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Valmonte Gathers for **HUGE** Neighborhood Watch Event

On February 6th, nearly 200 Valmonte residents gathered for a Neighborhood Watch event at the Valmonte Elementary Learning Academy (VELA).

Police Chief Kepley provided an engaging presentation about the history of the PVE Police Department, the successes of capturing criminals in recent months and recommendations residents could employ to protect their homes. He provided updates on strategies the Department is using to collaborate with other local agencies and continuously improve the approaches used internally.

The Chief addressed questions and provided suggestions on how residents could support upcoming Police projects by becoming aware

of upcoming items on the City Council Agenda.

There was tremendous participation from residents, Police and Neighborhood Watch volunteers--another example of how our small town comes together for the common good. The event was supported by one of Valmonte's newest Block Captains, Liz Matthews, who helped to make the event a success.



New 2016 NW President, Larry Manth, addressed the group. The meeting was well represented by Block Captains, Neighborhood Watch Board Members and Area Coordinators.

If you're interested in having a NW Block Captain meeting or an Area Event, contact your Area Coordinator (see the Area Coordinators section of this newsletter for more information).

PVE's **Proud** Volunteers

More volunteer help has arrived! PVE Neighborhood Watch, one of several dedicated volunteer organizations in our community, collaborates with residents and the Police Department alike. The PVE PD has been working toward adding two new volunteer programs to help keep our community safe; the Volunteers in Police Service (VIPS) and the Parkland Rangers (PR). Both programs are ready for deployment!

The first group of eight volunteers has completed the screening process and is now being trained by Police Department staff. These new community volunteers will serve as extra eyes and ears in our community, both in our streets and neighborhoods, as well as along the parklands and coastline.

The VIPS will be wearing a uniform consisting of a white police-style shirt with police shoulder patches and blue police-style pants. They will be driving the police department's volunteer police car which is an all-white car with the PVE PD markings as well as "VOLUNTEER" on the sides and rear. The new volunteers will be conducting vacation home checks, traffic control, observe & report, running errands, etc. The Parkland Ranger Volunteers will wear a different uniform more suitable to the trail conditions, which consists of a tan polo shirt and black pants. They will mostly patrol our trails and coastline

on foot and will monitor activity in and around the Parklands.

So when you see the VIPS or Parkland Rangers on patrol or at one of our many community events, be sure to stop and introduce yourself. And, if you would like to get involved as a community volunteer, we gladly welcome you. Please contact Marcelle McCullough at 310-378-4211.

Your Police Department continues to work with neighbors and community volunteers to inform, educate and service the residents of Palos Verdes Estates.



Hiking Trails in PVE

Our fair city is home to nearly two dozen spectacular hiking trails. They range in terrain and location, taking you along cliffsides and hillsides to sandy beaches and canyons.

Thanks to the generous amount of rainfall this season, you will see nature in full bloom.

For maps, distances, elevations and more detailed information visit: mapmyhike.com/us/palos-verdes-estates-ca/. Remember to report suspicious activity on the trails: 310-378-4211.

NW Meeting on April 5

Please join us for a Neighborhood Watch Meeting on Tuesday evening, April 5 at 6:30pm at Malaga Cove School, 375 Via Almar, in the Community Room. Guest speaker: Chief of Police, Jeff Kepley. Meet your police department, learn about crime trends, crime prevention and law enforcement efforts to stop crime. All are invited. For more information, contact Cheryl Kohr NW Area Coordinator for Malaga Cove at: cheryl_kohr@mac.com

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