

April-June 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 third week of the Bay Area COVID-19 shelter-in-place order, with the order extended to May 4. I'm 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.

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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,

Joanne Gold, PPCA President



PPCA General Community Meeting Online on Zoom

Time: Apr 16, 2020 07:30 PM

Dial in by phone: 1-669-900-6833

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Message from the President

Dear Pedro Point Neighbors,

It's so difficult to write this message at the end of March, knowing it will not be read until sometime in April and having no idea how our lives will be then. Will the spread of the Covid-19 virus have slowed? Will we still be sheltering in place? Will any neighbors have become ill? Will our children be making peace with home-based learning and digital classrooms? How many of us will have lost our jobs or our businesses? Will we be able to pay our rents or mortgages?

It feels like all the negative impacts of this global pandemic are out of our control, beyond what we can do by being vigilant about hand sanitizing and staying physically distant. But now is the time to remember that **"although the world is full of**

suffering, it is also full of the overcoming of it." (Helen Keller said that - I can't take any credit for being insightful)

So let us take some deep breaths and feel gratitude for the clean ocean air we have to breathe (now even cleaner thanks to fewer emissions from shelter-in-place orders), for the beautiful views of the Pacific Ocean and budding trees outside our windows, and for the caring community we live in with so many neighbors ready to help one another - especially those providing essential services; you are truly our heroes!

We can and will get through this together, and hopefully one day soon, we'll be back to gathering at the Firehouse for potlucks, chili cook-offs and pub nights, and enjoying the good company of our neighborhood friends.

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

Sincerely, Joanne Gold, President



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Dinner on the Point

Dinner on the Point was cancelled due to Covid-19, however we will reschedule, hopefully for late fall

Want to eat a gourmet dinner without having to leave Pedro Point? Want to meet some of your neighbors, or hang out with some of the folks you already know? Want to help us continue to repair the historic Firehouse? Then please join us for this year's Dinner on the Point. Date to be determined. Watch your inbox for an announcement. It will be on a Saturday night from 5:30 to 9:30pm. This is a progressive dinner, which means appetizers at one house, a more intimate main course at a second house, and then everyone gets together for dessert at the final neighborhood destination. And all this food and wine is only \$40 per person, \$15 if you only want to join us for dessert. Contact Marcia Settel at gilset1158@gmail.com or 650-355-8731 if you want to host.



The Firehouse Update

By Danny Estrella

In compliance with California state directives, the Firehouse is closed for rentals during the COVID-19 pandemic. The Firehouse playground is also closed. We know that this is a hardship for some families with children and extend our apologies. But this will help us to comply with the guidelines for physical distancing during the pandemic.



We've received bids from Peninsula Siding Company on the cost to have the Firehouse re-siding work done. We have two bids, one for re-siding with Hardie siding (\$80,000) and one for re-siding with LP siding (\$88,940). There may be additional expenses if there is any structural damage found as the siding work is underway. As we don't have enough funds to pay for either of these two amounts, we'll need to seek other funding sources to bridge the gap between available PPCA funds and the amount of the bid. I've reached out to Hardie and LP for discounts on materials and am awaiting their response. One thought is to take out a home equity loan using the Firehouse as collateral. We are holding off until the COVID-19 pandemic is over and we can count on rental revenue to pay such a loan.

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.



Hoping we'll be back to normal activities by September so save the weekend date for Fogfest 2020: Sept 26 and 27!

Agenda for the April 16, 2020 PPCA Meeting	
I.	Call to Order and Roll Call
II.	Approval of Jan. 16, 2020 Minutes
III.	Treasurer's Report: Balance Sheet, Income & Expenses through March 31, 2020
IV.	Committee Updates
	1. Firehouse Committee
	2. Events Committee
	3. Planning & Development Committee
V.	New Business
VI.	Adjournment

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Next Potluck at the Firehouse is to be determined...

Unfortunately Cancelled

Earth Day of Action and EcoFest

Saturday, April 25, 2020

50th Anniversary of Earth Day!

Visit pacificbeachcoalition.org for
more information



If you are reading a print version of the newsletter, please read this:

The cost of printing and mailing the newsletter is becoming prohibitive. We noticed that many of you are on NextDoor, which means you have email. Please sign up for the email copy of the newsletter at **www.pedropoint.org**. The online copy is in full color and we do not use the email list for anything other than PPCA business.

It is our intent to remove folks with email from our printed mailing list. We don't want to lose you as community members, so PLEASE sign up.

Thank you!

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—January 16, 2020

Meeting was called to order on January 16 at 7:35pm. PPCA board members Helen Bronte-Stewart, Sam Casillas, Cherie Chan, Danny Estrella, Joanne Gold, Camille Keating, Sam Metwally, Marcia Settler and Allison West were present. The minutes of the Oct. 2019 meeting were approved.

