



THE KEYS BREEZE

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The election is over. There were more no votes than yes votes and the Association's problems are not resolved.

The Board will ask Mr. Widders, VKA Attorney, as to their options and then make a recommendation to the homeowners at the Annual Meeting in January, 1988.

The Association will start its membership drive soon. Hopes are that the people who were against the mandatory idea will contribute on a voluntary basis.

Next on the agenda is the annual outdoor Christmas Decoration Contest. It is anticipated that more homes will take part this year.

BARBECUE

Our annual barbecue was held September 19th as planned. All went like clock work as Skip Majewski did a great job of planning! And of course, the food was great and so was the weather!

We wish to thank all of those that helped. Patti Rush and Sue Gentzie did the buying and running around for Skip. John Gray got the Bar-B-Q for us and supervised the cooking and clean up (a big job!). Other cooks were: John MacIntyre, Jack Gentzle, & Rex McBroom. Tom Carmody picked up and returned the tables and chairs. Lou Liserani provided the music and Bill Crew donated the orange drink. The Hartleys tolerated our running in and out and provided electricity and water. Skip said, "All help was appreciated and it couldn't have happened except for the hard work of all. Thanks to everyone!"

We asked for donations and three couples responded. We salute Larry and Barbara Meister (their donation was in honor of the work done by Lou Liserani and Dixie Cramolini), Stan and Diane Heirshberg, and David and Betty Welch (their donation was for kid's prizes: ribbons for the sand castle building). Your contributions certainly are appreciated!

Barbecue (Continued)

We are sorry many of you stayed away! The election evidently dampened the turnout. The costs were still there though, as we went in the hole \$431.00. The canopy always continues to be the biggest expense, but a very welcome respite for eating and visiting. We wish to again ask for contributions to help on the Barbecue deficit.

CHRISTMAS DECORATING

The VKA annually judges on and off water decorating of homes. This year the Parade of Lights will be December 19th. The VKA judging will take place December 21st with the use of Carmody's boat to take the Board of Directors and their spouses up and down the channels. Then all pile into their cars and cruise the Keys. The top three on and off water homes, plus the best apartment is selected. The winners will be announced and awards given at the January Annual Meeting.

The Board invites all to decorate.

VENTURA KEYS T-SHIRTS & VISORS

The orders that were made at the Barbecue have been filled and delivered according to Dixie Cramolini.

If you missed out, call Dixie at 642-6153 and she will take your order for a T-shirt, polo shirt, or visor.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

We purchased a lot in the Ventura Keys this year and quickly learned of the homeowners' disagreement over whether to adopt the proposed new CC&Rs. As the disagreement became heated, statements were made that must have hurt the feelings - or at least dampened the morale of the Board members who worked so hard to do what they thought was best for the Ventura Keys.

We think that it is important that the Board members who worked so selflessly be thanked for all of their concern and hard work. We wanted to write this to ask other homeowners to remember to express their appreciation to the Board members - it doesn't matter if you supported or opposed the proposed new CC&Rs - only that if we don't show our appreciation, how can we expect others to serve as long and as hard in the future.

Thank you, Board members.

Stan & Diane Heirshberg

Editor's note: Thank you, Stan & Diane.

NEIGHBORHOOD COMMENTS

Last year, a homeowner on Cove hoped the homes on their street might get together and have a decorated street or "Candy Cane Lane". Is this in the planning? It would sure be nice!

Several calls have been received about palm tree trimming. All previous arrangements are ca-poof! If someone out there does get a good deal, perhaps you could let the Editor know for help to others.

MEMBERSHIP/DONORSHIP

The Board of Directors decided since some owners were unhappy to be called members and yet these owners still wished to contribute to the upkeep of entrances and beaches, the barbecue, or the newsletter, that these owners could donate or contribute a \$30.00 amount and not be called members. We wish to start our Membership/Donorship Drive in December. Therefore when you send your check for the 1988 year, please specify if you are a donor.

New members paying for 1987 since the July/August 'Breeze' have been: Austin, Chadwick, Cummings, W. Carr, Dalzell, Farrell, Heirshberg, L. J. Johnson, Lambie, J. Martin, Montemayor, Mayta, Popp, Rowlands, Stimson, Tambllyn, Trahan (pd. for each lot), M. White, and M. Wilson.

We welcome you!

All 1988 membership fees of \$30.00 or donorship amounts of \$30.00 can be sent to the Ventura Keys Association, P.O. Box 1086, Ventura, CA 93002. Envelopes will be sent later, probably February. Please use the slip below to help us keep our records updated.

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Name: _____ Owner _____ Renter _____

Keys Address: _____
(Please list additional Keys properties on back.)

If owner, check appropriately: Primary Residence _____
Vacation Home _____
Rental Unit _____

Mailing Address (if you live outside Keys):

EDITORIAL

Now that the election is over, I hope, as does the Board of Directors, that our Association can continue. We had many heart rendering times, especially from those who didn't trust us and accused us of everything from power grabbing to liars. We are your neighbors! Many of us, half of the Board and myself, will not be serving VKA next year. The problem of finances remains as also does the old CC&Rs & By-laws that badly need revising. This job now belongs to some future Board. And believe it or not, someday our beautiful community will either pull together and keep it nice for all, or we will have no say to those that abuse the rights of others.

A new Editor is needed. Surely there is someone that would give it a try. The Association also needs six new Directors. Now is your chance to have your say. It requires very little time throughout the year and it is fun to be a part of the 'inner workings'. Contact Steve Hoffberg, Steve Ehret, or Dennis Adams and volunteer.

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