementary School, 220 Via Riviera, at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Admission is 50 cents. Proceeds will benefit the school. For tickets contact Mrs. Robert Guethlein, FR 5-9294.



**YULETIDE SERENADE**—Members of the Camp Fire Girls and Blue Birds, Suzan Johnston (left), Emmalean Bigelow, Cathy Neff, Marcia Bigelow and Eilene Smith, practice Christmas carols for program they will present today at local hospitals. —Press Photo



**TOYS FOR TOTS**—Sgts. Robert F. Okamoto (left), and James Barry, Marine Corps Reservists, accept toys contributed by students for needy children from Mrs. Darrell Holstrom, president of Carr School PTA, Charlie Myren, of student body. —Press Photo