

BULLETIN

May 2019

2019 Annual Meeting Wednesday June 19, 2019 - 7:00 p.m. Ridgecrest Intermediate School Multi-Purpose Room

Guest Speaker

Marty Foster, RPV Emergency Preparedness Committee

We are pleased to have Ms. Marty Foster, a member of the RPV Emergency Preparedness Committee, as our guest speaker for this year's annual MESA PV HOA meeting.

The Emergency Preparedness Committee advises and assists the City Council and staff to ensure that the City of Rancho Palos Verdes develops and maintains a high state of readiness to respond to a wide variety of emergencies and disasters. The Emergency Preparedness Committee holds evening meetings as required, generally on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. in the Community Room at City Hall.

Ms. Foster will speak to us about being aware of the potential disasters and emergencies we may encounter living on the Palos Verdes Peninsula. She will describe a number of ways we can be more prepared for and respond to an emergency situation as both individuals as well as a neighborhood. She will also provide material and a list of resources to obtain additional information to assist each of us in being able to address our individual disaster needs.

Her presentation includes a description and examples of emergency supplies and equipment we may need to manage on our own if necessary.

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 2019-2020 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.

Are You Prepared for An Natural Disaster or Emergency?



As residents of the Palos Verdes Peninsula we live in an area of extreme beauty and a wonderful climate, however we are prone to natural disasters and emergency situations – earthquakes, fires, active shooters and terror attacks against our water system, refineries, or other critical infrastructure.

If a disaster or emergency event were to occur in our area, we could be without services for an extended period of time and it may be difficult or impossible for first responders to immediately meet needs. As individuals and as neighbors we should take steps to prepare for these situations and have plans to respond and recover if these unfortunate events were to arise. At the HOA meeting this year, the speaker will provide material to inform us of potential disasters and emergencies, provide preparation advice, make suggestions as to how we can organize as neighbors to better respond to emergencies, and resources to become better informed. The RPV city website Emergency Preparedness page has links to information to be prepared.





Neighborhood Watch

Crime is still an issue in our neighborhood and will continue to be so for the foreseeable future. There are many prudent steps each of us can take to mitigate and protect ourselves and our property. The concept of neighbors working with each other and with law enforcement has proven to be an effective means of reducing crime.

Neighborhood Watch is an established organization which provides a means for neighbors to work together to mitigate crime and a framework for supporting the city's 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 neighbors along a street or block band together and 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 information 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.

Contact Marty Plost, NW Area Coordinator, martinplost@gmail.com to get involved. MESA PV has NW areas headed up by the following Block Captains – Tony Cangas, Janet Chen, Shera Dolmatz-Finkel, Bob Murphy, Bill Procopio, Barbara Rybicki, Steve Silverstone, Diane Slome, Kathy Standen, Ardi Tavakol, and Byron Wakayama. Please contact the captain on your street if you are interesting in being part of your NW block.

Remember - SEE SOMETHING SAY SOMETHING Lomita Sheriff Station Number 310 539-1661



The Los Angeles County (LAC) Department of Public Health (DPH) in April confirmed 5 cases of measles. All of the cases were adults, the majority were unvaccinated, and two had recently travelled internationally. Measles can be a serious illness in all age groups. However, children younger than 5 years of age and adults older than 20 years of age are more likely to suffer from measles complications. Consult your physician to determine your best course of action to protect yourself against measles.





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 the 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

MESA PV HOA is an association of all owner / residents in the MESA Palos Verdes area. The HOA represents 423 residences on the Peninsula and is one of the largest HOAs within the City. The City and utilities such as California Water Service (CWS), 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. This year we have continued to work with the City and CWS to address operations and landscaping maintenance at CWS's Crest Road water facility.

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



This past year the HOA continued to maintain the New Zealand Christmas trees in the parkway along Crest Road and the Canary Island trees in the center dividers on both ends of the Whitley Collins medians. We partnered with the City to fund these beautification projects and are always seeking new ideas to partner with the City to improve our neighborhood.

We need to once again give a very special thanks to Erica Mangham and her family for volunteering to make and install the Christmas decorations that adorned our entrances this year. She has such creativity and puts the neighborhood in such a festive spirit! Thanks Erica!





