

Harbor Choirs YWCA Tea To Present Song Festival Sunday Fetes New Members

Spring is the time for song, according to the old sages, and with the season definitely here, the San Pedro Philharmonic and Artists Association Inc. is sponsoring its Fourth Annual Festival of Music Tuesday, May 6, at 8 p.m. in San Pedro High School Auditorium.

The festival will combine the Choral Festival and the Local Artists Concert, according to Mrs. Robert E. Carson, president of the SPPAA, which has many Torrance members. Harbor area choirs and choruses which will participate include:

- First Methodist Church choir, Mary Star of the Sea Church choir, Narbonne High School capella choir, The Rhapodians, Holy Family Church choir of Wilmington, San Pedro High School Choir, San Pedro Civic Adult Chorus, Holy Trinity Church choir, Chapman Chorus, and Lomita-San Pedro Council PTA Mothersingers.

Schools represented in the Mothersingers group are Hall Dale, Leland St., Cabrillo Ave. and Bandini St.

Resident artists who will perform solo numbers are Cora Sedelmaier Cootes, soprano, and Harry G. Hall, violinist. Courtney Rogers will accompany both artists on the piano.

Concluding the program will be the "Patriot's Prayer," sung by the combined choirs and choruses under the direction of Fred O. Swan, Los Angeles Bureau of Music. The program is open to the public without charge.



A LITTLE ELBOW GREASE . . . Members of the Torrance branch YWCA were busy with silver polish and soft cloths yesterday as they completed necessary preliminaries for the tea they will host Sunday in honor of women and girls who joined the "Y" during the recent membership campaign. Left to right are some of the hostesses, Mmes. Earl W. Eckert, J. Parke Montague, Walter B. Levy and William Kuchs. Members and friends of the YWCA have been bidden to stop by between the hours of 2 and 4:30 p.m. The membership campaign is the first conducted by the Torrance branch since it opened its new building during the winter. Many new groups for teen-agers and young adults have been formed, and further increases of program are contemplated for the coming year. (Herald photo).

OES, Masons Will Honor State Leaders

Members of the Order of the Eastern Star and Master Masons are invited to the reception in Long Beach Municipal Auditorium Saturday evening honoring Helen Bell DeBeers of Pasadena, worthy grand matron and James Leo Malley of San Francisco, worthy grand patron.

Also honored will be other officers of the California Grand chapter, Torrance residents participating will include Althea Smith and Floyd Mead, worthy matron and worthy patron of Chapter 380.

The event will begin at 8 p.m.

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HOUSEWARMING ATTENTION GARDENERS:

Iris Show To Be Given At Alondra On Weekend

Torrance gardeners with iris among their current blooms will have an opportunity to display them Saturday and Sunday when an iris show will be held at Alondra Park.

Co-sponsored by the local members of the American Iris Society and the Los Angeles County Recreation Department, the show will be open from 2 until 10 p.m. Saturday, and from 10 a.m. until 8 p.m. Sunday.

This is the first iris show to be staged in this area, according to Mrs. Elsa F. Stone, general chairman, who will appear tomorrow at 1:15 on KXLA with Joe Littlefield to talk on iris.

Persons wishing to enter blooms in the show may do so individually or collectively, according to Mrs. Stone. She said that some of the classifications will be iris blooms, plants, seedlings, miniatures, flower arrangements (with or without irises), "Hall of Fame" and a Dykes Medal section.

Judges will be from the official 1951 list of Accredited Judges of the American Iris Society. They will also identify any unknown irises entered in the show.

No entry fee or admission fee will be charged, according to Mrs. Stone, who said that all exhibits must be in place by 10 a.m. Saturday.

Highlights of the show will include hybrid seedlings exhibited by 11½-year-old Phillip Edinger, and an appearance of the SPCA Mounted Posse.

5951 NIGHT TO BE OBSERVED BY OES

Torrance chapter 380, Order of Eastern Star, will observe 1951 night tonight during their regular meeting in Masonic Temple at 8 p.m.

Junior Past Matron Vivian Cook and Junior Past Patron Gordon Mothersell will fill the stations, assisted by their 1951 corps of officers. Worthy Matron Althea Smith and Worthy Patron Floyd Mead will preside over the business session.

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