



President's Corner

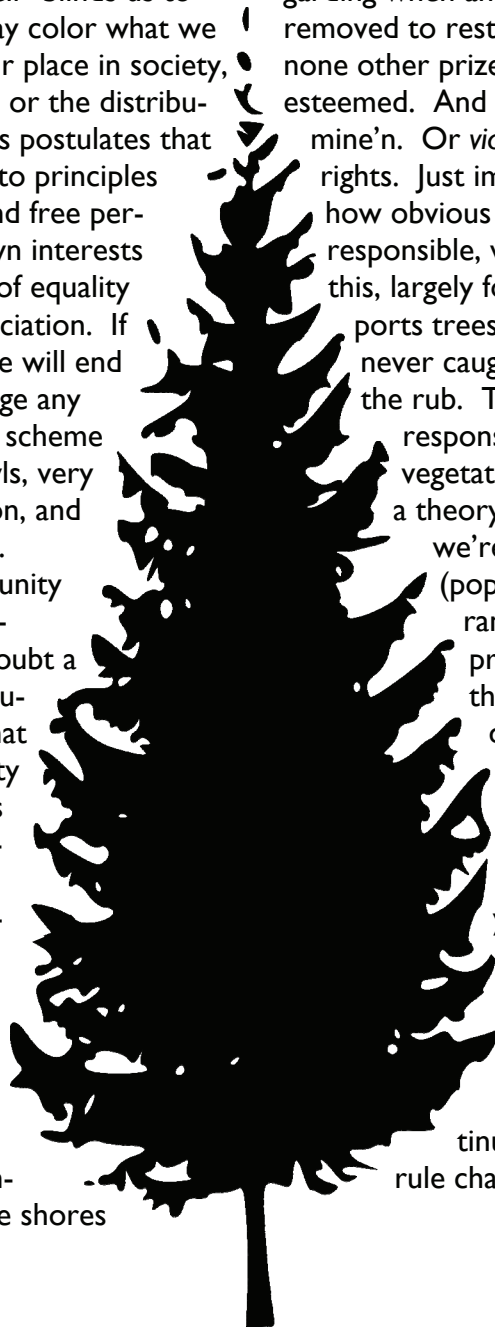
A Theory of Justice...Imagine, as Harvardian John Rawls asks us to, an artificial starting position, where everyone decides principles of justice from behind a veil of ignorance. This "veil" blinds us to knowledge about ourselves that may color what we think justice is. We don't know our place in society, our intelligence, strength or wealth or the distribution of resources or the like. Rawls postulates that ignorance of these details will lead to principles that are fair for all, what rational and free persons concerned to further their own interests would choose in an initial position of equality that defines the terms of their association. If an individual does not know how he will end up, he is likely not going to privilege any one group, but rather to develop a scheme of justice that treats all fairly. Rawls, very much of the social contract tradition, and all very hypothetical and ahistorical.

Imagine, if you will, a community with something also of a social contract. From behind what was no doubt a veil o'plenty of ignorance was formulated rules of fairness governing what we do with our homes and property that sought to reflect basic liberties to the extent compatible with similar liberties for others. And given that some liberties conflict, also reflecting certain trade-offs for the sake of the greater good. With some basic agreed values stirred in. So, not at all hypothetically nor ahistorically, we have our Covenants, Conditions & Restrictions. No more fearsome and opinionated a debate has raged on these shores since Patrick Henry orated and

pamphleteered on the tyranny of the Crown, then when some rules changes were proposed recently on administering decade-old CC&R provisions regarding when and how trees should be trimmed or removed to restore views. Trees & views. Scarcely none other prized virtues of our green hamlet so esteemed. And your'n sometimes intrude'n on mine'n. Or *vice versa*. Views are property rights. Just imagine if one's trees self-locomoted how obvious the basic principle that the owner is responsible, would be obvious. No Narnia is this, largely for the better. Yet from reliable reports trees here grow, though slowly, and never caught *in flagrante delicto*. There'n lies the rub. There are circumstances when we're responsible for the augmentation of our vegetation. Our CC&Rs are grounded on a theory of justice as fairness whether we're a tree owner or a view owner (pop quiz, what does the veil of ignorance have to do with this?). Basic principles do not however, no more than general CC&R provisions, mandate specific results. Our architectural rules and administering committees try to find fairness in cases as and when presented. This will continue to be so. Thank you all for your clamorous contributions on this subject, in the finest tradition of demonstrative democracy. Patriots and moral philosophers be proud.

For now, your Board will continue to study the issue, and defer any rule change.

— Josh Rafner, President



Who's up for a Party ?

KWPOA is always looking for Kent Woodlands homes for neighborhood "block" parties. If you are interested in lending your home for these fun events, please contact the office at 721-7429 or email us at info@kwpoa.com. Homes should be able to accommodate 50 people or more, and good parking is a consideration. KWPOA plans the party, including invitations, food and drink.

