

PTA

The Torrance Council Way

Mrs. Ralph Gring

COLUMBIA
"Opening Doors of History" will be the theme of the Columbia PTA meeting, Feb. 20 at 7:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria, with Mrs. Joseph Kettering presiding.

Mrs. George Barnes, Honorary Life chairman, has plans for an Honorary Life Membership award to be presented to a deserving member for outstanding work with the youth of the community and school. Past presidents and Honorary Life recipients of Columbia PTA have been invited to attend.

The program will feature a panel discussion. On the panel will be: Mrs. Lucille Buffalo, school nurse; Dr. Howard Wood, school physician; Mr. Vernon White, school psychologist; Mrs. Dorothy Hood, speech therapist; Mr. Raymond Jansen, teacher; Mr. Lester Foster, principal and a parent from the school. Parents and friends are invited to attend.

A birthday cake commemorating the 71st Founder's Day program will also highlight the evening.

SEASIDE
Seaside PTA will present "Born Free" in Seaside's "Book of Knowledge" at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 20, in the cafeteria.

Patriotic songs and recitations will be presented by fifth grade students and a movie made by sixth grade students as part of an economics project will also be shown. Slides of Independence Hall will be exhibited. Four students from South High school will tell about their project called "Operation Nepal."

The flag ceremony for the meeting will be conducted by Girl Scout Troop 1591. Mothers of sixth, seventh, and eighth grade students will be hostesses. Featured chairman will be Mrs. Roland Ellingson, Founders Day and Honorary Life chairman.

VICTOR
Victor Elementary PTA will meet Feb. 21 at 7:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria with Mrs. Harold Stout, president, in charge.

"His Artistic Flair" will be the topic of the meeting with a Children's Program and Art Fair to be presented.

Also on the agenda will be the Honorary Life Awards to be presented by Mrs. Chris Eliopoulos, Honorary Life chairman.

WEST HIGH
Honorary Life Memberships were awarded to Mrs. Steve Haston, PTA treasurer; and Mrs. Pat Freeman, director of the Torrance Child Center, at the unit meeting of West High PTA Feb. 5.

The nominating committee presented its slate of officers for the 1968-69 school year.

Mrs. William Robertson presented checks to the following: \$15 to Jim Everett, freshman president, for his class placing first in the Membership Drive; \$25 to Mary Luz Buens, exchange student from Peru; \$50 to Mrs. Argyle Prescott, representative from American Field Service; \$100 to West High Scholarship Fund and \$100 to Future Teachers Scholarship Fund.

HOWARD WOOD
Mrs. William Brown, Howard Wood PTA program chairman, has announced that the association meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 28, will be a surprise. Husbands will be asked to take over the duties of the officers and chairmen. Featured chairmen for the evening include: Mmes. William Lorenz, Founders Day; Robert Philpott, Library; and Paul Crossman, Honorary Life. Hostesses will be the fourth grade mothers.

ARLINGTON
Announced at the February Arlington PTA meeting was the forthcoming School Ice Skating Party to be held on Feb. 21, at 7:30 p.m. at the Olympic Ice Arena. Also, a paper drive to be held Feb. 27 with proceeds to be used to purchase new books for the PTA school library.

At Palm Desert
Mr. and Mrs. Gil DeRouin are spending this weekend at Palm Desert as houseguests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence DeRouin.



HONORED FOR SERVICES

Torrance Council Parents and Teacher Association awarded two Honorary Life Memberships at its recent meeting held at the Torrance Recreation Center. Mrs. Fred Wilkins, center, Honorary Life chairman for the Council, is pictured pinning the awards on, at left, Perry Baker, and right, Mrs. Clifford Trezise. Proceeds from the Honorary Life Memberships go to a fund to furnish scholarships for deserving students. Winners are selected for their outstanding services to youth. (Press-Herald Photo)



COLONIAL LUNCHEON AND PARTY

Mrs. Ion M. Bethel, chairman, left, and Mrs. W. S. Fowler model two of the costumes that will be worn by committee members at the Colonial Luncheon and Card Party to be given by El Redondo Chapter, DAR, at the Redondo Beach Woman's Club Tuesday, Feb. 20. An antique spinning wheel will be on display and door prizes will be awarded. The public is invited and reservations are being taken by Mmes. Grace Lott, and Karl E. Raiffe.

HICKORY
Hickory PTA Founders Day program will be held Wednesday, Feb. 21, at 8 p.m. in the cafeteria.

"PTA Around the World" will be presented under the direction of Mrs. Edwin Mach, Founders Day chairman. Music, song, dance and comedy will all go together to represent many of the countries where PTA exists.

The stage will be set to look like a ship cruising around the world, the set decorations designed and painted by Mrs. George Okawa and Mrs. Frank Tyrrell.

SAM LEVY
"New Horizons in Health Education" will be the theme of the Feb. 20 meeting of the Sam Levy PTA, to be held at 7:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Mrs. Ruth Calloway of the Public Health Department will show a film and give a talk on VD.

Refreshments will be served by the fifth grade room mothers.

