

The Peninsula Pelican

The official newsletter of the Peninsula Beach Preservation Group

"Serving the Peninsula Community since 1966"

President's Message – July 2009

Planning ahead paid off well for the Peninsula. We invited Long Beach Police Department Commander Cynthia Renaud to our June Board of Directors Meeting and we discussed the plans for the Fourth of July coverage. Commander Renaud and her division provided excellent police coverage and visibility on the fourth of July. Although it was crowded, we saw less of the behavior we had experienced in previous years. We have sent her a letter of appreciation on behalf of the Peninsula residents.

Summer Concerts are going strong. Watch for "9 Caret Gold, Flight 6875 (a regular) and finishing off with the Elm Street Band (They've been with us for many years). These concerts are fun. Bring your lawn chairs, dinner and drinks and enjoy the music.

Our next meeting will be a special CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) meeting on August 19 at the Alamitos Bay Yacht Club. Find out what you should have on hand in case of an earthquake, flood, etc. At our last meet-

ing we learned we might be on our own, without rescue assistance, for as long as a week. Check in this newsletter for further details on the meeting.

Other actions taken by the board include the formation of a beach erosion committee to take a look at how the sand is eroding and possible remedies. This is a long term project. Another project is a committee which is looking at the City of Long Beach Sandstake policy. What are the rules for those boats tied up on the sand on the bay side and what should the rules be? You'll be getting reports on these topics in the future with opportunities for input.

Feel free to write or email to the address below with any questions, comments, concerns or complement and visit our website, www.lbpeninsula.org, where you can also keep up on all Peninsula activities!

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Upcoming Events:

Red Cross CERT Earthquake Preparedness

Wednesday August 19th

ABYC: 6:30PM Social

7:00 PM Red Cross

Peninsula Band Concerts

The Emperors

5:30PM July 19

9 Caret Gold

5:30PM August 02

Flight 6875

5:30PM August 16

Elm Street Band

5:30PM August 30

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Special Event

Earthquake and Emergency Preparedness Meeting

Wednesday, August 19th @ ABYC
6:30PM Social; 7:00PM Program

This will be a special program lead by the American Red Cross who will **provide Earthquake and Emergency Preparation Instructions and Information**. These persons are experts in how to prepare yourselves for this eventuality should it occur. Remember, the Long Beach Fire Department has already advised that they may not be able get to the Peninsula in a minimum of 3 days and maybe more. Therefore we need to provide for ourselves. The Red Cross will display **Preparedness Supply Kits** with all the essentials for preparedness. In addition there will also be a demonstration of **Emergency Radio Operation**. The is presentation is by the Peninsula CERT team.

Prepare to come, you will find it very worthwhile!!

Who To Call

The Board of the Peninsula Beach Preservation Group is organized to work on projects that would be difficult or impossible for individual residents to complete. We were responsible for extending the trees on the bay into peninsula waters; the tremendous improvement to the median planting on Ocean Blvd; the summer concert series and Santa’s visit to the peninsula each December. Our current major project is working with the city to go through the necessary steps to study the costs of putting our electricity, phone and cable service underground.

We get calls on a regular basis about issues about things that individual residents could handle on their own, such as dogs on the beach, noisy neighbors. We’re not an enforcement organization, but rather a charitable organization attempting to make improvements to the Peninsula, where possible.

If you do need assistance of an enforcement nature, we have provided some of the contact numbers alongside for your convenience.

Problem	Who to Call	Phone Number
Noisy Neighbors	Noise Abatement	570-4126
Burned out Street Lights	City Light and Power	983-2000
Trash Picking from Recycle	Integrated Resources	570-2876
Dogs on the Beach	Animal Control	570-7387
Fire Hazards	Fire Prevention	570-2560
Graffiti Removal	Graffiti Hotline	570-2773
Drinking/Smoking/Fires Other Beach Violations	Long Beach Police	435-6711
Signs Posted on Public Property	Long Beach Police	435-6711

PENINSULA IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

EAST END RESTROOM REPLACEMENT: For public safety and hygiene, rest rooms are being replaced throughout the Long Beach Marine areas with a standard design prefabricated building. When it came to the rest room at the east end of the Peninsula, however, the City is planning to retain the historic Spanish architecture but yet provide a new floor plan meeting current public safety and hygiene requirements. The project is due for Plan check in this summer. Construction is scheduled to start later this summer.

BEACH RENOURISHMENT: Beach re-nourishment is complete for this summer using entirely our own sand. Re-nourishment will occur approximately every 6 months. Berms have been adjusted as much as can be allowed by the City budget. They were reconfigured for July 4th. The Groin approach, once approved, may proceed. However, this item was on City list but \$10 million was taken from tidelands budget, and this item was struck off the list.

