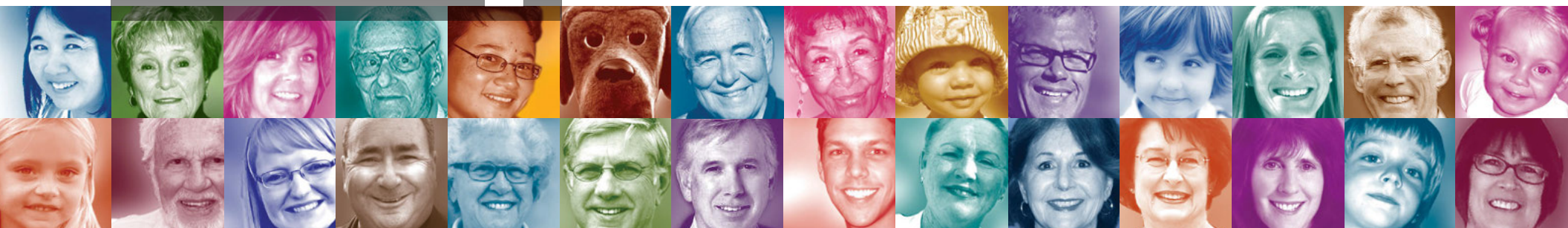


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let's watch out for each other

Neighborhood Watch Celebrates 35 Years: 1980-2015

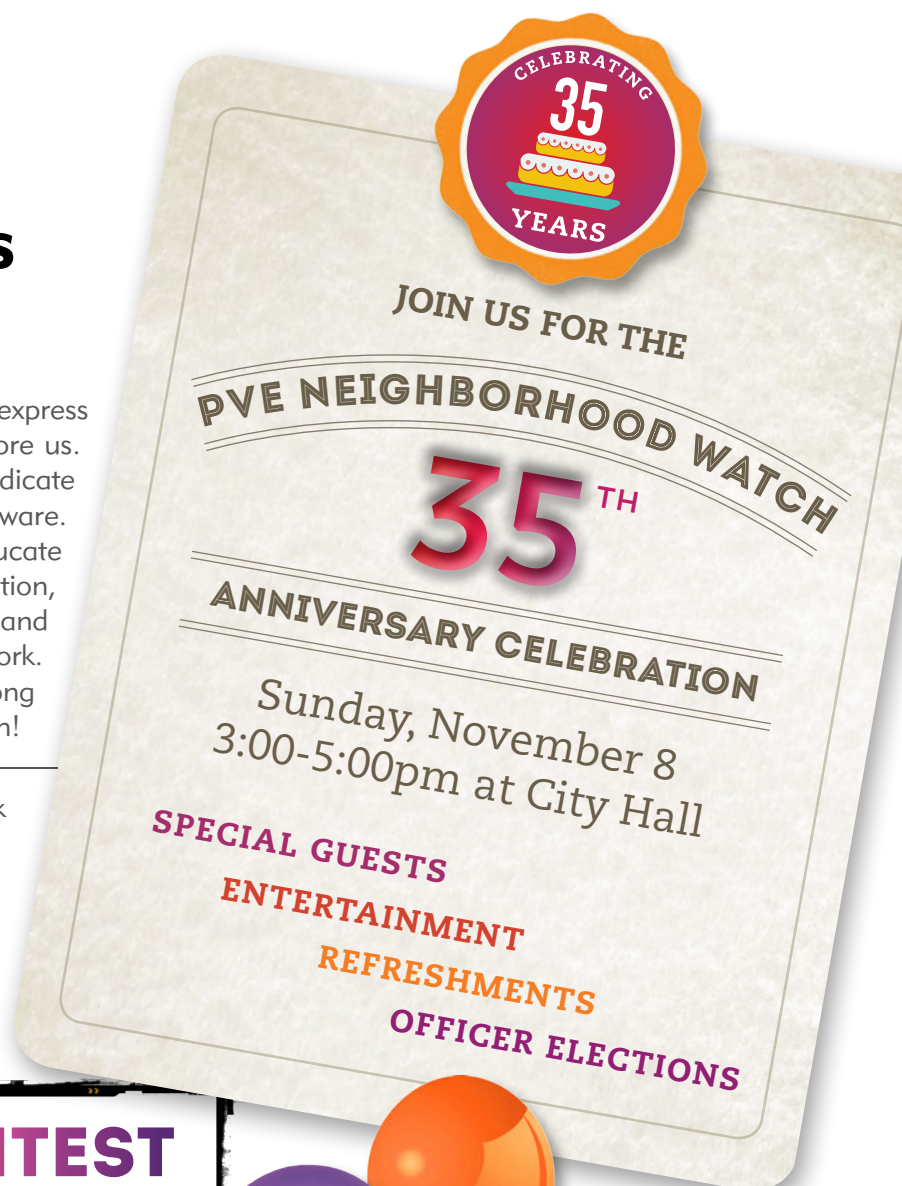
As PVE Neighborhood Watch celebrates its 35th year, we realize it is successful because of the people supporting it. PVE NW was founded by residents who wanted to ensure the safety and wellbeing of our city for future generations. As the 2015 NW Board, we are proud to have nurtured and maintained the integrity of PVE Neighborhood Watch.

