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CHANGING TIME . . . Clady and Cristy Yeley, twin daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Yeley of Torrance, wait patiently for the time when they will get to crank the hands on this clock ahead as the state switches to daylight savings time. The state will make the switch at 2 a.m. Sunday, when clock hands should be moved ahead to 3 a.m. Daylight savings time will remain in effect until the last Sunday in October, when the lost hour will be restored.
(Press-Herald Photo by Gordon Akers)

Expansion of Del Amo Center to Begin Soon

Construction Plans Revealed By Developers

Expansion which will make Del Amo Center the largest one-stop suburban shopping and financial center in the world was announced by developers Great Lakes Properties and Guilford Glazer & Associates.

Work will begin shortly on two new department stores and more than 30 specialty stores just east of the existing Bullocks Fashion Square. As a result, the retail portion of the center will have more than 2 million square feet with six major department stores.

Montgomery Ward and Orbachs have tentatively agreed to lease the two major stores in the new addition. They will join Bullocks, J. C. Penney Co., Sears, and Broadway among department stores plus I. Magnin, Joseph Magnin, Desmonds, White Front and other retail operations.

IN ADDITION to the new retail area of Del Amo, Great Lakes and Glazer have directed Victor Gruen Associates, architects and planners, to proceed with site plans for a major medical complex in the northwest portion of the 200-acre property, a new theater and business office complex, high rise apartment buildings, and several new restaurants.

Even without the planned new construction, Del Amo is already second only to downtown Los Angeles in retail drawing power in the greater Los Angeles area.

The Del Amo Financial Center also is scheduled for major expansion this year. It presently consists of the 13-story Union Bank Tower, a 5-story ring building, and four circular pavilion buildings. It is already more than 75 per cent leased. Work will begin later this year on the new 13-story Bank of America tower.

WHEN completed the center will have 1 million square feet of office space and 1 million square feet of parking area. It will be home to five major banks — four already

there, two title companies, seven brokerage houses, and 15 or more major insurance companies.

It already is the site of regional headquarters for many major corporations, including Xerox.

Craig Ruth, marketing director of Great Lakes Realty, leasing agent, explained the Del Amo concept this way:
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Two Boys Still in Hospital

Three weeks after the desert traffic accident that took the lives of three Torrance youths, a fourth victim of the mishap still lies unconscious at Bay Harbor Hospital and a fifth lies paralyzed at a Riverside hospital.

Eighteen-year-old Kenneth Goins, 2205 Gramercy Ave., has never regained consciousness since the April 6 smash-up near Blythe, Calif. Bay Harbor Hospital spokesmen said Friday his condition remained unchanged.

Everett Erickson, 15, of 1327 Acacia Ave., has been removed from the intensive care unit at Riverside County General Hospital. He is still in traction, however, and will remain at the hospital "indefinitely," according to his mother, Mrs. Ernest O. Erickson.

It is still not known if Erickson's spinal chord is severed.

The accident occurred just a few miles from the resort spot of Big Ben, Calif., on the Colorado River, where the boys were to have joined other Torrance High School students for an Easter week campout.

The dead were Mike Brantster, Timothy Fraser, and Don Dupuis, receiving relatively minor injuries were Craig Sufficool and Larry Bingham.

Inquest Set in Crash

Redondo Beach Police Lt. Lee Carron says a coroner's inquest has been ordered in the four-car traffic accident which took four lives last Saturday on Sepulveda Boulevard in Redondo Beach.

The inquest is scheduled Thursday at 10 a.m. in Room 150 of the Hall of Justice in Los Angeles.

Lieutenant Carron said it was decided to have the inquest to see if anyone is criminally responsible for the accident inasmuch as so many were injured and so many were involved.

Thirteen of the fourteen persons in the four automobiles lived in Torrance.

Killed were William DeWaide, 19, of 21918 Linda Drive; Grant Alan Matthews, 20, of 20836 Dalton St.; Cheryl Terry, 14, of 4626 Cathann St.; and Paul T. Reed, 19, of 216 South Helberta, Redondo Beach.

Improved but still listed as critical at Little Company of Mary Hospital is Cheryl's mother, Mrs. Gloria E. Terry, 34. Another crash victim, Karen Kleiber, 14, of 5106 Jacques St., is in satisfactory condition at South Bay Hospital.



TEST DRIVE . . . Sharon Terrill, Miss Torrance 1968, gets help from Capt. Sam Dial of the Torrance Fire Department for a test run with the department's ladder truck. Miss Terrill posed to remind Torrance residents of plans for a series of open houses in observance of Fire Service Day Saturday, May 11. All five Torrance stations will be open from 1 to 5 p.m. when visitors may tour the stations and take pictures. Children under 12 must, however, be accompanied by an adult.
(Press-Herald Photo)

GOP Unit Will Meet Wednesday

Republican candidates in the 17th Congressional District will address the 17th Congressional District Republican Women's Club Wednesday morning.

The meeting, open to the public, will be held at the Torrance Family YMCA, 2900 W. Sepulveda Blvd., at 9:30 a.m., according to Mrs. William Hardesty, program chairman.

GOP candidates in the 46th, 47th, and 68th Assembly Districts also will address the club, Mrs. Hardesty said.

Jaycees Sponsor Driving Road-e-o

A Teenage Safe Driving Finals at Ann Arbor, Mich., Road-e-o, sponsored by the Torrance Jaycees in cooperation with the Manhattan Beach Jaycees and Bill Hopkins Lincoln-Mercury, will be held Saturday, May 4, at the facilities of TRW Systems Group in Redondo Beach.

The national contest is sponsored by the U.S. Jaycees and the Lincoln-Mercury Division of Ford.