BEACH TRASH CANS: Changing out to heavy plastic bins is in process as the metal ones are rusting. There will be the same barrel style with lid. City is contacting the Conservation Corps for putting and maintaining recycle bins on the beach.

LEEWAY REPLACEMENT: Public comment, mainly expressed in the PBPG General Meeting of May 06, has been largely in favor of design consistent with existing architecture. This is being taken into account for the final design. The budget for this item is on hold with the current financial situation; but the City will proceed with obtaining a cost estimate so that when money does come available the replacement will proceed with minimum delay.

BREAKWATER STUDY REPORT OUT:

The Breakwater Study can be viewed at this site: <http://www.longbeach.gov/citymanager/ga/breakwater>. It will be posted before the report out to the City Council Study Session on **July 27 at 5 pm**. At this Study Session interested people will be able to ask questions and make comments. No Action will be taken at this Study Session!

It is important to stay informed.

Water Condition in our Bay:

The Annual Heal the Bay scorecard came out recently and that report gave A and B grades to much of our recreational waters. The statement was again made that any waters that are located where major upland drainage occurs still have unsatisfactory ratings. These poor ratings will remain until methods are used to filter and remove, principally upstream, pollution from our water. What goes into our sewers comes out in our oceans!

4th of July Report:

The Peninsula seemed to be in a much better condition this year due to much better police patrols on both sides of the Peninsula and the soft closure at the beginning of the Peninsula. Portable Potties were provided by the City in an attempt to reduce public urination on private property. This also was an improvement and we hope will be tried again next year with just one toilet at street ends instead of two.

Linda McCullough
PBPG

Rock'n the Clock Back**Alamitos Bay Garden Club's End of Summer Party 2009
with the Elm Street Band**

The Alamitos Bay Garden Club (ABGC) is planning their end of summer party for **Saturday, September 19, from 5-10p.m. at the Alamitos Bay Yacht Club, 7201 East Ocean Boulevard in Long Beach.**

The *Rock'n the Clock Back* theme will feature better economic times in the past starting with the following highlights:

- Admission is only \$5/person and free for children under 12
- Payment for all items will be **CASH ONLY** – just like the old days
- From 5-7pm, the Kids Area activities will include 'The Bugs Life' film, a gardening project, a cake walk and more
- The Elm Street Band will play nostalgic music from 7-10 p.m.
- Excellent Opportunity Drawings
- Burger bash food and beverage, including a children's menu, will be available for purchase (cash only)

President Pat Harder and *Rock'n the Clock Back* chair Diana Chase

invite everyone to turn out for this 'keeping the costs down' blast from the past for a *fun*, end of summer, dinner and dance with neighbors and friends.

The Alamitos Bay Garden Club is a non-profit organization founded in 1938 to beautify the then sparsely populated peninsula. Over the years ABGC has served in war-relief efforts during WWII and has also philanthropically supported numerous charities throughout the City of Long Beach. In recent years, ABGC has assisted in extending the holiday lights "Trees-in-the-Bay" project as well as fundraising for the Peninsula Median refurbishing. For more information contact: Diana Chase - dladyhawk@yahoo.com
Lindsay Shields – 562-621-0521

Roster of Membership in good standing of PBPG Yr2009

Betty & Frank Addleman	Kendall Chase	Amber & Tony Gentile	Janet & Ray Johnson	Olga Megdal
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Security: Peninsula residents, especially those living on Ocean Blvd., continue to think of ways to make Ocean Blvd. safer for pedestrians, children, bicyclists and those drivers entering Ocean Blvd. from garages, alleys and side streets. A resident has come up with an original idea that will encourage faster traffic to use the center (median) lane while preserving the right hand lane for those driving 25 MPH, thus providing safer conditions for those folks noted above. The concept is to provide speed tables in the right hand lane only which would be designed to permit continuous 25MPH speed without having to slow down at each table. Those that wish to exceed the speed limit could still do so in the center lane with reduced hazard to

pedestrians, etc.

This concept also addresses prior objections of the Fire Department to any form of speed control since a full lane is left unrestricted. The idea was presented to the City Traffic Engineer who agreed that it is novel. Although he is considering the ramifications of the idea, he didn't see any major technical concerns. It is important to understand that speed **tables**, as opposed to bumps, can be designed to allow continuous traffic flow at predetermined speeds (for example, 25MPH) without having to slow down at the table. We hope you will give this serious thought before forming an opinion. Comments can be forwarded to the PBPG PO Box 3535, Long Beach, 90803 or email to pbpgcontact@aol.com Peter Hogenson: Security

Balance of Roster of Members of good standing of PBPG (Cont'd from page 3)

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