

# Six Finalists Chosen To Go Abroad

Six Torrance students are anxiously watching each day's mail for news of their placement for the summer in homes in foreign lands. The local American Field Service Chapter has announced the selection and approval by AFS headquarters in New York of four teenagers from area high schools to spend their summers in other lands and two for the winter program.

The Americans Abroad program strives to promote international friendship and mutual understanding through these teenagers who will live with host families.

The AFS program includes eight to 10 weeks in foreign lands during the summer and a full school year during the winter in a host country.

The four finalists for the summer program are Maureen Langan, West High, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. Mahin, 5103 Ruby St.; Karen McKim, Torrance High, daughter of the W. K. McKims, 23001 Juniper Ave.; Linda Congleton, South High, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David B. Congleton, 5618 Via del Collado; Diane Johnston, North High, whose parents are the Thomas Johnstons, 17020 Purche Ave.

Two students notified that they are finalists for the winter program are Karen Champlin, West High, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Champlin, 21201 Anza Ave.; and John Eckhart, South High, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Eckhart, 5315 Linda Dr.

These young people have been screened and approved by the local and New York AFS to serve as representatives of America. They have been chosen on qualities of leadership, scholarship, personality and friendliness. Final placement now depends on the availability of host homes in foreign countries.



If  
Wishes  
Come True

If the postman brings that much awaited letter bearing the names of their foster families in foreign lands, these six Torrance teenagers will be off on missions of understanding and friendship. Under the American Field Service program, four will spend the summer abroad and two will attend school in a faraway place next winter. Wishing, are from top, left, Karen McKim, Karen Champlin, John Eckhart, Maureen Langan, Linda Congleton and Diane Johnston. (Press-Herald Photo)

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## Named 'Citizen of the Year'

Mrs. Perry Baker received the "Citizen of the Year" award from the Torrance Education Association at its Installation Dinner, May 23.

Mrs. Baker was selected for the honor because of her continued work for quality education, stated Mrs. Mary Barrett, president of the Torrance Education Association, who cited her work in defeating Proposition 9 last fall.

The recipient's other educational activities included 10 year membership in the Educational Coordinating Council; 15 years with Evelyn Carr and North High PTAs; two years as president of the Torrance Council PTA, which she now serves as legislative chair-

man. Mrs. Baker also holds a state honorary life membership in the PTA.

The award winner serves on the School Improvement Bond Committee, attends all Board of Education meetings, and is on the Educational sub-committee on the City Goals Committee. She is also active in the League of Women Voters, North Torrance Little League Auxiliary, works with Cub Scouts, and is a member of the Torrance Hospital Auxiliary.

The Bakers have lived in Torrance for 15 years. Mr. Baker is employed by Garrett Co. They have two sons, Ronald and Richard, who attended Torrance schools.



MRS. PERRY BAKER

## Bay Harbor Hospital

### Guild Installation

Bay Harbor Hospital Guild installed its new officers at a banquet Saturday evening, May 24 at the San Pedro Elks Lodge. Charles Crawford conducted the installation.

Assuming the presidency of the Guild for the second term was Mrs. Thomas Yoshida, wife of Dr. Thomas Yoshida of San Pedro. Born in Wilmington, the new president has lived most of her life in the harbor area. She has been a member of the Bay Harbor Guild for five years and also served as the president of the 10th Naval District Navy Wives Association for two years.

Mrs. Etta Rados, the Guild's first president in 1937, three years before the hospital opened in 1960, is serving as first vice president.

Other officers installed were Mmes. Ruth Pilgreen, treasurer; Glenn Dale, recording secretary; Richard O'Brien, corresponding secretary. Committee chairmen named

to serve for the coming year are Mmes. Steven Meier, maternity tea; Ruth Pilgreen, sewing; Ted Springfield, gift shop; Charles Crawford, ways and means; John Street, volunteers; Glenn Wymore, vending machines; William Johnson, hospitality.

Others are Mmes. E. J. Benson, historian; M. J. Shepard, Candy Strippers; E. J. Benson, hours; Noral Evans, arts and crafts; Jerry Lorge, parliamentarian; Van Lismann, equipment.

Frank Kredel, administrator of the Bay Harbor Hospital, presented service pins and awards. Mrs. E. J. Benson presented a book of the year's achievements. Mrs. Steven Meier was in charge of decorations for the banquet and Mrs. Charles Crawford handled reservations.

