

November 2011

Starfish Award Winners

by *Eve Anderson*

The Pacific Beach Town Council presented its first two Starfish awards at the October general meeting.

The award for the most outstanding low-water use garden went to Ted and Suzanne Mecklenborg. Their creative use of cacti, succulents, grasses and rock is an eye-catching asset to their neighborhood. If you'd like ideas to start your own front garden, sans grass, stop by 957 Oliver Avenue to check out their winning design.

Just up the street at 1068 Oliver Avenue is the lovely Spanish-style home of Suzanne and Jim Landa. Their sensitive remodel, in keeping with the scale and history of Pacific Beach earned them our award for outstanding residential architecture. You can admire their charming front fountain, surrounded by succulents and low-water use plants.

Look around PB for other great examples – we'll be accepting nominations for our spring awards. Many thanks to co-chair Adam Meyer and judges Scott Chipman and Jim Galvin.



Committee Updates and Special Announcements

Dineout

The Pacific Beach Town Council Dine Out group has had a very successful 2011 with great attendance and marvelous menus and service from the local participating Pacific Beach restaurants. This relationship between the Town Council and the local restaurants has been a win-win situation for all. At this time, there is no dine out scheduled for the month of November, but we are all looking forward to the December 27, 2011 dine out at the Catamaran Hotel, everyone is invited!

I wish to extend a very warm thank you to Mary Cook, Jane Jenerette and Georgina Smith for their tireless efforts this past year in coordinating this monthly event.

Greg Daunoras, Dine Out Chair

Corrections

Last months Sea Horse Sez contained two errors—

1. Police Capt. Al Guaderrama's last name was misspelled
2. The forum update article should have said the "Community Advisory Committee passed a resolution that included reasoning that was supportive of a Conditional Use Permit (CUP)."

**SUBMISSION DEADLINE FOR THE
DECEMBER NEWSLETTER
NOVEMBER 18, 2011**

Rose Creek Cottage Committee

Our committee is working on maintenance issues such as getting a reserve study to determine our long-term financial needs to maintain the cottage. Current work includes finishing painting the patio fence, repairing the interior beams, getting quotes to replace the windows with a consistent clear color and modifying the signage to reflect the cottage's purpose and relationship with the Town Council.

The cottage can not be booked by qualified planners or groups. Consider a tour to learn more about your event for from 5-100 people.

We're always looking for volunteers to help maintain the cottage and grounds. Just email the office and let them know you're interested.

**Free Halloween Candy Scan
Anderson Medical Center
Oct. 30—8am-4pm
Oct. 31 & Nov. 1-8am-8pm
Free Digital X-Rays
1945 Garnet Avenue
858-224-7977**

Sundowner

We are headed to the beach in November! Every 2nd Wednesday of the month the Pacific Beach Town Council and a local business host a Sundowner from 5:30-7:00. Our next Sundowner, Nov. 9th will be at **JRDN, 723 Felspar St. at Mission Blvd.**

Sundowners allow residential and business members to get together in a fun informal setting, socialize and talk about current issues.

Cost is \$5.00 and includes light appetizers and drink specials and a chance to win great raffle prizes.

For more information or to feature your business contact Alan Harris at 858-229-4465.

Membership Committee

The three businesses featured this month are family owned and have been serving the Pacific Beach community for more than a quarter of a century.

Alta Vista Properties: 858-274-3600
www.altavistaproperties.net

Alta Vista is a San Diego property management company dedicated to excellent service since 1980. Their property management team is ready to give your property the full attention that it deserves in making sure it is cared for properly and occupied.

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www.posteramerica.com/index.php

Aztec Graphics has operated in San Diego for 26 years. You get personalized service to help you determine the best option for framing. They offer hundreds of frame moldings and mat options, different types of glass, and best of all, expert assistance to correctly mount and frame your treasured photo, art or memorabilia.

Ocean Plumbing: 858-273-5537
www.oceanplumbing.com

Ocean Plumbing is a licensed plumbing company located in Pacific Beach since 1984. They service water heaters, drain cleaning, sewer camera inspections, slab leaks, copper repiping, outdoor showers, etc. Their specialty is trenchless "no dig" technology.

