

# PTA

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**ADAMS**  
 "In My Sweet Little Alice Blue Gown" will be the theme for the fashion show to be held Wednesday, Feb. 19 at 7:30 p.m. states Mrs. Harvey Rushfeldt, commentator and ways and means co-chairman, of Adams PTA. All mothers and daughters are invited to participate in clothing they have made. Assisting the models will be Mrs. Faber Dewar, former fashion model and Newslette chairman of the PTA. Homemaking students will be hostesses.

Honorary Life chairman, Mrs. Jess Leon, and her committee announce with pride the choice of Mrs. George Norman, legislation chairman and Torrance Council financial secretary, as recipient of the Honorary Life Award. Mrs. Norman, former president of Adams School PTA for the years 1966-67, has also been active in Little League and Girl Scouting.

**EDISON**  
 The annual Spaghetti Dinner held by Edison PTA will be Thursday, Feb. 13 at 6 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Theme of the evening is "Happiness is a Full Tummy."

Highlight of the program will be the announcement of this year's Honorary Life Membership Award recipient, and recipients of past years will be honored guests, announced Mrs. Lee Rock, program chairman.

Twenty PTA board members of Edison have begun a parent-education course given by Donald Sorenson, psychologist with the Torrance schools, and meet every other Wednesday for lectures and discussion periods.

**FERN-GREENWOOD**  
 Ways and Means Chairman, Mrs. Barry Ogden has announced the date for the Paper Drive as Feb. 25. Rooms bringing the most papers will be treated to ice cream for lunch that day.

The Feb. 27 PTA meeting will feature Honorary Life Awards and a Founders Day program of songs, skits, and jokes presented by the principal and teachers. Past recipients of Honorary Life Awards will be special guests of the evening.

**VICTOR**  
 At the January Victor PTA meeting the following members were elected to serve on the nominating committee: Mmes. Wallace Vance, Kenneth Blake, Erwin Notrica and Jack Eckstein. They will meet in February to select a slate of officers for 1969-70.

**PARKWAY**  
 One Honorary Life Award and for the first time, a Continuing Service Award, will be presented to two worthy recipients by Mrs. Kenneth Watts, when Parkway PTA presents its Founders Day program Feb. 20 at 7:30 p.m. in the cafeteria. Featured chairmen for the month are: Mmes. B. L. Bishop, publicity; Wayne Logan, program.

**PERRY**  
 "Visit to the Moon" is the theme for the Honorary Life and Founders Day program to be presented Feb. 20 at Perry PTA meeting. Committees under the direction of chairmen, Mr. Merle Marks and Mr. John Kunsch are in the final "blast off stages."

At a recent meeting at the home of Perry PTA president, Mrs. John Kunsch, plans were discussed for the Annual Variety Show. Perry's "Flower Power" will be the "Thing" to watch for on March 28 and 29.

**SAM LEVY**  
 The public is invited to the Sam Levy PTA Founders Day program to be held Feb. 18 at 7:30 p.m. Featured on the program will be a skit by the 7th and 8th grade students and a concert by the Torrance Home-town Singers, under the able direction of Walt Wittel. High light of the program will be the presentation of an Honorary Life Award.

A Bine Rodeo will be held Feb. 25 under the direction of Mrs. Ernest Brunswien, juvenile protection and safety chairman of Sam Levy PTA.

**TORRANCE ELEMENTARY**  
 "Involvement Is Under-

standing Our Heritage," is the theme chosen for the February PTA meeting of Torrance Elementary PTA, to be held Tuesday, Feb. 11, at 6 p.m. in the cafeteria. With special emphasis being placed on Founders Day, the highlight of the evening will be the presentation of the Units annual Honorary Life Membership Award by Mrs. Jack Delsigne, chairman. A contribution in the name of the recipient will be sent to the California PTA Scholarship Fund to be used in grants and loans to college students.

According to Mrs. James Osteen, ways and means chairman, the proceeds from a Spaghetti Dinner to be held at the meeting will be placed in a fund to purchase drapes for the cafeteria.

Serving on the nominating committee are: Mmes. Russ Tomlin, chairman; James Leech, Louis Lisoni, Jerry Hill, and Mr. Stanley Roberts, principal. Mrs. Tomlin will announce the slate of officers for the year 1969-70. Featured chairmen will be Mmes. Thomas Bray, recording secretary and Russ Tomlin, corresponding secretary.

Plans are underway for the annual rummage sale to be held Saturday, Feb. 15 at the Hitching Rack Rummage Center and the proceeds will be used in the presentation of the Unit's annual Scholarship Award to a student graduating from Torrance High School, who previously attended Torrance Elementary and will be entering the field of teaching.