We couldn't do it without the commitment of neighbors like you. Thank you, Block

Captains and residents alike! We also express appreciation to those who came before us. As we move into the future, let's rededicate ourselves to being watchful and aware. Your NW Board will continue to educate our community on crime prevention, partner with the Police Department and make PVE a safer place to live and work. Let's celebrate another safe and strong 35 years as PVE Neighborhood Watch!

In 1980, PVE Neighborhood Watch began when residents decided to take back their community after a string of local crimes had occurred. Residents became vigilant, formed 300 block groups and took preventative action against crime. The crime rate dropped right away and a strong message was sent to "would-be" criminals that PVE was on the watch and highly aware of suspicious activity.

35 years later NW is going strong, continuing its tradition of promoting safety awareness and crime prevention and knowing your neighbors!



2015 PHOTO CONTEST

Congratulations to Ryan Hermann, winner of the 2015 "Neighborhood Watch Pet Mascots" photo contest. His pet's image was taken overlooking the Palos Verdes Beach & Athletic Club and skillfully captures the spirit of the theme. As the winner, Ryan receives a \$100 cash prize from PVE Neighborhood Watch. Honorable Mention images from "Neighborhood Watch Pet Mascots" can be found on page 3.

"PVE is such an awesome
place to live"



Senior Health Fair



PVE-CARES
for our seniors

PVE-CARES is proud to host the 10th annual Senior Health & Wellness Fair on October 23 from 10am-1pm at the Neighborhood Church. There will be lots of valuable health resources for seniors: free flu shots, medical screenings, exhibitors, Chaussee's Big Band, free lunch, Ask the Doctor, Dentist, Pharmacist, and a drawing for door prizes.

Lunada Bay Shows Support for Local Resident

On September 11th, crime came to Lunada Bay when a long-time resident and business owner was severely beaten at his store during evening hours. Immediately, Lunada Bay residents rallied in an incredible show of support by placing cards, flowers and encouraging sentiments at Golden Lion Liquor's door.

The PVE PD held two community meetings in Lunada Bay Park to provide information and to address residents' concerns. The PD reported that three minors had been arrested.

Through the generous nature of residents, a trust account at Lunada Bay Chase Bank has been set up for the business owner. Residents can make deposits to help this business get back in business. For further information on how to donate, contact pvewnboard@gmail.com.



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By Karen Logan



PVE Neighborhood Watch celebrates 35 years of being connected, watchful and aware! This organization was started because PVE residents wanted to take action against crimes that were increasing in the city.

After all these years, there is still the need to be vigilant to keep our community safe. One way to continue celebrating this wonderful community is by being engaged in actions that let criminals know we are not becoming complacent.

