

LOCAL PTA ACTIVITIES

Perry

Perry PTA presented its highest and most cherished award to three of its members for outstanding service to their community, at the PTA meeting on Feb. 21 in the school cafeteria.

Honorary life memberships were awarded to Miss Marjorie Carey, Mrs. A. L. McKenzie and Mr. John Strom.

Miss Carey, school nurse, has worked with and for the children of Perry School for four years, and has been a dedicated welfare worker when and where it was most needed. Through her efforts much has been done to promote and publicize the Torrance Dental Health program.

Mrs. A. L. McKenzie has a long record of community service, having been active in church work, Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Little League, fund raising drives and PTA work. Mrs. McKenzie is a past president of Perry PTA.

John Strom, school principal, has a fine record of church work in Torrance, in addition to the many, many hours he has willingly devoted to PTA projects after his working hours at school were over. His work with the young people of the community has been exceptionally fine.

Arlington

Arlington PTA executive board met March 7, at 9:30 a.m. in the school cafeteria. Present at the meeting were Mmes. C. Johnson, J. Leonard, L. Van De Vort, M. Spaulding, L. Briley, J. Ramirez, H. Fisk, K. Patty, G. Doxakis, J. Prince, R. Webster, R. Cyr, C. Morris, M. Douglas, R. Eystone, J. Blue, F. Stoeckle, J. Martin and Mr. M. Richland.

Mrs. M. Spaulding, program chairman, announced that at the next PTA meeting, March 14, G. Ackerman will give a demonstration on wood working and Mr. Hamilton will speak on school growth.

Mrs. L. Briley, ways and means chairman, announced the sum of \$58.61 was realized at the recent Get-Acquainted Auction and Bake Sale. It was suggested that the organization sponsor Walt Disney movies to be shown on Saturdays in the school cafeteria.

At the next PTA meeting six delegates will be elected to attend the district convention in Whittier on April 11.

Mrs. F. Stoeckle read a juvenile protection letter containing laws pertaining to the juvenile. It was suggested copies of the letter be sent home to the parents.

Halldale

"Youth Unlimited" will be the topic at the meeting of Halldale PTA this afternoon at 1:30. Five youth groups sponsored by the PTA will present the program.

Mrs. L. Rowe announced her Girl Scout Troop 287 will give the flag salute. Cub Scout Pack 228C will sing two songs. Girl Scout Troops 698 and 831 will each present a skit. Mrs. Carol Bree's Brownie Troop will present a skit. Tables will be set up for the troops to display their handicrafts and accomplishments.

At the March meeting the nominating committee will present the names of nominees for the executive offices for the ensuing year, who have given their consent to serve on the executive board if elected.

Fifteen delegates from Halldale PTA voted at the Lomita, San Pedro Council meeting March 5 at the Lomita Elementary School. Delegates attending were: Mmes. H. C. Clark, E. N. Reese, A. B. Wilhelm, principal; C. Mills, Irving Bishop, Ed Holloway, Doug Cowdrey, R. Anderson, Eldon Dye, Frank Bowling, George Winters, Judson Bowers, E. R. Alves, Mrs. Irving Caulkins.

At the recent board meeting, Mrs. E. N. Reese, president, announced the following important dates: Red Cross Drive week.

Crenshaw

Dr. Victor Vogel, M.D., medical officer of the U. S. Public Health Department, spoke to members of Crenshaw Elementary PTA on narcotic problems and its relation to juveniles on March 6, at Crenshaw school. The film "Drug Addiction," and a narcotic display by the Torrance police department were also a part of the program.

Mrs. Gloria Schummer, currently singing in the opera, "The Fortune Hunter," sang "Danny Boy" and an inspirational song for the group. She was accompanied on the piano by Mrs. Arthur Hanson.

The pledge of allegiance was led by Brownie Troop 1809. The following officers were elected and will be installed at the May PTA meeting: president, Mrs. Don Robinson; first vice president, Mrs. C. M. Richards; second vice president, Mrs. William Wells; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Arthur Hanson; recording secretary, William Atwood; treasurer, Mrs. L. E. Mansker; auditor, Edward Brown; and historian, Mrs. W. C. Bray.

