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List Red Cross Workers For 'Light Up' Friday Night

Highland Park has mobilized for mercy. Close to 300 volunteer workers, most of them women, are on the move for the Red Cross War Fund Drive in Highland Park. Almost three times as much money is expected to be raised this year as compared to a year ago.

REMEMBER to turn on your porch or entrance light Friday evening of this week and WELCOME your volunteer Red Cross worker.

Your generous contribution is needed and will be appreciated.

Thank you.

A rally of the Captains and Workers held at the Community Center on Tuesday afternoon of this week, Mrs. Lackner announced that \$11,500.00 had been collected so far by the Women's Special Gift Committee with many prospects still to be heard from. It was pointed out by Mr. Menke that the average contribution per family in Highland Park would have to be about \$13.00 in order to reach the quota.

The following is a list of the captains and workers. Mrs. H. L. Kennicott is in charge of Districts 1 to 5, inclusive; Mrs. W. A. Mann is in charge of Districts 6 to 10, inclusive and Mrs. E. B. Elmore is in charge of Districts 11 to 15, inclusive.

Mrs. John M. Mannings, captain; Mrs. Ernest Reed, 198 Edgely dr.; Mrs. H. R. Pumper, 210 Maple ave.; Mrs. Arthur Swanson, 575 Orchard ln.; Mrs. John A. Bigler, 400 N. Sheridan rd.; Mrs. E. T. Moseley, 710 N. St. Johns ave.; Mrs. Paul Downing, 525 Waukegan ave.; Miss Edna G. Vercoe, 1014 Clinton ct.; Mrs. Melville Keim, 510 Maple ln.; Mrs. L. M. Stein, Wood Ridge ln.; Mrs. J. Moore, 224 Walker ave.; Mrs. H. F. Anasch, 327 Bloom st.; Mrs. L. A. Weinberg, 1019 Fort Sheridan ave.

Highland Park Legion Will Entertain Tenth District

Arthur Fuller, Tenth district commander of Waukegan has announced that L. R. Benston, department service officer from Chicago, will be the guest speaker at the Tenth district meeting at Highland Park on Friday evening, Mar. 19. Noel White, Tenth district service officer of Fox Lake has urged all service officers in the district to attend this meeting, which will be of special interest to the service officers.

The American Legion in Illinois has operated the largest service department in any state in the union for many years. The national service trophy, symbolic of the best in service work rendered by any state, has been awarded to Illinois for the seventh time in the last eleven years.

Since 1921, the American Legion in Illinois has spent a total of \$725,000.00 on the service department for the purpose of rendering gratuitous service to disabled veterans and their dependents. During that period more than eight million dollars has been returned in the form of back awards, compensation, pension, bonus and insurance to living veterans and death benefits to the dependents in the cases of deceased veterans.

Mr. Benston, in a recent release, said, "I am very proud of the action taken by the national convention of the American Legion at Milwaukee in 1941, when they offered the aid and assistance of the entire organization of the American Legion to the new soldiers and to their dependents. This was a generous gesture on the part of the American Legion and was made even prior to Pearl Harbor. The actual declaration of war on December 7 merely intensified and enlarged the obligation that we now owe to the new soldiers.

"It may not be generally known, but more than five thousand disabled men have already been discharged with physical or mental disabilities.

"It is the duty of every Legionnaire to assist these boys in securing what benefits may now be due them and of which they knew very little. It is regretted that many men leaving the service know very little about their rights under various federal laws, especially the privilege of continuing the insurance they took up while in service. This is an opportunity that all of them should take advantage of."

The service department is maintained by the American Legion largely through the annual sale of poppies throughout the state of Illinois. The next bingo party to be given by Dumaresq Spencer post will be on Saturday, April 3, at 21 N. Sheridan road. Miller W. Schreiner has arranged for a large list of prizes to be awarded.

Commander William J. Acker reports that the post now has nineteen members in the service of their country. The post has made a substantial contribution to the American Red Cross and will buy another thousand dollars worth of war bonds this year.

