

### Officials Take Part In Ceremony Welcome Businesses To Torrance

Torrance's lusty business community this month welcomed two new additions to the city.

Civic leaders and officials of local organizations recently participated in groundbreaking ceremonies for the magnificent new \$350,000 Parasol Restaurant, corner of Crenshaw and Pacific Coast Highway.

Building, which will be constructed in a circular format, was designed by Architect Hugh Gibbs and will be built by Williams and Lowe. Owner of the restaurant will be Angelo Pappas.

Impressive groundbreaking followed by only a few days the ribbon cutting that signaled the opening of the new Zody's Department Store, Hawthorne and 182nd St. Official opening of the store was attended by Hollywood and television celebrities as well as by local civic leaders.

Increase of new firms in Torrance follows the trend that was noted last month with the issuance of eleven business licenses between October 15 and October 31, and the inclusion of ten new partners or owners in existing businesses.

New firms that have established in the community are: Big Top Ice Cream Shoppes, 22243 Palos Verdes Blvd.; Frank J. Chance Real Estate, 17708 Crenshaw; Gingham Girl Donut and Waffle Shop, 5235 Torrance Blvd.; Lomita Speedometer Service, 22943 Arlington Ave.; Periodical Publishers Service, Inc., 1315 Sartori St.; Riviera Hair

### Driving Problems

The rising number of compact cars has spawned a new driving problem, but a simple mechanical adjustment can effectively cure it for many motorists who drive newer cars, according to Bradford M. Crittenden, California Highway Patrol Commissioner.

The problem — increased vulnerability to the danger of the left-hand blind spot. The cure — a slight adjustment of the rearview mirrors.

"Many drivers have found that compact cars are more easily and more frequently lost in the left-side blind spot," the commissioner pointed out.

The vehicle's rear-view mirrors can be so arranged to eliminate this blind spot in many cars, he said.

"The inside mirror should be positioned so that it gives a view which includes, or nearly includes, the tip of the left rear fender. The left-side mirror should then be adjusted so that the left rear fender is just within your range of vision. Slight variations probably will be necessary with different automobiles.

"The overlap in the mirrors will effectively cancel out the blind spot, and a car coming up from the rear—even the tiniest compact—which moves out to pass you will always be visible in one of the two mirrors," the commissioner said.

"In the interest of safety, of course, it is still wise to double check the situation at the left by glancing over your shoulder if you are about to pull out to pass a car," he said.

Fashions, 24205 Hawthorne Blvd.; Sellan Construction Co., 21003 Amie Ave.; Space Age Travel and Tours, 21107 Hawthorne Blvd.; Warren's Texaco Service, 3900 Sepulveda Blvd.; and Modern Interiors, 22307 Ocean Ave.

### Lilies Top Planting List for Gardens

The new garden Lilies—those gorgeous hybrids that come our way in recent years—should be near the top of your planting list this month. They are easy to grow, requiring only the minimum of attention, but they will return a maximum of beautiful blooms for years to come.

Choose any well-drained soil—preferably one on the acid side. A sloping site is ideal since it permits runoff of excess water. In level gardens, if drainage is a problem, the best planting site is in a raised bed. Lilies absolutely abhor wet feet and will not tolerate soggy soil. A trowel full of sand around the bulb is helpful in this respect.

The degree of sun tolerance shown by our hybrid Lilies is subject to experiment by the home gardener. In cooler coastal climates—especially in north coastal districts—a fair degree of sun is in order. Inland and in warmer gardens, shade, part shade or filtered shade is a must.

Many of the new Lilies grow well over head height, so consider this in planting and keep them to the rear of borders. Have no fear of their being lost by being shunted to the background. With the head of blooms that they produce, there's just no missing them anywhere.

### Cold Defenses

Warm days, cool nights, bright sunshine, cold rain... that's the fall weather story. And because autumn weather is so changeable, it's one of the prime seasons for sniffles and colds.

Most people have spent the summer months out of doors, acquiring a healthy glow swimming, golfing, playing tennis, or just sun-bathing. You can keep that healthy look, longer by following a few simple rules to avoid colds this fall.

First of all, eat and drink sensibly and get plenty of rest — keep your resistance up.

Exercise regularly, but don't overdo it.

Dress for the weather, and guard against chilling.

Avoid crowds if possible, and most important, try to keep away from friends and business associates who've contracted colds.

If someone in your family should catch a cold, do your best to prevent it from spreading. Send the victim to bed when symptoms start, and call your doctor if a fever should develop. Wash your eating and drinking utensils separately, rinse with scalding hot water and let drain dry.

Be sure the cold victim covers coughs and sneezes with tissues, and dispose of the tissues immediately. A paper sack pinned to the bedsheet is a handy receptacle.

### FALL COLOR

Fall color is where you find it in California, and if it isn't in your own garden, you have no one to blame but yourself. Drop in at a C.A.N. nursery this month and see for yourself how nearly we can come to matching the typical New England fall scene. Give a long look at the Maidenhair Tree, at Sweet Gum, Chinese Pistache and Mountain Ash. Consider, too, the color to be derived from use of such berried shrubs as Pyracantha, Heavenly Bamboo and Cotoneaster. And for emphasis, throw in a few blooming Chrysanthemums of the proper hues.

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