

July-Sept 2020

# To the Point

*Newsletter of the Pedro Point Community Association*

## We Are All In This Together

Dear Neighbors,

By the time you read this, we will be in our **16th week** of the Bay Area COVID-19 stay-at-home order, with mask wearing mandatory. We are reaching out on behalf of the Pedro Point Community Association to offer our support to any neighbors who may be in need of assistance during these challenging times. One thing we know for sure is that behind every strong community is an abundance of compassionate people—and our Pedro Point neighborhood is nothing if not strong and compassionate!

Whether you're in need of someone to help with a grocery run, pet care assistance, pharmacy pickup or just a neighbor to talk to, please let us know and we'll do our best to connect you with someone who can help. Or if you're someone who wants to offer assistance to a neighbor, we want to hear from you, too.

Please contact any of the following Pedro Point Community Association board members and let us know what you may need or have to offer and we'll do our best to connect you. Please provide your name, street and best way to reach you. If you feel comfortable sharing it, please include any accommodations, concerns or considerations which would be helpful in matching a neighbor with a potential helper.

**Danny Estrella, 650-219-9186 or warnella@hotmail.com**

**Cherie Chan, 510-703-3748 or chan.cherie@gmail.com**

**Joanne Gold, 650-270-8574 or joannegold@yahoo.com**

Thank you for being an active participant in our caring community. We are hoping everyone stays healthy, remains calm, practices regular hand sanitizing and appropriate social distancing!

Sincerely,

The Pedro Point Community Association Board



### PPCA General Community Meeting Online on Zoom

**Time: July 16, 2020 07:30 PM**

**Join by phone: 1-669-900-6833**

**Meeting ID: 308 476 1128**

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**<https://zoom.us/j/3084761128>**

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## Message from the PPCA President

Dear Pedro Point Neighbors,  
You certainly don't need me to tell you that 2020 has been unprecedented in many ways; a global pandemic, economic upheaval, and racial equality protests reminding us of how far we still have to go as a nation. It's hard to believe that just three months ago, I wrote a President's letter while we were in just the third week of shelter-in-place orders. Now 100 days later, instead of a "return to normal" (a concept that is time to let go of) we're still social distancing, infection rates are going back up again, and calls for racial justice are spreading across America.

But through it all, I've become more keenly aware of just how special it is to be living in our Pedro Point community. I remember recently listening to a news report about an online group that formed during the early Covid-19 shut down to help neighbors connect with one another - this was so unusual it made the news! Yet here on Pedro Point, neighbors already know one another by name, we socialize just walking down the street (while 6 feet apart, of course), our community newsletter has kept us informed and connected for decades, we have a beautiful coastline to enjoy even when sheltering in place, and - most uniquely - we have a much beloved firehouse that will soon (hopefully) once again be open to host social gatherings, as it has done ever since it was built by Pedro Point neighbors back in 1949. I won't pretend that this has not been a difficult, worrying time. But I'm grateful that of all the places to be living through this moment in history, I'm able to do it here among such a caring community of neighbors and friends.

In the meantime, I hope you are all staying safe and well,

*Sincerely, Joanne Gold, President*



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## Participate in the 2020 U.S. Census and Be Counted!

Go to the website [2020CENSUS.GOV](https://2020CENSUS.GOV) and start the survey. It only takes a few minutes.



### Rentals of the Pedro Point Firehouse during Covid-19 Pandemic

The Pedro Point Community Association is working together towards a re-opening plan that prioritizes the safety of our community and the attendees of rental events. This may include limiting the number of occupants per event and other precautions and state and county health and safety recommendations.

We will let you know when the Firehouse is available for event rentals. For more information, please contact Camille at: 650-355-4726 or email [PedroPtFirehouse@att.net](mailto:PedroPtFirehouse@att.net)



#### The Firehouse Update By Danny Estrella

With the Firehouse closed for rentals during the pandemic, efforts to move forward with the residing of the Firehouse are on hold until we are assured of revenue from event rentals. We don't have enough cash reserves to pay for the siding so we need to have revenue from the rentals.