Lions Club To Hear Bert S. Leech At Regular Meeting

Bert S. Leech, science instructor at the Elm Place school, will speak today (Thursday) at the Lions club meeting at the Open House tearoom at 12:15 o'clock. Mr. Leech is second vice president of the Men's Garden club of Highland Park. He will speak on "Lost Victory Garden for 1943."

It has been announced that enough money was raised at the dance given last week by the Lions to erect the home roll sign.

Civilian Defense Organize Committee To Aid Consumers

A committee for the education and information of consumers has been formed under the auspices of the Highland Park Office of Civilian Defense, with Mrs. I. S. Riggs as chairman.

When civilian defense was first organized at the beginning of the war, all of its energy went toward the protective end of civilian needs; air raid protection, special police organization, etc.

Then when rationing started, Mayor Edward Kelly, who heads the O.C.D. in the Chicago metropolitan area in which Highland Park is included, created a consumer division and asked that consumer centers be opened.

Mrs. Rieser and Mrs. Supple were sent from here to inspect those already established. They found them in so little use that it was not felt necessary to open one in Highland Park.

However, with the further extension of rationing, the need has been felt for a local organization which will help the consumer to understand and cooperate with the rationing system.

This was Mayor Frank J. Ronan's reason for asking representatives from each woman's organization in Highland Park to meet together and form a consumer information and education committee.

Twenty groups were represented at the first meeting held in Mayor Ronan's office and conducted by Mrs. David Levinson as temporary chairman. Now a permanent executive committee has been formed with Mrs. Riggs as chairman; Mrs. Robert Spahr, vice chairman; Mrs. John Colander, secretary, and Mrs. Peter McHugh as publicity representative. The organization of sub-committees is underway.

Ship Fifth Carload of Salvaged Tin Cans

Now that the fifth carload of salvaged tin cans has been shipped from Highland Park, in looking over the amounts turned in by the various participating communities, it is interesting to note the figures from Fort Sheridan.

The records of Capt. Albert J. Specht, salvage officer, QMC, are as follows: November, 10,100; December, 6,400; January, 8,000; February, 9,000. This makes a total of 33,500 pounds of salvaged tin cans.

In exchange for the use of Highland Park's facilities for storage and shipping, Fort Sheridan waives its portion of the revenue from the sale of the tin.

Now is the time to begin saving cartons, wrapping and corrugated paper, as well as magazines, for pick-up during the week of April 19-24. There is no call for newspapers at present, so there is no need to save them until the committee receives a directive to do so.

Park Board Explains Function And Limitations

Due to a certain element of confusion and misunderstanding on the part of various interested groups in Highland Park the commissioners are pleased to answer briefly the questions that have been brought up.

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In the first place, all park districts operate under the laws of the State of Illinois which govern specifically all matters under their jurisdiction. All records of budgets, appropriations, income and outgo are public property available to any person or persons residing in the district at all reasonable and proper times. Annual audits are made showing the disposition of all Park District funds and a copy of this audit is on file and available at the Park Board office for inspection by the public. There is definite confusion regarding the budget. Our tax rate to cover operating expenses remained the same last year but the taxes levied to pay outstanding bonds were reduced over \$12,000. This was due to the fact that less money was needed to pay off maturing bonds and the tax monies received for bond principal and interest cannot be used for any other purpose.

The audit for the fiscal year ending May 31, 1942 showed that of the monies received and collected for operating expenses, \$19,375.10 was from general taxes, including both current and back taxes, and \$14,856.84 was from fees and charges that are permitted by law. These two items made a total of \$34,231.94 against which and for the same period, there was expended the sum of \$35,869.35. In this last figure there was included \$1,624.58 for capital improvements in our parks and \$611.13 for park equipment. The revenue from all activities has been cut because of the entrance of young people into the armed services and war work. The total of \$34,231.94 was used for the maintenance of grounds and operation of recreational facilities in our parks, which today consist of approximately 250 acres of Park district owned property and an additional approximate 60 acres which are controlled and looked after by the district.

