

TOUR ARBORETUM

North Torrance and Lomita Fuchsia Societies joined the Gardena branch yesterday in a trip to the Los Angeles State and County Arboretum. The group visited the greenhouse, orchid houses and the "Garden of Eden" atop Tallac Knoll. Lunch was held at Oakhurst Gardens. Elsa Stone of Torrance was chairman of the event.

CLASS PICTURES

MADE APRIL 30

Class pictures will be made at the Sepulveda School on Wednesday, April 30. This is a PTA ways and means project. Parents are asked to send money for pictures on Friday, May 2 or Monday, May 5. Charles Bennen, a PTA father, is donating his time to photograph the children.

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DISTRICT HONORS . . . With their trophies and ribbons Junior club members beam with pride over their achievements recognized at the District convention in Santa Barbara. From left, they are, Mrs. T. G. Hallasey, International Affairs chairman; Mrs. Allen Hofferber, and Mrs. Robert Kerber, Fine Arts chairmen; and Mrs. J. G. Louvier, press book chairman.



FIRST PLACE WINNERS . . . Mrs. William Sturgiss holds the first place trophy won in the district "Handicraft" competition at the Junior convention. With her are Mrs. John Schwartz, president of the Junior Woman's Club, and at the right, Mrs. Phillip Hoffman, Jr., chairman of the "American Home" division which also took a first place trophy in district competition.

McClung - Bennett Nuptials Recited at Baptist Church

First Baptist Church in Torrance was the scene when Anna Pitsenberger McClung and Clifford C. "Bill" Bennett recited nuptial vows, April 12 at 2:30 p.m.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Pitsenberger, 1071 W. 190th St.; parents of the benedict are Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Bennett, 110 W. 186th St.



MRS. CLIFFORD BENNETT
... Married Here
Putney Photo

Given in marriage by her brother, Veral T. Pitsenberger, the bride was radiant in a white Chantilly lace over ice pink satin gown. Ballerina length, the gown had a scalloped neckline and short sleeves. She wore a shoulder length illusion veil and carried a bouquet of white roses centered by a white orchid.

Matron of honor was Mrs. Russell S. Lee, who was gowned in ice pink silk over taffeta and carried pink roses. Miss Sandra Pitsenberger and Miss Reata Bennett completed the bridal attendant party both wearing pink chiffon over taffeta gowns.

James Bennett served as best man while Alfred Fanti and Donald F. Higley seated the 100 guests. Veral C. Pitsenberger was ring bearer.

Before the Rev. Morgan Gates concluded the ceremony, Mrs. Donald Higley, accompanied by Oscar F. Walton, organist, sang "Because," "I Love You Truly," and "The Lord's Prayer."

Mrs. Veral T. Pitsenberger registered guests at the reception held at the Bennetts' home.

Shower for Miss Rathbun

Pink and white umbrellas decorated the home of Miss Peggy Neely, 1621 Iris Ave., when she entertained at a bridal shower honoring Miss Sandra Rathbun, June bride-elect. A large pink umbrella was over the dining table which had as a centerpiece a pink and white cake.

Several appropriate games were played and the future bride opened her gifts. The hostess was assisted by her mother, Mrs. Ray Neely in serving refreshments in the pink and white colors.

Attending the party were Mmes. Cecil Davis, Tad Rathbun, Tom McCutcheon, Tony McGraw, and Jack Bocher.

Others were Misses Sally Rathbun, Sandra Mankins, Virginia Melgosa, Lynn Edgar, Frances Stone, Elaine Revell, Wanda Cook, Janice Kerns, Myra Pitts, Carol Sampson, and Joyce Gordon.

Sending gifts were Joyce Cannon, Emily Greer and Sandra Stumpf.

PARTIES GIVEN

The tropical atmosphere at the Polynesian in Walteria provided the exotic setting for numerous parties given at the restaurant by localities. Recent dinner celebrants included Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Wasson of Torrance, Mr. and Mrs. William Moulton of Torrance, Miss Barbara Campbell of Torrance and Mr. and Mrs. Leon T. Clarke.

B&PW Installs New 1958-59 Officers

Mrs. George Baker of Arcadia, 1958-59 president of the Sierra Mar District of the National Business and Professional Women came to Torrance last Monday to preside at the installation of new officers for the Torrance B&PW Club. Mrs. Baker used an impressive "Race Track" theme

for the installation placing different colored satin ribbons over the shoulders of each new officer.

Installed were Mrs. Ruth Schrum, president; Mrs. Maxine Hahn, first vice president; Mrs. Pearl Jacobs, second vice president; Mrs. Rose Craig, recording secretary; Mrs. Eveline Palmer, corresponding secretary; Miss Hilda Munroe, treasurer, and Mrs. Aleyeene Moore, auditor.

