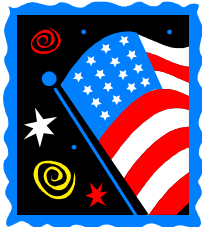


To the Point

July - Sept 2015



4th of July BBQ and Potluck Saturday, July 4!

We'll be firing up the grills at 4pm
See details on back page



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"Pride of Pedro" by Lisa Warns

Upcoming Events

- ♦ Potluck/BBQ, Saturday, July 4, starting at 4pm
- ♦ PPCA Board Meeting, Thursday, July 16 at 7:30 pm
- ♦ Coastal Cleanup, Saturday, Sept. 19 from 9 to 11 am

Everyone Can Help the Ocean and the Beach Post-Fourth-of-July Beach Cleanup

The Pacifica Beach Coalition invites you to enjoy the 4th of July and then help to protect wildlife after the holiday by collecting any used fireworks and debris in a bucket and disposing safely afterwards. Litter on the streets and from our yards can wash into San Pedro Creek or the ocean via the storm drains.

Please join the organized cleanup on Sunday, July 5, scheduled for 7:30—9:30 am at Linda Mar Beach (we will clean the beach and all of the parking lots including Pedro Point Shopping Center). Meet by the seawall in the main parking lot just north of Taco Bell. More cleanups listed on page 4. The cleanup will be hosted by the Pacifica Beach Coalition and the groups who sell fireworks. Please bring a bucket and gardening gloves to use at the cleanup. Everyone can help by picking up litter wherever it might be, not just on the beach.

~ Lynn Adams

Agenda for the July 16, 2015 PPCA Board Meeting, 2nd Quarter of 2015, 7:30pm

- I. Call to Order and Roll Call
- II. Approval of April 16, 2015 Minutes
- III. Treasurer's Report: Balance Sheet, Income & Expenses through June 30, 2015
- IV. Update on GPU—Pedro Point Field
- V. Highway 1 Widening Update
- VI. Committee Updates
 - Firehouse Committee
 - Events Committee
 - Parents Group Committee
- V. New Business
- VI. Adjournment

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President's Message

Dear Friends and Neighbors,
I was recently speaking to visitors who were vacationing in our neighborhood and they asked what I thought makes Pedro Point such a great place to live. Of course I didn't need to tell them about the tremendous coastal beauty of the neighborhood - that was obvious. Also obvious is what a privilege it is to wake up each day and see waves break on the shore, hear a chorus of songbirds and breathe fresh ocean air. Instead, I told them what I thought makes Pedro Point so special is the tremendous sense of community that exists here. I can't think of anywhere else I've ever lived where neighbors so routinely gather together, support one another, and share their homes, hearts and hospitality so

generously. I feel incredibly lucky that the generation of residents who arrived here in the 1930's and 40's had the wisdom and vision to erect the Pedro Point Firehouse, not only to provide a needed safety resource, but to serve as a social hub for the community. Today, the Firehouse still serves as a place for all residents to become connected with the celebrations and responsibilities of community life. Whether or not you attend any of the PPCA meetings, events or volunteer activities (and I really hope you will!), I believe life on the Point is greatly enriched by this unique, historical treasure and feel privileged to serve as one of its many stewards. I encourage everyone to help us preserve the Firehouse for the next generation to enjoy.

With Appreciation,
Joanne Gold, President



Family Event Volunteers Needed

The Pedro Point Community Association Event Committee needs your ideas, creativity and a little of your time to plan and put on events. We would like to have some events in the fall that would be fun for all ages - movies, spaghetti feed, pancake breakfast, etc. and we'd love to see Pedro Point parents involved to make it enjoyable for the kids. The committee only meets once a month so the time commitment is minimal. If you are interested, please contact Marcia with the Events Committee at: gilset1158@gmail.com



Celebration of the Life of Doug Rhodes

By Danny Estrella

Friends and relations from celebrate the life of our dear Rhodes on a beautifully warm passed away recently after a grew up in Pacifica and lived He was a good friend to have family and friends. He was who knew of his surfing accomplished “switch footer,” well with either foot forward, also known as an excellent emotionally charged paddle docks beach that included the water, in the spirit ring. three whales were seen



near and far came together to friend and neighbor Doug sunny Sunday, June 7. He battle with cancer. Doug on the point most of his life. as he cared deeply about his quite a good surfer and all recalled how he was an that is, he could ride equally a difficult maneuver. He was dancer. There was an out ceremony at the boat more than 140 people out in Shortly after the paddle out, breaching in the bay. During

the service for Doug, his son Kevin said it well, “We are all held together by Doug Tape.” The celebration continued throughout the afternoon at the Firehouse where everyone came together for BBQ, potluck dinner, music and sharing of stories about Doug. Doug leaves behind many friends and his family: wife Rhea, sons Kevin, Ryan and Shayne, brothers Frank and Jim and nephew Shawn, as well as several grandchildren.