Thank you to Dwain Coggins for his generous donation of acoustic treatment panels for the Firehouse. Once these panels are installed, we can expect a significant improvement in the acoustics of the hall. As I'm a committee of one, I need some help in mounting the acoustic panels and would appreciate any assistance in optimizing the installation locations and the mounting of the materials. Please contact me if you can be of help.

We still need to replace some tables and chairs. Please consider making a donation to the tables and chairs replacement fund. A \$90 donation will buy a 4-pack of comfortable folding chairs. A \$370 donation will buy a 4-pack of tables. Any donation amount will be gratefully accepted and go towards the purchase of tables and chairs.



**FogFest has been cancelled for 2020**

### **Agenda for the July 16, 2020 PPCA Meeting**

- I. Call to Order and Roll Call
- II. Approval of April 16, 2020 Minutes
- III. Treasurer's Report: Balance Sheet, Income & Expenses through June 30, 2020
- IV. Discussion of process to get Firehouse designated as historical site
- V. Committee Updates
  1. Firehouse Committee
  2. Events Committee
  3. Planning & Development Committee
- VI. New Business
- VII. Adjournment

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### **Pacificans Care Provides Emergency Fund Grants to Local Agencies**

The Pacifica community has rallied to support the Pacificans Care Emergency Fund, established to address the needs of Pacifica's core social service agencies in the event of a major disaster that interrupts normal day to day activities of Pacificans for a prolonged period of time. To address current emergency needs Pacificans Care recently provided a

total of \$18,000 in emergency grants to the Pacifica Resource Center, Pacifica Senior Services, and the Jefferson Union High School District Student Assistance program. The Pacificans Care emergency grant to Pacifica Senior Services is now helping to serve up to 200 Grab and Go lunches a day to seniors who pick up, what may be their substantial meal of the day, from the center. The Pacificans Care emergency grant to the Pacifica Resource Center is covering installation costs for a container-size refrigerator unit to store produce and grocery items for food deliveries to over 200 Pacifica families and emergency rental or mortgage assistance to families in need as a result of job loss. 130 Pacifica high school students are receiving breakfast and lunch Jefferson Union High School District Student Assistance Program through the Pacificans Care emergency grant. The coronavirus pandemic is not over, the need continues. It's not too late! Help Pacificans Care address the critical needs facing our community by making your contribution to the Pacificans Care Emergency Fund by clicking on:

**<https://pacificans-care.networkforgood.com/projects/94861-pacificans-care-locals-helping-locals>**

### ***Preserve the Pedro Point Firehouse Through a Planned Gift...***

Built by neighborhood volunteers between 1947 - 1953, the historic Pedro Point Firehouse has served as a heart of our community for generations. Over the years, the firehouse has been home to countless events and activities, which have helped to foster a truly unique sense of community spirit.

You can make a lasting impact and ensure that the legacy of the firehouse will be enjoyed by future generations by making a planned gift to the Pedro Point Community Association Firehouse Maintenance Fund today. Some planned gifts, such as a bequest through your will, require no current outlay of funds at all. Please consult your financial planner or legal counsel if you'd like to consider including the PPCA Firehouse in your estate plans and help preserve the Firehouse as our local treasure. Contact Joanne Gold at 650-270-8574. Thank you!



## Summary of PPCA Meeting Minutes—April 16, 2020

Meeting was called to order on April 16 at 7:39 pm, an online meeting. Online meeting attendees were: Helen Bronte-Stewart, Sam Casillas, Cherie Chan, Danny Estrella, Bruce Ferry, Robert Vercoe, Joanne Gold, Camille Keating, Robert, Marcia Settlet and Allison West were present. The minutes of the Jan. 16, 2020 meeting were approved.

### Treasurer's Report

The treasurer's report of the Balance Sheet, Income & Expenses through March 31, 2020 was submitted and approved.

