Youth Education

This is the year of the BATTLE OF BUGS, the FIGHT WITH THE FINCHES and who would like to take on A GAGGLE OF GEESE THAT GOBBLE LETTUCE? Besides growing flowers and vegetables we are also growing gardeners and many young people have had a satisfying experience.

Summer planning indicates that many more children will have personal experience in the fields of nature and horticulture. Descanso will have 9 workshops for children, and has arranged for 2 summer school classes of 25 each to meet 2 hours a day for 6 weeks at the Hospitality House. Tak Niiya will direct their field studies of the Chaparral. These classes come from the La Canada School District with their teacher, Judy Hines.

South Coast Botanic Garden is cooperating in every possible way to help establish Youth Education activities and facilities. The staff is doing prepatory work on retaining walls and grading for the potting yard in front of the Children's Greenhouse. The latter has been reglazed, shaded, and connected with power and gas lines. The slab will be poured this month, and paid for with gift funds. A garden plot is being readied.

Lidia Birt, volunteer instructor, who has just completed the first Children's Work-shop there, has volunteered a day per week this summer to establish the first summer program for South Coast.

On April 26 and 28, Elementary Curriculum heads from 6 Bay-Harbor area districts met at South Coast to audit school field trips for evaluation. The Foundation graciously served coffee during the discussion periods afterward.

LASCA plans 18 Junior Workshops this summer, and has been most fortunate in securing help. Don Herman is taking full responsibilities for the summer schedule. Two student teachers are taking on 8 classes each. This was made possible by a gift of money from the Pasadena Garden Club. Mrs. Midori Brown, graduate student at U.C.L.A., will teach Life in the Lagoon and Plant Adventures. Mrs. Ann Henry, a graduate student from Redlands and Azusa Pacific, will teach Art in Nature, Exploring Nature, and Beginning Nature. In addition to this, Nancy Zabriski, CAF member who has done so much for Youth Education, volunteers for 4 workshops in Plant Adventures.

All staff families are invited to register children in any of the workshops. Write your request for information, and you will get it together with registration form on June 2.

From the Foundation

The Foundation Annual Membership Meeting will be held on Tuesday afternoon, May 17, 1966 in the Lecture Hall. Our guest speaker will be Mrs. Sima Eliovson, world renown gardener and lecturer from South Africa. Her program "Southern African Wildflowers" will be illustrated with colored slides.

Mr. Dieter Wilkin, who will graduate from college in June, is taking the position in the smog-control research, formerly held by the late Mr. Noble. He will be working under the National Institutes Health Grant administered by the Foundation. Welcome!!

New items at the Foundation Book Shop include the following:

Western Fertilizer Handbook - \$2.04. (A guide to increased efficiency of land use with improved technology in the use of pesticides, fertilizers, and agricultural minerals.

Editions of Sunset Garden Books - \$2.04.



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