



BULLETIN

August 2018

2018 Annual Meeting
Thursday, September 27, 2018 - 7:00 p.m.
Ridgecrest Intermediate School Multi-Purpose Room

Guest Speaker
Sheriff Dan Beringer, Lomita Station

We are pleased to have Sheriff Dan Beringer as our guest speaker for this year's annual MESA PV HOA meeting. He will speak to us about the state of crime on the Peninsula, items to improve your personal safety and security, and other issues of interest.

Sheriff Beringer, a 30-year veteran of the LA County Sheriff's Department, was promoted to the rank of Captain and assigned to Lomita Station in 2016. Lomita Sheriff's Station provides law enforcement services to the cities of Lomita, Rancho Palos Verdes, Rolling Hills, Rolling Hills Estates, and unincorporated communities in San Pedro, Westfield, and Academy Hill.

After graduating from California State University, Long Beach with a B.S. in Criminal Justice in 1985, Captain Beringer attended the Sheriff's Training Academy as a Deputy Sheriff. He began his career with the Sheriff's Department being assigned to Men's Central Jail. In 1988, he was assigned to patrol at Lomita Station. During his tenure at Lomita Station, he worked a variety of assignments, including field training officer, station detective, and crime impact team investigator, assigned to the Surveillance and Apprehension Team. After his promotion to Sergeant, he moved on to other assignments at Lennox Station, Community College Bureau, and Fiscal Administration. Upon his promotion to Lieutenant in 2009, he worked assignments at Men's Central Jail, Marina Del Rey Station, and Lakewood Station.

Please come and meet your neighbors and Board members.

Door Prizes will be drawn to show the Board's appreciation for residents attending the Annual Meeting. Dues must be paid to be eligible for a door prize.

Please enjoy complimentary light refreshments, coffee, tea and water during the meeting.



At the end of this newsletter is the 2018-2019 MESA PV HOA Membership Dues Invoice. Please fill out the form and mail in your dues to the address listed.

If you have not mailed your dues before the meeting, you may pay dues at the door.

Make your \$30.00 check payable to: Mesa PV HOA.

Neighborhood Watch



Unfortunately, crime is still an issue and will continue to be so for the foreseeable future. Neighborhood Watch provides an effective means for neighbors to work together to mitigate crime and establish a framework for the Emergency Preparedness program. It is most effective when neighbors help report suspicious activities to the police, network all crime activity, and mutually watch out for each other.

When an area (i.e., block) joins the Neighborhood Watch program, it becomes part of a citywide crime prevention network and warning system. Neighborhood Watch is managed by volunteer Coordinators and volunteer Block Captains. The Area Coordinator liaises with Neighborhood Watch, the Sheriff's Dept., and Block Captains. Crime warnings are phoned or E-mailed to Block Captains who, in turn, disseminate to Block Assistants and participating Neighborhood Watch residents. You can check the Neighborhood Watch website for information on scams, child abductions and other crimes and to get involved with Neighborhood Watch.

Go to - <http://home.netcom/~rpvnr/>

By: Ardi Tavakol

Security for Your Home During Vacations

While we're away on vacation, our neighbors can be our most effective help in watching our homes and reporting suspicious persons and activities in our neighborhoods. In addition, follow these tips:




- ✓ Set timers for lights so your home looks occupied.
- ✓ Have your mail and newspapers picked up by neighbors rather notifying the post office.
- ✓ Don't share vacation plans on social media sites and don't post vacation pictures until you're back.
- ✓ Ask your neighbors to walk around your home occasionally to see that everything is all right.
- ✓ Give a neighbor your cell phone number so they can contact you for an emergency.
- ✓ Check to see that your doors and windows are locked. Lock your car and remove valuables.

Personal Safety in Parking Garages Tips

- When entering parking garages look where all the exits are.
- When parked, look around the area before getting out.
- When returning to your car, walk purposely and confidently. Be alert and aware of your surroundings.
- Beware of Good Samaritans.
- Predators target prey who are carrying a lot of packages, distracted by talking on cell phones, or listening to music.
- Don't place your purse, packages, or keys on the roof while loading other items.
- Always lock your car doors even before you buckle up.
- If someone suspicious approaches your car, honk your car's horn.

Trust your instincts!

West Nile Virus (WNV) is still of concern to LA residents. Nearly all WNV cases are due to mosquito bites. The mosquitoes that can carry the disease are found extensively throughout LA County. It is a seasonal infection that typically circulates during the warmer months when mosquitoes are active. The table to the right provides treatment and prevention suggestions.

To prevent West Nile virus, avoid mosquito bites.	
	Use Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) approved mosquito spray, wipes, or lotion when outside.
	Keep mosquitoes out of your home. Maintain your door and window screens in good condition.
	Mosquitoes breed in standing water. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Check items that hold water ✓ Cover storage containers ✓ Clean standing water ✓ Clean vases and pet bowls ✓ Cast out old items ✓ Call 2-1-1 or visit www.socialmosquito.org for mosquito help
Protect yourself, your family, and your community.	

Coyote interactions with residents are still a Peninsula issue. Coyote Management Program is a very active and city concern. Please report sightings to www.RHEcoyote.com or <http://coyotesightings.rpv.gov/>.