Special guests at the meeting were Mayor Albert Isen, and C. A. Schrum, father of

the new president, who is visiting here from Canada. A number of husbands of members and friends were also present for the installation as well as visiting members from other B&PW clubs including Mrs. Frances Scott, outgoing chairman of the Harbor Section; Mae Dixon, new chairman; Mrs. Grace Hanson, president of the Lomita B&PW; Mrs. Corrine Orr, vice president of the Lomita B&PW; Mrs. Eleanor Billings, Lomita B&PW; Mrs. Carole Hann, president of the Arcadia B&PW.

Prior to the dinner meeting at the Club Alondra, the outgoing officers were entertained at an open house at the home of Mrs. Betty Massie, outgoing president.



A DRAMATIC MOMENT . . . Mrs. Gertrude Baker, center, Sierra Mar B&PW district president, conducted the installation of new officers of the Torrance B&PW club last Monday evening at the Club Alondra. Pictured with Mrs. Baker are, left, Mrs. Betty Massie, outgoing president, and at the right, Mrs. Ruth Schrum, new president.

Anniversaries

Mr. and Mrs. Phillip L. Hoffman Jr., 1215 Fern Ave., will host members of their families in a double celebration today.

Paula, their daughter, will celebrate her fifth birthday, while Mrs. Hoffman's parents, the J. G. Arnolds of Torrance will honor their 35th wedding anniversary.

Attending the party will be the Hoffman youngsters, Phillip, Pammy and Dolly, and Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Hoffman Sr., also of Torrance.



JUDI REID
... Airline Hostess

Miss Reid to Assume Duties With Air Line

Graduating last week from United Air Lines Stewardess School, was Judi Reid, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Reid, of Hollywood Riviera.

Miss Reid attended Torrance High School where she was active in many organizations including Debs, Tri-Hi-Y, Tartar Ladies and Girls' League. A class officer for two years, she was also commissioner of publicity and commissioner of finance for the student body and in her senior year became Tartar Lady Queen and a life member of the California Scholarship Society.

The localite attended the University of California at Santa Barbara where she was a member of Delta Gamma Sorority, serving as president of Junior Panhellenic in her freshman year. During her sophomore year she was house manager of Delta Gamma and vice president of the sophomore class.

She has worked for the past three summers with the Torrance recreation department. Her father, William F. Reid, has been with United Air Lines for 22 years.

Family Party

A family birthday party was held last Saturday evening honoring Ralph Sprout at his home, 1327 Beech Ave.

Present with Mr. and Mrs. Sprout were Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Sprout, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Mallard, Mrs. Anna Baker, Misses Jeannie and Linda Sprout, and Miss Peggy Sprout, home from Whittier College.

Violet Show Slated May 1 In Long Beach

"Springtime With African Violets" is the theme of this year's annual African Violet Show to be staged by the Long Beach African Violet Society on Wednesday, April 30, and Thursday, May 1 at Norway Hall, 7th & Redondo Ave. in Long Beach.

Mrs. Golda Overberg, president of the Long Beach Society, announces that there will be many new varieties shown and urges other Southern California African Violet Chapters to enter club displays. Membership in an African Violet Society is not necessary to enter individual displays in the show. All displays must be entered on Tuesday, April 29, in order to compete—from 2 to 4 p.m. or from 6 to 8 p.m.

In addition to the National Purple and Gold Ribbons, the Southern California Council of African Violet Societies will award a rosette for the first time this year, for the best California origination. There will be trophies for Sweepstakes, Queen of the Show, Best Theme Arrangement, Most Outstanding Miniature introduced in California and the best seedling grown by a member of the Long Beach Society.

There will be an exhibit of tubular leafed plants perfected by the late Harvey Cox by crossing seedlings of two species. The leaves of these unusual plants are red on the outside and green on the inside.

Plants are judged for symmetry, floriferousness, condition, size of blooms and color. There will be no commercial displays in the show this year — only an "opportunity table" featuring supplies and planters used by African Violet growers.

TO ATTEND STATE PTA CONVENTION

Mrs. Wendall Morgan, Perry PTA newly-elected president, will be representing Perry Elementary School at the California State PTA convention. Mrs. Morgan will leave by train May 6 and will stay at the Stuart Hotel in San Francisco.

The convention will be in session from May 7 to 9.

CHOIR ON TOUR

Judith Latta, 1754 Fern Ave., is a member of the Wheaton College Chapel Choir which is taking its annual spring concert tour during the Easter vacation period of the Illinois college.

Miss Latta is a freshman student at Wheaton.

DINNER - DANCE

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Eipper, 2326 W. 246th St., Lomita, attended a dinner-dance last Saturday at the Lafayette Hotel in Long Beach.



