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**Woman's Club Takes Convention Honors**

Mrs. L. A. McCoy, junior past president of the Torrance Woman's Club, has been elected to serve as federation extension secretary of the Marina District 18, California Federation of Women's Clubs.

Along with the election of Mrs. McCoy, the Torrance club won a number of honors at the District convention April 28, 29 and 30 at the Miramar Hotel in Santa Monica.

In the Health and Public Welfare section, Torrance took first place. The Garden History Scrapbook, under the chairmanship of Mrs. J. W. Thuss, also won a first place.

With Mrs. John Melville as chairman, the Torrance group won second place in the Civic Award and honorable mention was given to Press and Publicity, chairmanned by Mrs. H. P. Heinlein.

Serving on the convention committee was Mrs. McCoy, credentials chairman; Mrs. R. E. Moffitt, credentials committee; Mrs. J. P. Bay, timer, and Mrs. Thuss, vice chairman of the election board.

Mrs. Herman Mitchell, who has served on the District Board as financial secretary for the past two years, was chairman of the president's reception held Monday night.

In addition to Mrs. McCoy, other new officers elected include:

Mrs. Grant W. Putnam, president, Inglewood; Mrs. O. S. Larabee, first vice president, Pacific Palisades; Mrs. Carl E. Bishop, second vice president, Mar Vista; Mrs. George E. Hutchins, recording secretary, Hermosa Beach; Mrs. George W. Chown, financial secretary, California Past President's Club; Mrs. Ervin W. Graf, Women's Clubs.



MRS. LEE A. MCCOY  
 ... In District Office

treasurer, Inglewood; Mrs. H. E. Moulthrop, auditor, Neptunian, of Manhattan Beach.

Appointed by the president to serve on the board as corresponding secretary was Mrs. A. Ben Ellery, Santa Monica. Parliamentarian will be Mrs. A. W. Day, Women's City Club of Venice.

Officers were installed at a luncheon meeting Wednesday, Mrs. Guy J. Nelson was installing officer. She is president of the California Federation of Women's Clubs.

**Aquarium Unit Enters Annual Hobby Show**

Doors to the civic auditorium will open at 6 p.m. on May 16 for the annual Flower, Art and Hobby Show.

For the fifth successive year, the Harbor Aquarium Society will present a "Show within a show" with its display of aquariums and tropical fish. The show is open to the public and there is no admission charge. The event is sponsored by the Recreation Department, the Torrance Terrace Garden Club and the Torrance Fuchsia Society. The doors will be open from 6 to 9 p.m. on Friday, May 16; from 12 noon until 9 p.m. on Saturday, May 17; and from 12 noon until 9 p.m. on Sunday, May 18.

In the past few years the Aquarium Show has attracted many spectators and each year the display has been larger and of a greater variety. At this time, there are over 20 aquariums listed for entry in the Aquarium Show, ranging in size from a 25 gallon tank to a small one gallon aquarium. The 20 gallon club tank will contain some very interesting tropical fish as well as lovely aquarium plants. Among the fish on display will be the Lyretail Panchax, Guppies, Bettas, Tetras, Platies, the highly colored Cardinal fish, and many others of the numerous varieties of colorful tropicals that are favorites of fish hobbyists.

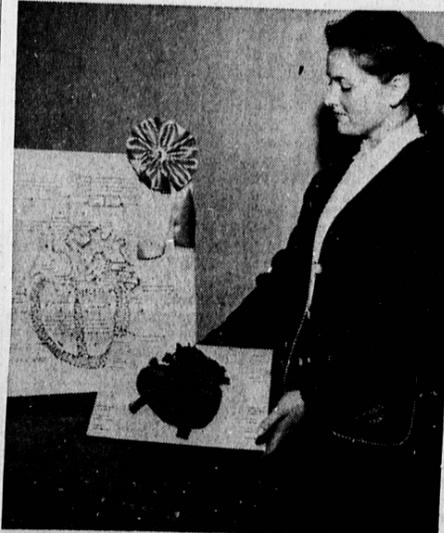
There will be a junior and senior division of the Aquarium Show and awards will be made in each division. During the show there will be club members present at all times to answer any questions about the fish or the hobby.

**6th Birthday**

Claudia Barrington, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Barrington, 2308 Torrance Blvd., celebrated her sixth birthday anniversary Sunday.

Young guests, gathered in the patio for the pink and green themed party complete with games and refreshments, were Cindy Tolson, Mary Lee Bolen, Doralee Slyth, Lynn Stoneberg, Mary Figueredo, Charlene Dickson, Sheila Blackshire, Susan and Sandy Petrarcia, Cheri Fowler and Jan Fowler.

Also present were the honoree's two sisters, Leslie and Stacy.



