

The Social World for and About Women

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Skit To Be Given at Meeting

Torrance Woman's Club will meet for a potluck luncheon at 12:30 p.m. Wednesday at the clubhouse. Mrs. Ray Rogers will conduct a business meeting at 1 o'clock, after which there will be a gift exchange. For the afternoon's entertainment, a skit prepared by Mrs. W. C. Boswell will be given. Those participating will be Mrs. A. F. R. Ewalt, Mrs. J. A. Eisenbrandt, Margo Whitney, and Pamela Boswell.

Keynoters, A Capella Choral Group, Appearing in Concerts

An appreciation of music and joy in singing were the incentives for the formation last June of the Keynoters, an a capella choral group, whose membership includes the South Bay area. Roger Bushnell is director of the group. His outstanding background includes the position of choir director at the Manhattan Beach Community Church, director of Los Cenceros, a degree from the USC School of Music, and during the war he served as director for the United States Navy School of Music and was arranger for Navy dance bands. Mrs. Barbara Hammer is associate conductor.

In last Sunday's program, South American selections, spirituals, and unusual Christmas music were featured. The choral group is headed by Paul Ford of Torrance as president. Other officers are Roger Saunders of Torrance, vice-president; Lola Haas, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. Paul Ford, librarian, and Dossie Haas, publicity chairman. The choral group includes: sopranos, Barbara Hammer, Charlene Phillips, Lola Haas, Bob Gifford, and Miss Suzanne Bernard; altos, Mmes. Dean Hull, Woodrow Frazier, Joanne Austine and Misses Elaine Brown and Marilyn Olson. Tenors are Dossie Haas, Paul Ford, George Hammer, and Dick Hines. Basses are Tony Dubovay, Roger Saunders, Gene Mitchell and Joseph Brumblow. Membership in this group is open to interested music lovers in this area.



YOU'D BETTER BE GOOD . . . so says Santa Claus sitting high on a new Thunderbird car and giving instructions to Torrance children who enjoyed the annual kiddies party given by the Torrance Junior Woman's Club. At the wheel of the car is Mrs. Robert Kerber and with her in the front seat is Christy Moyer and her mother, Mrs. Don Moyer. Huddled up next to Santa Claus are, from right, Mike Leach, Judy Kerber and on the far side, Patrick Kerber.

UNION TO HOLD CHRISTMAS PARTY

Local 347 Union at Harbor General Hospital will entertain at a Christmas party Dec. 20 at the Plasterers' Union Hall, 522 W. Carson St. Admission will be by card or badge. Door prizes and Christmas baskets will be awarded. Santa Claus will be present to distribute gifts to the children and a puppet show will be included on the program.

SANTA CLAUS VISITS 150 CHILDREN AT CLUB PARTY

Santa Claus "came to town" Wednesday night—a modern Santa Claus arrived by car and brought joy to approximately 150 children attending the party at the Woman's Clubhouse, sponsored by the Torrance Junior Woman's Club. A beautiful Christmas tree decorated by Mrs. Sid Gans was the center of attraction. Gifts were distributed and the children were served ice cream and cookies from a table decorated with a snow man and a sleigh scene. Santa Claus, who was played by Leo Wagner, member of the Rooster club of the San Pedro Naval station, was assisted in distributing gifts and listening to the children by Mrs. Thurlov Weir and Mrs. Lou Stellar. As a Christmas philanthropy, members brought toilet articles for the girls at the Ventura Home for Girls. Mrs. Robert Kerber was general chairman of the children's party which was given for members children and their guests.

Juniorettes Plan Party

Epsilon Sigma Alpha Juniorettes, met Monday evening at the home of Joyce Hutchinson to make plans for their Christmas party to be held Dec. 20 at the home of Delyna Smith. Rushes will be special guests. The Juniorettes and their escorts are planning to attend the Holiday Hop at the Palladium on Dec. 28. After the meeting, the members and rushes made a poster and dolls for the Harbor General Hospital. These will be turned in on Dec. 15.

ALPHAS RAISE CHRISTMAS FUND

Alpha Omega chapter of Theta Chi Epsilon sorority held a rummage sale in Santa Monica recently, the proceeds from which will be used to buy toys, candies, fruits and red and green Christmas stockings for the group's selective children. Mrs. Stanley Ton was in charge of the sale. The ways and means committee and a group of sales girls from the local chapter took the clothing, books, furniture and other items to Santa Monica and participated in the sale.

AT YULE PARTY

Attending the Credit Managers' Association of Los Angeles' annual Christmas dinner-dance last Friday evening at the Beverly Hills Hotel, were Mr. and Mrs. Lou Delyna Smith, Adrienne Aselin, Sara Sue Ward, and Elisa Barlow.

