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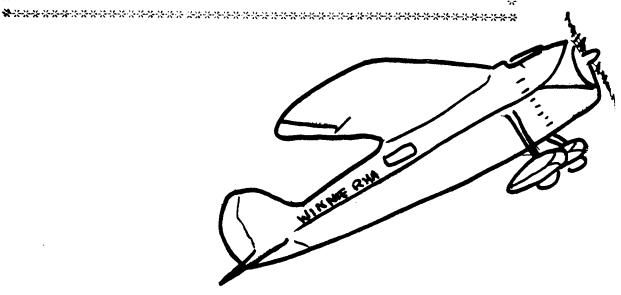
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* TORRANCE AIRPORT ***** ぶっ 44 -;;-Past --- Fresent --- Future * * GUEST SPEAKER - COUNCILMAN WILLIAM UERKWITZ -;;-× -}}-MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5th ℀ * Parkway Cafetorium -14

8:00 PM

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Issues and Information of Importance to the Riviera

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

The most explosive Torrance City Council meeting that I have attended (and I've attended numerous council meetings this past year) took place on 19 December 1972. The agenda item that night that ignited very emotional debate among members of the Council as well as from the audience, was approval of the goals for the master plan for the Torrance Municipal Airport.

I feel that the basic issue that was behind all the fireworks that night was the question of just what kind of an airport is the Torrance Airport, and more importantly what kind of airport should it be in the future.

Items contained in the report reviewed that night are of particular concern to homeowners:

- 1. Whether or not to establish commuter service at Torrance Airport.
- 2. Whether or not to establish a convention center at Torrance Airport.
- 3. Whether or not to allow the number of based aircraft to increase to be commensurate with maximum utilization of airspace capacity.

The council, by a vote of 4 to 3, retained most measures, including establishment of commuter service, as items to be studied by the outside consultants preparing the Airport Master Plan. The Council did stipulate that there would be a publicized public hearing, after the plan has been prepared, but before the Council votes on the plan.

I feel that the plan for the future of Torrance Airport is the one most important issue facing residents of the Riviera today. Your homeowners association has been represented at all meetings of the City Council, Airport Commission, etc., where the issue of the future of the airport has been discussed, but, the time is fast approaching when the membership at large must "get into the act."

Our general meeting on Monday night, February the 5th, will be a discussion of the Torrance Airport, past, present and future. Our guest speaker will be Councilman Bill Uerkwitz who, as a member of the Council Transportation Committee, is well qualified to speak on this most pressing matter.

- ... Rivierans were sorry to hear of the passing of former Riviera Homeowners Association president W. A. Garrabrant.
- ... The December RHA children's Christmas party was successful and well attended. As he has in the past, Puppeteer Jim Gamble brought joy to the hearts of local youngsters.
- ... Developers of the proposed Palos Verdes Condominiums, slated to replace the aged and honored Palos Verdes Apartments, plan to apply for a permit from the South Coastal Regional Coastline Commission as soon as the commission is operative. The starting date (projected) for razing the old apartments is June of this year.

COASTAL COMMISSION

The South Coast Regional Coastline Commission created by the passage of Proposition 20 held an organizational meeting January 22 at the Los Angeles Harbor Commission offices in Long Beach.

Robert F. Rooney, an associate professor of economics at Cal State U. Long Beach, was elected president of the group. Rooney, a former oil company economist, heads the University's center for environmental studies.

County Supervisor James Hayes was elected to the statewide coastal commission.

We will continue to watch the local commission with great interest as it deals with major issues such as applications by coastal communities for exemption from provisions of the law on grounds that their coastal properties are presently developed to 80% of the density allowed by present zoning.

Frankly, the appointment to the commission of many who opposed Proposition 20 strikes us as an exercise in political cynicism on the part of those who chose them. Our hope is that those members will regard their duties in the light of the voters' clear will in passing Proposition 20 and that they will work toward the intended goals of the measure regardless of their motives in opposing it.



RHA NEEDS YOU

All organizations, regardless of their vitality, prosper from occasional injections of new blood. Over the years, your homeowners association has involved and benefited from the participation of many local residents. New officers, board members and committee chairmen will be selected in March and this is the time to come forward if you are interested in taking an active part in the association.

Please contact Bud Skolich (375-5175). No great time commitment is necessary.

Mr. and Mrs. (Adams?), We've Lost You

In the confusion of Christmas mail an envelope addressed to RHA membership chairman has been lost.

The sender may have been someone named Adams.

If you mailed your membership dues in mid-December and have not yet received a membership card, please contact either Robert White (373-1901) or Katie Geissert (375-5531).

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

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