Keep Up with What's Going On—Join NextDoor Pedro Point

If you are interested in following the issues that affect the Pedro Point community and all of Pacifica, consider joining the social media site

Nextdoor Pedro Point to stay updated. Sign up at www.Nextdoor.com

Firehouse Maintenance Report by Camille Keating and Danny Estrella

Earth Day Firehouse and Playground Cleanup—Thank you to our many neighbors who helped with the Earth Day cleanup of our Firehouse and Playground! Danny, Sherman, and Joanne bravely cleaned out our water-damaged downstairs area, the result of a massive bathroom overflow last summer stemming from our beloved Firehouse's aging plumbing. Outdoors, we hauled away a truck and a half of weeds and some overenthusiastic plants to free up more play space, added a water seal to our wooden play structure, and added a nice, soft layer of woodchips for another year of enthusiastic play.



Thank you to all who came out and pitched in: Danny Estrella, Linda and Joe Litehiser, Marcia Settler, Joanne Gold, Sherman Lee, Theresa and Kira Nolen, Bruce Ferry, the Hoover Family, April C., Barry Young, Nina Alexia, Amy Swanson, Jessica Anthony and family, and Stephanie Gillette and Family, who also bravely pulled her aging pickup truck out of retirement for a greenwaste run.

We would also like to thank all the professionals who offered their services and skills pro bono: Frank Lazzari the handyman, Lexie Jungbluth and Family of Vital Tree Care, John Peterson of Peterson Power and Light who donated and installed a number of new light fixtures, and Mike Panessi, who donated his massive trailer for the epic dump run.

And always, thank you to the amazing Pedro Point Families who built our amazing Firehouse and playground two years ago so we can all enjoy such a wonderful place to play and get to know our neighbors.

Firehouse restroom restoration update—The floor plan was submitted to the City for review and approval. They came back with an extensive list of requests for additional information and additional requirements. We are reviewing this and putting together the information they requested for re-submission.

Request—There is a continuing need to replace broken chairs and tables used at the Firehouse. Your donations to purchase new equipment are much appreciated and will be acknowledged.

PPCA Board Meeting Minutes—April 16, 2015

Meeting was called to order at 7:36 pm by President Joanne Gold.

Directors in attendance were: Joanne, Bruce Ferry, Claire Lee Ervin, Marcia Settlet and Danny Estrella.

The January minutes were amended to include the fact that the Firehouse side door will have a key lock when the locks are redone. The amended minutes were approved later in the meeting when a quorum was obtained.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's report was approved. It reflects continued growth to our assets due to continued growth in income. The idea of a separate account for the bathroom was discussed; it is our goal to raise \$50,000 to upgrade the bathrooms.

Firehouse Committee: Danny reported that the plans for the bathroom had been submitted for permit approval with the city. Concentrated fundraising will be required: ideas raised include copper medallions (similar to the playground tiles), tee shirts, use of social media. The Lion's Club never responded to our request for funding. Marcia will talk to Pacificans Care to see if they will sponsor us.; Firehouse as larger community resource was discussed.

Everyone was invited to work at the Firehouse on Saturday in order to do a major clean up. We have an offer of free dump run time, only having to pay the dump fee. Powers tools are more than welcome!

Events Committee: Marcia reports that a coordinator is needed if we are to hold a Chili Feed this year. Four people with prior experience are willing to work on it and share expertise but someone is needed to oversee the organizing. The Events committee had discussed other ideas, including a film afternoon (including the Historical Society's film on the Firehouse), a wine tasting, and a garage sale.

New business: New business included discussion of the upcoming Planning Commission meeting and the re-zoning of the Calson property. It was advised that everyone who can, should come to the meeting. The tone should be positive: thanking everyone for not including the property in the general housing component but then reminding them of the reasons why it should not be rezoned to include housing.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted
- Marcia Settlet, Acting Secretary



