

PTA

The
Torrance Council Way
Mrs. Ralph Gring

ARNOLD
Birthday cakes for Juvenile Hall will be collected at Arnold School on Feb. 8. Mrs. Teresa Piowarski asked that they be at the office by noon of that day.

The 4th through 8th grades are participating in an "Americanism" contest this month by writing a two hundred word essay on "What America Means to Me." Mrs. Nancy Fisher, last year's Honorary Life recipient, will present trophies to the winner from each grade at the February PTA meeting. The contest is sponsored by the Arnold PTA and the essays will be judged by the teachers of the lower grades.

Mrs. La Velle Campbell, library chairman, has catalogued almost four hundred books that were collected and donated by Mr. Goldsmith's Science Club. Arnold School Library now contains 1,000 books.

EDISON
A rehearsal will be held Feb. 1 at 3:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria for those in the program for the Feb. 15 Edison PTA monthly meeting. At this meeting, past presidents and past recipients of the Honorary Life Membership Awards are honored as well as a new Honorary Life Award to be presented.

Mmes. Ralph Mousseau, Founders Day Chairman; Robert Benson, treasurer; Denny Haas, record book chairman; David Hagan, membership, and Kenneth Kuykendall, president, are serving on this committee and will be presenting this special program.

MAGRUDER
The Magruder PTA was called to order recently by Mrs. Donald Matson, president. The pledge was led by Mr. C. R. Wallner and the inspirational was read by Mrs. Herman Redmerski.

Mrs. Robert Dunn, school nurse, and Mr. C. R. Wallner, principal, presented two films on Family Life-Sex Education which will be shown to the 7th and 8th grade students the first part of February.

Elected to serve on the nominating committee, with principal C. R. Wallner as advisor, are Mmes. Jack Fulton, Camiel Lanoye, Vernon Raper, and Terrie Hashimoto.

Mrs. Lawrence Kuroz will be March of Dimes captain for the Magruder area.

The bicycle Rodeo Feb. 7 and Washington Day Tea, Feb. 21, were discussed and plans completed.

The next association meeting will be Feb. 8 at 7:30 p.m.

MEADOW PARK
Parents of students who have enrolled at Meadow Park since October, 1967, have been invited to a "Welcome Coffee" Tuesday, Jan. 30, from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Clark Strubar, courtesy chairman of Meadow Park PTA.

On Feb. 6 the second in a series of Parent Education programs dealing with the educationally handicapped child will be presented at 7:30 p.m. in the school auditorium.

WALTERIA
Mrs. James Brown, ways and means chairman, announces Walteria PTA paper drive will be from 8 till noon on Tuesday, Jan. 30.

Walteria PTA Founders' Day meeting will be Thursday, Feb. 8, at 7:30 p.m. Mrs. Nelson Cullum, chairman of the Honorary Life Committee is also in charge of the Founders' Day program. The Nominating committee will report at this meeting. Highlight of the evening will be the awarding of an Honorary Life Membership by Walteria PTA.



PTA COUNCIL GOES TO WORK

Preparing for Dental Health Month to be observed during the month of February in Torrance Schools, members of the PTA Council get busy packing dental health kits to be given to second graders in all schools. Busy at work on the project are, from left, Mmes. W. Y. Wells, dental health chairman, Raymond Weiler, third vice-president, Donald Rickabaugh, Perry PTA president, and Don Pawley, child health chairman.

PTA, Nurses, Dentists Prepare

For Dental Health Month

Utilizing their time and talents, Torrance dentists in cooperation with the staff and nurses of the Torrance Unified School District and PTA Health chairmen will observe Dental Health Month in Torrance schools during the month of February.

Twenty-five local dentists, members of the Torrance Dental Health Association, will donate their services to inspect the teeth of first and sixth grade students.

Torrance Dental Health Association, a non-profit organization, provides dental services to students attend-

ing Torrance schools whose families cannot qualify for public assistance, and yet are not able to provide adequate dental care for their children. Thirty-eight dentists render dental care for these children on a discount-fee basis. Funds given by local clubs and Parent Teacher organizations are used to continue the project.

Dr. Stanley Challis, president, stated that "At present all funds are currently committed. We now have a waiting list. After this dental-inspection program, about \$3,000 will be needed to maintain our services to these children."

Xi Upsilon Unit Plans 'Happening'

A "happening" will take place for guests of Xi Nu Upsilon Palos Verdes Exemplar Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority, as they attend a "Be In" Party Wednesday, Jan. 31, at 7:30 p.m.

Mrs. Andrew Pope of Rolling Hills will hostess this event in a series of rush activities for eligible transferees in the International Sorority. The "Be In" is in the vernacular of the current "hippie" and will serve to set the theme of the party which hopes to encourage ritual members to progress or to "Be In" an Exemplar chapter.

