



Their Mission Possible

Indicative of a progressive new year, the Torrance Woman's Club President, Mrs. Robert Winship, holds up a sign inscribed with her theme for the year, "Mission Possible." Admiring her selection are, from left, Mmes. F. M. Shaw, membership chairman; Dean Sears, parliamentarian; and J. A. Tweedy, Federation secretary. (Press-Herald Photos)

Behind the Scenes:

The Making of a Successful Year For the Torrance Woman's Club

The Club has recessed for the summer and the general membership is taking advantage of the "good ole summertime."

But behind the scenes, there are a new president, a corps of officers and committee chairmen putting in hours studying budgets, programs, philanthropies, social activities and many other phases of club life, getting ready to set in motion in October another worthwhile year for the city's oldest federated club—the Torrance Woman's Club.

Mrs. Robert Winship, who assumed the presidency of the Club in June, began immediately by issuing a board meeting call at which an over all picture for the next club year was set up and since then has been busy working with committees.

First on the agenda will be a Brunch for prospective members slated for late August. Details for this affair are to be announced later. Mrs. F. M. Shaw is membership chairman.

Among the events discussed by the ways and means committee, headed by Mrs. H. F. Heinlein, are a Fashion Show in October, the traditional Christmas Bazaar, the annual Rummage Sale; and a Headdress Fantasy luncheon slated for late spring.

The program committee, Mrs. John Mathews chairman, is presently working on a varied and interesting program, featuring well known speakers and highlighting local talent from the area high schools and El Camino College.

The board also voted to support the Junior Woman's Club in its Benefit Fashion Show to be held in Fashion Square Sept. 20. The club will also join with the Juniors in supporting CATHY, the foster parent program, and will also cooperate with the Juniors in their support of the Youth Employment Service, sponsored by the Torrance Unified School district.

Mrs. Winship has announced that the awarding of scholarships to deserving nursing students and to students pursuing teaching careers, a tradition of many years, will continue as a club goal.

And as committees meet, there will be more decisions to further enhance the club purpose—the advancement in all lines of general culture, civic betterment, and social welfare.

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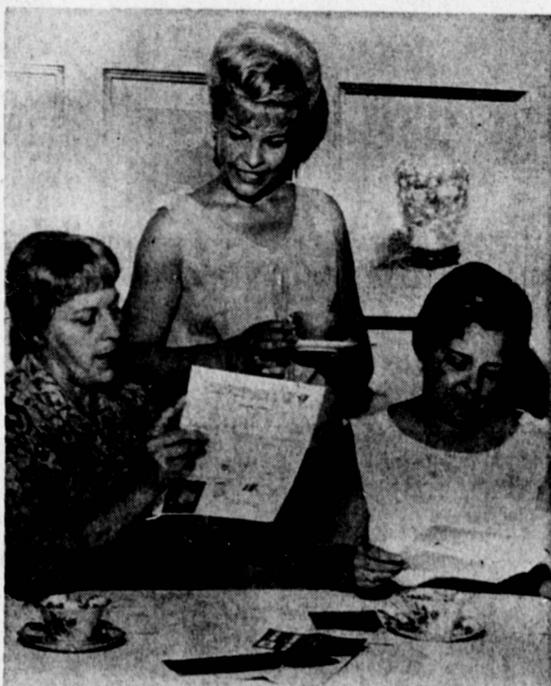
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It Takes Money

Organizations needing support submit brochures to the club president for consideration. Spending time selecting a worthwhile philanthropy, with membership appeal, are, from left, Mmes. J. A. Tweedy, Robert Winship and Douglas Hedde, president of the Junior Woman's Club, with whom the senior club cooperates during the year.



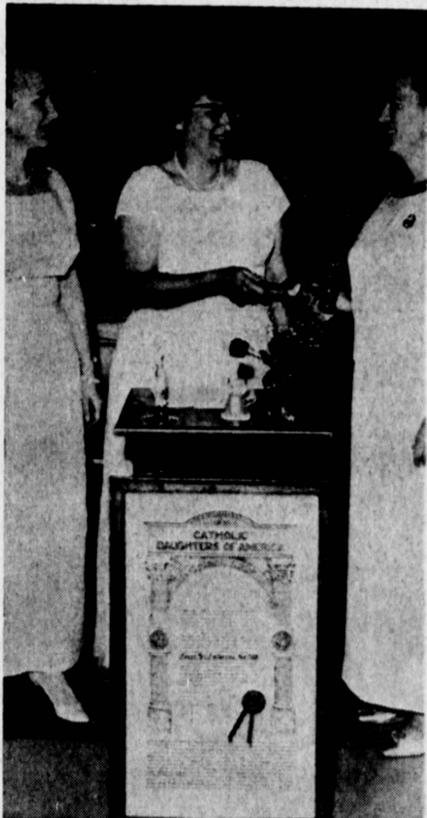
Choosing Club Charities

The club's budget to carry on its philanthropies and scholarships is an important item in any club program. Looking over last year's budget and setting up a tentative budget for the new year are, from left, Mrs. H. F. Heinlein, ways and means chairman, and Mrs. Frank Breit, club treasurer.



