



# TORRANCE ROSE FLOAT ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

NOVEMBER 2017

## FUNdraising—Restaurants for Roses

### Save the Dates!

**Nov. 9:** California Pizza Kitchen Restaurants for Roses  
**Nov. 16:** Decorators/General Meeting (7pm), Katy Geissert Civic Center Library  
**Nov. 25 & Dec. 2:** Dry Decorating Days (35 spots left for each decorating day. Sign up today. Download the Volunteer form at TRFA website. Bring your completed form to the Nov. 16 General Meeting. You can mail it in, too!

Make sure your membership is current so you can join us during the holidays as we bring the 2018 City of Torrance Rose Float to life. We need volunteer decorators for the following shifts.

- Dec. 26—40 each (AM and PM shifts)
- Dec. 27—40 each (AM and PM shifts)
- Dec. 28—40 each (AM and PM shifts)
- Dec. 29—30 (AM shift)
- Dec. 29—20 (PM shift)
- Dec. 30—35 (AM shift)
- Dec. 30—40 (PM shift)



2018 Float Pin

### President's Message

The countdown is on! As of November 25th, we will officially be in decorating season. This is an exciting time where we can come out and experience the pageantry, camaraderie, and the plain old hard work, fun and elbow grease that goes into creating our beautiful floats! Many of you make all of the gluing, clipping and snipping part of your holiday tradition. We look forward to seeing you at the float barn.

November 1<sup>st</sup> is the start of our 2019 float design contest. Since we need to register our design by the third week in February to insure we can do the float we have chosen we are starting our contest earlier this year. All high school students that live in Torrance are eligible to enter the contest. Monday January 8<sup>th</sup> is the deadline for turning in your design. We are looking forward to all the wonderful creations from our students. More information on the contest and the entry forms can be found on our website.

Thank you to Lynn Robinson for putting together our display in the Library in September and Jan Staws for arranging for our Comedy & Magic club even on October 18th.

Remember our annual general meeting will be held on November 16th. This meeting will include the election of the 2019 Board of Directors and the drawing for the "Ride of Your Life". I look forward to seeing you there.

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Torrance Rose Float Association

Cordially invites you to attend  
Our fundraising event at

**WHERE?**  
25306 Crenshaw Blvd, Torrance, CA 90505  
310-539-5410

**WHEN?**  
Thursday November 9th 2017  
From 11:00 am – 9:00 pm

**HOW?**  
Join us to help raise money for a great cause! It's easy and fun!  
All that you have to do is enjoy great food at CPK and 20% of your purchase will be donated to our fundraiser. Thank-you for your participation!

Present this donation form when ordering for redemption credit to our organization.

Excludes, tax and gratuity. Manager, please attach this flyer to the guest check. Valid for dine-in and take-out only.

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**FIESTA**  
PARADE FLOATS





RIDE OF YOUR LIFE



Have you ever wanted to ride on the float in the Rose Parade? The normal cost to ride on our float is \$1,500.00, but for a mere donation of \$10.00 you can be entered into our Opportunity Drawing to win a ride on the City of Torrance 2018 Rose Parade float "Protecting nature... The Madrona Marsh Preserve" on January 1st. Below is an order form for the opportunity drawing tickets which are on sale at our website, available at our Promo Booths and at the October and November General Meetings. The winner will be drawn at the November General Meeting.

**TICKET ORDER FORM**

Number of Tickets: \_\_\_\_\_ X \$10 each = Total Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

Make check payable to Torrance Rose Float Association and mail with this form to:  
 Torrance Rose Float Association, Attn: Win A Ride, 3031 Torrance Blvd., Torrance, CA 90503

Tickets will be mailed to you or bring your completed form and payment to Nov. 16 General Meeting at Katy Geissert Geissert Civic Center Library. Meeting starts at 7pm.



**2018 Float Decorating Wish List**

If there is any wish you can grant TRFA, we would greatly appreciate and welcome all support. We provide transportation and lunch for 7 days for our volunteers. Checks can be mailed to: 3031 Torrance Blvd., Torrance, Ca 90503. We also accept donations via PayPal on our website: <http://torrancerosefloat.org/>



- ◆ \$150—Snacks for decorating week
- ◆ \$200—Pizza for one decorating day
- ◆ \$250—KFC for one decorating day
- ◆ \$350—Subway for one decorating day
- ◆ \$5,500—Bus Transportation for our volunteer decorators (12 round trips)



## Tribute to Dee Hardison

With sorrow and sadness, the Torrance Rose Float Association is announcing the passing of Dee Hardison, a 40-year volunteer, supporter and decorator of the Torrance Rose Association. Dee wore many hats in service for the City of Torrance, yet each year you found her with glue in one hand and seeds in another, putting her loving touch on the float. To honor Dee, the TRFA Board will dedicate 40 Rose Vials on the 2018 Float – Protecting Nature...The Madrona Marsh Preserve. Dee Hardison, still touching the float with her love and kindness.