In August, Marty Plost who is the Neighborhood Watch Area Coordinator and Shera Dolmatz-Finkel a Neighborhood Watch Block Caption as well as Zone Director, hosted the Annual Neighborhood Watch Ice Cream Social. Several of our local First Responders stopped by and shared ice cream and stories. Every year, everyone who attends has a wonderful time meeting

their neighbors and enjoying ice cream. Anyone in the HOA is welcome, so please plan on attending this year and meet some new neighbors.

In May 2019, Marty Plost, who has been the NW Area Coordinator for 26 years, and NW Block Captains Janet Chen, Shera Dolmatz-Finkel and Kathy Standen were honored by the PV NW and Lomita Sheriff's Department for their service.

The HOA continues to fund maintenance of the entrance walls, entrance signs, and common areas. Remember, it is your Membership dues that are the sole source of all infrastructure improvements to our community's entrances and medians. Your HOA contributions ensure that our community's appearance doesn't deteriorate. The HOA annually reviews projects to improve and maintain our community as a highly desirable place to live and raise a family. The Board needs your ideas and participation to implement these neighborhood landscaping/beautification projects. We need volunteers to serve on the Improvements Committee to define and facilitate these projects. If you are interested, please contact Joe DeVenuto.

This year, the HOA is working to raise awareness of emergency preparedness and our neighborhood responses in case of an emergency and / or disaster. How neighbors respond to one another in times of need is vital to creating a community that people want to live in. There will be more discussion as to how we could address our neighborhood approach to emergencies and disasters at the HOA meeting.

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.

MPVHOA 2019-2020 Board of Directors and Officers

The Mesa Palos Verdes Homeowners' Association (MPVHOA) is a non-profit community association incorporated in March 7, 1966 pursuant to the California Corporations Code. MPVHOA is governed by a Board of Directors, consisting of ten (10) Zone Directors, and five executive officers, all elected at the annual general meeting, or appointed in accordance with Association By-Laws. Members attending the annual meeting will vote on the new Board Members for the 2019-2020 year.

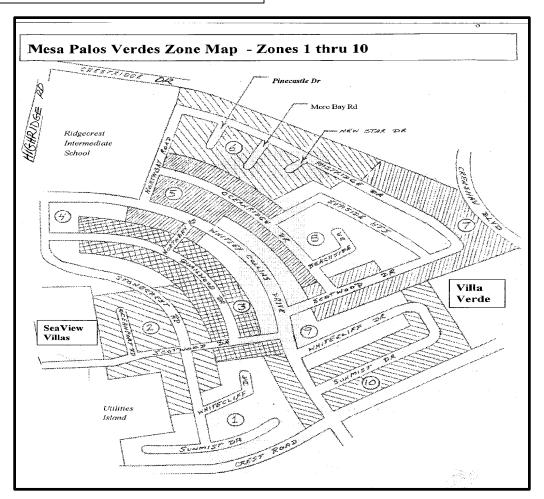
Additional candidates for each office may be included on the roster by nomination during the annual meeting or by contacting Joe DeVenuto at 424 205-0664.

Following is the initial slate of candidates for the 2018-2019 Board of Directors:

	<u>Officers</u>	
President:	Joe DeVenuto	424 205-0664
Vice-President:	Michael Garr	310 377-6151
Secretary:	Para Karunatileka	310-541-4983
Treasurer:	Wendy Louttit	310 377-8713
CHOA Ren:	Vacant	

STANDING COMMITTEES		
IMPROVEMENTS	Neighborhood Watch	
Peter Barrett	Shera Finkel	
Ray Mathys	Ardi Tavakol	

Zone Direct	or
1) Maureen Edwards	310-544-4509
2) Vacant	
3) Peter Barrett	310-377-1062
4) Anne St. Cyr	310-750-6729
5) Shera Finkel	310-541-9754
6) Hermia Lee	310-357-7288
7) Jesse Cordova	310-377-2038
8) Maria del Carmen Singer	310 377-9577
9) Ardi Tavakol	310-541-1394
10) Vacant	



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!

2019-2020 Membership Dues Invoice

Please make checks payable to Mesa PVHOA

Mail to: P.O. Box 2236 Palos Verdes Peninsula, CA 90274

2019-2020 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:	



