

# THE RIVIERA REPORT

NEWSLETTER OF THE RIVIERA HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION



## **General Meeting:**

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 1985

Time: 7:30 - 9:30 p.m.

Place: Le Lycee Francais School  
(Formerly Parkway Elementary)  
220 Via Riviera

Program: EARTHQUAKE PREPAREDNESS -  
Presented by Dave Rapello, Torrance Fire Dept.  
Discussion, Slides and Q & A

HILLSIDE ORDINANCE, GROUP W UPDATES

BYLAW REVISIONS

ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS FOR 1985-86

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

What do you do in a really big earthquake? There are no lights, no phones, no gas, maybe no water for drinking, cooking or toilets. Maybe you've been injured. You're on your own until help can be organized. How do you help yourselves and others? If you come to our general meeting on April 11, you'll get some answers and learn how to think about -- Earthquake Preparedness.

You'll also be able to nominate and vote on new officers and directors for the coming year, vote on proposed amendments to the bylaws and hear an update on the Hillside Ordinance and Group W Cable.

Speaking of Directors, we're putting out an SOS for a newsletter editor. Barbara Mott, who has done a truly magnificent job for us this past year, is moving out of the area. We have a newsletter committee all set and many hands to help, but we need someone to put it all together four times a year. If you have a few hours to spare every other month (no summer meetings) and want to help your Association, call Sonya Mullin or Kay White.

There are other openings on the Board as well. Why not volunteer? For those of you who say "Something should be done about....", now's your chance. Come on board and we'll help you do it.

As we close out this RHA year, I want to thank the board members who have kept things going so smoothly for me. You're a great group to work with! While we've had some frustrations, I think we have also made good progress. It's been a real pleasure serving with you.

Kay White



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#### GROUP W CABLE

The City has responded to our letter of last October protesting the cable company's use of our easements without prior consent. In effect, according to the City Attorney's opinion, there is nothing the City needs to do in our behalf, so everything is on hold for now. However, there are some recent court actions, one involving a possible appeal to the Supreme Court in a situation very similar to ours. We will be tracking this to see what develops.

On Tuesday, April 16, the City Council will hold its 3-year performance evaluation of Group W. This is a public hearing to receive comments from citizens. You are urged to come to the meeting and speak up if you are interested in commenting, pro or con, on Group W's performance and quality of service.

#### HILLSIDE ORDINANCE

Substantive changes to the "emergency" Hillside Ordinance have yet to be taken up by the Planning Committee of the City Council. As a result, we have not yet been able to get any feedback on our proposed revisions at a public hearing. A meeting of the committee is scheduled for April 11; however, as of this writing we do not know if we will be given time on the agenda. Stay tuned, and be prepared to come out in support when it gets to the City Council!

#### NEW SEWER SYSTEM SERVICE CHARGE

Starting in 1985-86, our local Sanitation District will begin charging homeowners a service fee. The proposed charge will be \$12 per year and will appear as a separate item on your property tax bill. The charge will likely rise to \$20-\$25 in future years. Several other sanitation districts already impose such a charge, and our district faces a budget deficit due to drawn down reserves and lack of federal and state grants.

Single family homes which use less than 9 ccf (hundreds of cubic feet) per year can qualify for a reduction of \$7.50. This usually applies to a 1-2 person household. You can look on your water bill or call the water company to find your yearly consumption. You must apply in writing to the Sanitation District for this reduction before May 31, 1985. For information, call toll-free ZEneth 2-9121, 7:30-4:00, Monday through Friday.

APPOINTMENTS NOW NECESSARY AT DMV

Remember, you must make an appointment with the Department of Motor Vehicles in order to renew your driver's license, take a test or renew your registration in person. Following, courtesy of State Senator Robert G. Beverly, are some local phone numbers that didn't make the listing in the phone book:

Torrance:    Registration                    328-6583 & 328-6595  
                  License renewal                328-6580  
                  Driving test                    328-6455

San Pedro:    Registration                    832-5358  
                  License renewal                832-4160 & 832-9318  
                  Driving test                    832-4160 & 832-9318

VACANCY ON AIRPORT COMMISSION

The City Clerk is accepting applications for one vacancy on the Torrance Airport Commission. To apply, fill out an application form and return it to the City Clerk's office by April 16. The appointment will be made by the City Council at its April 23 meeting at 7:00 p.m. You may get a form at the Clerk's office, 3031 Torrance Blvd., or call 618-2870.

RODENT CONTROL - HELP AVAILABLE

To help control rats and other rodents, the County Department of Health Services offers free poisons as part of its "vector control" program. They are available from 8:00 to 9:30 a.m., Mondays through Fridays, in Torrance at 2300 W. Carson (533-7578) and in San Pedro at 769 W. Third St. (519-6081).

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NOMINATIONS FOR THE BOARD

Nominations for the officers and directors of the RHA Board of Directors are again solicited. Elections will be held at the April meeting, and the newly elected officers will be installed at the close of the election.

Please give serious consideration to volunteering some of your time to this worthwhile organization.

The Nominating Committee

RIVIERA HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION  
1984-1985 Executive Council

President	Kay White	373-1901
1st Vice President	Dr. Robert Mantovani	378-0671
2nd Vice President	Marta Colley	378-2085
Secretary	Irene Shackelford	373-1838
Treasurer	Margaret Whitson	378-1059

Executive Committee:

Howard Koster	378-4874
Inez McGee	378-5793

Members at Large:

Gene Drevno	Newsletter Mailing	375-3856
Barbara Mott	Newsletter Editor	378-0003
Sonya Mullin	Program/Hospitality	378-0872
Mike Roache	Airport	373-1873



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