



THE RIVIERA REPORT

NEWSLETTER OF THE RIVIERA HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

October/November 1982

RHA OPENS NEW SEASON WITH SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE

Day: Thursday evening, October 14, 1982

Time: 7:30 P.M.

Place: Le Lycee Francais de Los Angeles
(Formerly Parkway Elementary School)
220 Via Riviera
(one block east of Torrance Beach)

The first RHA meeting of the new season has been designed to offer something of interest for every member. The business meeting will convene at 7:30 P.M. and will include an update on such issues as the following:

1. NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH
2. PARK DEL AMO PROJECT
3. TREE PROBLEM
4. BEACH CONGESTION
5. AIRPORT DEVELOPMENT

The Executive Board and guest commentators will look forward to receiving input from each of you on any or all of the above issues. So do come to the meeting and voice your ideas and opinions.

At the conclusion of the business session, following refreshments, Pat Dreizler from the Redondo Beach Historical Department will present a 45 minute slide show on THE RIVIERA AND REDONDO BEACH OF OLD (circa early 1900's). This promises to be an entertaining glimpse of this area as it used to be.

**NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH
PROGRAMS WORK!**

By Jim Perry

Our Riviera area is one of the prime targets of the criminal element in the South Bay. However, you and I and our neighbors can protect ourselves and each other by being the eyes and ears of our local Police Department.

Neighborhood watch programs have decreased home burglary by between 22 and 30% state wide. In our local area the percentage rate is double that figure, and in some local areas - where the watch is very active - there is no home burglary, no vandalism - and neighbors are no longer fearful of going on vacation or leaving for the day or night.

At least that is the feeling in our one block on Colinas since our watch was established. Believe me, this program does work!

All it takes is one dedicated person per block to set up their own watch. It takes a little time and a small amount of money - for printing, etc. All of my expenses have been covered by concerned neighbors' donations.

I will be happy to assist anyone to get started in a WATCH PROGRAM. If you are interested in my help, please attend the October 14 meeting or mail the tear-off below or contact the Torrance Police Department.

Bring the tear-off below to the October 14 meeting or mail it to

Mr. James Perry
337 Camino de Las Colinas
Redondo Beach, Ca., 90277

..... cut along dotted line

I am interested in helping to organize a NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH PROGRAM on my block.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Best time to contact me is on _____
(day of week)

at _____
(time of day)

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

From Inez V. McGee

For over three decades the RHA has been dedicated to serving the Riviera community and its residents. This year's Board of Directors will attempt to continue this tradition. I thank you for your membership and hope that you will participate by attending our general meetings and by offering your services and suggestions whenever possible.

Letters, Editorial & Opinion

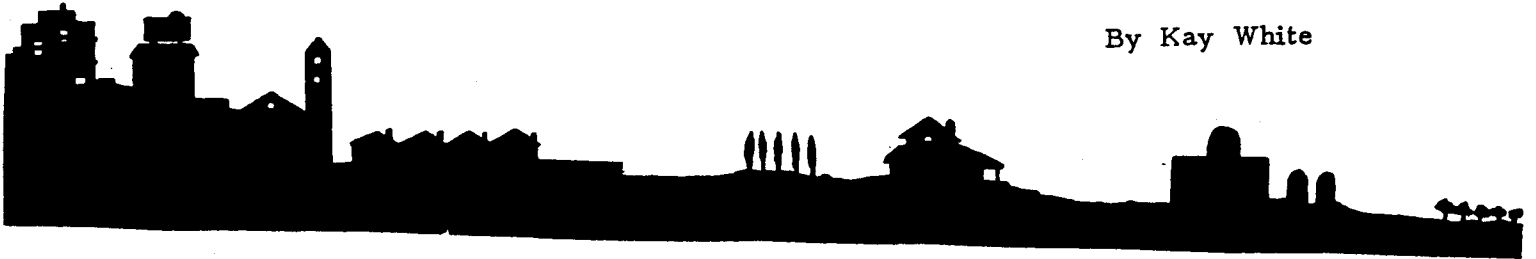
The Coalition to Stop Torrance Overdevelopment Plans (STOP), of which RHA is a member, is proposing an initiative ordinance to deal with the property bounded by Sepulveda, Madrona, Monterey, Toledo and Crenshaw. This property is the site of the proposed Park Del Amo project (including Madrona Marsh), which was stopped by a STOP referendum drive last spring.

Many residents of Torrance have found it necessary to join together in this coalition and take the citizen initiative approach, largely because of the city's approval last spring of development plans which the citizens deemed unacceptable, but also because they wish to make a strong statement in favor of a policy of moderate development.

To quote from the coalition, "the purpose of STOP is to support moderate, well-planned growth in the city of Torrance and to adhere to the concepts of a balanced community and protection of the environment, by preserving open space and ecological resources now present in the City and providing protection to the citizens from excessive traffic congestion, noise and air pollution. Its specific goal is to ensure the reasonable and moderate development of the property bounded by Sepulveda, Madrona, Monterey, Toledo and Crenshaw, and the preservation of a 54-acre Madrona Marsh."

With that in mind, it has designed an initiative ordinance which will rezone the property to set a reasonable cap on the allowable residential, office and retail density. It will also preserve Madrona Marsh as open space at no cost to the City and provide for the transfer of development rights from the marsh portion to the portion east of Maple so that the owner and developer will not be deprived of his reasonable rights of development.

By Kay White



Kay White, a League of Women Voters representative from the coalition, will be at the general meeting on October 14 to explain the initiative and answer any questions you may have.

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Mr. Gene Sokolski.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP
SCHEDULE

Thur. October 14, 1982 (7:30 p.m.)
Mon. December 6, 1982 (party at 7:00 p.m.)
Wed. February 16, 1983 (7:30 p.m.)
Thur. April 14, 1983 (7:30 p.m.)

Please mark your calendars and invite prospective or former members to join you. Children, grandchildren, other family members, and neighbors are cordially invited to our December Christmas party featuring Jim Gamble and his puppets.



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