



SOUTHWOOD

Homeowners Association Newsletter

May Calendar

Torrance City Council Meetings
6:30 p.m. via Teleconference only
5.10 & 5.24

TUSD Board Meeting
7 p.m. via Teleconference or TUSD
Board Room at 2336 Plaza del Amo
5.2 & 5.16

An Interactive Beatles Experience
Brothers Billy, Ryan, and Matthew
McGuigan perform as themselves
and leave the song choices in the
hands of the audience. Audience
members may fill out request cards
where they explain why they are
requesting a particular song. The
narrative for the evening includes
the band sharing those reasons.
8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.
Armstrong Theatre
3330 Civic Center Dr.
www.torrancearts.org for tickets
5.14

Relay for Life of Torrance

Support Torrance's 20th anniversary
in the fight against cancer! Relay for
Life of Torrance takes place on
Saturday, May 14, from 9:00 a.m. to
9:00 p.m. at South High School.
Teams of volunteers walk the track
of South High School raising money
through sponsors. You can support
an existing team or make a general
donation at the website, "[Relay for
Life of Torrance](http://www.relayforlife.org)". Click on the
"Donate" box.

Message from Your President

It's been a while since I've written a "Message from Your President" article. We've had a few events lately that were posted in this space instead.

In February and March, we advertised Petition Signing Events to put a measure on the November ballot to bring back control of zoning to the cities. Unfortunately, the organizers, [Our Neighborhood Voices](#), **shelved plans for a ballot measure until the 2024 election** due to the lack of signatures so far. We really appreciate all of you who came out to sign the petition. Perhaps with people seeing the changes in their neighborhoods the next couple of years, it will really inspire a mass movement!

There is, however, some good news on the local-control-of-zoning front. Four cities, Torrance, Redondo Beach, Carson, and Whittier, have filed a **legal challenge to SB 9**, the state law that permits single-family lots to be divided into 2 to 4 houses. They want a court order finding the law in violation of the state constitution since it limits local control of housing.

Our other big event this year was the Candidate Forum on April 21. As of this writing, the event hasn't taken place yet. I hope you had a chance to attend. If not, **the Candidate Forum was recorded**. Here is the [link](#), or go to our [website](#) or [Facebook](#) page for the link.

But that's not all, folks! We are having a General Association Meeting on June 2 at the Anza Cafeteria. Sergeant Ron Salary from the Torrance Police Department will be giving a presentation on **crime trends, prevention tips, and identity theft**. Our scholarship winner will also be honored!

We hope you find that Southwood Homeowners Association adds value and timely information to the residents of the neighborhood. If you haven't done so already, **please support us by becoming a member!** You may go online to print the membership form and mail it in, or join/renew online. Go to www.southwoodhomeowners.com/join.

Laurie Craig, SHA President



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Scanning Southwood

Welcome to the Neighborhood!

Joseph & Eileen Hasegawa and their 2-year-old son Matthew (Lenore)

Takuo & Ayumi Kobayashi and their son Ryunosuke (Carmen)



We are sad to share that four of our original Southwood homeowners have recently passed. They will be dearly missed by family, friends, and neighbors.

Earl Hubacek (Carmen) passed in February. He is survived by his daughter, Mary, & son-in-law, Randy Davis, who live in the home now. He also leaves behind his son, Mike Hubacek, and daughter-in-law, Theresa.

Jackie Alston (Carmen) passed last year. She is survived by daughter, Cheryl, & son-in-law, Bill Molten, who live in Southwood. Grandson Brandon Molten and his wife, Ashley, also live in Southwood.

Al & Thelma Metz (Marjorie) passed one month apart in August 2021 and September 2021, respectively. They leave behind two daughters, Pam Metz and Janice Indiran. Daughter Pam will be living in their home.



If you have news to share related to births, deaths, marriages, new jobs, just moved in, moving away, etc., please let us know. Call or text us at 424.226.6428 or email us at southwood.homeowners@gmail.com.

Senior Living Community Breaks Ground

At the Legacy Partners virtual town hall on January 26, we found out there is another development planned next door to the north of Legacy Partners' 200-unit apartment complex on the corner of Del Amo Circle and Carson. According to a Daily Breeze article on April 4, the new development is called "Acoya South Bay". It will be a 4-story, 159-unit senior living community planned to be completed next year. There will be a semi-underground garage with 161 spots with an additional 52 spots in a neighboring structure. Similar to the Legacy Partners project, there will be studios, one-bedroom, and two-bedroom units.

So, the combined number of new units between the two developments on the west side of the Del Amo Financial Center will be 359. While construction is underway on Acoya South Bay, the Legacy Partners apartment complex is still in review stages with the City. Legacy Partners plans to offer more meetings with the community in the future to share feedback from the City.

National Stamp Out Hunger Day

Saturday, May 14, 2022

Letter Carriers 30th Annual Food Drive



Items needed but not limited to:

Non-Perishable Canned Goods or Dry Food:

- Canned Meats, Fish, Soup, Fruits, Vegetables
- Pasta
- Hot & Cold Cereal
- Macaroni & Cheese
- Rice
- Beans
- Peanut Butter
- Water

Personal Care Items:

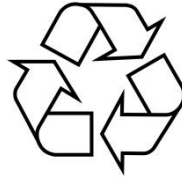
- Diapers
- Toothpaste And Toothbrushes
- Toilet Tissue
- Body Soap
- Body Oil

**** Please No Expired Items or Glass Containers. ****

You may leave your bag(s) at your mailbox, or drop off bag(s) at your local post office, and/or give your donation to any letter carrier!

Thank you so very much! The National Association of Letter Carriers appreciates you and your support!

New Recycling Rules for Plastics



Did you receive a postcard from the City of Torrance Public Works Department going over the new rules for plastics recycling? As of January 2022, the City no longer accepts plastics labeled #3-7. This includes dairy tubs, yogurt containers, plastic bags, carryout containers, etc. (Good luck trying to read those little numbers inside the recycle triangle!). This means only put your plastic item in the gray bin if it is labeled with a #1 or #2.

Here's a total list of items allowed in the gray bin:

- Plastic bottles/jugs labeled with #1 or #2
- Aluminum
- Steel
- Tin cans
- Glass bottles and jars
- Newspaper, magazines and mail
- Office and similar paper
- Paperboard and cardboard boxes

Why are we only allowed to recycle #1 and #2 plastics now? There are not reliable markets for post-consumer plastics other than the bottle-shaped #1 and #2 plastics. As a result, other plastics need to be separated during sorting and disposed of, adding costs to the recycling process and potentially contaminating acceptable recyclables.

To learn more about residential trash and recycling, go to TorranceCA.Gov/our-city/public-works/what-goes-in-waiste-bins or call 310.781.6900.

Environmental Commission Report

By John-Milo Ernst

The Environmental Commission is finalizing the documents for the Climate Smart Award Program. One of the commissioners spoke to the Torrance Chamber of Commerce regarding environmental matters. One of the categories that the award will recognize is businesses that have taken steps to reduce their environmental impact. The commissioners have reached out to other Torrance commissions to spread awareness of the Climate Smart Award Program.

Thank you for joining SHA!

This list is based on dues received from 3.9 to 4.15. *Charter member

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Greg & Sarah Webster

Southwood Homeowners Association General Meeting

Thursday, June 2, 2022

7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Anza Elementary Cafeteria

Join us for an informative presentation:

“Crime Trends & Prevention & Internet Safety”

TPD Sergeant Ron Salary

Honor our SHA Scholarship Winner

We plan on live-streaming/recording as well.

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