



# THE RIVIERA REPORT

NEWSLETTER OF THE RIVIERA HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

## TREE TRIMMING REGULATIONS & TORRANCE 2005

Glenn Tanner

DATE: THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5, 1995  
INFO: RHA HOTLINE (310) 784-9RHA

TIME: 7:00 P.M.  
LOCATION: RIVIERA SCHOOL CAFETERIA  
365 PASEO DE ARENA



### NO BAD TRIMS

October's meeting topics will contain items of vital interest to residents of the Riviera. Please attend and discuss the city-wide issue of "Torrance 2005 - Planning the City's Future" and a discussion of the recently passed privatization program to allow residents to trim trees located in the City-owned right-of-way.

*Torrance 2005 - Planning the City's Future* will discuss the City Manager's project to provide the following

information:

- 1) A close look at Torrance today.
- 2) Building a clear image of what the people who live & work in this community want Torrance to be in the year 2005; and
- 3) Creation of a step-by-step plan to help the City government work with the community to move towards this image of Torrance 2005 and make it a reality.

As many Riviera residents may know, the City Council recently passed an ordinance that would allow private citizens to arrange for the trimming of City-owned trees located in the City-owned right-of-way. The RHA has worked long and hard with the city to accomplish this first step of

increasing the ability of the residents to expedite tree trimming over the normal City schedules which are becoming more restrictive due to decreasing City budgets. As with many new programs, informing the neighborhoods of how this program works is vital to the success of the program. Topics for this meeting will include answers to the following questions, among others:

- \* Which trees are included ?
- \* Which tree trimming contractor may I use ?
- \* Where can I get a permit ?
- \* How much does it cost ?
- \* What is a Group Permit ?
- \* What if the tree isn't in front of my house ?

Be sure to attend this very informative meeting !!!

## TREE TRIMMING ORDINANCE

### Shirley McNair

If you would like to have a city owned tree on your property trimmed, there is now a procedure to do so.

1. Call Street Services at 781 - 6900
2. Permit is required - cost \$25.00

Only homeowners may request a permit for a city tree on their property. Group permits are also available for \$100.00.

Once your permit is approved, the city will provide you with a list of authorized

tree trimmers whom you may contact for prices. These trimmers have agreed to follow strict guidelines established by the city. The guidelines do not allow trimming to improve or restore views.

Carol Roundtree in Street Services was most helpful in providing this information.

If you would like more details, please call the number above.

## SPECIAL THANKS TO RON PEREZ

The Board would like to recognize the contribution which Riviera resident Ron Perez, Tax and Financial Services Consultant, has made to our organization.

Recently he served as the independent source to examine our bank and cash flow statements and reconcile them with our checking account to facilitate an orderly turnover of Treasurers. This is the second time Ron has performed this service for us. The donation of his time is sincerely appreciated. Both Ron's home and office are in the Riviera.

# PRESIDENT'S NOTES

## Don Young Jr.

A lot has happened since our last general meeting in April, 1995. Some of the more important items will be addressed by others throughout this edition of *The Riviera Report*.

In this space I would like to go over our meeting schedule. A chart below shows the meetings through the end of our fiscal year, June 30, 1996.

| Meeting        | Date                    |
|----------------|-------------------------|
| Board          | August 3, 1995          |
| Board          | September 7, 1995       |
| <b>General</b> | <b>October 5, 1995</b>  |
| Board          | November 2, 1995        |
| <b>General</b> | <b>December ? 1995</b>  |
| Board          | January 4, 1996         |
| <b>General</b> | <b>February 1, 1996</b> |
| Board          | March 7, 1996           |
| <b>General</b> | <b>April 4, 1996</b>    |
| Board          | May 2, 1996             |

Except for the December General meeting, all the meetings are on the first

Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. The Board meets at 149 Palos Verdes Boulevard, Suite A, Redondo Beach, next door to First Interstate Bank's parking lot.

All General meetings are at Riviera Elementary School, in the cafeteria. Now is the time to write these dates on your calendar.

If you have interest in working on a committee, becoming and Board member, or just want to observe, our board meetings are open to the membership.

Speaking of membership, this is our membership drive newsletter. We mail this to all the homes (over 3,000) in the Hollywood Riviera. We encourage those of you who are not currently members to join us. If you are unsure, come to a no-cost no-obligation meeting. Of course, if you are a member, we hope you will renew your membership. The cost is still just \$10. Please send your check in the enclosed envelope.



## GARDEN CLUB TO ADOPT PARK PLANTER

The Riviera Garden Club will open its 1995-96 season with the official adoption of the park planter in Los Arboles Park (commonly known as Rocketship Park). The ceremony will be on Tuesday, September 26, at 9:45 a.m.

Los Arboles Park is at 5101 Calle de Ricardo. From the Anza Avenue/Vista Montana intersection, take Vista Montana up to Paseo de las Tortugas. Go right, (west) directly to the park. (Paseo de las Tortugas becomes Calle de Ricardo).

The Riviera Garden Club's objectives include increasing interest in and knowledge of amateur gardening, plant and birdlife, conservation of all natural resources, healing of the bays, and city beautification. Prospective members are welcome.

Following the adoption ceremony, there will be a reception in a private home. The public is invited to attend. To R.S.V.P. or for more information, call **Gloria Jacobs** at 378 - 3206.

