



THE KEYS BREEZE

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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Mr. Douglas V. Hart, Attorney at Law, has taken it upon himself to notify some of the Keys residences, by a letter dropped into their mail boxes, of his opposition to the proposed changes to the By-laws and CC&R's.

Mr. Hart gives his address as P.O. Box 845, Ventura, CA 93002. To our knowledge, he is not a Keys resident, nor is he a property owner. He has worked with the Art Jury trying to resolve a dispute between a ~~membership~~ of his family and a next door neighbor, both Keys residents. The Board of Directors is unable to locate a business address for him.

The Board has asked Mr. Monte Widders, VKA attorney, to comment on Mr. Hart's letter. Mr. Widders is considered an expert in this field. He feels Mr. Hart has misinterpreted some code sections and quoted others that are irrelevant.

Far be it for me or other Board members to be involved in such a debate. However, Mr. Hart said one thing about insurance in his letter to me of May 28, 1986 and another in his letter to selected home owners. Now, he feels that insurance is not necessary. None of us feel that he is correct. I might also add, not even the insurance companies.

The 1985 Board of Directors, taking its cue from the many previous Board's frustrations over lack of funds, due to the voluntary system of paying dues and the Art Jury's inability to enforce the CC&R's, took their problems to the last annual meeting.

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE (Continued)

At that annual meeting, it was agreed unanimously to pursue changes that would make dues mandatory and give the Art Jury the ability to enforce the CC&R's.

For the past year, the 1986 Board has pursued this end. Soon we will have a proposal to vote on by each property owner. A yes vote means that each property owner will surrender a small amount of authority to the Board of Directors, but in turn will benefit by a better community and higher property values.

On another subject, the Keys Association starts 1987 with the opportunity to take the first steps towards actually relocating the Arundel barranca. We have new commitments to this project from the Lusk Co. and the Port District. We have from the University and City Comprehensive Review Committee, a promise to look closely at the problem. In the past, we have had support of Supervisor Lacey and Councilman Bill Crew. Maybe we can put this all together and upgrade our area by making the channels and harbor more usable. All City taxpayers pay for the silt removal.

I would like to thank Russell Thomas, on Sailor, for his work with the Board on the barranca problem. The Board needs more helpers like him.

The Board has other pressing problems to face in 1987. The big beach dock is in need of repair. Insurance problems have not gone away. The community is growing older thus needing more attention. Money problems continue. More residents request that the CC&R's be enforced. Some residents would like to have the Association take on more activities.

These problems create a greater need for all of us to work together and each of us to carry our fair share of the financial burden. The changes in By-laws and CC&R's are essential to this process.

Each property owner will receive, in the mail, a complete copy of the new proposal with sufficient time to review it prior to casting a ballot.

We, the Board urge you to give our proposal a yes vote. If you have questions, please call us and come to the annual meeting on January 29th at the Ventura Yacht Club, 7:30 PM. The Board also hopes to have one other public hearing. The time and place will be announced later.

Annual Meeting

January 29, 1987

7:30 P.M.

Ventura Yacht Club
1755 Spinnaker Dr.

PARENTS
INFORMATION
MEETING

Dr. Gyves, New Superintendent of the Ventura Unified School District (or his representative) will discuss a parent-group proposal to expand Pierpont School from kindergarten through third grade (K-3) to kindergarten through fifth grade (K-5). The purpose of the meeting is to determine parent interest and to discuss possible impacts from returning Pierpont to a neighborhood school.

It is important that as many parents as possible attend this meeting to give input and share ideas on the future of Pierpont School.

Tues., Jan. 27, 1987

7:00 P.M.

Pierpont School

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