**2018 ROSE PARADE TICKETS  
ON SALE NOW**



Ring in the New Year at the 2018 Rose Parade! TRFA helps you avoid the hassle and concentrate on the fun. We're selling grandstand seats for the low price of \$110, including bus transportation to and from the parade, a parade program and bottle of water. It's a no brainer... all you have to do is show up and enjoy the show. Secure your seats now - we sold out early last year! Deadline to purchase your parade tickets is November 28, 2017.

## CONTACT INFO

**Phone:** (310) 618-2425

**Email:** [info@torrancerosefloat.org](mailto:info@torrancerosefloat.org)

**Website:** [www.torrancerosefloat.org](http://www.torrancerosefloat.org)

**Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/groups/torrancerosefloatassociation/>

**Twitter:** @RoseFloat

**Pick up a print copy of the Newsletter at the following locations:**

- ◆ City Hall
- ◆ City Hall Annex
- ◆ 6 Torrance Libraries
- ◆ Bartlett Senior Citizens Center
- ◆ Tillman Senior Center

**How can you find out about TRFA events?**

- ⇒ TRFA Facebook Group
- ⇒ Newsletter (available on TRFA website)
- ⇒ Torrance Events Calendar
- ⇒ City of Torrance eNewsletter
- ⇒ Daily Breeze Events Calendar

## TRFA Needs Your Help

Supporting our float is a year-round endeavor. Here are some of the ways you can help.

- Community Outreach
- Fundraising
- Help with decorating week tasks
- Obtaining Donations
- Preserving Association History
- Computer entry
- Helping at events
- Newsletter
- Publicity
- Other

Email us your Name and Phone number and what you want to help out with to: [info@torrancerosefloat.org](mailto:info@torrancerosefloat.org). Call us at 310.618.6825.





## TORRANCE ROSE FLOAT ASSOCIATION

2017 Membership Application

All dues are in effect from February 1st to January 31st.

**Primary Member Name:**

(First) \_\_\_\_\_ (Last) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: (       ) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

May Vote and Hold Office

- \_\_\_\_ Youth      \$10 per year    (age 13 to 17)
- \_\_\_\_ Individual    \$20 per year    (age 18 or older)
- \_\_\_\_ Couple\*    \$30 per year    2nd Name \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_ Family\*    \$50 per year    (Up to 4 people, each additional person add \$10. List First and Last Name)

2nd \_\_\_\_\_ 3rd \_\_\_\_\_ 4th \_\_\_\_\_

Families, Companies, Organizations: Please write additional names on the bottom or back of this form.

\*Couple and Family memberships; all members must be residing at the same address.

May Not Vote or Hold Office

Company/Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Service Club/ Organization    \$100 per year    (five people eligible to decorate)

\_\_\_\_ Business/Trade Industry      \$250 per year    (ten people eligible to decorate)

Decorating is on a sign up first come, first served basis. There will be a fee of \$10 per additional decorator.

My membership is:     NEW     RENEWAL      I am interested in volunteering \_\_\_\_\_

How did you find out about TRFA? \_\_\_\_\_

To receive a USPS mailed newsletter through Jan 2018 add \$10.00. \_\_\_\_\_ YES \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is a donation to TRFA (in addition to my annual dues) in the amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_       CHECK # \_\_\_\_\_      Total enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Make check payable to TRFA and mail with this form to the: Torrance Rose Float Association

Attn: TRFA Membership    3031 Torrance Blvd., Torrance, CA 90503

Any questions about your membership: contact us at [torrrosefloat@gmail.org](mailto:torrrosefloat@gmail.org) or call (310) 618-2425



TORRANCE ROSE FLOAT ASSOCIATION  
 3031 Torrance Blvd. Torrance, CA 90503  
 310-618-2425  
 DECORATOR FORM – 2018 ROSE PARADE FLOAT

Received	_____
Bus	<input type="checkbox"/>
Drive	<input type="checkbox"/>
TRFA Only	

Decorator's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Years Decorating \_\_\_\_\_

**EMERGENCY INFORMATION – EVERYONE NEEDS TO FILL THIS OUT**

Whom should we contact in case of an emergency?