- Hazing coyotes means standing your ground. You should never turn your back. Yell and make unpleasant and frightening noises to encourage coyotes to leave.
- Never run from a coyote.
- Chaperone your pets when outside and don't leave them outside overnight.
- Do not feed coyotes. Keep pet food inside.
- Pick up fallen fruit, cover compost piles, remove water sources, keep garbage in tightly closed containers.



The City of Rancho Palos Verdes website contains lots of helpful information. The website describes the numerous current Infrastructure improvement and City projects. You can also find information regarding the City Charter initiative as well as the Master Plan for Point Vicente Park and Civic Center. Consider adding your email to the City's listserve. You pick the topics that interest you and the City sends you an email anytime there is news to report: <http://www.rpvca.gov/list.aspx>

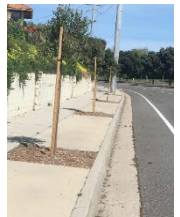
Your MESA PV HOA At Work

The City and utilities such as California Water Service, SoCal Gas and Southern California Edison can take actions adversely impacting our community's homes without consulting individual homeowners. MESA PV HOA is your only group advocate to our elected officials at City Hall by representing the needs and preferences of our community. We regularly work with the City Council and city departments such as Community Development and Public Works.

Because MESA PV HOA represents a large number of residences on the Peninsula (423 homes), we are periodically contacted to provide notifications to HOA members. We use the Nextdoor website as a means to provide such communications.

The HOA has continued to partner with residents whose homes border the Cal Water Crest Road facility to persuade the city Planning Commissioners to reconsider Cal Water's request for a change in their Conditional Use Permit (CUP). We are pleased to report that at the January 9, 2018 Planning Commission meeting, the CUP was updated to preserve the quality of life aspect of our neighborhood and restrict Cal Water's operations at the Crest facility.

MESA PV HOA annually selects projects to improve and maintain our community as a highly desirable place to live and raise a family. The past several years we have been able to partner with the City to co-fund these beautification projects. In 2017 we planted New Zealand Christmas trees in the parkway along Crest road which we have continued to maintain this past year. These trees are drought resistant, clean, evergreen and have a dense canopy. They are slow growing so it will take time before they become fully effective at adding beauty along Crest road. One of the trees was stolen and we had to replace it.



This past year the HOA planted 15 new Canary Island trees in the center dividers on both ends of the Whitley Collins medians to replace the dead pine trees the city had to remove. As part of the installation contract we also trimmed the existing pine trees and fixed the median irrigation system so that the city of RPV can irrigate and maintain these plantings per our agreement.

On August 7th, we again hosted the Annual Neighborhood Watch Ice Cream Social. All who attended had a wonderful time meeting their neighbors and enjoying ice cream.

The HOA continues to fund maintenance of the entrance walls, entrance signs, and common areas. Our HOA contributions ensure that our community's appearance doesn't deteriorate. Membership dues are the sole source of all infrastructure improvements to our community's entrances and medians. We need volunteers to serve on the Improvements Committee to define and facilitate these projects. If you are interested in neighborhood landscaping/beautification projects, please contact Joe DeVenuto.

Our HOA is a volunteer organization, so participation in our activities is always welcomed and very much appreciated. We have a few vacancies on the HOA Board which need to be filled, so please contact Joe DeVenuto if you are interested in helping out. We need your participation and ideas to maintain and improve our neighborhood community.

MESA PV Communications

The MESA HOA uses the Nextdoor website (<https://nextdoor.com>) for the purpose of HOA communication instead of a blog or Facebook. On the Nextdoor website, there is a separate Mesa PV HOA group where we can communicate as a group or individually. If you're a member of Nextdoor, but have not already been added to the Mesa PV HOA sub-group, please private message Marian Locascio from within Nextdoor, and she will add you to this digital neighborhood.

Take time now to send in your dues to continue to enjoy all the benefits of Mesa Palos Verdes HOA membership. A pre-addressed envelope is enclosed for your convenience.

Each resident/owner is entitled to membership in the MPVHOA, but only residents who pay dues qualify as voting members at the Annual Meeting.

Thanks to the enthusiastic member support and payment of annual dues, over the past years your homeowner association dues have financed general Mesa Palos Verdes improvements that benefit all residents, such as ongoing entrance and Whitley Collins beautification, and working with the City of RPV on community improvements. These expenditures help to preserve and enhance the general beauty and the residential value of the Mesa community as a whole.

We appreciate your prompt payment of our annual dues by detaching the invoice below and mailing it to our P.O. Box in the enclosed envelop.

Thank you for your support to our community!



2018-2019 Membership Dues Invoice

Please make checks payable to Mesa PVHOA
Mail to: P.O. Box 2236
Palos Verdes Peninsula, CA 90274

2018-2019 Annual Dues ----- \$30.00

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email address: _____

Our family has been Mesa PV residents since: _____
(year)

I agree () do not agree () to the use of E-Mail in lieu of or as a supplement to regular postage mail for newsletters, bulletins, notices, etc. from the MESA PV Board.
(Please check your decision.)

Signed: _____



HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

P.O. BOX 2236

PALOS VERDES PENINSULA, CA 90274

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