

# Community Hospitality Extended to New Residents



**SALUTE TO NEWCOMERS . . .** This group of new residents, gathered around Mrs. Waldo Briggs, civic chairman for the Torrance Welcome Wagon Club, hold their cups in salute at the coffee given Thursday morning at El Retiro Park. The coffee was a regular "get-acquainted" affair conducted by the club. Club guests are from left, Mmes. David Porte, from Idaho, Larry Gresham, North Torrance and Philip Moseley, New Mexico.



**SEEK INFORMATION . . .** As prospective members arrived at Thursday's Welcome Wagon coffee they were given questionnaires on Torrance. Each guest then gets the answers from some club member. Here, Mrs. Earl Pecey, babysitting chairman, is besieged by, from left, Mmes. Jerry Underwood, Richard Donahugh and Leonard Freeman.



**PRESIDENTIAL WELCOME . . .** Mrs. LeRoy Herold, president of the Torrance Welcome Wagon club, serves coffee to a prospective member, Mrs. Eugene Horn, who is also a neighbor. Mrs. Horn teaches in the Palos Verdes school system.



**ON SERIOUS SIDE . . .** Along with their social events, the Welcome Wagon club members take time out for welfare work. Here, Mrs. LeRoy Herold, president, and Mrs. Jack Casey, a past treasurer, look at a check to present to local organizations. The Torrance YWCA, YMCA and the Retarded Children's Foundation are all club beneficiaries. The club also presents reference books to the public library in the name of sponsoring merchants, without whom the club would not exist.



**FUN AND EXERCISE . . .** Bowling is another diversion offered to members of this newcomer club. Here, Mrs. Virgil Burtz, bowling chairman, and Mrs. Esley Solberg, third vice president, are all set for an afternoon of bowling held every Tuesday at the Gable House at 1 p.m. Baby sitting is provided. Prizes are offered each week during the summer. The winter league will form in September with instructions for beginners.



**COUPLES CLUB . . .** Husbands keep the fourth Saturday night of each month open, to join their Welcome Wagon club member wives for a fun evening. This month's event will be a swim party at the South Bay Swim Club at 7:45 p.m. This preview of activities include from left, the Rich-

ard Carmolinis, Richard Irwins, and Mrs. Thomas Kirchner, chairman of the Couples' Club activities, which include square dancing, beach picnics, pizza and bowling, and other socials.

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Newcomers  
Invited To  
Join Club

Welcome Wagon Club, outgrowth of Welcome Wagon, Inc., an organization sponsored by local merchants to familiarize new residents with businesses, churches and schools, has assumed the duties of creating a social atmosphere for these newcomers.

For the past six years, this club has greeted new residents and has grown as Torrance has grown.

On the calendar of club activities are phases of recreation suitable to all ages. Needs for championship, hobbies, interests and social contact are supplied.

Monthly luncheons are held every second Thursday at the Redondo Beach Elks Club at 12:30. Speakers of varied interests are supplied. For the August meeting, a representative from the Torrance Juvenile Dept. will speak on juvenile programs in the area. Babysitting and transportation are supplied.

Any newcomer in the area wishing to "get-acquainted," and to participate in social and civic affairs is invited to call Mrs. Jess Browning.



**TRIPS FOR FUN . . .** On the third Tuesday of each month, club members make a trip to some interesting place where they have lunch and sightsee. This group from left, Mmes. Vern McKay, driver, Jess Brown, right front, Howard Garrison and Harold Korell plan their trip to the Laguna Art Festival on July 27. The group leaves at 9 a.m. and takes the entire day for their jaunt.



**PRACTICE SESSION . . .** Studying their cards in preparation for the Welcome Wagon's regular bridge session, held every third Wednesday evening at 8 p.m. at the Torrance YWCA are from left, Mmes. Joseph Shaffer, Jack Corson, Stanley Rappaport and Donald Fraleigh. A day group is also being formed for those interested in afternoon bridge.

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