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Please initial all lines below that you have read and understand TRFA decorating policy**

- \_\_\_\_\_ **DRY DAY Nov 25/Dec 2 –BUS LEAVES CITY ANNEX BUILDING 3031 TORRANCE BLVD. AT 7:45am**
- \_\_\_\_\_ DEC 26-30 Bus **leaves** Wilson Park at 7:45 am for the day shift and 4:45 pm for the night shift.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Buses will return at approximately 5:00pm and 11:00pm respectively
- \_\_\_\_\_ Buses may have to be canceled if we do not have at least 30 people per bus, you will be notified in advance of any cancellation
- \_\_\_\_\_ Decorators are assigned on a first come, first serve basis
- \_\_\_\_\_ Day shift - lunch will be provided, Night shift – snacks provided
- \_\_\_\_\_ Your shift could be canceled if the float is completed ahead of schedule
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Decorators must be a minimum of 13 years of age to decorate**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Decorators must be a current member of the TRFA to decorate**

**Dec 26 – 30 Bus leaves from Wilson Park – day shift at 7:45 am – night shift at 4:45 pm**

**Your confirmation will be mailed to you in December, unless you are working either Nov 25 or Dec 2**

**Parking is limited so we prefer decorators ride on the bus. If you plan to drive, please indicate here:**

Decorator's Name (one form per decorator) Please print Last Name, First Name	Adult	Under 18	Sat		Tue		Wed		Thurs		Fri		Sat		Anytime	
			11/25	12/2	Dec 26	Dec 27	Dec 28	Dec 29	Dec 30	Day	Night					
	✓	✓	Day	Day	Day	Night	Day	Night	Day	Night	Day	Night	Day	Night	Day	Night

Please number your preferences. If you don't have a preference, please check the **anytime** box and we will schedule you where we need the most help. **Please note:** Those that choose to work on a **dry day**, 11/25 or 12/2 will be given **priority** for any additional decorating days selected. We will try to accommodate everyone's request, however there are no guarantees.

- If you plan to decorate with someone and want to be scheduled at the same time, please list their name(s) here

**Photo/Video Release**

By signing this release, I grant full permission to the City of Torrance and/or Torrance Rose Float Association (TRFA) to use my name and image in any photographs, video graphs, motion pictures, or recording for any publicity and promotion without obligation or liability to me.

Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*Please return this form before December 1st, 2017\*\***

## WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY 2017 TORRANCE ROSE FLOAT

I, THE UNDERSIGNED, CERTIFY THAT I AM IN GOOD PHYSICAL CONDITION AND WISH TO PARTICIPATE IN Torrance Rose Float Decorating Activities ("Decorating Activities") between November 25, 2017 and January 2, 2018.

I hereby acknowledge that I have voluntarily applied to participate in the Decorating Activities.

I am aware that serious accidents occasionally occur during Decorating Activities, and that participants occasionally sustain serious personal injury or death and/or property damage, as a consequence thereof. I understand that included among the dangerous elements of Decorating Activities are risks associated with the weather, discarded items (e.g., broken glass, nails, etc.), the use of tools, tripping, falling from ladders, and of injury as a result of tripping, falling, or striking an unknown object. I understand that in addition to the above-mentioned risks, there are unpredictable dangers involved in Decorating Activities. If, however, I observe any unusual and/or significant hazard I will immediately bring such to the attention of the nearest official or supervisor and remove myself from participation if necessary.

In consideration of my participation in Decorating Activities, I voluntarily release the City of Torrance, the Torrance Rose Float Association, and their respective officers, agents, employees, members, and volunteers from any and all liability for injuries or death or property damage resulting from or in any way connected with my participation in Decorating Activities, that this waiver and release is applicable even though the negligent activities of the City of Torrance, the Torrance Rose Float Association, their respective officers, agents, employees, members, and volunteers may have caused or contributed to the injury or death or property damage. This Waiver and Release is binding on my heirs and dependents as well as upon me. Additionally, this Waiver and Release applies to any injury, death, and/or property damage caused or allegedly caused by a dangerous condition of public property. I freely and voluntarily expressly assume all the risks of participating in Decorating Activities.

I represent that to the best of my knowledge that I have no medical, physical, and/or emotional health condition that would hinder or prevent my participation in Decorating Activities. I also certify that I am physically fit, have been sufficiently trained for participation in Decorating Activities and have not been advised otherwise by a qualified medical person. In the case of sickness, accident, or injury, the City of Torrance, the Torrance Rose Float Association and their respective officers, agents, employees, members, and volunteers have my express permission to secure, at my expense, such medical attention as is deemed necessary in the sole discretion of the City of Torrance, the Torrance Rose Float Association and their respective officers, agents, employees, members, and volunteers. This participation includes the administration of such medicines or treatment as might be administered or ordered by duly licensed medical personnel, except for

(list exceptions).

