

POINT LOMA ASSOCIATION - Beautification Committee Meeting
July 1, 2008

Members Present: Ron Brooks, Karen Davis, Patti Adams, Betty Allman, Dave Brown, Cecilia Carrick, Stan Nadel, Dorothy Lord, Lois Devlin and Debbie Hall.

Chairman **Ron Brooks** opened the meeting at 8:10 AM at the San Diego Yacht Club.

Minutes Review: Minutes from the June 3 meeting were reviewed.

Budget: Not available

Inspiration: *"We cannot defend freedom abroad by deserting it at home."*

Additions/Corrections: Updated Beautification Committee Member Lists and Community Contact Lists were distributed.

Discussion Topics:

1. Liberty Elm: Subsequent to an offer by CAPT Patton to have a tree planted at the Naval Submarine Base, Drew Potocki and **Karen** coordinated to obtain a Liberty Elm tree from the Park and Rec Nursery (same tree to be planted at the 52 boat memorial at NTC Park) and get the tree planted. On June 19, **Ron, Karen, Steve** and **Dave** joined Drew, 2 Park and Recreation staff members and several young sailors from the base to plant the tree. An engraved stone was placed at the base of the tree. Dedication of the tree will be included in CAPT Patton's Change of Command on 1 July. At a future date, a post work party coffee will be planned at the submarine base so that we can enjoy the tree.
2. Graffiti Strike Force: **Cecilia** reported that **Betty** recently painted over new graffiti at Von's. Additionally, **Cecilia** painted over graffiti at the PL entry sign on Nimitz and on the top side of the San Diego River Bridge. **Cecilia** spoke with some of the homeless who occasionally reside under the bridge. They told her that three young skateboard tuffs are responsible for much of the graffiti. When the homeless individuals asked them to stop, one of the young taggers drew a knife. The bottom line is that these young taggers are not benign artists. At a later date, Barbara Hendricks (Voltaire St. resident) joined **Cecilia** and **Dave** for more cleanup efforts. **Ron** noted that graffiti was seen in the parking area near Con Pane. **Dave** agreed to remove it.
3. New Membership Renewal: **Patti**, with **Ron's** assistance, recently mailed out 900 renewal notices – 718 of which were to old members. As of this date, only about 300 renewals have been returned. **Patti** will conduct a Membership meeting on the 1st Friday of every month at 2:15PM at her office on 2920 Cañon St. Because of the holiday, this month's meeting will be held on Thursday (July 3).
4. Update Web Site: It was requested that we all look at the PLA web site (plaweb.org) with an eye toward meaningful updates. **Ron** intends to provide new photos of current projects.
5. Projects for Volunteers: Occasionally there is a group or individual expressing an interest in projects that they can do. If you have any ideas, please forward them on to **Ron**.
6. Evening at The Pearl: **Patti** reported that on Monday, July 14, 7:30-9PM, the 3 past PLA dinner videos will be shown at The Pearl. No reservations are necessary. Come early enough to get a good seat.
7. Aquatic Center: The latest email concerning the Point Loma Aquatic Center was distributed. If you would like to be on the distribution list, go to

<http://hometown.aol.com/plfamilyswim/go.html> .

Project Reports:

Code Compliance: The Fresh and Easy store is now set to open on August 13. Peets Coffee is expected to open at the same time.

Correspondence: no new information

Newsracks: no new information

Catalina Ramp: no new information

Tool Shed and Storage Building: **Karen** showed a sample of the new green safety vests with PLA logo and VOLUNTEER on the back. All approved of the vest. **Karen** will order the vests in the near future.

Village Flower Project: no new information

Historical Marker: no new information

Al's Garage: no new information

Benches & Debris Containers: no new information

Catalina Tree Project: no new information

Village Trees: no new information

Cañon Street Sycamores: no new information

Garden Awards: no new information

Tennyson Triangle: no new information

Nimitz Triangle: no new information

Nimitz Median: no new information

Pork Chops: no new information

Dewey School: no new information

PL Entry Signs/Nimitz West: The electricity to the lights and irrigation system is still out.

Dana School: no new information

Graffiti: (see above)

Barnes Tennis Center: no new information

Reminders:

- La Playa Trail Assn. – July 8, Peninsula Community Service Center, 2:30PM
- PLA Board meeting – July 9 at the Bali Hai -- 7:30AM
- Peninsula Community Planning Board – July 17, 6:30PM, library
- Neighborhood Watch – July 1 at the Western Division Hdqt. 5215 Gaines, 6:30PM
- Summer Concerts -- July 18,25 and August 1,8,15

Roses and Radishes: A bouquet goes to the new signage for “Roseville”. Ron will deliver the PLA display board to Patti at the first “Music in the Park” concert on July 18.

The meeting was adjourned at 9AM. Please note that our next meeting will be 8AM, August 5, 2008 at the San Diego Yacht Club Board Room. To place items on the agenda, e-mail **Ron** at brooks1@cox.net.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Davis
Secretary

Mean Green Team Calendar

July 4 OFF
July 11 Nimitz West/Catalina Ramp
July 18 Village
July 25 Pork Chops
Aug 1 Dewey

Check weekly e-mail reminder sent every Wednesday.