Sisters, Brother Are Together For the First Time in 45 Years

"The United States is wonderful, and if we were only younger we would come here to live," said Mr. and Mrs. James McConnell of Whitehaven, Cumberland County, England, as they arrived in Torrance to visit Mrs. McConnell's sister, Mrs. Annie Grogan and brother, Frank Thompson, 833 Cota Ave., for the first time in 45 years. The two women had not seen each other since June 12, 1910, when Mrs. Grogan, a bride of six months, sailed from Liverpool for America. That day was also the wedding day of Mrs. McConnell. It had been 48 years since Mr. Thompson had seen his sister. Now they understand, they said, why 10 of the 18 children of their family left England and migrated to the United States. Mrs. McConnell, 70, and Mr. McConnell, 76, are realizing a dream of a lifetime with this, their first visit to the United States. Mr. McConnell, who had been a leather manufacturer for years, recently retired and he and his wife set sail on the Britany for America to visit their son, Harry McConnell, their grandson and three great-grandchildren who live near Bisbee, Arizona, and of course to visit here with Mrs. McConnell's brother and sister, another sister, Nellie Humphreys in Pasadena and a brother, Tom Thompson in North Hollywood. They were all together in Pasadena Sunday. "What impresses us the most in America, is, there is no class distinction, everybody is on a level. In England, class distinction is still practiced. When I get home I'm going to tell my doctor, who makes a fair salary working for the government medical plan, that he is living in a 'fool's paradise.' Why even the working man in America is better off than he," said the visitor. Mr. McConnell, whose business has been manufacturing, is delighted with products manufactured in this country, pointing out that they surpass home products in every way. "In my opinion," he surmised, "America thrives on wastage, while England's progress is stopped with so much economy. Every bathroom I've been in since I've been here has a weighing scale, in England they would say 'we can do without that' and never progress. England will never progress and bring her living standard's up to America's." The two happy visitors with their brother and sister are re-living days of long ago and planning get-togethers with other relatives and old friends during their stay in Torrance.



PEGGY SCHULTZ (Crotty Studio Photo) . . . Bride-elect

Engagement Is Announced

Mr. and Mrs. Monroe W. Schultz, 1903 Arlington Ave., are announcing the engagement of their daughter, Peggy Ann, to Byron Pickett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Pickett, 3619 Emerald Ave., Torrance. Miss Schultz is a senior at the Torrance High school and is active in the Torrance First Baptist Church. Pickett was graduated from the local high school last June and is now employed at Northrop Aircraft Co. No definite wedding date has been set but will take place after the bride's graduation next June. A stay which they say "is much too short." They will go to Bisbee, Ariz., to be with their son, grandson, and great-grandchildren for Christmas and the holidays and will sail from New York for home on Feb. 24.

Neighborhood Baby Shower Honors Two

A pink and blue baby shower complimented Mrs. William R. Ay and Mrs. Kenneth Perkins recently at the home of Mrs. Jack Klinzing, 2829 Oran. Co-hostesses at the affair with Mrs. Klinzing were Mrs. Louis Dyer and Mrs. Paul Harvested. A pretty pink and blue color scheme was used in decorating and in the refreshments. After the baby gift presentation, bridge was played followed by refreshments. Others attending the party besides the hostesses and the honorees were neighbors Misses Nell Day, Tom Mott, John Ahlerman, Howard Baker, Dean Capps, William Boswell, Robert Kelsey, Hal Van Brook, and Edward Knudsen.

Sisterhood Plans Party For Children

Temple Menorah Sisterhood board members met on Dec. 3 at the home of Mrs. Arnold Cowan, president. Mrs. William Sloan acted as co-hostess. In her report, Mrs. Paul Mandel, Uniongram chairman, announced that Sisterhood is again on the honor roll for its sale of Uniongrams; profits derived from their sale are devoted to the Scholarship and Religious Education Fund of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods Institute. Plans were discussed for the Religious School children's Hanukkah party which will be held at 112 1/2 N. Catalina, Redondo Beach, beginning at 1 p.m. on Dec. 19. Mrs. Sam Katz, chairman, reported that the students will exchange gifts and each class will present a program. Hanukkah, the Jewish Feast of Dedication, begins at sundown on Dec. 19, continues for eight days, and is celebrated everywhere, chiefly as a Festival of Lights, by the Jews. It was instituted by Judaea Macabees, his brothers, and the whole congregation of Israel, in 165 B. C. and commemorates the successful struggle of the Jewish people for religious liberty from Syrian oppressors.

VFW Auxiliary Busy at Many Charities

Members of the Torrance Auxiliary of Post 2821, Veterans of Foreign Wars, are busy with their many philanthropies due to the financial success of their recent baby show held in the VFW hall. Among the many parties planned for this month are the party for the veterans at the Long Beach Veterans Hospital Dec. 19; party at Sawtelle Veterans Hospital, Dec. 23; and a Christmas party for the Girl Scout troop sponsored by the Auxiliary, to be held Dec. 12 at the YWCA. Donations have also been made to the Torrance Memorial Hospital, Braille Institute for the Blind, Cancer Fund, Orphan Home, and needy families.

SENIOR CITIZENS CHRISTMAS TEA

Compton-Counseling Service invites all people over 60 years of age to a "Christmas Tea for Senior Citizens" Wednesday, at 2:30 p.m. The tea will be at the offices of the Compton Counseling Service in the Professional Building at 505 E. Compton Blvd. in Compton. The purpose of the tea is to make Christmas a time of joy for Senior Citizens. Anyone needing transportation is asked to call the Compton Counseling Service Office.