**CRENSHAW**  
 The February meeting of Crenshaw PTA will be held on Feb. 11 at 7:30 p.m. and the theme will be "Infinite." The program will consist of scientific experiments by student demonstrations, Founders' Day Observance, and Honorary Life Membership presentation. Featured chairmen will be Mmes. Nelson Cullum and Richard Rustad.

Crenshaw School choir will sing at the ECT luncheon Feb. 10 at Joslyn Center.

**HOWARD WOOD**  
 Tuesday, Feb. 11, Howard Wood PTA board meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Bill Wood. Under discussion will be the upcoming Daffy Apple Sale to be held Thursday, Feb. 27 and Friday, Feb. 28 from 2 to 3:30 p.m. at the front and back gates of the school.

Torrance High School Wrestling team will present an exhibition match on Father and Son night at the PTA meeting Feb. 26 at 7:30 p.m. in the cafeteria.

**SOUTH HIGH**  
 At the Dec. 11 South High PTA meeting, Life Membership Award chairman Mrs. Tom Akiyama, introduced this year's two recipients being honored for their great contributions to the youth in the community. On hand to receive their awards were Mrs. John Heglin and Mr. Albert Geiser of Redondo Beach.

Mrs. Heglin has served on the Newton Executive Board and twice as South High PTA president. Mr. Geiser is active in the YMCA and played a major role in planning the building of the new concession stand donated to South High by the Sportsman's Club.

**HALLDALE**  
 Mrs. Paul Collins, Honorary Life Membership chairman and her committee, Mmes. Michael Thompson, Herbert Vida and Williams Sanders will announce the recipients of two Honorary Life Memberships awarded to deserving members of Halldale Avenue PTA, Tuesday, Feb. 11 at 1:30 p.m. Contributions will be sent to California PTA Scholarship Fund to be used in grants and loans to college students, in the names of these two outstanding community members.

Mrs. Dale Bliven, program chairman, and her committee Mmes. James Starnes, Susumu Ishigo, Richard Bourne, and James Cyphers have a skit planned in observance of Founders Day. The skit will be presented following a short business meeting conducted by



### A Way To Say Thank You

### AFS Pupils Guests Of Delta Zeta

South Bay Alumnae Chapter of Delta Zeta Sorority will have their regular monthly meeting Tuesday, Feb. 11, at 8 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Lawrence Ivins, 28203 Golden Meadow Drive, Palos Verdes Peninsula. Mrs. John Moore will be co-hostess. Mrs. E. W. Altstaetter, president, will preside.

Program chairman, Mrs. Delvin Riesenhuber, has arranged for American Field Service student Rosallen Cotta from Italy to speak to the group. Gary Farmer of Torrance, also an American Field Service student, will tell of his experiences in Malaysia. Both students are attending South High.

Mrs. Kenneth Peer was hostess for the Delta Zeta Bridge Group Jan. 23 in her home on Lautrec Place, Palos Verdes Peninsula.

### Sigma Kappa Will Elect On Tuesday

Election of officers for the coming year will be on the agenda when the South Bay Alumnae of Sigma Kappa hold their next meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 11 at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Robert Myers, Torrance. Mrs. Gene Hauser of Palos Verdes, philanthropy chairman, will also distribute materials the members will use to cut out objects that can be used to make wall hangings by the patients of the Royalwood Convalescent Hospital, Torrance.

Alumnae are urged to bring to the meeting clothing, books, toys, furniture, bric-a-brac and other items that can be sold at the garage sale to be held in March. Proceeds from this sale will go to the Child Guidance Center of the South Bay Children's Health Center and the sorority's local college chapters at UCLA and California State College at Long Beach. Rummage not sold will be contributed to the Southwest Association for the Mentally Retarded.

Mrs. Harold Kirchmann, president.

Mrs. James Cyphers, ways and means chairman, has reported a bus trip to NBC television studios, Friday, Feb. 21. The members will see the taping of the Hollywood Squares program. The buses will leave the school at 4:45 p.m.

The nominating committee Mmes. Richard Scher, chairman, Dale Bliven, Martin Jaime, Richard Bourne, Susumu Ishigo, and school principal, Miss Irene Hoban, are meeting this month to determine the slate of officers for the year 1969-70.

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These members of CATHY (Community Assistance to Homeless Youngsters), from left, Mmes. Howard Hands, area president; Larry Smith, Junior Club representative; and G. Henry Miller, chairman, are planning a Valentine Coffee to honor foster parents for their contribution in providing homes for these children. The event will be held at the Torrance Woman's club on Feb. 13. The General and Junior Clubs are supporting organizations.

### ORT Fashion Benefit

"Happiness is an ORT Happening" will be the theme for the Western Region Women's American ORT Fashion Luncheon to be held Wednesday Feb. 12 at 11:30 a.m. at the Beverly Wilshire Hotel, Beverly Hills.

