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ARMED FORCES DAY

Parade

May 19, 2012 1:30 P.M.

Torrance Blvd. between Crenshaw & Madrona

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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

Seniors "Don't be Scammed" Series will be Tuesday, May 15th at 10:00 am at the City of Torrance main library, 3301 Torrance Blvd. The topic will be "Identity Theft". For more information, contact Sgt. Jennifer Uyeda at (310) 618-5735.

UNITED IN STRENGTH

**OUR TROOPS-AND THOSE SUPPORTING THEM BACK HOME-ARE
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INSIDE STORY HEADLINE



The City of Torrance is one of the few cities in the nation designated by the U.S. Department of Defense to host an Armed Forces Day celebration with the Torrance Armed Forces Day Parade as a highlight. The Parade has the distinction of being the *nation's longest running military parade sponsored by any city*.

This rich tradition began in 1960. The parade has grown over the years to become one of America's most eagerly awaited demonstrations of patriotism. The Armed Forces Day Parade has drawn up to 100,000 spectators a year to watch as many as 8,000 parade participants march along the parade route from downtown Torrance to City Hall.

DATES, TIMES & ACTIVITIES

FRIDAY, MAY 18

CONCERT: 1:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

The Air Force Band of the Goldenwest will perform for free at the James Armstrong Theatre, 3330 Civic Center Drive. For tickets, contact the Box Office: 310-781-7171. The tickets are free and are on a first come first serve basis. There is a limit of four (4) tickets per adult. Ticket holders must be in their seats 15 minutes prior to show time or the seat will be made available to other patrons.

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

Military exhibits will be on display, including aircrafts, vehicles, and support equipment at the Del Amo Fashion Center. The outdoor exhibits will be in the lower parking lot to the rear (west of) the Lifestyle Wing parking structure.

SATURDAY, MAY 19

PARADE: 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

The 53rd Annual Armed Forces Day Parade 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. This year's honored branch is the United States Air Force.

MILITARY EXHIBITS: 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Military exhibits will be on display, including aircrafts, vehicles, and support equipment at the Del Amo Fashion Center. The outdoor exhibits will be in the lower parking lot to the rear (west of) the Lifestyle Wing parking structure. Some equipment will be gone for the Parade.

PARADE LINE

310-618-5695

SUNDAY, MAY 20

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

Military exhibits will be on display, including aircrafts, vehicles, and support equipment at the Del Amo Fashion Center. The outdoor exhibits will be in the lower parking lot to the rear (west of) the Lifestyle Wing parking structure.



Relay for Life of Torrance
South High School
4801 Pacific Coast Hwy
Torrance, CA 90505
April 28th-29th
Starting at 9:00am



Every day, the American Cancer Society is helping us stay well by preventing cancer or finding it at its earliest, most treatable stages. They assist families in finding the best resources to help their friend or loved one deal with a diagnosis and their journey to get well.

The American Cancer Society is also rallying communities (like ours!) through events like Relay For Life, to fight back and find cures for this disease.

“Torrance PD Friends & Family” are making a difference by teaming up to participate in the American Cancer Society’s Relay For Life.

At the event, our team will camp out overnight and take turns walking around the track to raise money and awareness to help the American Cancer Society create a world with less cancer and more birthdays.

Saving lives from cancer starts one team, one participant, and one dollar at a time. Our team will be fundraising and doing our part to make sure that cancer never steals another year of anyone’s life.

Please join the Torrance PD Friends & Family team or make a donation. The impact we can make together is much greater than what any of us could do alone!

For more information on the Relay for life of Torrance or to make a donation on line to the Torrance PD Friends & Family Team, please visit the link below:

http://main.acsevents.org/site/TR/?team_id=1077654&pg=team&fr_id=37150



UPCOMING EVENTS

Community Safety Training Workshop

The community is invited to attend free safety workshops hosted by the Torrance Police Department. Each workshop is scheduled from 6:00 to 7:30 PM and will take place at the Torrance Police Department (3300 Civic Center Dr.) You may register online at www.Police.TorranceCA.gov or contact the Community Affairs Division at (310) 618-6391. Attendance is limited to the first 35 people who register. Please note that these safety workshops are for adults only.

The goal of these workshops is to teach people how to protect themselves, their loved ones and their property. The safety topics will be taught by Police Officers with expertise in their particular subject matter.

For further information, please call the Community Affairs Division at (310) 618-6391 or 6392 or email us at CommunityAffairs@TorranceCA.gov.

DATE: Wednesday, May 30th @ 6:00pm- 7:30pm

TOPIC: Emergency Preparedness

This class will focus on what to do in the event of a major disaster and will provide you with basic information that will help you to be prepared for different types of emergencies and disasters within your community. Being properly educated and preparing early can help more people to survive when bad times strike. The information in this class will help assist you and your community in preparing for any disaster.

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION WEEK: APRIL 16TH TO THE 20TH

The Torrance Police Department Volunteer Program was established in August of 1992. The program utilizes the services of over 33 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 support and Recordkeeping.
- Data input and Receptionist activities.
- Numerous special projects.
- Community Relations support in Police Community Centers.
- Neighborhood Watch Program support.

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



Tip-A-Cop



The **Tip-A-Cop** program is an activity to benefit children and adults with mild to severe mental retardation. Police Officers partner with regular servers addressing customer requests such as beverage refills and serving their meals, working hard to EARN donation for a good cause. Customers offer an additional tip beyond the regular server's tip as a donation to South Bay Special Olympics. **100%** of tips/donations received by the Police Officers **goes directly to the South Bay Special Olympics program**. Donations help pay for training, uniforms, transportation, and competition fees.

The next Tip-A-Cop will be **Thursday, May 3rd**, from 5 pm to 9 pm at **Lazy Dog Café** located at the Del Amo Fashion Center 3525 W. Carson St.