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name of Participant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Participant

**IF PARTICIPANT IS UNDER 18, A PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN MUST SIGN.**

**THE ABOVE PARTICIPANT HAS MY PERMISSION TO PARTICIPATE IN DECORATING ACTIVITIES.**

These activities include travel to Irwindale, the site of the City of Torrance's float, by transportation provided by the Torrance Rose Float Association as a decorator on the Torrance Rose Parade float. I understand the transportation will depart from and return to Wilson Park, 2200 Crenshaw Blvd. (Please use the northwest parking lot at Crenshaw and Jefferson.) All day buses will leave at 7:45 am and will return at 5:00 pm. All night buses will board at 4:45 pm and will return at 11 pm. PLEASE BE PROMPT!!!! (The bus won't wait!).

I agree that should a discipline problem concerning the participant arise on a bus or at the decorating site, I or the person listed for emergency notification will drive to the decorating site in Irwindale to pick up the participant. Neither the City of Torrance, the Torrance Rose Float Association, nor their respective officers, agents, employees, members, and volunteers will be held liable for any expenses incurred.

**I HAVE READ AND AGREE TO THE PROVISIONS STATED ABOVE. I KNOW OF NO HEALTH LIMITATIONS THAT MAY RESTRICT THIS VOLUNTEER'S PARTICIPATION IN THIS ACTIVITY.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name of Parent or Legal Guardian  
[97979\_1.DOC]

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date  
[97979\_1.DOC]

**\*\*Please return this form before December 1, 2017\*\***





**2018 Tournament of Roses Parade  
Monday, January 1, 2018**

Experience – in person – the 129<sup>th</sup> Rose Parade themed, “Making a Difference,” with the magic of New Year’s Day in an unrivaled celebration, exclusive to the streets of Pasadena! The parade will feature majestic floral floats, high stepping equestrian units and spirited marching bands from throughout the world.

For the cost of \$110.00 per person you can watch the City of Torrance Rose Float from your reserved, premium, mid-route grandstand seat.

Your ticket includes roundtrip transportation from Wilson Park and your premium grandstand seat. The bus will depart at 5:00am and returns at approximately 12:00 noon. Order your tickets now to ensure your place on the parade route.

**TICKET ORDER FORM**

Number of Seats: \_\_\_\_\_

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

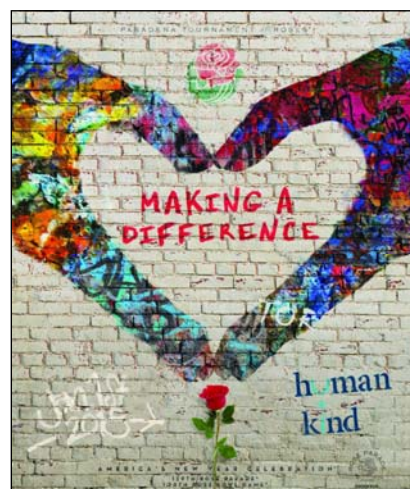
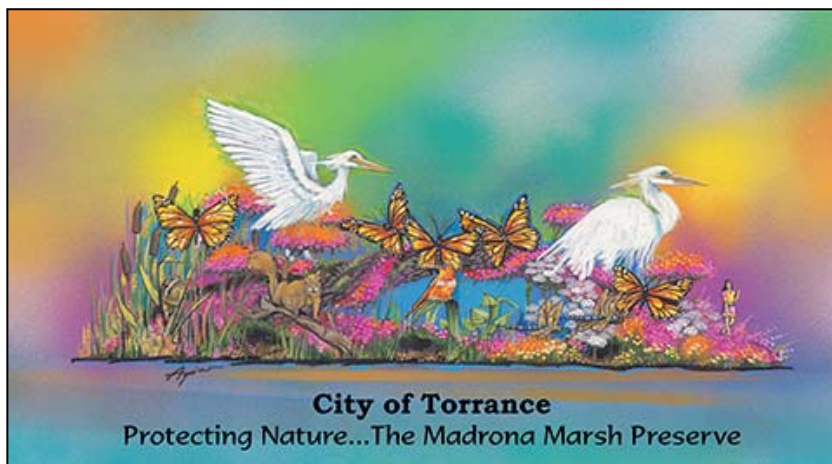
Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Number: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

You will be mailed parade instructions and Individual Participant Release/ Waiver/ Indemnity Agreement in December. Tickets will be given to you as you board the bus.

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