HEART WINS... Alicia Gatti, 4248 W. 178th St., Torrance, won second place in the Science Projects Fair held recently at Marymount Palos Verdes. The Marymount senior modeled the human heart out of clay pottery, identifying the various parts and explaining their functions. Her accompanying chart clearly summarized and explained the flow of blood through the four chambers of the heart, judges commented. First place was won by Christine Douglas of Rolling Hills whose exhibit featured the skeletal structure and digestive system of a fowl. Both girls are seniors at Marymount.

**'Headdress Fantasy' Ushers in Maytime**

The merry month of May will be ushered in with a delightful "Headdress Fantasy" staged by members of the Torrance Woman's Club next Wednesday at the clubhouse. "Nursery Rhymes" is the theme of this second annual event. The hat parade will be staged at 11 a.m. and luncheon will follow.

Mrs. Grover Van Deventer is serving as chairman of the program committee. She is being assisted by Meses. M. M. Schwab, N. S. Gregory, Parke Montague, Rufus Standstom, Don Hyde and John Stevens.

Mrs. Sid Gans is using the French pink and black in her table centerpieces. The French poodles and ceramic cats are dressed in fabulous hats and Mrs. Gans is being assisted by Mrs. John Warnock.

Mrs. E. L. Snodgrass is chairman of the luncheon committee. Her assistants are Meses. S. J. Dunhouse, Ralph McNeil, William Dekin, John Keefer, Charles Ward, R. A. Bingham and H. R. Richards.

The agenda for the hat party is being planned by Mrs. Don Wolf and Mrs. W. C. Boswell.

There will be four categories of entries, a—most beautiful; b—most original; c—zany or comical and d—theme. Contestants will be limited to Senior and Junior Club members. Their hats will be at least 75 per cent fresh flowers, foliage, vegetables, or fruit and must be modeled.

These spring creations will be made by contestants with no professional assistance.

Contestants are asked to title their hats and to register the category in which they are to be entered. There will be prize winner in each category and a sweepstakes winner.

Mrs. V. D. Benard and Mrs. John Tweedy are serving as chairmen and Mrs. Delbert Thomsen is taking reservations.



CARNIVAL FUN... Fun for all ages, the very young as well as the adults, has been planned for the YWCA carnival to be staged Friday, May 16, from 3 until 10 p.m. Mrs. William Speck and Mrs. Grover Van Deventer hold up the poster for this fund raising affair. All 14 Y-Teen clubs will participate.

**Councils Hold Installation Ceremonies**

Installation of new officers of three councils was held at Knights of Columbus Hall in Hawthorne, April 16. The three councils included: Marian Council of Westchester, Santa Monica Council of Santa Monica, and the local Ave Maria Council. Officiating in the ceremonies was District Deputy Mrs. Bernard Kavanaugh of Los Angeles.

The newly installed officers of Ave Maria Council include: Grand Lady, Mrs. William Blommer; Deputy Grand Lady, Mrs. George Dion; Chancellor, Mrs. John Bennett; Advocate, Mrs. Louis Westwood; First Sentinel, Mrs. Roy DeCuir; Inner Sentinel, Mrs. Gene Thompson; Outer Sentinel, Mrs. Charles Mommer; Treasurer, Mrs. Joseph Clary, and Recording Secretary, Mrs. Joseph Harrington. Mrs. Basil Milostan was elected three-year Trustee, and One-year Trustee is Mrs. Jerry Divin.

The first meeting of the new board of officers will be held at the home of Mrs. George Dion tomorrow night. The council's next business meeting will take place on Monday night, May 5.

**MONTANA TRIP**

Mrs. Leo Harlan returned last Tuesday from a six weeks visit in Chinook, Mont., where she was the guest of her two daughters, Mrs. Dorothy Wear and Mrs. Jo Ann Langford. Mrs. Harlan was accompanied home by her granddaughter, Ella Mae Langford, who will spend the summer here.

**YWCA Will Stage Giant Carnival**

Carnival fun for oldsters, youngsters, and in-betweens will be offered to all residents in the area when the Torrance YWCA, Plaza del Amo and Carson St. has its giant carnival on Friday, May 16, from 3 to 10 p.m.

There will be rides, booths, games of skill and many surprise events. A picnic supper will be served from 4:30 p.m. on. There will be a special Kid-land for small children.

All 14 Y-Teen clubs and the Committee on Administration of the local YWCA are working on the project.

Mrs. Gene Partsch is chairman for the event, assisted by Meses. T. Westfall, G. Van Deventer, W. Speck, T. Watson, M. Pagac, H. Tillim, F. Clutter, R. Sandstrom, J. Mosley, and Miss Pauline Greer.

Proceeds from the carnival will be applied to a building improvement fund and to help support the National and World YWCA.

**Birthday Party**

Mrs. James R. Wilkes was honored with a birthday party Wednesday evening when a group of friends gathered at the home of Mrs. Robert Robinson, 2208 Cabrillo Ave.