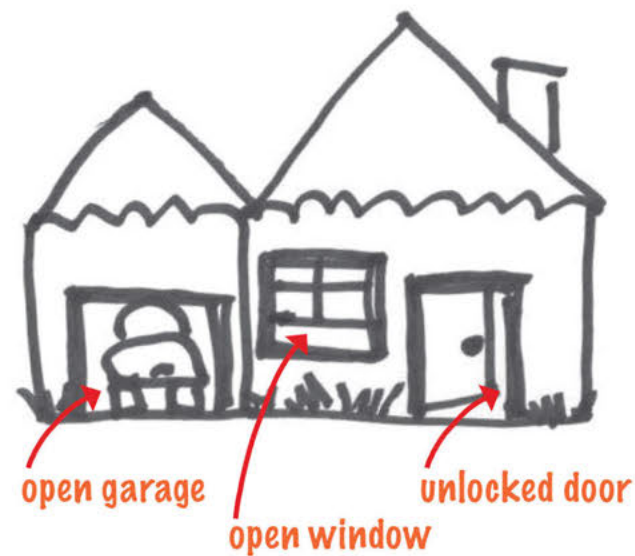
- Keep doors locked, valuables in safe places and alarms set
- Lock car doors and remove all items from view, close garage doors
- Don't provide personal information to unknown people over the phone or Internet

- Shred personal information before putting it into the trash
 - Obtain a locking mailbox
- Criminals are looking for a vulnerable spot. Let's not give them one. Each of us contributes a "chain of safety" by practicing these actions.

Let's celebrate our community by keeping it safe. See you at the Neighborhood Watch 35th Anniversary Celebration on November 8. All are welcome.

Karen Logan

2015 PVE Neighborhood Watch President
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Don't Give Thieves an Open Invitation

Message from Police Chief Kepley

We often talk about home alarms systems, crime prevention strategies, and steps homeowners can take to stay safe. But at the top of this list is having an alert neighbor -- someone who knows you and your family, and knows when things are out of the ordinary. Someone who will notice a potential burglar and call the police. *If you have this type of neighbor consider yourself lucky.*



Next on the list is to join Neighborhood Watch. Get involved, and become that alert neighbor, too! If there was ever a good time to join Neighborhood Watch, it is now. Your community needs you. As criminals and crooks are gearing up for the holiday thieving season, your police department needs you, too. We need

you to get involved, become a vigilant lookout for your neighborhood, and

be bold about calling the police to investigate anything that raises your concern.

Join Neighborhood Watch to stay well informed, aware of neighborhood activity, and to get to know your neighbors. We need you to help look out for the residents on your street, to become that alert neighbor.

So I urge all of our residents to contact our Neighborhood Watch at pvenw.org or Marcelle McCullough today and sign up to become a member.

In the coming months, you may see our blue canopy tents on your street with the words "PALOS VERDES ESTATES POLICE" printed on them. We will be in setting up these canopy tents in PVE neighborhoods in an effort to meet you, our residents, and encourage you to get involved. If you hear that we are coming to your street, or if you see our blue canopy tents, please come out and meet your police department staff. It's a wonderful way to get involved and become a member, and to meet your police officers and neighbors alike! If you would like us to come to your street, contact Marcelle at 310-378-4211

National Night Out – Biggest Party Ever

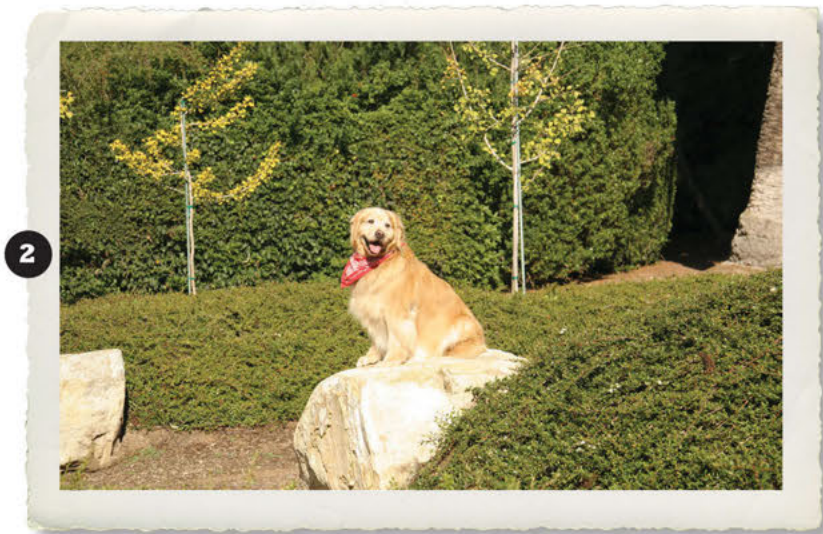
Thank you to all the hosts and hostesses who held the NNO block parties. This year PVE celebrated National Night Out on Tuesday, August 4, with three caravans visiting 17 block parties and meeting over 300 residents. The caravans consisted of representatives of PVE City Council, staff, PVE PD, LA Fire Department and NW. It was an opportunity to meet and get to know your neighbors and ask questions in person of your City's representatives.