OUTLINING THE SHOW . . . Mrs. Minot Rugg, president of the Torrance Terrace Garden Club; Miss Edith Simpelaar, of the Torrance Recreation Dept., and Mrs. Philip Clark, president of the North Torrance Fuchsia Society, look over the program for the Annual Flower, Art and Hobby Show to be staged May 16, 17 and 18 at Civic Auditorium.

Alpha Phis to Meet May 7

The South Bay Alumnae of Alpha Phi will meet Wednesday, May 7 at the home of Mrs. Richard Bowdye, 2357 Rockingham Rd., San Pedro. Co-hostess is Mrs. Howard Brubaker and the meeting begins at 7:45 p.m.

Mrs. Scott McDonald of Hollywood, who is director of Alpha Phi Alumnae of Southern California will be guest of honor. Officers for the coming year will be elected at this meeting.

Acting as a hostess at the South Bay Panhellenic Tea, today, will be delegate Mrs. Thomas E. White, of Manhattan Beach. Mrs. Richard Fyhrrie will be assisting with the serving.

9th Birthday

Marsha Schooley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert K. Schooley, 2760 Onrado Ave., celebrated her ninth birthday recently with an afternoon party which included the traditional cake, games and presents.

Guests were Joleen Wiseman, Cathy Hatter, Peggy Bayer, Linda Sprout, Wendy Cedarberg, Barbara Bryant, Karen Harding, Lynn Beahan, Laura Lynn Graves, and Mary Noon.

MRS. STONE BUYS FIRST NEW STAMP

A Torrance woman was one of the National Council members of the State Garden Clubs who was allowed to purchase the new gardening and horticulture postage stamp on the first day of sale.

Mrs. Elsa Stone obtained the commemorative stamp, the first of its kind, which marks the 100th anniversary of the American Horticulturalist Liberty Hyde Bailey.

HOUSEGUEST

Mrs. Fred D. Brady of Cleveland, Oklahoma, arrived by plane last Thursday for a two weeks visit with her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Clinkscale, 1451 El Prado. Monday the Clinkscales and their guest, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Dick Smith will make a trip to Tiajuana and Ensenada.

IN PALM SPRINGS

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Rippey are in Palm Springs spending the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Schultz at their summer home at Cathedral City.

Balkman Home Setting for Wedding Rite

In a ceremony at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Balkman, 17024 Crenshaw, at 8 o'clock on April 19, their daughter, Miss Adrienne Ruth Balkman, exchanged her wedding vows with Donald I. Schulman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Isadore Schulman, 1815 Santa Fe Ave.

Mr. Balkman gave his daughter in marriage. She wore a white chiffon gown over net. Her short veil was secured by a pearl crown and the bridal bouquet was of white carnations.

Miss Nancy Edwards, wearing an off-white chemise dress, was the maid of honor.

Morton Schulman stood as best man.

Rabbi J. Halevi officiated at the marriage and a reception followed.

The couple spent a honeymoon in Las Vegas.

The bride is a senior at North High and will be graduated in June. Her husband is a Torrance High School graduate and is serving in the Medical Corps of the United States Navy in San Diego.

After her graduation, the bride will go to San Diego to establish a home.

Flower, Art, Hobby Show Scheduled

Invitations and programs for the eleventh annual Hobby, Art and Flower Show, May 16, 17, and 18, at the Civic Auditorium, will be mailed in the near future.

The civic effort is sponsored by the Torrance Terrace Garden Club, the North Torrance Fuchsia Society and the Torrance recreation department this year.

Plans are being made for the three day event by Mrs. Minot Rugg, president of the Terrace Club; Mrs. Philip Clark, president of the Fuchsia Society; and Marilyn Jensen, representing the recreation department.

As in the past three years, there will be no registration fee nor admission charge. Rules for entrance in the show and classifications in the different sections will be announced soon.

Entertains PTA Board

Mrs. W. W. Jackson, president of the Torrance High School PTA, entertained her board members at a luncheon in the Torrance Park last Friday. Mrs. Jackson was assisted by her husband.

Attending were Mmes. Mabel Crossman, Grace Hinshaw, Esther Walker, Margaretha Clayton, Cleo Carter, Eloise Ricci, Lois Krauser, Helen Osterlind, Eleanor Campbell, Betty Hunter, Lucille Gomba, Maxine Brunner, Doris Routh, Doris Mathlin, Betty Smith, Genevieve Vanderpool, Charlotte Robison.

Others were Carl Ahee, Leonard Lifton, Marcus Caldwell and T. Johnston.

The new officers for the high school PTA will be installed in May.



MRS. DONALD SCHULMAN
... Recent Bride
Ruth Jacobs Photo