MEADOW PARK
An original skit recounting the history of the American Flag will be presented by Robert Zimmerman, Webelos Den Leader of Cub Scout Pack 966C, at the Feb. 20 Meadow Park PTA meeting, 7:30 p.m.

Mrs. William Horwitz will award Honorary Life Memberships to persons in recognition of outstanding service to children and youth of the community. For each award, Meadow Park PTA will contribute \$25 to the PTA Scholarship Fund. Mrs. David Mercier, historian, is in charge of the Founders Day observance.

Students from the 4th, 5th, and 6th grades will participate in a Spelling Bee.

On the business agenda are election of a nominating committee and voting on changes in the standing rules and by-laws.

Fourth grade room mothers will serve refreshments and child care will be available.

PERRY
"Communication Plus Tradition — Honors Past and Present" will theme the Feb. 21 association meeting of Perry PTA, when three new Honorary Life recipients will be honored.

The Drama Club under the direction of J. Braccio and J. Rizzo will present the program, using the title "This Is Your Honorary Life."

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El Camino College Women's Week Planned

Women's Week will be Feb. 26 through March 1 on the El Camino College campus with guest speakers Mrs. Kate Drane Lawson, actress; Dr. Mary Jane Hungerford, staff member at the American Institute of Family Relations in Los Angeles; and Mrs. Ivy Baker Priest, United States treasurer during the Eisenhower administration and California's 25th state treasurer.

Mrs. Kate Drane Lawson will speak to an assembly of women at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 27 in the college auditorium, discussing "A Woman's Responsibility to Herself." Spending most of her life in the theater, Mrs. Lawson is well known as an actress, scene and costume designer, and theater executive.

Dr. Mary Jane Hungerford has chosen "Every Woman Should Have a Vocation" as the topic she will speak on during an assembly in the auditorium at 11 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 29. Dr. Hungerford received her doctorate from Columbia University in teacher education and has lectured widely on "The Woman's Role" including a recent appearance at Expo '67. Among her recent publications are "The Whole Woman," "Where to Meet Men," and "How to Overcome Shyness."

Mrs. Ivy Baker Priest will speak on "Women in Government" Wednesday evening, Feb. 28, in the auditorium. Mrs. Priest made history in California by being the first woman in the history of California to serve in any of California's seven top constitutional offices when she was elected California's treasurer in 1966.

"Teachers as well as students have been working on this program since last May," stated Miss Henrietta Martin, dean of women.

On the planning committee are Mrs. Grace Edwards, Technical Arts Division; Mrs. Mary Erickson, Business Education Division; Dr. Robert Haag, coordinator of community services; Mrs. Aviva James, coordinator of student activities; Miss Betty Jewhurst, counseling and Business Education Division; and Mrs. Hazel Kuehn, Natural Science Division.

Also on the committee are Miss Martin, Dr. Eleanor Petersen, Natural Science Division; Miss Virginia Pfiffner, Social Science Division; Miss Marsha Ragland, Tri Phi president; Miss Audrey Holm, Associated Students board; Miss Dorothy Westgate, Technical Arts Division; and Miss Susan Castillo, president of the Associated Women Students.

Handicapped Woman Needs Transportation

Topping the Volunteer Bureau's list of requests for special services this week is one for transportation for a young Torrance housewife, who is partially blind and a victim of multiple sclerosis. In spite of these handicaps, she is enrolled at Long Beach State College as a junior and will try to attend two literature classes a week there.

Only a one-way trip from Torrance to Long Beach is needed as her husband can bring her home when he returns from work in Long Beach. Volunteer drivers who can help on a regular basis with one or two trips weekly, are asked to contact the Volunteer Bureau, South Bay-Harbor, 2008 W. Carson St., Torrance.

Evening Of Theater Set By Dianas

Members of the Redondo Beach Dianas, their husbands and friends will attend a benefit theater party at the Palos Verdes Playhouse on Sunday, Feb. 25, at 7 p.m. curtain time.

The production of "Luv" will be followed by a Champagne Party in the theater. The cast has been invited to the party.

At Palm Desert
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Foreign Policy Series Offered Area Residents

Under the impetus of the foreign policy committee of the Palos Verdes League of Women Voters and with the cooperation of members of prominent local church, school and service organizations, a series of eight weekly discussion group meetings on foreign policy will be offered to South Bay residents.

These groups will be part of the "Great Decisions" program, in existence for fourteen years, and offered nationally by the Foreign Policy Association, a private, non-partisan organization based in Boston, Mass. The purpose of the groups is to develop interested and informed citizenry.

The Foreign Policy Association has prepared a study booklet containing subject matter, photos, maps and charts which provide the core of group activity. The study material is coordinated with a program offered by Channel 28 at 9:30 p.m. on Thursday evenings.

The steering committee for this activity is the Rev. Alfred Henriksen, Pacific Unitarian Church; Mrs. Frank R. Ditmars and Mrs. George Rigby of the League of Women Voters; Miss Evelyn Abbou of the Harbor Area YWCA and Mrs. Ralph E. Hamer of the American Association of University Women.

Rho Epsilon to Meet

Rho Epsilon Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi will meet tomorrow evening at the home of Mrs. Frank Vanek. The program, "To See and To Know" will be given by Mrs. Dennis Eisenhut.

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