

THE ART BEAL FOUNDATION, INC.:

PRIORITIES:

1. To raise \$2500* to repay loans (\$1660) and back taxes of approximately \$900.
2. To restore Nitwit Ridge architecturally and structurally.
3. To pursue non-punitive damages from the county for the construction of roads and sewers near Nitwit Ridge which have caused unnatural and serious erosion and subsequent structural damage to the buildings on the property.
4. To carry out one or more fund-raising projects relating to the secondary purpose of the Foundation, once the Foundation is solvent.

STEPS TO ACHIEVE PRIORITIES:

1. The repayment of the loans and the back taxes will be accomplished through a series of fund-raisers: a) an event at Nitwit Ridge, similar to the one last year, to which we hope to attract a "name" folk or rock singer or musician; b) a county-wide raffle, prizes to include a valuable work by Robert Clark (already donated); c) the sale of T-shirts (and possibly other items such as cards, calendars, posters) with a Nitwit Ridge silk-screened logo/caricature on them. For the latter we hope to get T-shirts gratis from Warehouse Sound or another donor,; the silk-screening work at a cost of 50¢ per item or less by a local artist; and the artwork itself we already have, donated by another local artist.
2. The restoration of Nitwit Ridge will be accomplished by a nucleus of interested architectural students, carpenters, and craftsmen, a number of which have already indicated willingness to do so. A local planner will draw up a "master plan" of restoration to be done, and work can begin as soon as the weather permits. This priority will be an immediate, on-going, long-term thing. We will solicit all necessary materials (cement, wood, etc) from community sources and individuals.
3. The pursuance of non-punitive damages from the county will be carried out by the Board President, who will seek the necessary legal advice as to how to proceed with the matter.
4. Priority four will be accomplished through future fund-raisers such as benefit concerts, possibly in conjunction with other county or state groups that have similar goals, e.g., the local chapter of the State Parks Foundation for the preservation of the Peaks.