Be sure to make this a part of your summer activities for next year in August!



"Neighborhood Watch Pet Mascots" Honorable Mention

Palos Verdes Estates is a city of pet lovers, and it clearly shows in these Honorable Mention photos. A special thanks to all who participated. Winning photos from L to R:
2nd place photo by Fred Haney, taken with a Cannon EOS 20D.
3rd place photo by Maddy Bohannon, taken with an iPhone.
4th place photo by Shirley Wang, taken with Canon Power Shot.



"Just watching out for suspicious persons and activity."



"Keeping my neighborhood safe!"

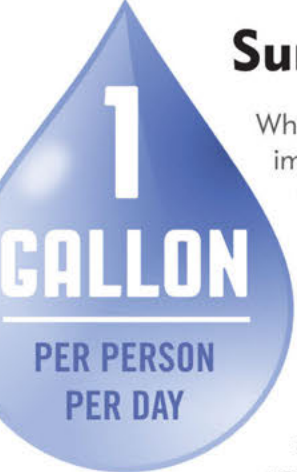


"If I don't know you, I'm not buying, or letting you in."

Survival Essentials by Sandy Durko and Carol Holmes

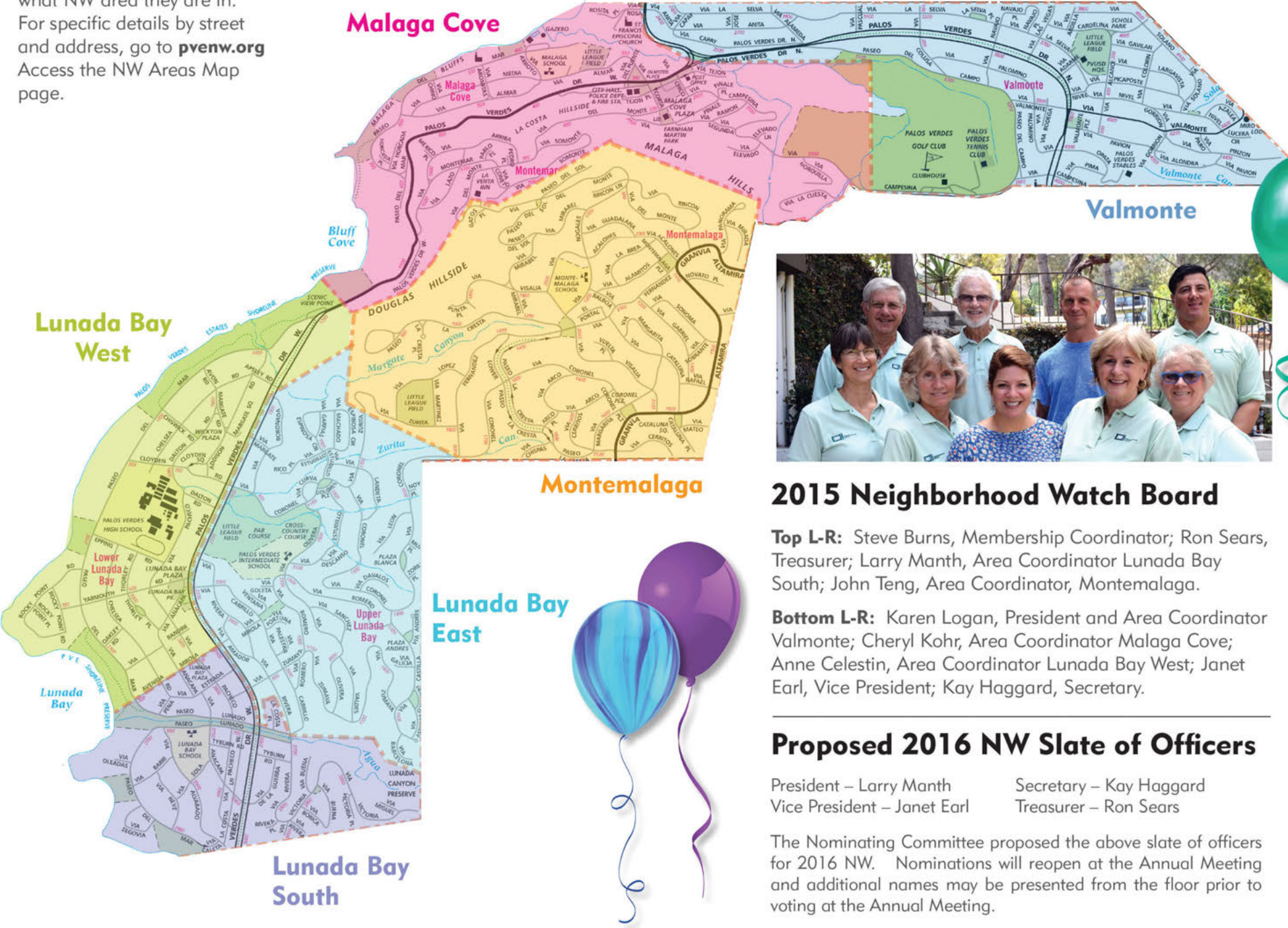
When the next big earthquake hits California the most important element of the Emergency Kit you have prepared will be the water! We cannot survive without it. The rule of thumb is you will need a minimum of 1 gallon of water per day per family member – including pets. Experts recommend we be "self-sufficient" for a minimum of 7-14 days. This means a family of 4 needs to have an emergency water supply of 28 to 56 gallons. That's a lot of water bottles. The easiest way might be to purchase a specially designed 50-gallon drum and set it in your back yard. They cost about a hundred bucks and when you add