The contest consists of a written test and a driving skills test. Any high school student with a valid drivers license is eligible if not over 19 years of age before Aug. 1, 1968; not married until after the National Finals; and not having a pending charge of a moving violation and have been convicted of such violation in the six months prior to the National Finals.

Entry blanks may be picked up at the Activities Office of any local high school.

Further information may be obtained from Lee Prentice at the Torrance Jaycees office.

Three Cars Damaged In Smashup

One car was totally demolished and two others severely damaged Friday in a three-car rear-end collision on Hawthorne Boulevard. The mishap occurred at 3:40 p.m. near the intersection of Spencer Street.

Police said a car driven by a 16-year-old Torrance girl slammed into the rear end of a vehicle driven by Sam J. Kovich of West Covina, causing Kovich's car to ram the car in front of him.

There were no serious injuries.

Street Work Scheduled . . .

The City of Torrance will be resurfacing Torrance Boulevard from Madrona Avenue to Crenshaw Boulevard beginning tomorrow at 7 a.m. This project will require about three days for completion. Walter M. Nollac, director of public works, has suggested alternate routes be used during the resurfacing because the flow of traffic will be limited. Portions of Carson and Maricopa streets will be resurfaced in early June, Nollac said.

Bank Charter Approved . . .

The Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System has approved the application of Wells Fargo Bank to establish a branch in Torrance, John R. Breeden, executive vice president of the bank, has announced. Breeden said the action by the Federal Reserve System clears the way for Wells Fargo Bank to find a suitable location for the office. The bank hopes to be open in Torrance by the end of the year, he added. The State Banking Department previously had approved the new charter.

Councilmen Call Meeting . . .

Torrance City Councilmen will meet in a special adjourned session tomorrow at 4:30 p.m. to complete work on last week's agenda. The meeting was ordered when last Tuesday's session dragged on until 11:30 p.m. The council will consider only items which were on last week's agenda during Monday's adjourned session.

101 Students Win State Scholarships

One hundred one Torrance area students have been awarded California State Scholarships, the State Scholarship and Loan Commission has announced.

A total of 5,600 awards were made by the commission this year. Awards vary in amounts up to \$1,500, but in no case do they exceed actual tuition and fees at the colleges and universities selected by the winners.

Torrance winners include: James E. Ackerman, Patricia A. Anderson, Tobeylynn Birch, Carolyn L. Bland, Susan Bundy, Roy J. Campbell, Glenda L. Choate, Michael R. Clark, Donna R. Cooper, Alexander Costa, Dennis L. Daleon, and Daryl G. Dellman.

ALSO from Torrance are: Sharon R. Elliott, Leonard Fulgarait, Susan Funtsch, Patrick D. Garvey, Diana Gdowski, Jaimie C. Gierlich, William J. Gilles, Carmen E. Godinez, William D. Hall, Linda L.

Hanten, Robert D. Hill, Donald K. Ho, Verda M. Ho, Wayne D. Hogue, Herman K. Hori, Cary K. Kadota, Ronald E. Kriens, Carol M. Kristofer, James K. Lee, Anita R. Luchfeld, Teresa A. Luger, and Barbara A. Lynch.

Other Torrance students are: Steven J. Mailloux, Anne F. Marelli, Robert W. Marselle, Beverly M. McLeod, Cheryl E. Milligan, Frank D. Moreon, Martin R. Morfeld, Robert K. Marakami, Sharon H. Murakami, William B. Naujoks, George M. Peavy, Reinhard M. Pfeiffer, Bruce E. Phinney, Mary M. Pilon, Myra J. Roach, Virginia E. Roberts, Gloria J. Rounsefell, Robert J. Salazar, Marilyn Sanders, William M. Sather, Deborah K. Scott, Raymond Seaver, and Francesca Sequeira.

ALSO from Torrance are: James K. Sibole, Michael Smith, Irene Smookler, Janet L. Smuland, Henry J. Sorenson, Stephen G. Stillman, Stephen R. Stulck, Susan E.

Thomasson, Steven A. Trudell, Carter Van Petten, George J. Waddell, Nobuko Wakamoto, Kenneth E. Waters, George E. Watson, Trevor S. White, Frank J. Willem, Danny E. Wilkin, Robert T. Wilkinson, Cathy J. Wingfield, and Stanley J. Wisniewski.

Other area winners include Elaine R. Bastajian, Corey J. Christopher, Richard L. Harris, Elizabeth A. Hovey, Irene Keegan, Marcia L. Kirk, Raymond L. Koike, David M. (See AWARDS, Page A-2)

Joint Board Asked for City, School Economy

Formation of a special board to review operations of the city and the Torrance Unified School District with an eye to finding areas for increased cooperation has been recommended by the city's Charter Review Committee.

The committee made the suggestion Thursday following a two-hour meeting with City Manager Edward J. Ferraro and Dr. J. H. Hull, superintendent of schools.

Both officials told the com-

mittee they were opposed to writing into the city charter any provision which would formalize cooperation between the two agencies.

PRINCIPAL concern of the committee is the feeling that savings can be effected through joint purchasing and sharing facilities and programs.

Ferraro told the committee that it should not write spe-

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TOUR FACILITIES . . . A 38-man delegation from Merced visited Torrance this past week to tour several industrial plants here. The group was comprised of the Merced Chamber of Commerce Industrial Development Committee. Pictured here inspecting work at Hi-Shear Corp. are (from left) George Randolph, president of the Merced Booster Club; Earl Cometta, president of the Merced Chamber; and Art Reeves and James Becker, members of the Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce Industrial Development Committee.
(Press-Herald Photo)