WE Welcome Our Newest Business Member

Anderson Medical Center: 858-224-7977
www.andersonmedicalcenter.com

Anderson Medical Center is now open for Urgent Care and Primary Care treatment. Located at 1945 Garnet Ave., operating on a walk-in-basis from 8am-8pm during the week and 8am-4pm weekends and holidays. The clinic is equipped with the latest technology, digital x-rays and health care records. The clinic is designed for minor emergencies, suturing and casting. Physical therapy is available. Most insurance is accepted.

President's Message

Hope everyone enjoyed the BeachFest this year. Thank you to Barbara Williams for helping to staff our booth this year. She made a lovely quilt that is being auctioned off to new members. So if any of your friends and neighbors are interested in joining the PBTC, they will have an opportunity to win this beautiful quilt. I also want to thank Jerry Hall, Greg Daunoras and Adam Meyer for volunteering their time to help with the booth and our famous duck races!

The PBTC board passed new bylaws this month. If anyone has any questions or comments, please feel free to contact me or the PBTC office.

As you may be aware, the San Diego Unified School District has proposed two school site closures in Pacific Beach. The first of which is the Crown Point campus. The Crown Point Music Academy magnet program will be moved to the Bayview Terrace campus. Currently, it is unknown what will happen to the students of Bayview Terrace. In the coming years, Pacific Beach Middle School campus is to be closed and the Mission Bay High School campus will become a 6—12 International Baccalaureate (IB) campus. It is unknown what will happen to the PB Middle School campus.

We need our community to come together to help our school age children. Funding for the International Baccalaureate Programs and the Music Program has been cut and there may not be any money next year to fund these programs. The Mission Bay School Cluster is in the process of making recommendations to the School Board and we will keep you apprised of any important news, also, any meetings will be posted on our website.

The election of officers and directors has been slated and you will be receiving a ballot in the coming weeks, please vote and mail in your ballots. We NEED someone to fill our Treasurer position. If you know anyone who is a PBTC member and has the ability to serve in this capacity, please have them call the PBTC office as soon as possible.

Thanksgiving is just about upon us and soon Christmas and other holiday festivities. May everyone have a safe and happy holiday season. Blessings to you and your family!

Joe Wilding, President

Community Food Drive—Respond to Hunger!

Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 3450 Clairemont Drive
Saturday, November 5, 9—11 am.

Sponsored by the Community Christian Service Agency (CCSA)

Support our schools and local farmers

The Pacific Beach Tuesday Farmers' Market is partnering with Pacific Beach schools to help our kids! Farmers' market operators SD Weekly Markets and Discover Pacific Beach will rebate 5% of every dollar spent at the market from Tuesday, October 25 thru Tuesday, November 29 to the school of your choice!

Shop at the market every Tuesday from 2-6:30 pm on Bayard Street. Tell farmers and vendors that you need school tickets (one for each dollar spent). Bring the tickets to the information booth and deposit them in your favorite school's jar. The market will donate funds to your school's PTO. School with the largest total will receive an additional donation.

More info: info@pacificbeachmarket.com

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Our Board of Directors

Officers

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Jerry Hall, Vice-President (2011)
Michael McQuary, Secretary (2011)
Glenn Olson, Treasurer (2011)

Directors

Nini Balistrieri (2011-12)
Chip Bonghi (2010-11)
Gregory Daunoras (2011-12)
Alan Harris (2010-11)
Cathie Jolley (2011-12)
Michael Licari (2011-12)
Susan Lowary (2010-11)
Adam Meyer (2011-12)
Jeffrey Montez (2010-11)
Edward Reay (2010-11)
Grant Williams (2011-12)
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Open for Qualified Candidates

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Rose Creek Cottage Consultant

Mark Johnston

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is a qualified 501(c)(3)
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Mission Bay Soroptimists Seek Applicants

The Violet Richardson Award honors young women, ages 14-17, for volunteer action in the community. Applications must be sent in by Dec. 1, 2011.