Attendance prizes were won by Mable Ashley, upper grades and Phyllis Huisenga, lower grades.

It was announced that a fashion show would be the highlight of the April meeting with clothes made by mothers and students being shown. Graduation clothes may also be shown. Members were requested to prepare to show their craftsmanship next month.

Evelyn Carr

Founders Day meeting for the Evelyn Carr Elementary PTA was held at the school cafeteria Tuesday, Feb. 26, at 7:30. Pledge of allegiance was led by Senior Girl Scout Troop 1277 under the leadership of Mrs. Peggy Ball. Inspirational was read by Mrs. G. Shelton.

Guest for the evening, Mrs. John Arensmeyer from Perry School, was introduced by president Mrs. Roland Stamm. Richard Welte, principal, introduced vice principal Al Nocciola who gave a short talk in favor of the Torrance educational system. He was also praised for his fine work as safety chairman. The board recommended to the association as provided for in the budget, \$25 for the high school graduation party... \$10 for a Founders Day gift; and \$100 for the Donald Robinson library fund. The board recommended that the month of March be named as Movie month and that this be a fund raising event. All recommendations were passed. Every Saturday during March there will be a full length Walt Disney color film. The first show will start at 10 a.m. and run for one hour and 30 minutes. The second show will start at 1 p.m. and run until 2:30. There will be adult supervision during the movie. Coming attraction: "Dumbo," March 16. Mrs. Eldon Morgan was introduced as past president.

Mrs. Welden Towell honorary life membership chairman, presented awards at this time.

Mrs. Peggy Ball who has been active as volunteer trainer, senior troop leader, Harbor District chairman, was presented with a life membership award. Mrs. Geneva Shelton, kindergarten teacher, was also presented with an award.

Mrs. C. R. Ross introduced Al Nocciola, vice principal, who presented the program at this time. The upper teachers, Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Nesenson, Mr. Jackson and Mr. Anderson presented "Reading in the Upper Grades." Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Nesenson and Mr. Jackson presented the recreational aspect of reading in the form of two choral speaking selections, "Jonathan King" and "The Poor Old Woman That Swallowed a Fly." The developmental functional reading was explained by Mr. Anderson's group. They portrayed a class situation showing how certain skills of comprehension, interpretation, retention, organization and audience reading was developed.

Evelyn Carr Mother Singer presented a Mikado, "A Meeting's a Wonderful Thing," from the original Mikado by Gilbert and Sullivan. It was directed by Mrs. Reese Holbrook.

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Nineteen

Riviera

youth, was presented to Mrs. W. W. Jackson and Mrs. R. L. Hagenbaugh at this meeting.

"This Is Your Life" was the theme used and among the guests present to inform the audience of the outstanding accomplishments of Mrs. Jackson, were Rev. Milton Sippel, of the First Christian Church; Mrs. John L. Hinds, Honorary Life Membership Chairman of Torrance Council; Mrs. Carl Osterlind, representing Los Angeles Girl Scout Council; and Mrs. William Scholl, president of the DeMolay Mothers. Guests for Mrs. Hagenbaugh included Rev. Milton Sippel, as she also is active in the First Christian Church, and W. E. Walton, assistant area commissioner of the Boy Scout, who commended her for her years of outstanding work to the Cub Scouts in this area.

In observance of Founders Day, past presidents and previous recipients of the Honorary Life Membership were honored with corsages. Those present were Mrs. Louis Dyer, Mrs. Nicholas Fedoruk and Principal George Marich.

"Fathers to the Fore" is the topic of the March 20 meeting of the Riviera PTA. Dave Brown, aquarist from Marineland, will give a short talk.

There will be a fathers and students spelling ability with students spelling bee. Five fathers have volunteered to match spelling ability with the five top spellers from the Riviera School. Mrs. M. H. Sparks, PTA president, promises an exciting contest.

Thorsten Burman, men's membership chairman, has organized a barbershop quartet which will sing several selections.

The nominating committee, Mrs. William Petersen, Mrs. Rod Freeman, Mrs. Robert Atha, Mrs. Lester Oswald, and Mrs. Ernest J. Weller, elected at the last association meeting will give a report at this meeting.

Refreshments will be served after the meeting, and baby sitting will be provided during the meeting.

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