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Happy Late Summer OTNA Members!

Our **next meeting** is **Wednesday, September 19th**. Join us upstairs that night at the Bartlett Center — we'll continue celebrating the 26th year of OTNA with door prizes. Plus, everyone in attendance will receive a 1950s candy treat bag to take home!

We are pleased to announce that our **guest speaker is Mayor Frank Scotto**. Mayor Scotto, who has now been in office for over one year, returns to our OTNA meeting for the second time. No Old Torrance resident will want to miss this meeting!

OTNA's Keep Torrance Clean Initiative continues to play a key role in Mayor Scotto's *Pay it Forward* challenge. In July, a group of enthusiastic OTNA members — including Councilman Paul Nowatka, spruced up Torrance Blvd. from Western to Sartori, and then up Sartori to Arlington. Many bags of trash were collected and subsequently picked up by the City. OTNA also supported the City and an Eagle Scout project in the clean-up of the City lot located next to Time Warner (we also cleaned the front of Time Warner's property). Also, OTNA successfully encouraged the Wells Fargo Bank in Old Torrance to clean their sidewalk, and we cleaned the next-door neighbor's sidewalk in exchange for a \$100 donation to OTNA. Be sure to join your neighbors on our next clean up day, **Saturday, September 15th**. Participants will receive Fosters Freeze gift certificates — as is our tradition. Since our past meeting, OTNA was awarded a Green Pride Award by the Torrance Environmental Commission. *Call (310) 328-7549 or (310) 320-6054 to help with our next CLEAN UP!*

The **Rock Around the Block** celebration on July 19th was a huge success. OTNA partnered with the Torrance Historical Society & Museum for their third annual 1950s style celebration of Torrance's award as an All-America City. Music, 50s cars, food and games were the theme of the day, including an authentic old-fashioned Malted Milk Shake Bar organized and staffed by us — your OTNA co-presidents. Nearly 300 shakes were served!

This **Meeting's SPONSOR is Ecotech Recycling**, a neighborhood business that provides an essential service to commercial and residential customers. Ecotech provides document-shredding services at a very fair price. We all know the risk of identity theft and also the pain of home shredding with the small, limited capacity units we are stuck with. No more! Ecotech will shred a month's or a year's build up of our sensitive documents in a flash, at low cost and in real time. We are invited to witness the accomplishment of this important task. Peace of mind and saving time — *it doesn't get better than this!*

The **Architectural Design Guidelines** are hot-off-the-press — you can have your very own copy for just **\$5 cash** — *pick up your copy at the meeting!* **The goal** of the Architectural Design Guidelines is to help homeowners in Old Torrance who want to update their home, yet maintain the same charm and architectural characteristics that *make this neighborhood work!*

We're looking forward to seeing you on the **Wednesday, September 19th**, for our next meeting!

Charles Payne & Todd Hays
OTNA Co-Presidents