



**FOR THE IRISH . . .** Members of the Torrance Irish Club began making plans for a St. Patrick's Day parade Monday during a luncheon attended by officials from Torrance and surrounding cities. Here television personality Jimmie Lennon (at right) is apprised of plans for the parade by (from left) Ken Naaka, mayor of Gardena; Torrance Police Lt. D. C. Cook, president of the Torrance Irish Club; Mayor Albert Isen of Torrance; and Glenn Anderson, a candidate for Congress in the 17th Congressional District. (Press-Herald Photo)

## ... Let's Go

By LARRY MACARAY

Summer always means that one must make a journey to Laguna Beach — not particularly to splash in the surf or watch the bathers, but to see what is happening in the local art scene. This summer in unusually spiced with the presence and the threat of more and more "hippie type" young people invading the sanctity of old sedate Laguna Beach.

What an ironic happening! Maybe it was planned this way. Of all the spots in the United States for "hippie types" to settle down in — they would have to pick one of the "squarest" communities on the face of the earth. Laguna has always

been an "old guard" small town — full of artists, aspiring artists and shouldn't have-been artists.

One of the rather upsetting activities in recent years — upsetting to the local artists — has been the trend of the annual All-California Art Exhibit. This year is the 14th annual and is being held at the Laguna Beach Art Association Gallery, next to the Victor Hugo Restaurant on Cliff Drive. The trend has been more and more toward what is really happening in the American Art scene today.

"EOS" by Lewis Beken was the top \$500 purchase

award. It has to do with less and less and beautifully expressed. It is painted in Acrylic as are many of the other paintings. Ronald Prich was the \$350 purchase award — and really one of my favorite paintings in the show. It is called "Mary" and yet is not a portrait. Again, this is done in acrylics.

The \$250-purchase award went to Jay Maddox from Anaheim with an untitled resin and chrome sculpture. One \$50-honorable mention went to Lester Henry for a ceramic piece titled, "Growth." Another \$50-honorable mention was given to Robert Partin, who teaches painting at California State College at Fullerton. His entry, "Voyage," was an extreme theory. There is form without line and one shape merely merges into another. A third \$50-honorable men-

tion was won by Winifred Smith with an acrylic titled, "4 Squares In a Surface."

There are many popular names in the show. Florence Arnold has a superb hard-edge that I would like to own, Tom Fricano has an assemblage, Herb Griswold is represented with two acrylic paintings, Roger Kuntz shows one of his appealing interior paintings, Theresa La Mori exhibits a serigraph, Ruth Osgood shows an excellent watercolor, David Schnabel with a luminous oil, and there are many others.

FOTIS KORKIS, one of my fellow teachers at El Camino has an etching/col- orgraph/lithograph in the show titled, "Alamagordo." I liked this particular print so much that I bought one at his recent one-man show

in Palos Verdes. I later donated the print to the Long Beach Museum of Art.

Andy Fagan, another fellow teacher at El Camino is also represented in the show with a jewel-like bronze sculpture titled, "Gloed XXI." This piece is one of my favorites — but I can't afford it.

Yours truly is also represented in the show with an oil from my "Khajuraho" series, based on the famous Indian statues in Khajuraho. The exhibit lasts until Aug. 25, so take a trip to Laguna and see it.

Sgt. Robert H. Rogers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rogers of Bushnell, Fla., is on duty at Nha Trang AB, Vietnam. Before his arrival in Vietnam, he was assigned at Little Rock AFB, Ark.

## Mystery Death Listed

A 24-year-old Lawndale man died of unknown causes sometime Saturday morning, after he passed out while drinking at a Torrance bar.

Coroners will attempt to discover the cause of death of David Arthur Brennstahl, 4237 W. 165th St. The body was identified by the victim's cousin, Patrick Bas-

nett of 20502 Madison Ave. Reporting the death to police was Robert H. Villiard of 17507 Yukon Ave., who said he and his wife had met Brennstahl Friday night in a local tavern. When the victim lost consciousness, Villiard helped him out to the Villiard fam-

ily car and then returned to the tavern.

Later, when the Villiards drove home, the victim was breathing but still semi-conscious, Villiard said. The informant left the victim in the car, wrapped in a blanket, and discovered him dead the following morning at 10:40 a.m.



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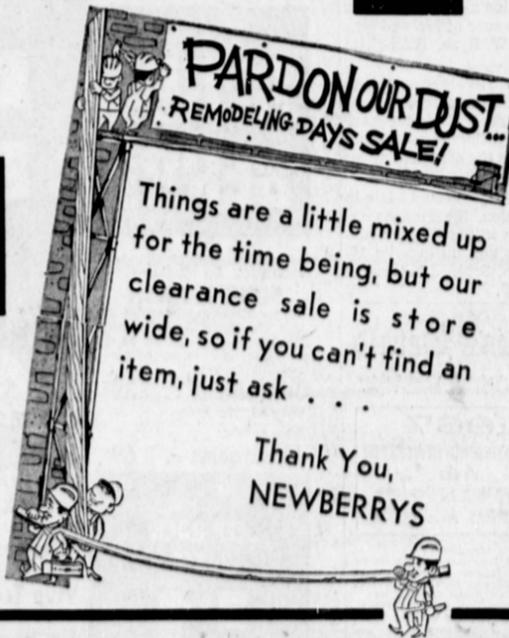
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