When the statement was made that \$1,000 was allocated to recreation this referred to actual summer operating expenses at the playgrounds only. It does not take into account the necessary maintenance of grounds nor the upkeep of the facilities used for recreational purposes. Actually the greater percentage of the funds received by the Park district should be classed as recreational funds. Recreation means much more than personnel involved in directing play groups, giving swimming lessons and the obvious and apparent program leadership. The supervised playgrounds are not the only recreational

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Highland Park Sets Record In War Bond Sales

Mobile Unit Asks Vital Contributions For Blood Plasma

The Red Cross mobile blood donor unit will make a return visit to Highland Park Saturday, Mar. 27, Tuesday, Mar. 30, and Wednesday, Mar. 31, it has been announced by Mrs. Herbert R. Smith, 614 S. Linden avenue, Red Cross blood donor chairman in Highland Park.

Two hundred prospective donors must be signed up for each day of the visit of the unit, which will be set up at the Highland Park Woman's club. Appointments may be made by telephoning H.P. 480.

The unit was last in Highland Park in November when 363 pints of blood were collected in four days. With the quota for the Chicago chapter now raised to 5,000 pints of blood per week, Mrs. Smith said, it is vital that the mobile unit operate at its capacity each day.

Appointments should be made as soon as possible. Each prospective donor will then be sent a confirmation of his appointment and a few directions concerning his diet on the day he plans to give blood.

Upon arrival at the mobile unit, the donor is asked a series of questions and given a simple examination, including pulse and temperature readings, a hemoglobin test and a check of blood pressure, and the physician on duty determines whether he is healthy enough to give blood. The donor then gives a pint of blood under the direction of the physician with a registered nurse assisting.

Each day the blood donated by volunteers is shipped to a laboratory and processed into liquid plasma, the portion of the blood from which the corpuscles have been removed. The plasma is then dried and sent overseas with troops or retained here in army and navy hospitals. When a wounded soldier or sailor needs a transfusion, the plasma is mixed with sterile water and injected.

Blood plasma has been so successful in the treatment of wounds in the South Pacific and in Africa that the army and navy have asked the American Red Cross to procure 4,000,000 pints of blood in 1943, three times more than last year's request.

Highland Park Air Raid Wardens Enroll 'V' Homes

In a drive yet to be completed, the air raid wardens of Highland Park have enrolled more than 1500 "V" homes in the United States Civilian Defense corps and the annual \$1 family dues will be applied to the immediate purchase of further civilian defense equipment and defraying expenses, according to Mayor Frank J. Ronan.

Donald Trumbull, coordinator, states that in addition to the thirteen air raid sirens installed at an approximate cost of \$1,000.00, the proceeds will enable the city to purchase canvas coats and helmets for 35 auxiliary firemen at a cost of \$612.50; belts, badges and helmets for 50 auxiliary police at a cost of \$277.50; emergency medical supplies to cost \$200.00 and approximately \$680.00 in equipment for the demolition, decontamination and road repair crews. When enrollments are completed it is planned to secure approximately \$800.00 in further equipment and supplies to cover what is estimated will cover Highland Park's minimum needs with which to function in the event of an emergency.

In a letter to Harry B. Aiston, chief air raid warden, Mayor Ronan expressed the official thanks of the City of Highland Park for the successful results secured by the wardens and stated that the enrollment not only united homes in the five main objectives defined by the government, but has helped enable the city to defray the cost of Civilian Defense without the need of new taxes, having to curtail some city department or go into debt in order to meet the added expense.

More than 1000 persons are in the Highland Park Civilian Defense corps. Approximately 800 of these are in protective services and many can only operate with equipment. All are volunteers and operate under the professional direction of the police, fire or city departments. There are no salaries and only the minimum necessary expenses of operation are expended.

February was Highland Park's largest month in war bond (Series E) sales since Pearl Harbor. The quota was \$130,000 and sales totaled over \$150,057.26, an increase over the quota of more than 15%.

In commenting on this outstanding achievement, George H. Hartman, chairman of the Highland Park committee, stated to Niels Clausen, chairman of Section D of Lake County, that "more than 400 Highland Park men and women are now actively engaged in the sales of war bonds and stamps."

Mrs. Paul R. Smith has organized almost 300 women to sell bonds and stamps in the store booths. Mrs. Smith has asked to be relieved of this daily responsibility effective Mar. 10. She has held the position since last November.

