

WALTERIA NEWS NOTES

Community Meeting Spotlights 2 Problems of Walteria Interest

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Hats off to the Walteria Kiwanis Club who spearheaded the formation of the new South Torrance Coordinating Council. The Kiwanis Club conceived the idea and then were joined in the project by the Walteria Business Men's Club who were co-sponsors.

The first meeting of this Coordinating Council proved to be a great success with many of the organizational presidents of the South Torrance area in attendance.

Among the complaints brought into the light were two of particular interest to Walterians.

One of these was the still existing problem of the drainage ditch which runs from Madison St. to Winlock Dr., under Newton St. and on its meandering way. This hazard to public health and safety has been the target of efforts for many years as parents became alarmed at the unsafe "play-ground" for inquisitive and adventure seeking youngsters.

Many times we have been told that the condition was on its way to a proper solution such as an enclosed sewer pipe, cement conduit, etc. Many times we have found that the action finally dwindled away until nothing was done about it.

For those who have been disappointed so many times in the past, it is hoped that the newly formed coordinating council may be able to get action at last where the smaller organizations have failed.

Another matter of local concern which was discussed at the meeting was the low water pressure found especially in the Pacific Hills and Weston Hills area.

In fact, almost all the area east of Hawthorne is subject to this annoying problem. When it becomes impossible to use more than one water outlet at a time on your property or in your home, then it stands to reason that something should be done.

Those present at the aforementioned gathering were informed that new water lines in planning stage replacing the old mains which have served too long and faithfully. Home-owners who have gone to the expense of putting in sprinkling systems in their yards only to find they can't use them because of the low pressure will be glad to hear it.

Brownie Troop 832 held an investiture at the Scout House in April with 16 girls being invested at the ceremony. This is an unusual troop since the girls were all brand new Brownies.

Their leader is Mrs. Arlo Beatty, while co-leader is Mrs. Don Hardy. Many proud parents were present to watch as the girls walked up to the make-believe pool and gave their Brownie Promise.

These new Brownies are Margaret Adams, Bellinda Beatty, Janet Beasley, Kathy Cairncross, Cathy Coffey, Virginia Collier, Linda Sue Hardy, Ethel Mary Magee, Linda Parrott, Marsha Partnow, Kathy Roberts, Renee Rowell, Barbara Tapp, Carol Vincent, Eileen Walls, Lynne Van der Meid.

On the program for the afternoon was an opening speech by Kathy Roberts, the Brownie Song, and then the Brownie Story by Mrs. Hardy. Each girl listed one thing a brownie can do to help at home, and then took the Brownie pledge. The troop then sang "You'll Know She's a Girl Scout" as the finishing touch. Everyone then joined in enjoying refreshments of cookies, baked by Mrs. Roberts, and pink lemonade. The affair was preserved for posterity by Mrs. Beatty who took movies of the event. This troop is sponsored by the Walteria Business Men's Club.

A wedding anniversary party in honor of Bobby and Dorothy Gazaley was greatly enjoyed last week by Mr. and Mrs. George Stark of Danaha St. The fifth anniversary celebration was held at the Plush Horse with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Allen, Mr. and Mrs. John Connor and Mr. and Mrs. William Brown also in attendance. The six couples are friends of long standing, having all been school mates at Narbonne High.

How not to enjoy a vacation was demonstrated by the W. A. Stephens of Newton St. when their trip during Easter vacation week turned into a vigil by the bedside of their daughter.

They arrived at the northern city in fine shape and looked forward to touring the town with zest, but Nancy took a slight tumble down two steps and suffered a concussion.

Although she is up and around again and with the elasticity of youth appears never to have had a sick day, the fact remains that the vacation hours were spent in a not very enjoyable manner.

Cub Scout Pack 240C is growing each and every month. The last pack meeting saw eight boys inducted into the organization.

The lucky boys included James H. Parks, Robert D. Johnson, Kenneth Streeter, Stephen Hertzog, Maurice De-

Mevers, Michael Hammel, Don Matthews, and Jack Mallia. This induction was made possible by Mrs. Richard Hammel who has accepted the responsibility of being mother to the new den which will be number 12.

Many deserving boys were awarded recognition for scout work they have done. These included Robert Fogg, Paul Robert Waegner, John Gregory, John Allred, Victor Phipps, Baxtor Omohundro, Mark Anderson, Gregory Mahin, Victor Chouinard, John

Foster, Billy Joe Pearson, Larry Balcolm, Tim Carlucci, Edward Elliot, Gary Lail, Robert LaPort, Robert Ryland, Ricky Kohler, Rodney Coleman, Sidney Vosper, Jimmy Davis, Douglas Anderson, Russell Courtney, Darrell Kircruff, Kenny Cramer, Randy Bauman, and Dicky Matsui.

Adults receiving recognition of their service were Mrs. Wilma Rose Allen, and Mrs. Peggy Randall, who received two year pins as den mothers.

All the boys are excitedly

looking forward to the "pinewood Derby" at the June Pack Meeting. The fathers and the boys will build their "racers" this month. The Walteria Business Men's Club are furnishing the cars and prizes this year.

Mrs. Don Menger of Crinklewood St. has spent two weeks in the Osteopathic Hospital in Long Beach, and will be there for an indefinite length of time. She would probably be glad to get some cheerful get well cards from her friends.

Mrs. Wilmot Labit of 242nd St. is a woman to whom we point with pride.

Mrs. Labit is an energetic member of our community who finds time to help her husband,

Dr. Labit, in his office on Hawthorne Blvd., serve as an officer with the Walteria Business Women's Club, hold the office of Secretary of Christian Social Relations with the Walteria Women's Society of Christian Service, and now has been named treasurer of the United Church Women, since the election held last Friday at the St. Mark's Presbyterian Church in Lomita.

Guests arriving this week at the J. B. Moseley home on Ward St. were Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Moseley and their son, Johnny, of El Paso, Tex. The Moseleys are parents of J. B. Moseley.

Proff of the many friends

she has made by being a good neighbor and nice person was given Mrs. Tom Fitzpatrick last Friday when they gathered round to give her a surprise birthday party.

The ladies met at the home of Mrs. Willie McFarland of Danaha St. and then waited for Sylvia's arrival to look at a "rash" on the young McFarland daughter. When she ar-

ived, of course, the rash was non-existent, but an angel-food birthday cake complete with candles, birthday cards and presents, along with the smiling faces of her friends were there instead.

Joining in the surprise were Mmes. George Stark, Ken Tucker, Ken Wyatt, Glen Ellis, John Monaghan, William Mitchell, and Vessie Dysart.

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