



Torrance Police Department  
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Torrance, CA 90503

# Neighborhood Watch Newsletter

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**UNITED IN STRENGTH**

**PARADE 1:30 P.M. MAY 15, 2010**

**ARMED FORCES DAY**

Torrance Blvd.  
between  
Crenshaw  
& Madrona

**Military Exhibits**  
Del Amo Mall  
Life Style Wing

<b>Friday May 14</b> 10 am-7 pm	<b>Saturday May 15</b> 9 am-6 pm	<b>Sunday May 16</b> 11am-3 pm
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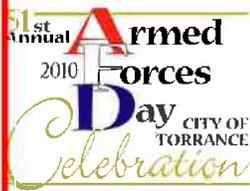
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### Special points of interest:

*Seniors "Don't be Scammed" Series to begin May 18th at 10:00 am at the City of Torrance main library. For more information, contact Sgt. Jennifer Uyeda at (310) 618-5735.*

## Inside Story Headline



MAY 14-16, 2010

Our nation's men and women of the military forces have defended our country, insured our freedom, and upheld the beliefs and principles that this great nation was built on. In May 2010, the City of Torrance continues its long-standing tradition and marks the 51st consecutive year it has been hosting an Armed Forces Day Celebration and Parade to honor the sacrifices of our nation's past and present military.

This year, the City once again honors the men and women of our nation's military with a three-day celebration that begins on Friday, May 14 and continues through Sunday, May 16. The Parade highlight is on Saturday, May 15, and this year's honored branch is the United States Coast Guard. The City of Torrance is proud to help honor and thank the men and women of our nation's Armed Forces!

### DATES, TIMES & ACTIVITIES

#### FRIDAY, MAY 14

**EXHIBITS:** Military exhibits on display, including aircrafts, vehicles, and support equipment

10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Our observance begins on Friday, May 14, 2010 with the opening of the military exhibits at the Del Amo Fashion Center. The outdoor exhibits will be in the lower lot to the rear (west of) the parking structure of the Lifestyle Wing. The exhibits will continue through the weekend until Sunday, May 16, at 3:00 p.m.

**CONCERT:** The United States Coast Guard Band will perform for free on Friday, May 14, 2010 at 1:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. at the James Armstrong Theatre, 3330 Civic Center Drive.

#### SATURDAY, MAY 15

**PARADE:** This year's parade will continue the tradition in Torrance of honoring the men and women of our Armed Forces

1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

The 51st Annual Armed Forces Day Parade will be held on Saturday, May 15, 2010, at 1:30 p.m. The parade route begins at Crenshaw Boulevard traveling west on Torrance Boulevard and ending at Madrona Avenue. All streets intersecting the parade route will be closed the majority of the day. Torrance's parade is the longest-running Armed Forces Day Parade in the nation. As one of few cities designated by the Department of Defense, the City of Torrance is proud to honor the men and women of our nation's Armed Forces.

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10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

The outdoor military exhibits at the Del Amo Fashion Center will continue in the parking lot west of the Lifestyle Wing parking structure.

PARADE LINE

310-618-5695

#### SUNDAY, MAY 16

**EXHIBITS:** Military exhibits on display, including aircrafts, vehicles, and support equipment

11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

The outdoor military exhibits at the Del Amo Fashion Center will continue in the parking lot west of the Lifestyle Wing parking structure. The exhibits will end on Sunday, May 16, at 3:00 p.m.

## Inside Story Headline: **NEW CAMPAIGN**

### Did You Know...

The Torrance Police Department is moving forward with our “Did You Know...” campaign in a big way. The goal of this campaign is to bring awareness to our community about the different services we provide. What’s even better? They are all free. As you travel around the city you will begin seeing large poster advertisements located in several of our bus stop shelters.