Upcoming Beach Cleanups



For more info, visit

www.pacificabeachcoalition.org



Sun. 7/5 - Rockaway Beach



7:30-9:30 am, meet in south parking lot



Sun. 7/5 - Sharp Park Beach



7:30-9:30 am, meet at start of levee



Sat. 7/11 - Rockaway Beach



9—11 am, meet in south parking lot



Sat. 7/11 - Sharp Park



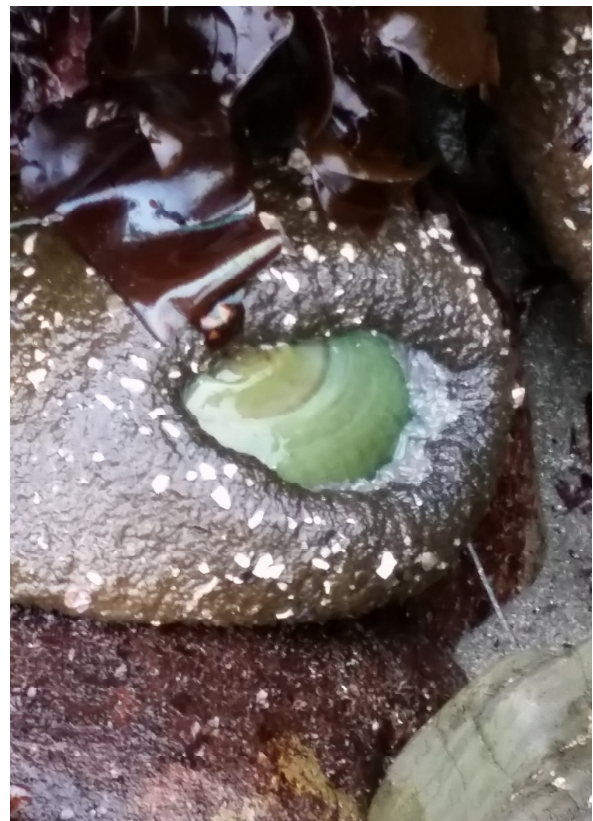
9—11 am, meet at start of levee



Sat. 7/18 - Linda Mar State Beach



9—11 am, meet in main parking lot



Low tide sea creature—photo by Lisa Warns

Save the Date - Coastal Cleanup is Saturday, Sept. 19

In the Meantime...

Pedro Point Headlands Work Parties

Please mark your calendars and plan to join us for some habitat restoration work on the Pedro Point Headlands on Sundays: **July 12th, August 30th and September 20th.**

We will be widening trails, collecting seeds, and weeding the slope next to the hiking trail into the Headlands from the Devils Slide parking lot. We meet at the Pedro Point Firehouse at 9.45 am and carpool up to the site. We plan a hike and refreshments and return to the firehouse between 1 and 1:30 pm.

In June, 15 volunteers had fun collecting seeds, removing invasive plants and widening the bluff trail. They also hiked to the North Ridge, checking on all of the flowers and native plants.

If you would like to learn more and help some, we'd love for you to join us. Old, young, and everyone in between are encouraged! We have fun and we make a difference.

For more information go to www.pedropointheadlands.org or contact the stewardship coordinator at 415-309-5856.



Pedro Rocks—photo by Lisa Warns

GET DIRTY, DO GOOD

Wanted: Volunteers who like to get outside, do a little hiking, and are up for getting their hands dirty. Bonus points go to those who like to work with others and learn about native habitats. Sound like fun? This is exactly what we do every month at the Pedro Point Headlands during our monthly workday. While up there, we enjoyed the view over the Pedro Community, Linda Mar beach and well beyond! But it wasn't all work, we stopped to smell the flowers, picnicked up on the North Ridge, and shared plenty of stories! If you would like to join the fun and make a difference please mark your calendars for **July 12, Aug 30 and Sept 20** and plan to meet us at 9:45 am at the Pedro Point Firehouse on Danmann Ave. We return between 1 and 1.30 pm. Sturdy shoes, gloves, long sleeve shirts and pants are recommended attire. All projects are tackled by a team of volunteers with gloves, tools, and instructions provided. This work is funded by the CA Coastal Conservancy, organized by the Pacifica Land Trust and supported by the PPCA.



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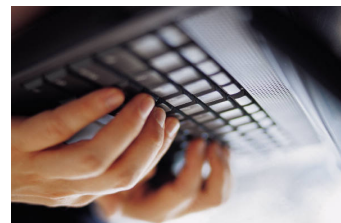
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New Neighbors

We're on the web at:
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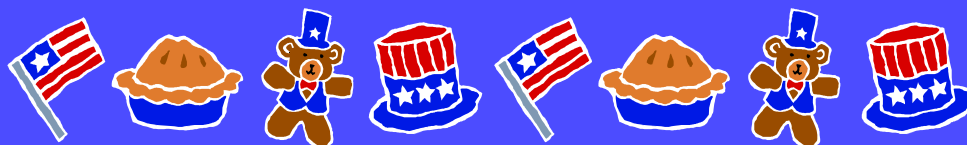
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Upcoming Events

PPCA Board Meeting
at the Firehouse
Thursday, July 16, 2015 at 7:30pm



The Next Potluck—4th of July BBQ, starting at 4pm

The next potluck at the Firehouse will be on Saturday, July 4. Watch your inbox for a detailed announcement. BBQ starts at 4pm. Our potlucks are fun and free! Everyone brings a dish to share.

- Last names A-H, bring main dish
- I-R, appetizer
- S-Z, dessert

Good food, good conversation, meet your neighbors, catch up on events, get involved in your community. Questions?

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