Mrs. Louis V. Francouer took over the position and soon afterward became ill and is now in the hospital. She has asked that, for the time being, all workers communicate with the following: A & P booth, Mrs. Walter E. Durbahn, H. P. 2634; Sears and Woolworth, Mrs. George H. Hartman, H. P. 3932.

Head of the local business organization is Joseph B. Garnett, and Harold Finch is in charge of organizing schools. A. E. Patton heads a new division to increase war bond sales at special functions, parties, etc. Mrs. Bowen Stair is in charge of the Girl Scouts and Miss Lois Zaeske is president of the high school girls Victory corps.

The quota for March in Highland Park is \$96,000.

Stamps and bonds are sold in booths located in Woolworth's, Sears, Atlantic and Pacific Tea company, Garnett's, Gell's and in the First National Bank.

Mar 1 to 9

Following is a list of the Highland Park women who signed in three booths from Mar. 1 to Mar. 19:

Mrs. John Armstrong, Mrs. Dale Bryant, Mrs. A. B. Irwin, Mrs. C. Baughman, Mrs. H. A. Alexander, Mrs. R. W. Bartleman, Mrs. George L. Martin, Priscilla Carver, Mrs. Irving Meyerhoff, Mrs. Robert Pease, Mrs. E. B. Sherwin, Mrs. J. E. Allen, Mrs. J. M. Manning, Mrs. Ralph Bard Jr., Mrs. G. E. Abernathy, Mrs. A. E. Chester, Mrs. R. S. Brand, Mrs. John Marrietta, Mrs. Hexter, Mrs. W. W. Huller, Mrs. E. M. Hadley, Mrs. N. Harvey, Mrs. Ellwood Hansman, Mrs. C. Fritsch, Mrs. G. K. Hardacre, Mrs. John Fay, Mrs. H. C. Eitner and Mrs. G. N. Nelson.

Mar. 6 to 13

Mrs. John Clark, Mrs. John Inness, Mrs. H. Sellery, Mrs. Louis Sterling, Mrs. C. W. Calkins, Mrs. G. R. Parkers, Mrs. Tom Clark, Mrs. Edgar Carter, Mrs. George H. Hartman.

Mrs. John Marrietta, Mrs. John Newey, Mrs. Harold Silverman, Mrs. Bernard E. Newman, Mrs. A. Schramm, Mrs. Herbert Kerber, Mrs. C. G. Schlegler, Mrs. R. R. Wible, Mrs. E. M. Sincere, Mrs. B. Nichville, Mrs. J. A. Nelson, Mrs. R. O. Nereim, Mrs. C. Mann, Mrs. Leo Hirschfield, Mrs. Howard Murphy, Mrs. F. V. Nelson, Mrs. F. Nosek, Mrs. E. Knox and Mrs. Fruedenthal.

Mar. 15 to 19

Mrs. W. L. Brown, Mrs. G. B. Hart, Mrs. R. Lang, Mrs. W. B. Pierce, Mrs. Dyer Mrs. J. C. Ewell, Mrs. Dwight Davis, Mrs. J. Strauss.

Mrs. S. Livingston, Mrs. J. Morrissey, Mrs. S. W. Mandel, Mrs. H. L. Nehrbass, Mrs. G. Postels, Mrs. Sewell Triaux, Mrs. J. W. Smart, Mrs. D. V. Pinkerton, Mrs. George H. Hartman, Mrs. J. T. Alford.

Mrs. John Marrietta, Mrs. Father, Mrs. M. J. Mitchell, Mrs. John V. Crompton, Mrs. H. Richman, Mrs. C. Fenrod, Mrs. Albert Campbell, Mrs. Bert Greene and Mrs. P. E. McCaffrey.

Park Board Election Scheduled for Tuesday, Apr. 6

Commissioners of the Park Board will be elected on Tuesday, April 6, the same day as the Township election is being held. Voting precincts are as follows:

Precinct 1—39 S. St. Johns avenue. Precinct 2—Ravina fire station. Precinct 3—Lincoln school. Precinct 4—Community center. Precinct 5—403 Eastwood avenue. Running for office are Arthur W. Olson, for reelection, George A. Piper, who was appointed to fill the unexpired term of Milton Hardacre two years ago, and J. Sigurd Johnson. All are elected for a six year period and the commissioners select their own president.