- a. Total Current Assets = \$62,880. However, we will need to return a substantial amount of deposits due to events being cancelled due to COVID-19.
- b. Due to the ongoing amount of work, we now have a bookkeeper, so being treasurer is going to be less labor-intensive moving forward.
- c. We will set up an offline committee to look into Venmo and other opportunities to accept payment.
- d. We're taking a major hit for the foreseeable future, as large-scale events are unlikely during COVID.

### Events Committee Report

- a. Progressive dinner will be moved to some point in the future.
- b. Need to start thinking of other revenue concepts. Perhaps schedule a May meeting to consider some kind of summer event?

### Firehouse Maintenance Report

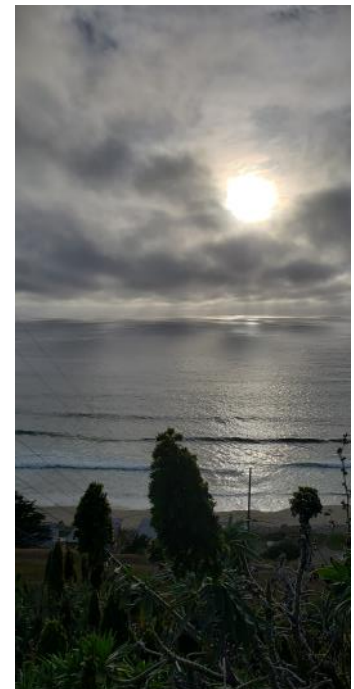
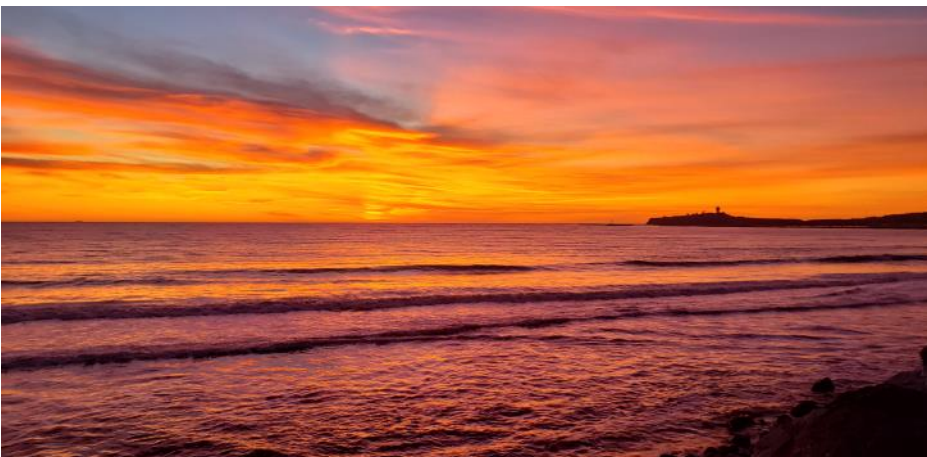
- a. Several critical infrastructure issues were being planned for this year, which are being tabled due to COVID-19.
- b. Julian has been using Borate-based pesticide to treat for powder beetles.
- c. Julian is also retrofitting the post and beams for earthquakes.
- d. Danny Has updated bids for re-siding the firehouse (all walls except north-facing stucco)
  - i. Hearty cement-based siding \$80,000
  - ii. Louisiana Pacific has wood-looking siding. \$88,000
  - iii. Not including additional repair work or electrical
- e. Marcia will look into working with Pacifica Historical Society: we have shared interests, and may be able to look into laying the groundwork

**New Business**—None

### Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:48 pm

*Respectfully submitted by Cherie Chan, Secretary, April 16, 2020*



Know of any new neighbors? Email  
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### **Welcome New Neighbors!**

We're on the web at:  
[www.pedropoint.org](http://www.pedropoint.org)



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### **Pedro Point Neighbor**

For the most current news and announcements, please  
subscribe to the Pedro Point e-mail list at:  
[www.pedropoint.org](http://www.pedropoint.org) and go paperless!

## **Upcoming Events**

- ♦ **PPCA General Meeting Online, Thursday, July 16, at 7:30pm, see front page for online Zoom meeting details**

Happy July 4th