



# SOUTHWOOD

## Homeowners Association Newsletter

### December Calendar

#### Torrance City Council Meetings

7 p.m. at 3031 Torrance Blvd.  
12.3, 12.10, & 12.17  
12.24 & 12.31 – no meetings

#### Torrance Planning Commission Meetings

7 p.m. at 3031 Torrance Blvd.  
12.4 & 12.18

#### TUSD Board Meeting

7 p.m. at 2336 Plaza Del Amo  
12.16

#### Torrance Civic Chorale Presents *A Joyful Sound*

12.13 & 12.14, 8-10:30 p.m.  
James R. Armstrong Theatre  
3330 Civic Center Dr.

#### Los Cancioneros Master Chorale's *Home for the Holidays*

12.15, 7-10:30 p.m.  
James R. Armstrong Theatre  
3330 Civic Center Dr.

#### City of Torrance Programs & Classes

Registration now open  
Classes begin week of 1.20

#### Torrance Historical Society Museum

Wed., Thurs., & Sun., 1-4 p.m.  
1345 Post Ave.

For information on these events +  
MANY more events, go to  
[www.torranceca.gov](http://www.torranceca.gov)

### Message from Your President

Thank you to all our Southwood neighbors who have sent in their 2020 membership dues! So far, we have 174 memberships, but we need many more to reach our goal of 500. With 500 memberships, we are able to support all of our programs: the printing and delivery of our monthly newsletter, gifts to our local schools, a scholarship to a deserving Southwood high school senior, and candidate forums.

It is never too late to sign up! If you don't have last month's newsletter anymore, we posted the membership form on our Facebook page ([Facebook.com/southwoodHOA](https://www.facebook.com/southwoodHOA)). Or, you may simply mail a check without the application form. Please make the check out to "Southwood Homeowners Association" for \$20 and write your email address on the front (used for occasional notices and for voting). Mail the check to the address at the bottom of this page.

Another source of income for SHA is the advertisements printed on the back page of each newsletter. This is a great way to call attention to your local business that the community can support. If you would like to advertise, the annual cost is \$100 for one line of text and \$200 for two lines. Your advertisement will cover the period of January 1 – December 31 and appear in the 10 monthly newsletters for the year (July and August excepted). If you are interested in advertising on our back page, please email me at [southwood.homeowners@gmail.com](mailto:southwood.homeowners@gmail.com) for more information.

Thanks to Trish Valdez for recently volunteering as our Parks & Recreation Observer! There is still room on our board for another **Torrance City Council Observer** and various commission observers: **Planning, Airport, and Traffic Commissions**. Contact me at the email or phone number listed below if you can help.

With the holidays upon us, I just wanted to remind everyone of the priceless gift you can give to your neighbors all year round – the gift of being a good neighbor.

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## TUSD Hosts Vaping Town Hall Meetings

In the past few years, the most prevalent substance abuse trend impacting teens is the increased use of e-cigarettes and vaping. In Los Angeles County, one out of ten high school students reported using e-cigarettes in the past 30 days.

To help parents better understand this growing trend, Torrance Unified School District will be hosting vaping awareness events over the next few months. Parents and students are welcome to attend one or more events. Though the information shared will be similar at each town hall event, the keynote speaker and panel discussion participants will differ from site to site.

- North High – December 4
- West High – February 5
- Torrance High – March 18

Each event will run from 6-8 p.m. Site-specific information will be shared closer to each date.

## West High Junior Theatre Presents Roald Dahl's Willy Wonka Kids



West High's Junior Theatre Production consisting of children in grades K-8 will be performing in West High's new 500-seat Performing Arts Center on:

- December 6, 6-8 p.m.
- December 7, 2-4 p.m.

Come out to support the children in this amazing theatrical experience! Contact West High at 310-533-4299 or Christy Orabuena, West High Theatre Director, at [orabuena.christy@tUSD.org](mailto:orabuena.christy@tUSD.org), for more information.

## President Message Con't

Here are some things I found online that seem pertinent to our neighborhood:

- *Something coming up that might affect your neighbors?* If you're having a party, cutting down a tree, replacing a fence or anything that might remotely affect your neighbors, it's wise to inform them ahead of time. You don't necessarily have to ask permission, but they will appreciate the timely update so that they can prepare and share any concerns.
- *Have a dog outside alone all day?* Ask neighbors if they notice excessive barking. Also, if it's a small dog, there is a risk of a coyote attack.
- *Getting rid of large items?* If after a couple days of leaving curbside, consider calling City of Torrance large item pickup – it's free once a year.
- *Have a super friendly dog?* Be mindful of people who might have a very real fear of dogs by not allowing your dog to run up to people.
- *Parking on the curb?* If possible, try to park in front of your own house. Please don't block a neighbor's driveway, even if you're just temporarily parking to pick up/drop off.

Happy Holidays! Laurie Craig, SHA President

## Triplexes on Single-Family Lots?

On October 10, Assembly Bill (AB) 68 was signed into law by Governor Newsom. AB68 allows two new units of rental housing on any single-family lot. It effectively rezones all of California's single-family homes into triplexes. This law does not allow local cities to prohibit the additional units, nor does it allow cities to impose parking requirements or size and setback requirements that are more restrictive than the state law. AB68 has raised the following concerns: (1) increased interest by corporate investors to buy single-family properties and maximize revenue with three rental units on one lot, (2) increased demands on water, power, and sewer infrastructure, and (3) increased cars on residential streets as there is no requirement to provide additional space for renters' cars.

If you object to AB68, contact your local representatives:

### Torrance City Council

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2512 Artesia Blvd., Suite 320

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Send message via website:

<https://sd26.senate.ca.gov/>

# Thank you to all who have joined the 2020 Southwood Homeowners Association

It's not too late to join! This list is based on dues received as of 11.10. Additional names will be listed in January's newsletter.

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## Santa's Float is Coming to Southwood

The Torrance Police Officers Association began their Santa Float in 1969. It toured the City of Torrance for 24 years before being remodeled and redesigned in 1992 by a group of officers dedicated to its continuation for the families of Torrance.

- Thursday, December 12, 5 p.m.  
Torrance to PCH/Hawthorne to Anza/Calle Mayor
- Saturday, December 14, 5 p.m.  
Torrance to Sepulveda/West of Anza



<https://torrancepoa.com/annual-events/santa-float-schedule>

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