Sheriff's Report

The following is a recap of Sheriff activity in Kent Woodlands for the month of January 2011:

Vacation Homes	3 homes
Alarm Activation Responses	6 responses
Citizen Assist/Misc. Service Calls	3 incidents
Suspicious Circumstance	2 incidents
Found Property Report	1 incident
Peace Disturbance	1 incident
Assist Fire Dept./Medical Calls	4 incidents
Vehicle Habitation Complaint	2 incidents

Traffic Related Matters:

Traffic Stops	1 stop
Traffic Citations Issued	1 issued
Parking Complaints/Citations	1 issued
Traffic Hazard/Assist CHP	1 incident

Submitted by
Deputy Glenn Hinchee

This and That...

Parking Permits: All members who requested parking permits for the "Acorn Lot" should have received them in the last couple of weeks. If you did not receive yours, it is possible that you didn't provide license plate numbers for each sticker requested, or have not yet paid your annual assessment. We found it necessary to require license numbers, which will be printed on each individual permit, in an effort to reduce theft of the stickers off cars, and to curb possible distribution to non-members.

Neighborhood Directory: Residents have been waiting patiently for the long-in-progress neighborhood directory. We are happy to report that production is almost complete, and directories will be ready to mail out toward the end of March. All members will automatically receive a copy, as will non-members who submitted their information for publication.

Overdue Assessments: Many thanks to those of you who have paid your annual assessment on time! Unfortunately, we are still waiting for checks from about 10% of our members. If you have not yet made your payment, the amount now due is \$383.30 if paid by March 31st. If not paid, additional interest will accrue at 1% per month and will be subject to collection action. Please remember that the Board is obligated by the CC&R's to collect assessments from each and every member, and must take action on delinquent accounts.

New Web Site: We are pleased to announce KWPOA will launch an updated and more comprehensive web site at the end of March. Stay tuned!

Newsletter Submissions: We would love to receive submissions for the newsletter from our residents. Do you have an interesting story about wildlife on your property? Or about local history? How about Kent Woodlands-themed stories or drawings from the kids? Send it in!

If you have questions or comments regarding any of the above items, please contact KWPOA Administrator Jeanne Williams at 721-7429 or jwilliams@kwpoa.com.

ARCHITECTURAL APPLICATIONS

MARCH 2011

Please note: This newsletter is your official notice from the KWPOA regarding property improvements submitted for approval by the Architectural Committee. Please review this section very carefully as some planned development may affect you.

Applicant	Property Address	Category/Project Description
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New Applications

Siperstein	11 Vineyard	C2: Minor Addition - Removal/Replanting of Trees
Fletcher	5 Rancheria	C7: Changes to Approved Plans - Breezeway Modification
Nelson	80 Westwood	C3: Preliminary Review - New Additions
Orlick/Minisce	44 Diablo	C5: Substantial Remodel - New Addition/Remodel

Continued Applications

Fish	12 Laurel	C7: Changes to Approved Plans - Location for New Generator
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Applications Approved

Lefort	516 Woodland	C2: Minor Additions - New Driveway and Retaining wall
Henn	200 S. Ridgewood	C4: Significant Changes in Appearance -New Addition
Barker/West	65 Rock	Removal of Trees (Exempt)

Open Enforcements

Winchester	26 Rock Road	Unauthorized construction: retaining wall
Smith	111 Idlewood	Unauthorized construction: retaining wall and pool
Hopkins	111 Diablo	Unauthorized removal of trees/and unauthorized installation of fence

Note: Architectural Committee actions are not final until ratified by the Board.

ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE INFORMATION

MEMBERS: Bill Riley, Jim Schafer, Betty Segars (Chair)

CONSULTANT: Emeritus member Lee Windheim (AIA)

COORDINATOR: Alison Schlosser

MEETINGS: Held at the Association Office at Kent Middle School on **the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.** To be noticed in the Newsletter and placed on the agenda, COMPLETE applications must be received by the 21st of the preceding month (or the Friday prior if the 21st falls on a weekend or holiday). All calls concerning Architectural Committee matters should be directed to the KWPOA office at 721-7429. Materials and applications may be mailed to P.O. Box 404, Kentfield 94914, or delivered to the office by appointment only.

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Other Important Phone Numbers

All Emergencies: 911
Fire Department: 453-7464
Sheriff's Department: 499-7234 or 479-2311

Regular Board Meeting Agenda

Date: Thursday, March 24, 2011
Time: 5:30 p.m.
Place: KWPOA office at Kent Middle School

1. Call to Order
2. Public Comment
3. Approval of Minutes
4. AC Report and Ratifications
5. County Update
6. Fire, Traffic & Safety Committee Report
7. Social Committee Report
8. Administrator's Report
9. Next Board Meeting Agenda
10. New Matters
11. Unfinished Business
12. Adjournment; reconvene in Executive Session for any legal, personnel or enforcement actions

The KWPOA Board of Directors' regular meetings are held on the fourth Thursday of each month. Board meetings are open to all Association members. If there are issues you would like to be placed on the agenda, please notify the office.