Mrs. Stephen Anderson, South Bay chapter president, announces that Mrs. George Reese, chairman, and Mrs. Lawrence Schneider, co-chairman, are being assisted by Mrs. Norman Katz from the South Bay chapter.

Both the beauty and humanitarian importance of this event is reflected in the allocation of proceeds to the Maintenance Training Program which is a part of the ORT World Network in maintaining high

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## CATHY's Valentine Coffee

### Spotlights Foster Parents

CATHY will hold a Valentine Coffee for the foster parents of the South Bay area on Thursday, Feb. 13, at 10 a.m., at the Torrance Woman's Club, 1422 Engracia Ave., Torrance. The purpose of the coffee is to show CATHY's appreciation for the contributions foster parents are making.

Rosemary de Camp will be the guest speaker. Mrs. G. Henry Miller, chairman of the event, expects approximately 200 guests to attend.

CATHY (Community Assistance To Homeless Young-

sters) is affiliated with the Los Angeles County Department of Public Social Services. The purpose of the organization is to find homes for children who badly need them. Mrs. George Bolton is the South Bay Foster Care Consultant. Mrs. Howard Hands is president of the South Bay area, which includes Torrance, Redondo Beach, Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach, Lomita, and Palos Verdes.

Support of CATHY is a joint project of the Torrance Woman's Club and the Torrance Junior Woman's Club. Both

clubs provide CATHY's answering service and act as preliminary telephone screeners for foster parents. The Torrance Woman's Club is providing their clubhouse for the coffee, and the Juniors have provided the invitations. Both clubs will furnish refreshments and serve as hostesses.

CATHY announces that the number of licensed homes in the area has increased by two-thirds this year, but 10,000 children a year require placement, 200 immediately.

### Valentine Party Set For Xi Zeta

Mrs. Helen O'Neil will entertain Xi Zeta Lambda Chapter, Beta Sigma Phi, at its annual Valentine Party Tuesday, Feb. 11 at 8 p.m. A potluck dinner will be followed by the revealing of "Secret Sisters."

A business meeting will be conducted by Virginia Hulse, president, and future socials will be discussed by Mrs. Angus Mitchell, chairman. Service projects will be planned.

The program "Italian Renaissance" will be presented by Mrs. Charles Blackburn.

### New Square Dance Class Opens Feb. 14

Wait and Sunny Lee Fagan announce a new beginners class in adult square dancing Feb. 14 from 8 to 10:30 p.m. at the Square Dance Center, 1953 1/2 W. Carson St., Torrance.

The class will remain open during the month of February for registrations. More information may be obtained by calling the Fagans or visiting the dance center.

### Speaker From Paris Salons Visits Kiwis

The February meeting of the South Bay Kiwi Club, former American Airlines stewardesses, will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 11, at 8 p.m. at The Proud Bird restaurant, 11022 Aviation Blvd., Los Angeles. Hostesses will be Mmes. M. J. Williams and Jack Klasila of Manhattan Beach.

Guest speakers for the evening will be Mrs. Urmil Gosain, certified electrologist and representative for Germaine Monteil Cosmetics, who will speak on skin care and make-up, and Avy Vaknine, make-up artist for Germaine Monteil. Mr. Vaknine is from the Paris salons and will discuss and demonstrate the technique for proper application of make-up.

The business session will be conducted by president, Mrs. Earl W. Francis of the Palos Verdes Peninsula.

**Guest Speaker**  
 Herbert Donaldson, pianist, composer and critic will be the guest speaker at the Preceptor Beta Gamma chapter meeting on Wednesday at 8 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Marshall Shirley in Los Angeles.

### Valentine Ball Slated By Chapters

It's Valentine Ball time for the Beta Alpha Nu Chapter, Beta Sigma Phi, and on Saturday evenings, Feb. 8, the group joined by Exemplar Xi Xi Theta will gather at the Lobster House in Redondo Beach. Cocktails will be served at 7 followed by dinner and dancing at 8:30 p.m.

Mrs. Gary Wires will be presented as the chapter "Sweetheart". Mrs. Wires who has served as chairman of the chapter's ways and means projects and social committee, has resided on Palos Verdes Peninsula for five years. She has also been active in Girl Scouts, PTA and served on the election board.

### Kappa Delta Meet

Members of the South Bay Alumnae Association of Kappa Delta will meet on Wednesday, Feb. 12, at 8 p.m. This month's meeting will be held at the Retarded Children's Foundation, 13515 S. Vermont St., Gardena. A lecture and tour of the foundation conducted by Francis Burke will follow a short business meeting with dessert and coffee being served.

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