## Profile: DOUG HOLKER



### • PAST PRESIDENT

Doug is the immediate past president ('92 - '94) of RHA. He was Vice President, Programs ('90- '92) and started the Outstanding Landscape Award for the RHA in 1988, a year after he moved here from Hawthorne. His parents and Aunt (Hal, Shirley and Bae) live a block away in the Riviera.

Doug was born and reared in Pennsylvania/New Jersey and moved to Palos Verdes Estates with his family in 1970. He graduated from PVHS in 1975 and then attended UCSD as a pre-med student. He went to the University of St. Andrews, Scotland ('77-'79), studying Geography and playing golf. Doug returned to UCLA and received his BA ('80) and his MA ('83) in Geography, specializing in Remote Sensing.

He worked for BDM International Corp. ('81-'92) and in 1992, Doug joined The Aerospace Corporation, where he is a project engineer for Architecture and Integration of Advanced Satellite Systems.

Doug is President of the Los Angeles Chapter for the Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association. He teaches classes at Riviera Elementary School each year about Remote Sensing and is coach for little league and coach/referee for the American Youth Soccer Organization. Doug is married to Nadine Williams (12 years) and has two sons, Blake (11) and Matthew (10). In his free time, Doug enjoys golfing, backpacking, skiing and going to the beach.

# OUTSTANDING LANDSCAPE AWARDS

The Landscape Awards Program was started to recognize Riviera residents who went out of their way to enhance our

community. The awards is presented in conjunction with the Riviera Garden Club. Joining in the committee will be Mary

Lanihan, Irene Shackelford and Ethel Sellars, with Ruth Vogel continuing as Chairman.

APRIL  
**Megumi and Yuki Matsuda**  
524 Paseo De Las Estrellas



JUNE  
**Elsie and Bob Carne**  
5337 Via Del Valle

AUGUST  
**Chris and Marie Stefferud (and Lisa)**  
229 Monte D'Oro



MAY  
**Ruby and Jim William**  
433 Via Los Miradores

## RHA SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

Riviera residents **Carolyn Lillo** and **Katie Kenderski** are the 1995 RHA Scholarship winners based on their outstanding high school accomplishments.

Carolyn earned a 4.0 and Katie a 3.9 in honors programs while serving their school and community in service clubs, student government, band, athletics, church and charitable organizations. Carolyn will attend California Polytechnic State University at San Luis Obispo and Katie

is enrolled at the University of Massachusetts in Amherst.

The South High graduates were chosen from a field of 15 area seniors who nominated themselves through their school counselors or through direct contact with the RHA Scholarship Committee. Any Riviera senior interested in applying for next year's scholarships should contact their high school counselors or **Ruth Vogel** at 375 - 4702 by February 1, 1996.

## Profile:

## GARY RIVERA



## • TREASURER

Gary's experience in professional stage and video production spans nearly 22 years. Beginning as a cinematographer, film editor and video production manager, his career led to music concert production in 1978.

He toured internationally as Senior Production Manager and Chief Audio Engineer with such performers as The Doobie Brothers, Barry Manilow, Frank Sinatra, and Wayne Newton. His Broadway production experiences include credits for *Starlight Express*, *Phantom of the Opera*, and *Chess*.

As Executive Producer, Gary has been responsible for the budgeting and production management of many live "corporate theater" events, videos, and satellite broadcasts for Cadillac, Hyundai, McDonald's Toyota, Lexus, Yamaha, Apple, and Mazda.

## WHAT DO YOU THINK? . . .

Your Board of Directors would like to know what you think? Of our General meetings?

Do you like the time of day we have the meetings? Do you like the meetings on the first Thursday of the month? Is there a topic you would like to see covered? Should we have breakfast or lunch meetings once in a while? Should we sponsor a Hollywood Riviera block party?

We need your ideas! *What do you think?* Please let us know. You can write us, call the hot line, or call one of the board members listed in the newsletter. We would greatly appreciate your thoughts.

While we do appreciate responses from our readers, we should mention that the opinions expressed are not necessarily those of the Board of Directors of RHA or its members.

Let us know what concerns you have.

Mail your ideas or concerns to:

**What Do You Think?**  
P. O. Box 1074  
Torrance, CA 90505

Or call our hot line at:  
**(310) 784 - 9742**

# Riviera Homeowners Association 1995-1996 Officers And Directors

|                                 |                  |          |                         |                  |          |
|---------------------------------|------------------|----------|-------------------------|------------------|----------|
| President                       | Don Young Jr.    | 373-4642 | Landscape, Chairperson  | Ruth Vogel       | 375-4702 |
| 1st Vice President (Programs)   | Glenn Tanner     | 375-1778 | Landscape               | Mary Lenihan     | 378-7435 |
| 2nd Vice President (Membership) | Armelle Feuvrier | 373-1190 | City Council Liaison    | Patsy Loughboro  | 378-5359 |
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| Historian                       | Trish McDonald   | 375-9728 | Director/Past President | Doug Holker      | 378-8984 |
| Hospitality                     | Karla Butte      | 791-0222 | Director/Past President | Howard Kosters   | 378-4874 |

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## RIVIERA HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ TEL: \_\_\_\_\_

Initial membership application \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal \_\_\_\_\_

Please enclose a check or money order for \$10.00 for annual membership



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