

### Photo Contest Winners



**HAPPY...** Winners of The Torrance Press Photo Contest received their awards last week as the contest ended. Contest sponsors and winners from left to right are: James Giacalone, A-1 Photos, presenting the second

place prize (camera set, \$27.50) to Mrs. J. Winston Holmes for her husband's prize-winning picture; Mrs. M. L. Owens, co-publisher of the Torrance Press, presenting a \$50 check to first place winner Joseph Ulrich; (squat-

ting) James Krueger, Photo Arts, giving cash prizes to Russell H. Carroll, fourth and sixth place winner, and \$15 worth of photo materials to R. J. Deurloo, third place winner. Mike Chambers, fifth place winner, was absent.

### Torrance Elks Claims A Roll Of 80 Members

A membership of 350 the first year is expected by officials of the newly formed BPOE unit in Torrance, with 80 members already on the rolls although the group has not yet received its charter.

Joe Gates has been named chairman of the group, which functions as an Elks Lodge by special permission of the state BPOE. Roy Gordon, San Pedro, deputy district governor of the Elks, has been assisting with formation of the lodge.

Gates said there are more than 300 members of the Elks in Torrance who are members of Redondo Beach, San Pedro, Long Beach, and Los Angeles lodges.

Many of them are transferring to the new unit, Gates said, and the club's membership committee is recruiting new members.

Gates said the national organization will issue a charter to the group in the summer of 1955.

Other officers are George Lehr, secretary, and Mike Fenwick, treasurer.

### Lomita Artist To Exhibit At Fair

L. Ross, artist of Lomita, has been notified that one of his paintings has been selected for the state fair art exhibit at Sacramento, to be held September 2 to 12.

This is one of the major exhibits held each year and paintings are selected in state wide competition. The painting chosen is a view of Mt. San Jacinto.

Ross has exhibited his work in Torrance many times and has won highest awards in the annual Torrance Art, Flower and Hobby show.

### Girl Scouts Camp At Beach

Doheny Beach near San Juan Capistrano is the site for the beach camp of the girls of Troop 398 sponsored by the Waleria Elementary P.T.A. The scouts set up camp August 1 and will disband on August 7. Each year the girls have a week of troop camping. This year each girl earned the money to pay her own camping expenses.

Mrs. Robert Waegner, the leader of the group, will also serve as licensed camper, and first aider.

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### Chicopee Council

The Chicopee Council will hold a benefit breakfast at the home of Lois Bowling, 1853 W. 262nd Street, Wednesday.

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### Adult League Game Results

Adult Softball League game results, Monday, July 26, at Torrance Park were as follows: Longren Aeros 8, Waleria Businessmen's Club 2. Pre-Cast Concrete Products Co., 16, Harbor Hornets 1. Wednesday, July 27, at Torrance Park: Marine Clerks 16, Dow Styron 0.

### Service Club Game Standings

Standings:	W	L
Legion	11	1
Lions	10	2
Waleria B.M.C.	7	5
Junior C of C	6	6
Rotary	6	6
H. R. Sportsmen	4	8
Optimist	3	9
Moose	1	11

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## DEAR EDITOR....

### SHOPPING AREAS AND RECREATION

(Editor's note: In line with recent developments to build Torrance up commercially and in line with the continuous attempt to provide adequate recreation facilities in this city, the Chamber of Commerce this week addressed the following two letters to the City Council: City Council Torrance, Calif. Gentlemen:

This organization strongly favors good public recreation program for our citizens, the best obtainable within existing economics, modern engineering and suitable to the physical character and pattern of our community's development. Nature has provided Torrance with a beach and shoreline that compares with others of international repute, but due to lack of funds there has been little or no improvements initiated to keep the beach in line with other developments brought about by its unprecedented population growth. Therefore, it is essential that a program be immediately initiated, followed up to properly present competent effective pressures to secure allocations from impounded tideland funds to insure development action. This move is intelligently supported by organized efforts of civic minded taxpayers and those interested in the continued widespread orderly development of the entire area.

### McMaster Cadets Top North Torrance With 6-1 Score

The Northern Division of the Midget Softball League at McMaster Park found the McMaster Cadets on top of the league by downing North Torrance 6-1.

Perry and Crenshaw had a nip and tuck battle with Crenshaw Park finally coming out on top with a score of 8-4.

Friday night, August 6 schedule: McMaster vs. Perry, at 6:30 p.m.; North Torrance vs. Crenshaw, at 8 p.m.

Team Standings:

W	L
McMasters	2 0
North Torrance	1 1
Perry	1 0
Crenshaw	0 2

of which Torrance beach has been a neglected part.

May we solicit your support in this matter in the form of a resolution directed to Honorable Vincent Thomas, State Assemblyman; Burton W. Chace, County Supervisor; Charles E. Chapel, State Assemblyman; Mr. Kenneth Hahn, County Supervisor and the State Department of Natural Resources, Division of Beaches and Parks? Mr. George Stevens, City Manager, has a complete file with resume and summary of information regarding the matter which is available for your inspection.

Yours very truly,  
 (signed) PAUL D. LORANGER,  
 President, Torrance Chamber of Commerce

City Council Torrance, Calif. Gentlemen:

The Development Committee of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce, at its last regular meeting, unanimously voted to extend a friendly vote of confidence and cooperation to the members of the newly created Airport Commission.

Realizing the importance of the problems at hand concerning the development of the Torrance Airport, this committee strongly suggests and recommends the immediate establishment of a master development plan for the available fringe areas to guide this commission, thereby insuring proper utilization of the property.

(signed) DALE EISENBERG,  
 Executive Secretary, Torrance Chamber of Commerce.

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### BPW Members Told Of Early Credit Methods

Attending the Redondo Business and Professional Women's meeting in Redondo Beach last week were Mmes. Virginia Beck and Bess Tufts of the Torrance BPW.

Speaker at the gathering in Iron's Cottage was Bill Ross, credit manager of the Rheem Manufacturing Company, who chose as his subject, "Romanizing of Credit."

Credit may not sound romantic, but Ross touched the subject from its beginning when

### Skin Diving Event Planned

The first public graduation of a skin diving class will be held Sunday, August 15, at 10 a.m. at Torrance-Redondo Beach, according to P. P. Gruendyke, County Superintendent of Parks and Recreation.

About 100 diplomas will be awarded. Spectators from the Torrance beach bluff will watch graduates submerge beyond the breaker line as part of the requirements for the diploma.

primitive peoples bartered, through the Greek and Roman periods when credit was inaugurated, and how Queen Isabella sold her jewels to finance Columbus' expedition, which was tantamount to our present day pawnbroking.

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