

MINUTES

OLD TORRANCE NEIGHBORS ASSOCIATION MEETING **MAY 18, 2011**

Association President Todd Hays opened the meeting at 7:30 P.M. He followed greetings and introductions of officers with a reading of the Treasurer's report. He made note of OTNA contributions to charities, encouraged membership in OTNA and made note of the website. Attendees were directed to coffee bar and Torrance Bakery cookies. Evening sponsors Nicole Donayre and Rudy Gallegos, proprietors of the soon-to-open Vino Amore at 1441 Marcelina Avenue, expressed appreciation for the welcome and outlined plans for their new endeavor, a fine wine boutique.

Janet Payne made a plea for "flying feet" to deliver Association flyers, made note of the May to October fourth-Sunday, 1:30 P.M.. walking tours of old Torrance

Debbie Hays announced Armed Forces Day activities: free concerts, parade and displays with free concert tickets available. Rock Around the Block returns in July, a kick off for the Centennial will be the November 6, light up the sky community event in Wilson Park on November 6.

Todd reported on the successful, despite rain sprinkle, Easter in El Prado Park and thanked those who helped.

Charles Payne announced the next Clean up Day on June 4 and urged members to commit to helping with this on-going project.

Program for the meeting was Kathleen Sonnert, master gardener from Armstrong Garden Center. Those in attendance left the meeting experts in tomato culture. Her splendid, professional presentation was a thorough cultivation guide for raising tomatoes – all the steps: seed to salad.

Concluding remarks and drawing for door prizes (including those from Armstrong Garden Center) ended the meeting.

Respectfully submitted
Gerald Ronan, Recording Secretary

May 21, 2011