

Hat Ready? Wednesday Is the Day

Women's Club members are buzzing with excitement as they whip together their zaniest ideas in hat creating for the "Headdress Fantasy" next Wednesday, March 20, at the Portuguese Bend Club. Fantastic ideas and unheard-of combinations have been woven into the array of exotic headgear to be paraded for prizes at Wednesday's affair.

Luncheon will be served at noon and then comes the hilarious part of the program. Hats will be entered in four categories, the most beautiful, comical, and song titles, book titles, or holidays.

Mrs. M. A. Bauman is chairman of the affair which is open to club members only. Mrs. R. J. Prout and Mrs. W. O. Clousing took reservations and Mrs. Bauman is being assisted by Mmes. Robert Triplitt, Richard C. Roberson, Thomas S. Coleman, John Thuss and Parke Montague.

Activities Planned by Mothers Club

A paper drive to be held Tuesday, March 19, on Nativity School grounds was planned at the meeting of the Nativity Mothers Club at the parish hall Tuesday evening. Anyone wishing papers picked up are asked to call Mrs. James McClain before Tuesday morning.

Big plans are also being made for the club to attend the TV show "It Could Be You" on March 25. All members and their friends are invited to attend. For information and reservations Mrs. Shirley Klages or Mrs. Pauline Carlin may be contacted.

A social hour was held after the business meeting which included an Avon party given by Mrs. O. Felix. Coffee and tea were served by the third grade mothers, Mrs. Bertha Olson, chairman.

The next meeting will be held April 9 when identification tags and T-shirts will be sold.

Soroptimists Hear Talk on Safe Driving

Torrance-Gardena Soroptimists heard an interesting talk by Howard Baker at their meeting held last Monday at the Palms. The speaker, sponsored by the Western Insurance Information Service, and affiliated with the Superior Insurance Co., told the members that 40,000 persons per year were killed in automobile accidents in the United States and that one-tenth of these occurred in California.

He also pointed out that 90 to 95 per cent of all accidents were caused by law breaking and urged his audience to practice common courtesy and follow the law.

The speaker was introduced by Frances Dimitri, program chairman. He was accompanied by Curt Burns, Margaret Neff, club president, conducted the meeting.

Winona Ellis thanked all the members for their help with the recent rummage sale. Kay Lynch attended the March 11 luncheon meeting of the San Pedro Soroptimists.

The next luncheon meeting of the Soroptimists will be held March 18, at which time Gordon McCormick will speak on "Economics in Business."

ISABELLE FAMILY HOLD REUNION

Houseguests of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Isabelle, Carol and Bob, on Reynosa Dr. last week end were Mr. Isabelle's brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Isabelle, of Westport, Mass.

They spent the last week visiting in Harbor City with another brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ulric Plante, and Donald. The easterners are also visiting in Hawthorne with Mr. Isabelle's sister, Mrs. Irene Beaufre. During their stay, the relatives are enjoying all the sights of Southern California.

The visitors came to California from Pampano Beach, Fla., where they were guests of another brother, Leo Isabelle. The

WESLEYAN GUILD MEETS TUESDAY

Wesleyan Service Guild, auxiliary of the Women's Society of Christian Service sponsored by the Methodist Church, will hold their regular monthly dinner meeting Tuesday, March 19, at 6:30 p.m. in the downstairs Fellowship hall of the church at 1551 El Prado.

The dinner will be prepared by the Methodist Youth Fellowship directed by the assistant pastor, Rev. Don Shelby. A planned program directed by Mrs. Ethel Hutchison will follow the dinner. Mrs. Lenora Gray urges all members to attend this important meeting.

The guild extends an invitation to any employed woman of any denomination to join these meetings each third Tuesday of each month. Dinner reservations may be made by calling Mrs. Leona Eads, 2232 W. 238th St.

ANNUAL YWCA DINNER APRIL 10

Mrs. Allen Pyeatt, membership chairman of the Torrance YWCA Branch committee entertained the committee at its annual meeting at her home, 3226 Onrado, Thursday March 7. In attendance were Mmes. Don Wolf, Robert Kelsey, Robert Reed, A. E. Palmer, and Otis Blackstone. Mrs. Wolf is chairman. The annual meeting is planned for April 10 at the YWCA, 2320 W. Carson St. at 6 p.m. It will be a dinner meeting and a special invitation to husbands will be extended. The entire membership of the YWCA is urged to attend.

COLLEGE ALUMNAE MEETS TUESDAY

Immaculate Heart College Alumnae will meet Tuesday evening, March 19, at 8 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Louis Fucci, 5321 Clearsite Ave. Guest speaker will be the Rev. Charles Ara of the St. Lawrence Martyr Parish, Redondo.

travelers are touring the United States and plan to visit other relatives in Detroit and Canada in May before returning to their home.

Carl Steele

Carl Steele PTA is proud of its new Mothersingers group known as the "Steele Belles." Mrs. L. M. Griffith, director, extends an invitation to all mothers who enjoy singing to join the group. Practices are held every Tuesday at 2 p.m. at the Steele school cafeteria. The Belles participated in the Founders' Day skit at the February association meeting and sang their rendition of "Blueberry Hill." They have accepted an invitation to sing for the Southwest Park Civic Assn. meeting on April 2 and will sing "Always" at the May 9 PTA meeting. The Belles are slated to be on the program at the South Bay Community Church May 10 for the mother and daughter banquet.

