



## President's Message

Good Day Neighbors!

It is with both sadness and joy that I bid adieu to summer. The sadness comes from knowing that the season is ending. The joy comes with knowing that for a month, maybe two, we have our neighborhood back and still have great weather! I hope that you enjoyed the summer as much as I did. This year my wife and I, recent empty nesters, adhered to the philosophy "Don't leave the code" (90803). It was great.

With the change of seasons you will notice the berm being in place more often to protect our homes from the high tides which, when aided by the storms, pose a real danger. What would happen were the breakwater to be removed? I don't want to be a part of that experiment and an experiment is what it would be. When you read the Peninsula Improvement Committee article in this Pelican you will be up to speed on our efforts in that department.

It will be difficult to surpass the success of the last General Meeting but I challenge each of you reading this Pelican to make every effort to attend. It is October 17 at 6:30 PM at Alamitos Bay Yacht Club. As usual we will have representatives from the City of Long Beach available for you to speak with. This town hall style of meeting is your best opportunity to get direct answers to your questions right from the City representative in charge. You will notice a call for nominations in the Pelican. There are

Members of the Board of Directors whose terms are expiring and the democratic process this great country embraces allows any member of this organization to nominate any other member, even yourself. Please take care in reviewing that call and in your nominations.

Well, my new baby chocolate lab "Tiller" is not so much a baby, more like an adolescent. I am out and about the Peninsula almost daily with her. Once again, please don't hesitate to stop me while walking to thank me or berate me. I want to hear it all.

Rick Brizendine  
President

### SAVE THE DATES

#### Peninsula General Meeting

Thursday, October 17  
Mixer 6:30  
Meeting 7:00  
ABYC

#### Santa Claus is Coming!

Wednesday, December 4  
6:00  
62nd Place

## Security Cameras and Median Maintenance

### MEDIAN MAINTENANCE

Within two weeks, it is hoped that the new landscape company will be dealing with our weeds and other median issues.

### SECURITY CAMERAS:

After a lengthy interview about the purchase of security cameras for Naples, some of the issues that might be considered here on the Peninsula are as follows if our residents want extra security protection from crime:

- Naples has purchased four cameras, including one license-plate-recognition camera. They also installed a flagpole, foundation, flag, and ladder. They funded a large gathering to celebrate the installation of the above mentioned devices.
- All camera footage is monitored by the Long Beach COPS Network.

It can be monitored in real time or reviewed later for investigative use. Footage is only held for 72 hours and can be reviewed after a call from residents or police about a security issue.

- Private homes with cameras can join in the Long Beach COPS Network if approved by the LBPD.
- Cameras need electricity and can be used in day or night and must be mounted 15' high. Palm trees are the tree of choice.
- Homes are blacked out from view and cameras are for crime control and crime discouragement only.
- Neighbors have said that just the mounted cameras have reduced the vandalism at the Naples Fountain and park.
- The expenses for this project were covered by private donations, Naples Garden Club, Naples Im-

provement Association, and a Councilman's District donation.

- The cost for this project depends on the scope and other factors. A guesstimate for the Peninsula is approximately \$5k. Fundraising options are being considered
- I would like to take a hand vote at the upcoming Peninsula Neighborhood meeting to see if there is interest in this project.

Linda McCullough  
Vice President



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Peninsula Improvement Committee (PIC)

PIC has been hard at work with the City to ensure Peninsula needs are being met. The last PIC committee meeting was held at ABYC on August 21. Present were PBPG board members and about 10 City managers. We had a lively exchange of our Peninsula requirements, and City staff updated us on the status of various issues:

First, we started with the City Capital Improvements (CCI) Department and they reported that the Leeway Sailing Club modifications have passed the planning commission, and are now in Coastal Commission review. This approval is expected to take about 4-6 months. Another building of importance to us is the restroom re-build on 62nd Place. It is expected to begin construction in September with completion planned before next summer. Great caution in design is being taken to minimize impact on neighboring properties. There are additional capital improvements in progress which include Bike Path duplication, Belmont Pool and Pier, and Bayshore Lifeguard building.

Peninsula Crime was discussed with LB Officer Douglas Davidson, and these reports are in the Security section of the Pelican.