LOOKING AT A FAMILY PICTURE . . . made more than 50 years ago are, left, Frank Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. James McConnell of Whitehaven, Eng., and at the right, Mrs. Anne Grogan. Mrs. McConnell is a sister of Mrs. Grogan and Frank Thompson, of 823 Cota Ave. They met last week for the first time in 45 years when the English guests arrived for a visit.

PARTY GIVEN FOR LYNETTE

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Campasze, of 2763 Sonoma Ave., entertained with an afternoon party honoring their daughter Lynette, on her sixth birthday. The afternoon was spent in games, followed with refreshments of a gaily decorated cake, ice cream, punch, and candies. Guests helping Lynette celebrate were Colleen, Judy and Jill O'Hara, Connie Freeman, Bonnie Dalton, Debbie Dalton, Debbie Atherton and the honoree's sister and two brothers, Janis, Wayne and Kent Campasze.

Carson Group Elects Officers

James G. Caldwell was elected president of the Carson Civic Betterment Assn. at a meeting held in the patio at the Caldwell home recently. Serving with Mr. Caldwell will be James Tyler, Roy E. Carter, M. C. Hedgecock, Theo. Bredahl and Robert J. Gilmore. Mrs. W. E. Roller is secretary-treasurer. After the meeting refreshments were served by Mmes. Arthur O'Brien, Bertha Duroy, William Roberts, Opal Culp, and James Tyler.

OPEN HOUSE

Following the annual Christmas Festival given by the First Christian Church choir Sunday evening, the choir director and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Bartholomew, entertained the choir and members of their families at an open house.

PAST ORACLES

Past Oracles of Royal Neighbors will hold their annual Christmas dinner at Gonzales restaurant in Wilmington, Wednesday evening at 6. At this time mystery friends will be revealed. The group will then return to the home of Mrs. Mary Conner, 1915 Andree for card games.

WORKING ON SCORES . . . are these members of the recently organized Keynoters, a capella choral group, who are appearing in a series of concerts. Pictured are Roger Bushnell, director, left, Mrs. James Phillips and Mrs. Barbara Hammer, assistant director. The membership covers the South Bay area and is open to persons who enjoy "singing for fun."

Junior Catholic Daughters Court is Instituted Here In Impressive Ceremony

A new Junior Catholic Daughters of America Court, under sponsorship of Court St. Catherine, was instituted at impressive ceremonies held Sunday afternoon in Nativity parish hall. The initiation was conducted by the Junior CDA officers from Court Our Lady of Victory in Redondo Beach, under direction of Mrs. Lorenzo Otto. Guiding the affairs of the new organization will be the following officers: Miss Susan Gately, president; Miss Carol Armstrong vice-president; Miss Kathy Schott, secretary; Miss Marilyn Revell, reporter. Counselors in charge of the four troops are Mmes. William Hardesty, John Melville, F. C. Rick and Joseph Terkmany. Mrs. Gerald Loew is junior chairman for the senior Court of CDA. Serving with her on the junior council are the four troop counselors, the grand regent of Court St. Catherine, Mrs. Frank A. Gately; the vice-regent Mrs. Laurence Derouin, and the court chaplain, Rev. P. J. McGuinness. Each troop will have one business and one social meeting monthly. The new officers were installed by the archdiocesan president, Rose Marie Herrera. The choir from Junior Court Madonna in Lynwood sang, and the drill team from this court put on an exhibition. Dignitaries introduced included Mrs. Adam Zaharis of Lynwood, state chairman of juniors; Mrs. Irene Detwiler of the National Junior Advisory Board, from Compton; Mrs. William Clifton Long Beach, newly-appointed district deputy for the local senior court; Mrs. William C. Olson of La Canada archdiocesan junior chairman. Initiated into the new organization on Sunday afternoon were the following girls: Seventh graders, to be in Mrs. Melville's troop: Carolyn Annis, Serena Lee, Martha Gitschler, Susan Loew, Mary Comen, Carol Jo Kelly, Carole Annis Sandra Boudreaux, Marion Terkmany, Kathleen Hughes, Mary Ellen Sargent, and Joyce Diamond. Eighth grade girls, to be in troops under leadership of Mrs. Hardesty and Mrs. Plick: Joan Revell, Judith Shaw, Janice Dabbs, Josephine White, Carole Cook, Marjorie Loew, Kathleen Lopez, Marlyce Frederick, Ellen Schmidt, Jo Ann Diamond, Patricia Stanford, Susan O'Brien, and Kathryn Kohl. Upper-classes, to be members of Mrs. Terkmany's troop: Marilyn Revell, Jeannie Spangler, Susan Gately, Carol Armstrong, Kathy Schott, Carolyn Boske, and Marilyn Pooske. The ceremonies carried out in the aims of the organization: faith in God, good citizenship, and good sportsmanship. "The national organization of CDA regards work with Juniors as one of the most important of its varied program," according to