the preservative to the water it will have a shelf life of 5 years or more. Go to pvestates.org and click on "disaster preparedness" for help. What? You don't have an Earthquake Kit? Why not? Oh, there's only a 99.7% chance California will have a catastrophic shake in the next 20 years. Start assembling your Kit today! Start with water and add to it each week. Before you know it you will be prepared. Be a good neighbor. Become part of the solution and not part of the problem.



Neighborhood Area Map of Palos Verdes Estates

Many people want to know what NW area they are in. For specific details by street and address, go to pvenw.org Access the NW Areas Map page.



2015 Neighborhood Watch Board

Top L-R: Steve Burns, Membership Coordinator; Ron Sears, Treasurer; Larry Manth, Area Coordinator Lunada Bay South; John Teng, Area Coordinator, Montemalaga.

Bottom L-R: Karen Logan, President and Area Coordinator Valmonte; Cheryl Kohr, Area Coordinator Malaga Cove; Anne Celestin, Area Coordinator Lunada Bay West; Janet Earl, Vice President; Kay Haggard, Secretary.

Proposed 2016 NW Slate of Officers

President – Larry Manth	Secretary – Kay Haggard
Vice President – Janet Earl	Treasurer – Ron Sears

The Nominating Committee proposed the above slate of officers for 2016 NW. Nominations will reopen at the Annual Meeting and additional names may be presented from the floor prior to voting at the Annual Meeting.

Area Coordinator Reports

LUNADA BAY SOUTH Larry Manth

You may have heard about the horrendous crime that occurred at a local business in Lunada Bay. Chief Kepley came out to Lunada Bay Park to address the community and the response was overwhelming. We have such a wonderful, close knit community here in Lunada Bay. The kindness of a couple of residents led to an opening of a bank account at the local Chase for donations for the business owner. We have great neighbors and friends here. I hope you will consider being a part of Neighborhood Watch as a way to help keep our community safe!

LARRY MANTH Larrymanth@gmail.com

LUNADA BAY EAST

Lunada Bay is a vibrant community with so many community events throughout the year and many volunteers making them happen. Our long-time Lunada Bay East Area Coordinator, Carolyn Lizdenis, is transitioning out of this role and a new person is being prepared. The PVE NW Board celebrates her years of support in her community and NW. A new Area Coordinator will be announced soon. If you are interested in being a volunteer for Neighborhood Watch, please contact Marcelle McCullough.

