

## Continuation School Named for Dr. Shery

Torrance's fifth high school, a continuation high school for students who cannot attend regular classes, was named the Dr. Kurt T. Shery High School Monday.

Three members of the board present Monday split 2-1 in favor of the name. Trustee William J. Hanson voted against the move and Dr. Donald E. Wilson was absent from the meeting.

Hanson said he felt the board "shouldn't let the emotions of the moment overrule the reasons for naming schools." Hanson said he felt high schools were "bigger than the local community."

## Trustees To Meet Tonight

Members of the Torrance Board of Education will convene at 7:30 tonight at the Torrance High School girls' gymnasium to take up the 1967-68 preliminary budget.

The meeting was scheduled at the request of the district's Negotiating Council for the purpose of discussing salary increases for the coming year.

Trustees indicated Monday they also will consider salary increases for both certificated and classified employees, as well as other phases of the school budget for the new year.

A preliminary budget of some \$22.5 million has been submitted to the board.

## Lifeguard Captures Suspect

A 20-year-old Riverside man was booked on suspicion of burglary at the Torrance City Jail Sunday evening after he was captured by a lifeguard.

Donald Lee Brown, 20, an unemployed salesman, was booked about 10:45 p.m. Sunday on the charges.

Police said Brown was taken to the jail by Lawrence C. Cooke, a lifeguard of 5302 Carmalynn St., who arrived home Sunday just in time to see two youths run out of the back door of his home.

Cooke chased the two youths and caught Brown in front of 20028 Hinsdale Ave., police said. The second suspect escaped.

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## PAY DIVIDEND

Directors of United California Bank Monday declared a regular quarterly dividend of 50 cents a share payable June 29 to shareholders of record June 9.

## Fine Arts Festival Planned

Christ the King Lutheran Church, 2706 W. 182nd St., will hold its annual Fine Arts Festival at the church Sunday from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m.

The event is sponsored by the Knights, a young people's organization at the church. Leo Riede is art advisor for the festival.

Ribbons and cash prizes will be awarded. All entries will be on display at the church.

## City Employees File Suit To Force Wage Payments

Legal action to recover full pay for some 106 Torrance city employees was filed yesterday.

The action, filed by Ray V. Saukkola, president of the Torrance City Employees Association, seeks a writ of mandate to force the city to end a wage freeze ordered last week as the result of another legal action.

Saukkola filed the action

on behalf of all city employees except police and fire department personnel.

A SUIT by Mrs. Yvonne Nicolai and the Torrance Police Officers Association was filed against the city some three weeks ago. That suit, directed individually at Torrance councilmen and other city officials, seeks to recover wages paid to a police officer who, the suit charges, was promoted illegally.

Since that action seeks to hold each councilman personally liable for any sums which may be ordered repaid, the council acted last week to halt payments to the other city employees.

The LEGAL tangle is the outgrowth of a wage survey ordered in early 1966 which resulted in the blanket promotion of 107 city employees.

The council last week ordered that portion of wages paid to the 107 employees as a direct result of the blanket promotions withheld. The action was taken to protect the council from further liability.

A hearing on the petition for the writ of mandate has been set for 1:30 p.m. Friday, May 26, in Department A of the Southwest Superior Court.



COMMUNITY DAY . . . Members of the Torrance-Lomita Board of Realtors take a break during a planning session for a Community Day open house May 25 in celebration of National Realtors Week. Pictured are (from left) B. B. Reichert, Fred L. Fredericks, Anita Sharpe, and Mildred Patterson. Fredericks, program chairman for the event, said a program featuring a presentation on the city's Meadow Park Redevelopment Project is planned. Jerome I. Scharfman, assistant city manager, will speak in favor of the project and Mrs. Jeanette Aldermatt, chairman of Active Citizens of Torrance, will speak in opposition. (Press-Herald Photo)

## Council Rejects Protests On Cong Village Exhibits

Protests against a simulated attack on a Viet Cong village to be staged here Saturday as part of the Armed Forces Day observance were rejected by Torrance councilmen last night.

A small group of residents, headed by Garth Belknap, a Torrance teacher, and the Rev. H. Milton Sippel of the First Christian Church, appeared before the council last night to lodge the protests.

The group said it felt that a demonstration of violence would be of little benefit and asked that more emphasis be placed on such things as the Marine Corps Civic Action program in Vietnam.

Councilmen, however, noted that the city has never placed any restraints or in any other way censored any of the armed services in the eight-year history of the Armed Forces Day event.

Ken Miller told the group he felt it would be "presumptuous" of the council to take any action since councilmen have not been involved in the actual mechanics of the observance. Miller suggested that such events might be reviewed and evaluated later as part of the planning for future events.

"It boils down to a value judgment," Miller said. "I would like the courtesy of seeing it."

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