Mark Sandoval and Don Easterby gave us a complete rundown on Beach nourishment. Don, supervisor of the "backpass" sand activity, has set up a hauler traffic plan to minimize impact to the grunion and the shaking impact on residents. For more permanent beach nourishment systems, Sandoval reports that the Greek groin system was ruled out for various reasons by the Coast Engineers and Coastal Commission. An alternate plan, based on current technology and could be supported by the Coastal Commission, is for placement of current technology sand groins. Recommendation reports from the Coastal Engineers are expected in the near



Our Peninsula children and four-legged loved ones thank you! ♥

term. Sandoval also reports that ABYC Basin #5 will start soon and be completed by April of 2014.

As regards the Median Linda McCullough, and City representatives reported that the landscape contractor is being changed out for various reasons, and that the new contractor will start soon. Appearance of the medians should improve.

Peninsula residents report the 72nd Place restrooms were in poor condition during the concert of August 17. The city reports that this was an isolated incident and that particular day there were some staffing issues which needed to be resolved. The City assures this will not happen again, and that the 24-hour restroom service phone is (562) 570-3101.

If you have issues or concerns please do not hesitate to contact Tony Gentile, or Phil Osterlind.

Tony Gentile & Phil Osterlind  
PIC Co-chairs

Security Blotter

Security Notes:

1. Armed robbery at liquor store in August.
2. Auto break-in by electronic device so don't leave valuables in cars.
3. Two suspicious persons were checking car interiors at night with flashlights between Dana and 56<sup>th</sup> on Ocean – a neighbor called PD but they got away.
4. Gang graffiti in three locations on the Peninsula – if you see it, call Graffiti Removal Hotline at 562-570-7122.
5. If you SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING – call 911.

Commander Paul LeBaron of the PBDP East Division will speak at the PBPG General Meeting on Thursday, October 17<sup>th</sup>, and will welcome questions and comments from the residents. We are in discussions with him and his night shift leaders regarding problems around 72<sup>nd</sup> Place and 55<sup>th</sup> Place and he will have a report on that subject at the 10/17 meeting.

Peter Hogenson  
CERT/Security Director

Santa Claus is Coming to 62nd Place



Santa arrives at 6 o'clock on Wednesday, December 4. Peninsula children and friends are invited to come sit on Santa's lap and tell Santa about their holiday wishes.

Refreshments and neighborhood fun and to be had. Even if you don't have children, come join the fun! It's a great way to start the holiday season.

Susan Phillips  
Board Member

Peninsula CERT: Preparedness Instruction Starts August 12th

PREPAREDNESS IS FOR **EARTHQUAKES**, of course, and that has been the focus of our four classes held during August and early September (see below).

But new geologic models are showing the potential for serious flooding from a **Tsunami** along the beaches of Southern California including Long Beach in the event of a magnitude 9+ earthquake in Alaska. Actions by Peninsula residents in response to this threat will be different from those in an earthquake occurrence, so we are planning a presentation by geologists and City Emergency Operations Center (EOC) personnel to help us understand the extent of the threat to us and what we and the City should be prepared to do.

Finally, there are **CYBER-THREATS** which could disable the



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infra-structure of a city, municipality or area such that we could be without power, gas, water, and access to emergency services for prolonged periods of time. Preparation could be similar to that for earthquakes but we need to understand what the differences might be, so again, we will ask EOC people to discuss it with us. Meetings will be announced via: e-mail (sign up to

be on the Peninsula email distribution list), the Pelican and on the [www.LBpeninsula.org](http://www.LBpeninsula.org) website.

We had about 20 residents attend each of the four Peninsula CERT classes on Emergency Preparedness, Radio Communications, First Responder and First Aid given by Peninsula CERT members Dr. Ed Shackeroff, Robert Tucker and Braden Phillips. We hope that some of the atten-

dees will become Block Captains since several blocks are without one. We are planning a drill in the Fall in order to extend what we learned in the classroom to the field. And, if there is enough interest, we will repeat the classes in the Fall/Winter time period. Stay in touch with us by the various media mentioned above.

Peter Hogenson  
CERT/Security Director

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Fall is upon us! We have fewer people here and the weather is still great! It is always nice to live on The Peninsula!

Just to remind everyone, our website is [www.LBPeninsula.org](http://www.LBPeninsula.org) for information. There is a link there to sign up for the email blast and Facebook. If you have any questions or would like please feel free to email me at [MerleAsper@gmail.com](mailto:MerleAsper@gmail.com).

Please note the questionnaire responses in this notification. If you go to our website and click on the link, you will get much more detail. *See you on the beach!*

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