Costuming for the party will provide interesting diversion as guests and members have been requested to wear their interpretation of the hippie mode of dress. Bongo drums, psychedelic lighting and community singing of folk songs will add to the festivities and mood of the evening.

Assisting Mrs. Pope with arrangements for this affair are Mmes. Edward Morris, Morten Jones and Raymond Young.

Invitations have been extended to Mmes. David Sowers, Stanley Dale and Marvin Scott of San Pedro, Irving Kurman, Charles Mitchell, Lon Thomas and Maureen Miller of Torrance and Gus Gustavus of Palos Verdes Estates.

Alums Invite Husbands to Social Event

South Bay Alpha Chi Omega Alumnae and their husbands gathered for dinner at the Wayfarer Restaurant in Lomita last evening. After dinner they were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Barry Smith.

Arrangements for the social evening were made by Mrs. Arthur Dlott, first vice president.

Attending were Messrs. and Mmes. F. Edward Chappelear, Rolling Hills Estates; Arthur Dlott, Lee H. Andersen and Barry N. Smith, Palos Verdes; John Thayer, Ralph H. Brubaker, and Capt. and Mrs. James G. Espey of Torrance.

Former South Bay residents, Mr. and Mrs. Iden F. Richardson of Santa Ana, also joined the group for the evening.

Square Dance Club Stages Free Dance

Swing 'n Whirl Square Dance Club invites all adults to an evening of free dancing titled "Introduction to Square Dancing" on Friday, Feb. 9, from 8 to 10:30 p.m. This will also be a kickoff for the new beginners class to start that Friday. Registrations for the new class will remain open until Feb. 23.

The dance will be held at 1953 1/2 W. Carson St. Refreshments will be served. For more information Walt Fagan may be called.

Personal Development Class Set For Women

"Color preferences can be interesting clues to our personalities," states Miss Mary Deseree, who is scheduled to instruct two Torrance Adult Education classes in psychology of personal development for women.

The correct use of color in dress and home, color harmony and psychology

Besides color harmony, students will also learn the advantages of good posture and exercise for a trim figure, poise and relaxation.

"Good grooming is a priceless adjunct to self confidence and a necessity for the business woman and homemaker today," according to Miss Deseree, who also instructs a class in Leadership Training, Effective Speaking and Human Relations for both men and women on Monday evenings at South High.

OES District Officers To Visit Here Feb. 1

Worthy Grand Matron Lura Rae Dales and Worthy Grand Patron Robert Lutz will make their official visits to the district on Feb. 1 at the Torrance Masonic Temple with the Torrance Eastern Star Chapter as hosts.

Worthy Matron Emma Ratzloff of the local chapter extends a special invitation to all members and friends to attend the Feb. 1 meeting.

At its next meeting the local chapter will observe District Courtesy Night when offices will be filled by members of the district. Past Matrons and Patrons were given special escort to begin the new year for the Torrance OES at its Jan. 4 meeting. Escorted were Vivian and Fred Cook, Ruth Hardin, Juliette Johnson, Raymond Lougee, Jean and Ernest Mosher, Francis Reiser, Bernice Ruppel, Florence and Vince Villenave, and Harriette Warnick.

Lois Lougee was chairman of the social hour that followed in the dining room decorated in the New Year's motif. On her committee were Robert Butler, Rolive Bever, Raymond Lougee, Florence and Vince Villenave.

Mrs. Ethel Dowling, deputy grand matron of the 76th district, was given special escort at the end-of-the-year meeting of the Torrance Eastern Star. Also honored were two worthy matrons of the district, Connie Griffin, Playa Linda, and Edith Gardner, Carnation.

Past matrons and patrons present were Edna Babcock, Roberta and Allen Butler, Ruth Hardin, Juliette Johnson, Marguerite and Edward Morgan, Florence and Vince Villenave, Bernice

Ruppel, Harriette Warnick; and Cecil Dowling, past patron of Lomita and husband of the Deputy Grand Matron.

Roberta Butler was chairman of the reception which followed in the dining room. On her committee were Allen Butler, Lois and Ray Lougee, Mable Moore, Una Rusk, and Harriette Warnick.

Engagement Announced

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Castle of Lomita announce the engagement of their daughter, Hazel Ann, to Steven Newman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Newman of Beverly Hills.

The engagement was first disclosed at a family party at the home of the future bride's parents.

Miss Castle, a 1966 graduate of Narbonne High School is employed by Matel Toy Co.

Her fiancé, a graduate of Beverly Hills High School, is employed in the office of C. H. Baker Shoe Stores in Beverly Hills.

An April wedding is being planned.

Marriage

Mrs. Ethel Schnepf and Mr. Clark Money, both of the Knolls Lodge, Torrance, were married recently in a single ring ceremony at the Lomita Christian Church. Rev. Joel Rivers officiated.