MARCELLE MCCULLOUGH MMcCullough@pvestates.org

LUNADA BAY WEST Anne Celestin

With the recent crime in Lunada Bay, isn't it time to get involved with Neighborhood Watch? Of the almost 700 residents in Lunada Bay West, we only have 73 NW Members. That's not a lot of "watch", right? Please join NW to protect the neighborhood; become a member or, better yet, a block captain for your street. At a minimum, if you "See Something, Say Something" by calling the PVE PD right away at 310-378-4211. I welcome any questions or suggestions. Contact me at 310-634-6777. In the meantime, stay safe!

ANNE CELESTIN anne@prosourceadvisors.com

MALAGA COVE Cheryl Kohr

For the annual National Night Out in early August, in Lower Malaga Cove we had over 50 residents join us for a neighborhood gathering including food, drink, meet and greet, plus a visit from PVE Police & Fire Department officials. This is part of knowing and looking out for your neighbors, as we work with the Police Department to prevent crime and report suspicious activity. Are you a current Neighborhood Watch member? If not, I urge you to join or renew today.

CHERYL KOHR c_kohr@hotmail.com

VALMONTE Karen Logan

My husband and I just celebrated our 9th year living in Valmonte. With each year we grow in our appreciation of the people, environment and city services that make this community so special. I invite my fellow Valmonte neighbors to become more involved with NW by becoming a Block Captain. It's a great way to connect with neighbors and provide a vital service to your street. Being a Block Captain is easy and rewarding. Contact me to find out more!

KAREN LOGAN kklogan1@mac.com

MONTEMALAGA John Teng

Thank you for attending our spectacular National Night Out event! As your new Area Coordinator, I have three simple goals: For every family in Montemalaga to join the PVE Neighborhood Watch program and stay informed by email with the PVE Police Department. Help connect the amazing families by coordinating various potluck dinner parties to give families an opportunity to meet their wonderful neighbors. And for Montemalaga to be the safest place to live in the South Bay. I believe when we shake hands and know each other, we are going to be more willing to look out for each other.

JOHN TENG brotherteng@gmail.com

Calendar of Events

OCTOBER

23 PVE-CARES Senior Health & Wellness Fair for PVE residents, Neighborhood Church 10am-1pm


NOVEMBER

1 Peninsula Preparedness Expo, Norris Center 12pm-4pm
7 PVE Shredding Event, PV High School 8am-12pm
8 NW Annual Meeting 35th Anniversary Celebration. All welcome at PVE City Hall 3pm-5pm

DECEMBER

24 Santa's Sleigh

Are You Prepared if Disaster Strikes?



PREPARED PENINSULA expo

LEARN HOW TO BE DISASTER READY

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 1, 12-4PM

NORRIS THEATER

PREPARED PENINSULA EXPO, a family-friendly event featuring life-saving information, demonstrations and emergency survival gear—all available to the public. Easy step-by-step preparedness plans for your family and pets. You'll find it all under one roof: survival essentials, expert guidance, activities and FREE FOOD.

For more information visit:
www.pvestates.org



Block Captains Make the Difference by Valerie Gorsuch

I've been the Block Captain for a very long time for the 400 and 500 blocks of Via Media (53 houses), and the most rewarding part is being a Neighbor! Walking door-to-door, passing out important information, encouraging membership renewals, inviting neighbors to our events, including National Night Out which takes place every year in August.

Even more rewarding is getting to know the people who live here, their pets, their household workers' schedules, and identifying those who might

need more assistance in the event of a disaster.

Getting to know the neighbors has paid off. We have a growing Neighborhood Watch membership on Via Media, and walking door-to-door has encouraged that. If a resident has a neighborhood concern but is unsure how to address it, they feel comfortable asking me to point them in the right direction. Via Media neighbors embrace Neighborhood Watch and its message "See Something, Say Something". We're dedicated to making our city safe.

Being a Block Captain benefits so many people by raising safety awareness, street by street. Please consider becoming a Block Captain in your area. For more information contact Community Relations Officer, Marcelle McCullough at (310) 378-4211.

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