Seating of new 2020 PPCA Board and Selection of Officers

2020 Board Members: Joanne Gold (President), Allison West (VP), Helen Bronte-Stewart, Sam Casillas, Cherie Chan (Secretary), Danny Estrella, Camille Keating, Sam Metwally, Marcia Settler, and Breck Hitz (Absent, Treasurer)

Headlands Trail Discussion

Hilary Walecka from Coastal Conservancy and Ryan Maquez (City of Pacifica) came to discuss the Pedro Point Coastal Trail Project. The current design is to connect the trail along Linda Mar State Beach to the Devil's Slide Trail and the Pedro Point Headlands via a path along San Pedro Avenue parallel to Highway 1.

Treasurer's Report

The treasurer's report of the Balance Sheet, Income & Expenses through Dec. 31, 2019 was submitted and approved.

Events Committee Report

The Dinner on the Point is scheduled for Sat. March 14, 2020 (cancelled and will be rescheduled due to the Covid-19 pandemic).

Firehouse Maintenance Report

Siding: The Firehouse siding has become severely degraded. Three sides of the Firehouse need to be ripped out and replaced. Danny is seeking bids from Peninsula Siding. There are two options:

Rip out and replace siding or put on new siding atop the old siding without seeing what is underneath

Some opportunities for saving money: Danny may be able to get a discount if a crew offers to help. Potential Work Party? Any neighbors have skills? Please contact Danny at warnella@hotmail.com if you can help.

Downstairs Party Room, adjacent to the playground—any interest in converting that into a cheaper/secondary party rental location? Yes, but without bathroom access, it probably wouldn't be feasible.

Julian will be repairing the plastic tables which have failed in the past.

Planning and Development Committee

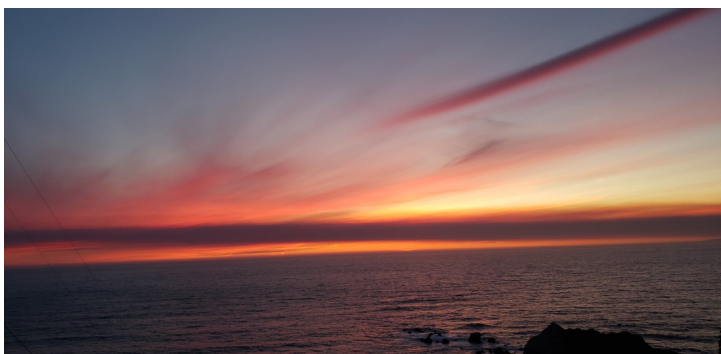
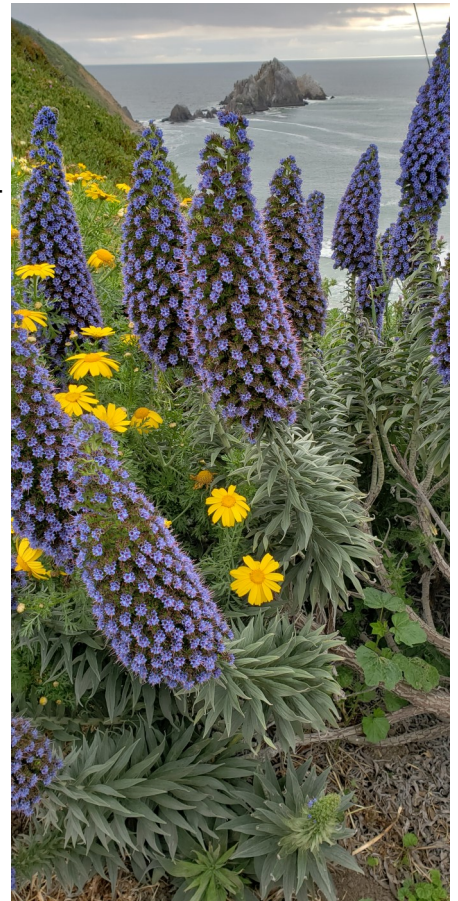
On Thursday, January 2, the PPCA sent formal comments opposing the City of Pacifica's proposed change in the Pedro Point (Calson-owned) Field from Visitor-Serving Commercial-Recreational uses to a Coastal Residential Mixed Use.

New Business—None

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm

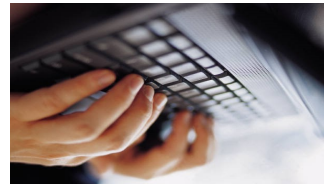
Respectfully submitted by Cherie Chan, Secretary, Jan. 16, 2020



Know of any new neighbors? Email
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Welcome New Neighbors!

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www.pedropoint.org



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Upcoming Events

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