Growth of the Guild and its activities, keeping pace with the hospital expansion from 50 to a 250 bed facility, were related by Mrs. Yoshida.



At  
The  
Wheel

Directing activities of the Bay Harbor Hospital Guild for 1969-70 will be these new officers installed at a banquet May 24. They are, from left, Mmes. Etta Rados, vice president; Ruth Pilgreen, treasurer; Thomas Yoshida, president; Ruth O'Brien, corresponding secretary; and Glenn Dale, recording secretary. (Crawford Photo)

## Las Vecinas Woman's Club

### Completes Year Tomorrow

Las Vecinas Woman's Club will install its new officers at a luncheon tomorrow at the Indian Village restaurant concluding a successful year of philanthropic activities, under the presidency of Mrs. M. Wallace Peterson.

A social hour will begin at 11 a.m. followed by a luncheon at 12 noon.

Beginning the afternoon's program will be the presentation of service charms to Mrs. Peterson and the members of her board.

Mrs. Robert P. Pinkney will conduct the installation ceremony for the new officers. They are Mmes. Ray B. Anderson, president; Richard Cass, first vice-president; F. E. Brannon, second vice-president; L. M. Lane, recording secretary; Robert E. Brennan, corresponding secretary; Ray Holman, treasurer.

Also, Mmes. M. Wallace Peterson, junior past president; Paul Roettger, membership; Don D. Malone, parliamentarian; James Stogdon, philanthropy; Jack Reed,

ways and means; and Walter J. Fleming, Jr., publicity.

Mrs. Robert Martin, membership chairman, will welcome provisionals, who have completed their year's requirements, into full membership. They are Mmes. Frederick Bromm, L. S. Chappell, Wayne Dodds, Charles Meng, Lorraine Riegelman, Gerald Sherman, Clarence Turner, Richard Davis, George Kelsey, Robert Underwood, Richard White, Ralph Wood, Dan Rasdal, John Schmidt, Robert Hollack; and Miss Bernice Scott.

Mrs. Charles John and Mrs. Charles Meng will introduce the daughters of Las Vecinas members, who in the past few months have formed a junior group to Las Vecinas, and will be known as Las Vecinitas. They will be given charter member charms.

After the ceremonies, Richard E. Junkins, the golfing gourmet, will give a demonstration and talk on gourmet cooking.



MRS. RAY B. ANDERSON  
... Las Vecinas President



Ready to  
Assume  
Leadership

Ready for Saturday evening's festivities when new officers for the Jaycees and Jaycettes will be installed at a formal dinner dance at the Plush Horse are these new leaders of the Jaycettes, from left, Mmes. Earl Nelson, first vice president; Philip Sheaffer, president; Charles Dishon, second vice president; and Jim Altman, corresponding secretary. Two officers, not pictured, are Mmes. Jim Burger, treasurer, and Don Woodward, corresponding secretary. (Press-Herald Photo)

## Torrance Jaycees, Jaycettes

### Slate Joint Installation

A formal dinner dance Saturday evening at 7 p.m. at the Plush Horse will be highlighted by the joint installation of officers for the Torrance Jaycees and Jaycettes.

Honoring the incoming and outgoing boards of the two organizations, a pre-dance cocktail party at 6 p.m. will be held at the home of Jaycee President and Mrs. Leon Taylor.

Mrs. James Hussey will install the new Jaycette officers, Mmes. Philip Sheaffer, president; Earl Nelson, first vice-president; Chuck Dishon, second vice-president; Don Woodward, recording secretary; Jim Altman, corresponding secretary; and Jim Burger, treasurer.

Newly-appointed chairmen are Mmes. Tom Connelly, coordinator of hostesses; Ron

Tolle, socials; Carl La Marca, yearbook; John Brubaker, programs; Art McWilliams, decorations; John Lockner, Education Council; Dick Smart, hospitality; Chuck Battelle, publicity; Bob Hiday, prizes; John Dunbar, historian-parliamentarian.

Mrs. Mike Zappitelli, retiring president, will be presented with a gift of appreciation.

Invited guests and their wives are Mayor and Mrs. Albert Isen; Messrs. and Mmes. Jay Beasley, Orin Johnson, Ross Sciarrotta, William Uerkwitz, Kenneth Miller and Don Wilson, city councilmen; Ed Ferraro, city manager; Rob Reifschneider, past president of California Jaycees; Terry McGovern, District 12 governor; and Miss Torrance, Susan Hawks and her family.