Contact dhowe@san.rr.com

Safe & Beautiful Committee

Members of the Pacific Beach Community at the Pacific Beach Town Council annual community forums have raised the issue of RVs and trailers cluttering our residential streets during the day and parking overnight, thereby creating safety and health issues, monopolizing parking, thereby impacting individual's quality of life. The Safe & Beautiful Committee of the Pacific Beach Town Council has been intimately involved for almost 4 years now, working with Councilmember Faulconer and his staff to bring this issue to a resolution.

Councilmember Faulconer is ready to bring his Oversized Vehicle Ordinance Amendment solution to the Land Use & Housing Committee of the City Council sometime in October, date not yet determined. We will need a BIG turnout to speak up at this committee meeting for those who are interested in seeing an Oversized Vehicle Ordinance Amendment enacted in Pacific Beach.

What is being proposed is absolutely no on-street parking overnight between the hours of 10 pm and 6 am unless the owner pays the City for a 3-day permit and parks their vehicle in front of their residence. There will be a limitation on how many passes can be obtained in any 12 month period. Parking Enforcement Officers will patrol the streets at night writing tickets for all vehicles without a permit. Community organizations like the Pacific Beach Town Council along the coast are all supportive of this initiative.

If you are interested in this issue, Councilmember Faulconer's staff urged community members at the Pacific Beach Town Council general membership meeting to be present to speak in the public comment portion of the Land Use & Housing Committee meeting so that the public opinion that is heavily in favor of an Oversized Vehicle Ordinance Amendment is heard. When the date is announced it will be posted on the Pacific Beach Town Council website, so stay tuned, Folks!

Police Bicycle Resource Fundraising Program

This year we're conducting a special fundraising program to support our Northern Division Police Dept. Our goal is to buy police bicycle light, sirens and back bag kits for nine bicycles they already own. This equipment costs about \$600 per bike as police must use a certain level of approved equipment for their safety as well as ensure people they are contacting can easily identify them as peace officers. This is equipment our police have said would be the best level of support PB can give to help increase public safety. Councilmember Kevin Faulconer has graciously offered to match our donations until the end of November. For every dollar you donate—your gift will double. Please consider making a donation at www.pbtowncouncil.org/join or, make a check out to the PB Town Council and mail it to our office or, to the San Diego Police Foundation in care of the PAESAN Bicycle Program.

Bylaws

Amendments to our current bylaws were passed at a special board meeting October 4 and reported to the membership meeting October 19. These amendments may be viewed on the PBTC website. The new amendments are printed in italics. Some of the words that were replaced are included in parenthesis. Please email your comments and suggestions to the PBTC office. The board will review all member comments and make additional amendments as needed.

Elections

At the PBTC general meeting on October 19 the nominations committee presented the following slate of officers for the year 2012.

President: Joe Wilding, Vice President: Alan Harris

2012-2013 Directors

Lou Cumming, Jerry Hall, Susan Lowary, Richard Pyle, Ed Reay, Marcella Teran

Jerry Hall declined nomination for Director and was nominated from the floor for Vice President. Richard Kiser was nominated from the floor for a Director position.

Ballots will be mailed to members in late October. They **must be postmarked by November 12** and returned to the PBTC office. Members must vote for one of the two candidates for Vice President and for the six nominated directors and officers.

Communications Committee

Our next General Meeting will include a presentation on the changes being proposed for PB schools. Be sure to attend so your voice can be heard.

Check out our new website which has a community calendar, including town council, business district, schools and library events. We also added a business directory which includes logos and links to all our PBTC business members.

Visit our website for much more at PBTOWNCOUNCIL.ORG Join us and support your community :)

Pacific Beach History

Last month's mention of the first Block Party conjured up a vision of the late Richard Lamb, a large man who seemed to attract bad luck. Richard ran University Tree Services and Anita's Florist out of a shop on Garnet. The town council decided to put up a large banner, advertising the block party, and Richard volunteered his cherry picker. He got it fastened to the traffic signal on the corner by Lucky's Market and almost had it attached to the signal by Old Ox Restaurant, when the hydraulics in his lift failed and left him stranded in the air. The fire department had to get him down. The banner had to be removed soon after, also. It was behaving like a giant sail and threatening to uproot the traffic signals.