Feb. 14 was the annual PTA Founders' Day meeting at the Carl Steele auditorium. President Mrs. J. R. Erving introduced the new newzette chairman, Mrs. C. W. Mullens. Auditor's report was read by Paul Foster. Mrs. L. M. Griffith introduced the candidates running for office for the coming PTA year. Awards to several outstanding citizens of the community were presented. Mrs. C. M. Christensen presented the honorary life membership award to the Carl Steele Community, R. K. Petrat, principal, accepted the award.

The March 7 executive board meeting was called to order by President Mrs. J. R. Erving. Acting Secretary Mrs. D. Coleman read a letter of resignation from Mrs. B. Pierce, secretary. Mrs. J. F. Hubacek was ratified as the new secretary. Also ratified that evening were Mmes. L. Kagen, welfare chairman; W. Pancake, character and spiritual; W. Freeman, historian; D. Coleman, third vice president, and R. K. Petrat, fourth vice president. Plans for attending the district convention April 11 in Whittier were discussed. Ways and Means Chairman Mrs. D. Coleman gave her report on the recent rummage sale.

HOWARD WOOD

Election of officers was the highlight of the Howard Wood PTA meeting held Thursday, March 7.

New officers to be installed at the May meeting are: Mrs. C. W. Strahn, president; Mrs. Edwin Smith, first vice president; R. D. Evans, second vice president; Mrs. Hal La Mour, recording secretary; Mrs. E. E. Bluestein, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Ralph Engstrom, treasurer; Mrs. Ivan Ekersley, auditor; and Dayle Wolfgang, historian.

The pledge of allegiance was led by Jeffrey Braswell and Barry Moss of Cub Scout Pack 211C.

Mrs. Nule Lowrance gave the inspirational.

Reports were given by Paul M. Crossman on the Mardi Gras planned for Saturday, April 6 and Mrs. Gordon Jones on the revision of the group's standing rules.

The delegates to the annual district convention in Whittier on April 11 will be Mmes. P. M. Crossman, U. G. Tidmarsh and C. W. Strahn.

The alternate for the state convention will be Mrs. Edwin Smith.

The group will send their donation to the Torrance Scholarship Fund and American Field Service after the carnival.

Honored guests at the meeting were Mmes. D. D. Tuggle, president of the Fern-Greenwood PTA and J. D. Dutton, president of Torrance Elementary PTA.

"Strengthening Communities Through Participation" was the program with the Girl Scouts represented by Mrs. Lee Stamps, Boy Scouts by Jay Nielsen, YMCA by Joe Wilcox, Frank Renz and Michael Renz of the Indian Guides.

The evening was concluded with the awarding of Honorary Life Memberships to Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Babcock, who have been active in the unit as well as Boy and Girl Scouts. They are both participating members of the Christian Church in Torrance and affiliated with Jobs Daughter Bethel 50.

Jack Knibb and Mrs. Jewel Lawrence won attendance banners with Hubert Brier maintaining his special award banner.

The next association meeting will be May 2.

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LOCAL PTA ACTIVITIES



TIME OUT FOR SINGING . . . these busy Carl Steele PTA mothers are bringing joy not only to their own association but to others as they join their voices in well-loved songs. This group, known as "The Steele Belles," are holding weekly practice sessions. Pictured around the piano with Mrs. J. Fuller, accompanist, are Mmes. E. S. Barockman, C. McCowan, R. Sparks, L. G. Read, J. A. Walters, V. Wilson, A. Hawkins, K. T. Munson, J. Evans, J. Bonowitz, J. Hubacek, L. F. Fischer, R. F. Appleyard, G. E. Huddleston, L. Kling, and Mrs. L. M. Griffith, director. Other mothersingers not present for the picture are Mmes. C. L. Rowden, L. A. Scheeley, V. Christensen and D. Coleman.

Elementary

Regular board meeting of the Torrance Elementary PTA was held Wednesday, March 13. Plans were discussed for a hot dog sale, spring tea, and a teachers' luncheon.

The following were nominated for office: Mrs. R. F. Thompson, president; Mrs. E. G. Ludwig, first vice president; D. Boone Kirks, second vice president; Mrs. C. Powell, third vice president; Mrs. H. T. Whittier, recording secretary; Mrs. S. A. Broos, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Lyn Sandell, treasurer; Mrs. L. Balford, historian, and Mrs. William Montgomery, auditor.

The association meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 20, at 7:30 p.m. in the school auditorium.

Dr. Warren Hamilton will speak on "What is a Good Health Program?"

Junior High

Members of the newly-organized Stephan M. White Junior High School PTA will elect officers at their meeting next Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. in the school library.

Mrs. M. Clair, 10th district PTA representative, will conduct the meeting, with Mrs. Lawrence Martin, district president, installing the new officers after the election. Names of charter members will be placed on the rolls at the meeting. This will be the last day for becoming charter members.

The school, at 220th and Figueroa Sts., was opened last month.

Martha Garrison, Lois Stanley and Bonnie Michued will sing. The ten finalists in the spelling bee will compete until there is one winner.

North High

North High PTA will meet Tuesday, March 19, at 8 p.m., at the auditorium.

The program, "Adventures in Understanding" will be presented by a symposium of American Field Service student, Christa Wolkmann of Austria, Carl Hoybe of Copenhagen and Jean Salomone, who spent the summer in Germany. Election of officers will be also held.

ROBIN STAXRUD

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Staxrud, 24517 Eshelman, Lomita are announcing the birth of a daughter on March 2 at the Centinella hospital. The baby has been named Robin Lynn. Mrs. Staxrud is the former Nancy La Duke of Torrance. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Staxrud of Torrance and Mrs. Mae La Duke of Lomita and William La Duke of Redondo.

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