League Of Women Voters Studies State Adoption Laws

The Illinois adoption law and the need for strengthening it has been the subject of intensive study by local Leagues of Women Voters throughout the state for several years, including the Highland Park League's department of social welfare.

At long last Senate Bill 39, recently introduced by Senator A. L. Marovitz, provides changes in adoption procedure in Illinois, and the board of directors of the Illinois League has voted endorsement of the bill.

Explain Support

In explaining the League's support, Mrs. T. H. Ludlow, state chairman of the department of government and social welfare, stated that the bill contains three principles which the League considers essential to good adoption procedure, all of which are lacking from the 1874 Illinois law.

"1. It requires the judge to ask for an investigation of the child and the adopting parents, and places the responsibility for the investigation in the state Department of Public Welfare.

"2. The child must reside in the home of the petitioners at least six months after the filing of the petition.

"3. The records must be kept confidential."

BIRTHS AT THE HIGHLAND PARK HOSPITAL

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Nelson, 7249 Waukegan road, Niles, girl, Mar. 9. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Secrest, 1806 Broadview avenue, boy, Mar. 10.

Major and Mrs. John McCarthy, 1026 N. Green Bay road, girl, Mar. 12. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wells, 925 Wilson avenue, Chicago, boy, Mar. 13.

Mrs. Wells is the former Agnes Krueger.

WARNING TO MOTORISTS

The local war price and rationing board wishes to advise all holders of A, B or C gasoline books to display the stickers of the highest book that they hold on the windshield of their car.

Lenten Meditation

By REV. LESTER H. LAUBENSTEIN
The season of Lent calls us to serious contemplation. It is in this special time that we should ponder upon the sacrifice and the suffering of our Lord Jesus.

It is true that Jesus, suffered during his last week upon earth, and even more intensely on the day of His Crucifixion. His suffering, however, was not limited to these days.

The Gospel stories reveal that Jesus experienced heartaches at frequent intervals during His public ministry. There were many incidents which grieved Him. Unsympathetic critics and designing opponents were always in evidence.

Years later Peter, who had grieved Jesus and momentarily denied Him, wrote: "For even hereunto were ye called; because Christ suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow His steps." (1 Peter 2:21) Manifestly Peter caught this spirit of discipline which characterized Jesus' life, and cautioned his readers to be willing to suffer in like manner for just causes.

Jesus' discipline was not limited to any one season of His life. His deep, God-motivated principles for living brought on frequent personal hardships. Even so, He found great joy because He was in the path of His Father's will. There are many sincere Christian people who do not approve of observing Lent. Their reason is primarily the fact that the suffering of Jesus was not limited to any one period of His life. Neither should that of the Christian today be limited. There is value in this opinion.

On the other hand, the Lenten season has spiritual value for us if it serves to remind us more forcefully of the rugged quality of Jesus' living. Because He lived so richly, He suffered. As disciples, we must also live consistent lives at all times if we are to "follow His steps."

Our world is in trouble now because we have not been concerned about the sufferings of other people. In war time most people are minded toward making sacrifices. This is commendable. It would be infinitely preferable if people would be willing to make similar sacrifices in so called "peace times." The denials which we make for good causes and other people's needs are too seasonal; just war time periods. Even as Christ was willing to sacrifice during His entire life so we need to learn that we must make sacrifices at all times to make the Christian spirit operative in our human relationships. When the people of all nations which have great advantages learn to share their fortune with the less fortunate, then the spirit of suffering and sacrifice will be better distributed. Such adjustments must be made if ever global wars are to be eliminated.

The burden of this brief message is this: let us continue the spirit of self-denial of the Lenten season as we apply the principles and spirit of Jesus to all situations of life, and let us carry over the spirit of self-denial from war time to peace time as we seek to achieve certain goals of Christian brotherhood. For Christian people this is practical. Christ achieved because He lived a disciplined life. Our lives, too, will be disciplined if we appropriate the life of God as exemplified by Jesus in His sympathetic helplessness to human need; thus we will have the stamina to "follow His steps."