Attendants were Mrs. Zola Slocum and Mr. Harley Phelps.

Fifteen guests attended the wedding dinner which followed at the Silver Skates restaurant.



MARY DESEREE
... Instructor

will be special features of the new spring semester classes to meet each Wednesday beginning Jan. 31, from 6:45 to 9:45 p.m. at South High School room R-4 (music building, west campus).

A similar class, co-sponsored by the Torrance YWCA, meets at the Y on Carson Street each Thursday morning from 9:30 until 12:30, starting Feb. 1. Students may enroll with the instructor at the time the class meets.

Camp Fire Girls Join In Activity

Two Torrance Camp Fire Groups, the Bih Yaazh and the Ka-do-a-lo-ka, joined forces during the recent holidays to bring happiness to the patients at Lomita Verde Convalescent hospital.

The girls made and decorated baskets and filled them with cookies and candy which they had made.

Bih Yaazh members participating were Louanna Culver, Gene Hamlin, Theresa Hanslik, Catherine McDonald, Susan Peterson, Heidi Streiff, Trina Dillon, Diane Hunt, Sally Kramer, Kathleen Haw, Linda Farrell, Wana Gunset, Kay Markwardt, and Mrs. Donnie Hunt, guardian.

The Ka-do-a-lo-ka group is composed of Karin Breitenstein, Debbie Dalton, Dana DeYoung, Denise Holmes, Kathy Kramer, Becky Lowe, Risa Lozer, Laura Martin, Linda Miller, and Joan Rooks. Mrs. Henry Dalton is guardian.

Coffee Break

By Adeline Daley

"Doctor, I'm afraid that I've been watching too many television commercials," I explained, stating that not only did I have all the symptoms—iron deficiency anemia, which you may know as "tired blood"—but lately I had been a victim of hallucinations.

If all began the morning when I gave my husband a piece of toast with margarine on it. "Honey, you've got a crown on your head!" I shouted.

"You're seeing things," he replied.

"Take that crown off!" I persisted.

"But I wanted to keep it on in case that dove flies into the kitchen to do the dishes," he explained. "By the way, what's wrong with this coffee?"

"I don't know, I'll have to ask Mrs. Olson," I said.

"Who's Mrs. Olson?" he asked.

"She's this Swedish woman who goes door-to-door consoling housewives who can't make "gude" coffee."

Finally the kids came into the kitchen and I imagined that I heard them asking that the sandwiches in their lunch be of the type that would help them in their "wonder years" from ages one to 12 when their bodies grow to 90 per cent of their adult growth.

"Doctor, it grew progressively worse, because then I asked my family if they noticed anything different about the dishes."

"I can see myself in this plate," one of the kids said. Which was a pretty good trick because they were eating off of paper plates.

The doorbell rang. I knew whose face I'd see at the door. It's been haunting me for five years—the little blonde kid who wants to know what children's aspirins I use. I was right.

"Can Susie play?" he asked.

"No, she has a cold and I'm keeping her in," I replied.

"Does her hurt and have a tempurtur?" he asked. I dutifully explained the medical treatment I was using— aspirin, rest, plenty of liquids, until I woke from my trance and realized again that we didn't have a Susie, nor were any of our kids ill. It was just one of my children's friends picking our kids up to go to school. Still when the door closed, I'm positive I heard a small voice say:

"Mothers are like that. Yes they are."

"So doctor, I was hoping that you could prescribe something for me. Not necessarily a remedy that helps that ache-over feeling that comes with a cold or a nagging headache caused by irregularity. I really don't care, just so I know that nine out of ten doctors prescribe it for their patients."

Mid-Winter District PTA Conclave Jan. 31

Highlighting the program at the Thirty-Third District, California Congress of Parents and Teachers Mid-Winter Conference in Inglewood on Jan. 31, will be a panel discussion moderated by Dr. Edward Lindaman, Aerospace executive and manager, Interdivisional Projects, Apollo, in the Space Division at North American Aviation in Downey.

The conference will be at Inglewood High School, 321 S. Graeville Avenue, 9:45 a.m. Prelude music by the Inglewood Marching Band will precede the call to order by Mrs. L. K. Bright, district president.

Topic for the panel discussion which is completely unrehearsed will be "Going Places and Doing Things," with students from both Inglewood and Morningside High Schools taking part. Greeting those in attendance will be Mrs. Sam Vince, president of Inglewood Council of Parents and Teachers, and Dr. Richard M. Clowes, superintendent of Los Angeles County Schools.

"A Musical Tribute to Founders Day," written and directed by Mrs. Leon Franco, will be presented by Mrs. Sam Carl, district Founders Day chairman and parent-teacher members from Inglewood Council. Past presidents of the district will be guests.

Mrs. J. W. Dean, district program chairman, and Mrs. Robert Cohee, conference and convention chairman, have been in charge of arrangements.

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