On another occasion Richard sent an employee over to Honeycutt Street to trim some trees. Apparently the youngster managed to short circuit some electrical lines and blew up the color television sets of seven different home owners.

Mary Wilding recalls a solemn funeral service at Our Lady of Refuge in the middle of which Richard arrived enveloped in huge sprays of flowers from Anita's. Apparently Richard didn't realize the services had already begun as he stumbled down the aisle muttering and grumbling and calling out for the priest.

An active member of the local Lions, Richard attended some sort of Southwest Regional Lions confab in Palm Springs. It went pretty well until he backed a golf cart over the Head Lion and broke his leg.

John Fry

The PB Book Discussion Group meets on the 1st Wednesday of each month at 6:30 pm. at the PB library.

November 2 Discussion

Stiff: The Curious Lives of Human Cadavers
By Mary Roach

Barbara Williams has made and donated a lovely Sea Horse quilt to encourage membership in the PB Town Council. Each new member joining the association will receive 5 free tickets for the raffle drawing. Tickets cost \$1 each for current members or the general public. 6 tickets for \$5. The drawing will be held when we get 25 new members or \$200 in ticket sales. All money goes to the PBTC general fund.

PB Community Calendar - Mark Your Calendars

November

Sat	5	Clean PB Day - 9-1 pm - Grand Ave. Lifeguard Tower
Wed	9	Monthly Sundowner —5:30 pm JRDN's—723 Felspar St.
Fri	11	Holiday —Office Closed
Tues	15	Community Advisory Cmte. - 6 pm DPB 1503 Garnet Ave.
Wed	16	Hospitality Task Force - 1pm DPB 1503 Garnet Av. PBTC General Meeting - 6:30 pm 1721 Hornblend St. (Proposed changes for PB schools)
Wed.	23	PB Planning Group - 6:30 pm - PB Library
Thur	24	Holiday —Office Closed

Looking for More?
View our new extensive community calendar for School, Library, Business District, Civic, Community and Town Council events.

Bike Pacific Beach

Imagine Pacific Beach with a walking/biking pedestrian mall for Garnet Ave. from Mission to Cass Street. Or a green path that creates a "share way" for both bikes and cars with a reduced speed limit and traffic lights set to a 10 MPH speed. What about "Bike Corrals" on the street or distinctive bike racks in front of businesses. These are just a few of the ideas presented to the town council by Andy Hanshaw and Jim Baross of the San Diego County Bicycle Coalition.

Robert Leone—a Pacific Beach resident submitted the following ideas to improve "bikeability" in Pacific Beach:

1. Mission Bay Park Bridge between PB Drive and E. Mission Beach Park. (this bridge is under construction but approaches need to be included)
2. Improve Bike Parking
3. Add bike boulevards
4. Fix pot holes
5. Head and tail light give away programs

If you are interested in working on this effort please contact the PBTC office.

Thank You Renewing Members!

Renewing Members

Alex & JoAnn Antigiovanni-1982 *

Barry & Mary Bongers-2007
Bill & Peggy Bradshaw-2003
Frank Fernicola-2010
Zane & Margaret Frazier-2008
Jay & Lorrie Friet-2003
Danny Kazmarek-2004
Rick Knaggs-2003
Karen Lee-1986
Susan Lowary-2009
Joe & Colleen Monaco-2006
Rick & Diana Oldham-2001
Maureen Ostrye-2004
Jim & Suzanne Roderick-2003
Jeff Tandy-2006
Christina Wainwright-2008
Kathleen Wilding-2010

Renewing Business Members

Todd Brown, Bub's Dive Bar & Grill-2006
Alan Harris, Keller Williams Realty-2006
Wendy Hallsted, XO Skincare/Spa-2007
Eric Lingenfelder, Verant Group-2008
Dawn Rudgers, Daphne's Dziner Eyes-2004

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