The initial run is going to be highlighting our Map Your Neighborhood program. With the recent earthquake activity around the globe, it is no secret we need to be ready for when it happens here. Map Your Neighborhood will train our community on how to be more self reliant in those first few crucial hours after a major disaster. History has taught us that police and fire become overwhelmed with responding to the most seriously injured and most severely damaged areas. With that, some neighborhoods may have to rely on each other for basic needs. Map Your Neighborhood will teach you how to do just that.

Over the next several months, we will also feature many of our other free services. Keep an eye out for Business Watch, Neighborhood Watch, Return Home Registry, and Home Security Inspections to name just a few. Please go to our website at [www.police.TorranceCA.gov](http://www.police.TorranceCA.gov) or call our office at 310-618-6391/6392 if you would like more information on any of these services.



## **VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION WEEK: April 18th to the 24th**



When you choose to serve—whether it’s your nation, your community or simply your neighborhood—you are connected to the fundamental American ideal that we want life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness not just for ourselves, but for those around us.

The Torrance Police Department Volunteer Program was established in August of 1992. The program utilizes the services of over 117 qualified volunteers who provide services to various groups within the Police Department, as well as services to community events.

Volunteer duties generally include the following activities:

- \* Administrative (clerical) support   \*Data input   \* Receptionist activities   \* Numerous special projects
- \*Community Relations support in Police Community Centers   \* Recordkeeping
- \* Neighborhood Watch Program support

The men and women of the Torrance Police Department would like to thank each and everyone of our volunteers for the amazing work they do.



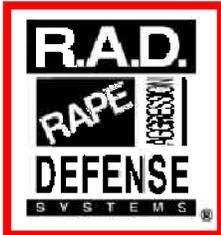
# Upcoming Events:



## RELAY FOR LIFE 2010 (April 24th to 25th starting at 9:00 am South High School)

One in three people will be diagnosed with cancer during their lifetime. The American Cancer Society Relay For Life® unites communities across the country each year to celebrate the lives of those who have battled cancer, remember loved ones lost, and fight back against a disease that takes too much. This year marks the beginning of our celebration of 26 years of Relay For Life®. Won't you join us this year and be a part of Relay? Help us push on into the future and celebrate the successes we've achieved .

This year, we at the Torrance Police Department are dedicating our fundraising efforts to the memory of Officer Steve Kroesen, who lost his battle to Cancer on August 18, 2009. Whether you were a lifelong friend, or just met Steve, his dedication and determination left footprints on the hearts of many. Steve was diagnosed with Stage 4, Hodgkin's Lymphoma in 2007.



**RAPE AGGRESSION DEFENSE PROGRAM** is a nationally recognized self-defense program for women. It is a free 12 hour training seminar that will teach you how to protect yourself and the ones that you love by detecting, preventing and deterring violent encounters.

Our next session for the RAD program will be April 30th through May 1st, 2010 . For more information, log on to our website at [www.police.TorranceCA.gov](http://www.police.TorranceCA.gov) or call (310) 618-5675.



## SAFETY TRAINING WORKSHOP

IS YOUR TEENAGER READY TO DRIVE? ARE YOU READY FOR YOUR TEENAGER TO BEGIN DRIVING?

The Torrance Police Department will be hosting a workshop to help both you and your teen learn about laws and regulations a teenage driver must obey. For more information on this training workshop, please contact Community Affairs at (310) 618-6391/6392 or visit our website at [www.police.TorranceCA.gov](http://www.police.TorranceCA.gov)

## THANK YOU!!!!

We would like to say a huge THANK YOU to our citizens. We have made several high profile arrests because of our dedicated Neighborhood Watch members educating themselves in regard to keeping our community safe. People are watching out for their neighbors, and calling us when they see something suspicious. It really is that simple. You could be the next to receive our Certificate of Appreciation from Chief John J. Neu. It doesn't take heroic action to be somebody's hero.

To find out more about getting involved in Neighborhood Watch, visit our website at :

[www.police.TorranceCA.gov](http://www.police.TorranceCA.gov) or contact Community Affairs at (310) 618-6391/6391.



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