
The Riviera

HOMEOWNERS NEWSLETTER

ANNUAL DINNER DANCE

Saturday, October 10

Social Hour 7:30P.M.-Dinner 8:30-Dancing 9:00P.M. to 1:00 A.M.

FIFTY DOOR PRIZES PRIME RIB DINNER LES TRONSIER COMBO

LE GRANDE PRIZE: 3 DAYS AND NIGHTS AT THE TROPICANA-LAS VEGAS FINEST
...FOLLIES BERGERE...RHA WILL FLY WINNERS VIA WESTERN AIRLINES

Reservations: Lily Kaminskas 375-7561 Dance Chm. Mrs. Ray Fitting
Donation \$6.00 per person

THE RIVIERA COMES TO THE RIVIERA

Los Verdes Country Club

OCTOBER 5th MEETING: YOUR CITY TOMORROW

The Torrance Tomorrow goals program, a city-sponsored effort to base planning for the future of this community on the expressed desires of its people, is now in its second year. At the Riviera Homeowners meeting (Monday, October 5, 8:00 p.m., Parkway School Cafetorium) goals committee members will discuss progress to date in the program and will ask reaction from local residents to tentative goals now formed.

Just to start you thinking along goal-setting, decision-making lines:

--Do you feel that there should be sidewalks throughout the Riviera section (assuming that if there are none on your street you would join a special assessment district)?

Yes No

--Would you favor an ordinance (such as those in effect in other cities) banning overnight on-street parking? Yes No

--Would you support (either actively or simply with your vote) a \$15 million parks and recreation bond issue?

Yes Yes, if it included _____ No

We'd like very much to have your reaction to these questions. If you'd like to have your feelings known, clip the page and bring it to the October 5th meeting or mail it to:

Unscientific Sampling
P.O. Box 1074
Torrance, Calif. 90505

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

October marks the beginning of a new activities year for the Riviera Homeowners Association. We hope you all had a pleasant summer vacation. As you can see from the other items in this Newsletter, the Association has not been on vacation. We have been watching out for your interests as residents of the Riviera.

The meetings planned for this year are designed to carry out our efforts to keep the Riviera informed. Our October meeting is the first of these informative meetings. This is your opportunity to add your input to the goals for the city for the next decade. The November meeting will be a presentation on the ballot propositions.

Let's not forget, though, that the Association can have fun. Come with your neighbors to our annual dinner dance and help us celebrate the 24th anniversary of the Association. See you there.

... Dick Hall

JET TESTING AT THE TORRANCE AIRPORT

In the spring one of the companies on the Torrance Airport property, Aeronca, applied for a conditional use permit to construct and operate a jet testing facility at the Torrance Airport. The Riviera Homeowners Association, under the leadership of Airport Committee Chairman David Paul and President Dick Hall, has closely followed this proposal. The Executive Board of the Association felt that an outright denial of this permit would be unfair since the only effect granting it would have on the Riviera would be from exhaust noise. If the noise could be controlled the Board saw no reason to deny the permit. Jet fuel for the tests cannot be dispensed into aircraft.

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The Association was represented at a tour of another jet testing facility, that of the Garrett-Airesearch Corporation, in north Torrance. Satisfied by the noise control there, the Association asked for and got similar noise level limitations imposed on Aeronca as part of their conditional use permit. The noise level allowed by the permit is 65 dbA measured anywhere on an 800-foot radius from the testing facility. This is much lower than the noise level on Crenshaw Blvd. However, if any resident is bothered by the noise from the test facility, he should call the Airport Manager and file a complaint. The manager will investigate the matter and has authority to close down the facility if the complaint is justified.

The Executive Board feels our position is one of protecting our residents' peace of mind and allowing orderly progress and expansion of local firms.

BEACH CLUB PROPERTY PROPOSAL DROPPED

The old Hollywood Riviera Club property, located on the Torrance-Redondo Beach line where Paseo de la Playa, Calle Miramar and the Esplanade come together, has long been looked upon by the Riviera Homeowners Association as a potential trouble source from apartment developers. It was over this property that the big high-rise battle of several years ago was fought.

The problem arose again this late spring and early summer when the Torrance Planning Commission considered a high-density application to permit the construction of apartments on the property with 30% more units than the building code normally allows. The Executive Board of the Riviera Homeowners Association successfully fought the application at the Commission level. A subsequent appeal to the City Council was dropped by the developers in the face of continued Association opposition.

NEW ASSOCIATION BOARD MEMBERS

Pat de Santis has accepted a position on the Association Board of Directors to replace John Murphy. Rosalie Woodward will fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Don Macri.