Programs Of Interest To All

A club calendar filled with a variety of interests to please a large membership is a mammoth job for the program chairman and her committee. Listening to recordings, to make selections of music for the year, are, from left, Mmes. Richard Rankin, recording secretary; Morton Diener, publicity chairman; and John Mathews, program chairman.



RELINQUISHING THE GAVEL

The office of Grand Regent of Court St. Catherine was assumed by Mrs. Paul Labonawski, center, shown here accepting the gavel from Mrs. Elles Cook, retiring grand regent, as Mrs. Eulanie Lewis, district deputy, left, looks on. Mrs. Labonawski and her new officers were installed in formal ceremonies at Nativity Annex. (Stanford's Photography)

CDA Court St. Catherine Holds First Open Installation

At the formal Installation of Officers for the coming year of Court St. Catherine 1378, Catholics Daughters of America, the ceremony was open to friends and husbands for the first time. Held at Nativity Parish Annex, Mrs. Paul Labonawski was installed as Grand Regent by Mrs. Eulanie Lewis, district deputy. Mrs. Arthur Rinaldi, state monitor, was the installing monitor.

During the ceremony, Mrs. Elles Cook, junior past grand regent, was presented with the Past Grand Regent's ring and a scrapbook of her year in office as well as a gift from her officers.

Refreshments were served on a table holding a silver service and decorated with flowers and the four Madonnas won by the court at the state convention. Presiding at the tea service were Mmes. Louie Derouin and Charles Butterfield, past grand regents.

Mrs. Labonawski was presented with a spiritual bouquet from members of the court. Special guests were Rev. Alfred Brocardo, who accompanied Mrs. Labonawski's son, Ronald, a student at the Salesian Seminary at San Gabriel; and Mr. Paul Labonawski, her husband.

Others installed were Paul DeCuir, vice regent; George Rausch, prophetess; Eileen Barnidge, financial secretary; Harvey Lee, treasurer; Jackie Nelson, histor-

ian; Ralph Sullivan, monitor; Thomas Murphy, lecturer; Charles Butterfield, organist; Oren Davis, sentinel; Elles Cook, Wilbur Camp and Robert Hammerle, trustees. Continuing in office as trustees are Mmes. Gordon Hicks, Louie Derouin and Laura Kuhn. Music was furnished by Mrs. Thomas Strickfaden.

Other guests present were Rev. Ruidolpo De La Cerna, court chaplain; Mrs. Bernadine Mitchell, president of Past Grand Regent's Club; Miss Jane Kilcoyne and Mrs. Marie Burks, District Deputies.

Grand Regents attending were Eileen Cheuront, Ct. St. Christopher; Mary Petkarich, Ct. Marian; Dora Tecca, Ct. Ave Maria; Margaret McLaughlin, St. Joan of Arc; Angeline LaBarbera, Ct. Our Lady of Providence; Nina Shannon, Ct. Our Lady of Victory and Mary L. Marriott, Ct. Madonna of the Hills.

Knights of Columbus on hand were Ray McLaughlin, Grand Knight of St. Gerard Council and Charles Butterfield, district deputy.

The committee responsible for the evening included Mmes. Wilbur Camp, chairman; Noel Hayward, Lyle O'Hara, John Patrick, Allan Spangler, Thomas Babbitt, William Wochna, Rudolph Hanke; and Miss Patsy Dooley.



Ninety Two Years Young

Mrs. Minnie Long, who came to Torrance in 1947, celebrated her 92nd birthday at the Lomita Verde Nursing Home surrounded by her family. Two birthday cakes marked the occasion. She is pictured here with two daughters, from left, Mmes. Margaret Stewart and Irene Rankin, looking over her many birthday cards. Also on hand for the party was another daughter, Mrs. Alice Grandstaff of Torrance. A native of Haneytown, Pa., Mrs. Long made her home in Wheeling W. Va. until her husband's death in 1943. (Press-Herald Photo)