Dining at a restaurant and then returning to the Robinson home for dessert were Meses. Bess Myers, Alma Smith, Selma Keefer, Phyrne Laughon, Lollie Ahrens, L. B. Barkdull, Jack Snow and Robert Sleeth.



FRENCH PINK AND BLACK... A elegant French motif is being used in the decorating for the Woman's Club Headdress Fantasy next Wednesday at the club house. Working out a modernistic design for the programs in the French pink and black colors are from left, Mrs. M. M. Schwab, Mrs. Grover Van Deventer and Mrs. N. S. Gregory, who are serving on the program committee.

**Nincevic-Hoffman Rites Solemnized at Nativity**

At an 11 o'clock nuptial mass at Nativity Catholic Church on Saturday, April 19, Miss Jeanette Nincevic, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Simon Nincevic, 1328 Acacia Ave., exchanged wedding vows with John B. Hoffman Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. John Hoffman, 1308 Elm Ave.

As the 175 wedding guests assembled, Mrs. Neil McConologue at the organ, accompanied Frank Algarme who sang "Ave Maria," "On This Day," and "The Lord's Prayer." The bride came to the altar on the arm of her father. She wore a princess gown of white silk with a Chantilly lace bodice. It had a large bow at back interest and the skirt fell into a train. The fingertip veil was held by a tiara and the bride

carried white orchids. Mrs. Robert Lessman served as the matron of honor wearing blue nylon chiffon over china blue taffeta. She carried white iris. Miss Jean Minton, and Mrs. Jack Massie, in a deeper shade of blue nylon, were the bridesmaids. Their bouquets were white iris.

Miss Marilyn Nincevic was the junior bridesmaid. She also wore a blue gown.

George Hoffman was his brother's best man and ushers were David Bishop and Frank Faren.

Rev. Joseph McArdle, pastor, officiated at the marriage. A reception followed at the parish hall. Mrs. Richard Ban served the cake and Mrs. Joseph Glascock registered the guests.

The bride was graduated from Torrance High School and Harbor Junior College.

Her husband was also graduated from the local high school and served four years with the United States Air Force.

Both the bride and bridegroom are employed by the city of Torrance.

A honeymoon was spent in Las Vegas and the couple will live in Torrance.

Out-of-town guests were the bride's grandfather, George Botica, of Chicago, and Mr. Mrs. William Peterson and family of Hemet.



MRS. JOHN HOFFMAN  
 ... Recent Bride  
 (Portrait by Seeman)

**Guilds Stage Mother's Day Annual Tea**

Mother's Day will be heralded at St. Cross in Hermosa with a festive pink tea from 2 to 4 on Thursday, May 8, in the parish hall.

The pink and white theme will be reflected in roses and sea shells on the tea table and in children's faces as they parade, nosegays in hand, with their mothers. The informal baby fashion show will be followed by a musical program featuring a solo performance by Richard Steffan, talented 13-year-old Manhattan Beach pianist, and songs by the South Bay Women's Chorus.

Members of St. Elizabeth's Guild will be hostesses for the tea with Mrs. Ward Baker as general chairman, assisted by Mrs. Almond Cockerill. St. Agatha's Guild will sponsor booths of Mother's Day gifts and cards under the direction of Mrs. Preston Rogers, and the popular hat bar of St. Veronica's Guild will also be on view.

The tea is one of four annual fund-raising affairs presented by St. Cross, Woman's Auxiliary and is open to the public. Tickets may be obtained by calling Mrs. E. L. Young, Mrs. Rolland C. Pontious or Mrs. Mark McKie. All Guild leaders of the Auxiliary have tickets and some will also be available at the door. A nursery will be maintained for young children.

**May Fair Set**

Women's Auxiliary of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church is planning a May Fair to be held May 10 at the church, 12 noon to 5 p.m.

St. Elizabeth's Guild will serve old-fashioned strawberry shortcake. Aprons, linens, baked goods and other items will be provided by Guilds of the Auxiliary, according to Mrs. Robert Sleeth, chairman.

**EXPECTING GUESTS**

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Ballard, 2103 Lincoln Ave., are expecting Mr. Ballard's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Ballard Sr., and Mr. and Mrs. William Griffin of Brawley as week end guests.



NEW OFFICERS... Pilot Club of Torrance installed new officers at their dinner meeting April 24. They are front row, from left, Mrs. Johns Whittington, second vice president; Miss Mae Sleep, first vice president; Mrs. Clara Dougherty, president, and Mrs. C. B. Mitchell, treasurer. Back row, Mrs. James Krueger, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Mary Young, recording secretary; Mrs. J. K. Burchfield, director; Miss Elizabeth Holland, director, and Mrs. Gerald Cork, director and immediate past president. (Photo Arts)