



# Newsletter

June 2013

## City of Palos Verdes Estates Welcomes New City Manager

**A**nton (“Tony”) Dahlerbruch has been selected as the City of Palos Verdes Estates’ new City Manager, effective June 3, 2013. Mr. Dahlerbruch comes to our City from neighboring Rolling Hills where he served as City Manager since 2006.

Mr. Dahlerbruch holds a Bachelor’s Degree from University of California at Santa Barbara and a Masters Degree in Public Administration from American University, Washington D.C. He began his public service career with the City of Rockville, Maryland and relocated to Arizona where he worked with the cities of Phoenix and Scottsdale. Mr. Dahlerbruch worked with the City of Beverly Hills for 17 years, having been promoted through the ranks, ultimately becoming Deputy City Manager before being hired by Rolling Hills. Mr. Dahlerbruch serves in various capacities with public agency professional organizations, such as the City Managers Department of the League of California Cities, where he is slated to be President in September.

“I’m honored and excited to have been selected and I look forward to working with the City Council, staff and community,” Mr. Dahlerbruch states of his City Manager appointment.

He has lived on the Peninsula since 1996 with his wife and two children.

Please join us in welcoming Mr. Dahlerbruch on Thursday, July 11th from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Palos Verdes Golf Club.



## Peafowl Management

Peafowl were introduced to the Palos Verdes Peninsula by community founder Frank Vanderlip in 1924. Peafowl can be a wonderful aspect of living on the Peninsula, but at times can be seen as disruptive and destructive. In order to minimize the negative aspect, while still preserving the enrichment the birds provide to our community, the City enacted a Management Program (1986) that establishes two distinct and protected zones: the Malaga Cove Zone, and the Espinosa Circle Zone.

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### Palos Verdes Estates City Council

**Mayor** ..... James F. Goodhart  
**Mayor Pro Tem** ..... Ellen Perkins  
**Councilmember** ..... Rosemary Humphrey  
**Councilmember** ..... George F. Bird, Jr.  
**Councilmember** ..... John Rea  
**Website:** [www.pvestates.org](http://www.pvestates.org)  
**Email City Hall at:** [CityClerk@pvestates.org](mailto:CityClerk@pvestates.org)

Regular City Council meetings are held the second and fourth Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. for study and closed session and 7:30 p.m. for the regular agenda. Regular Planning Commission meetings are held the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. The Parklands Committee meets the second Monday of the month at 7:30 p.m. The Traffic Safety Committee meets the second Wednesday of the month at 4:00 p.m.

Meetings are held in Council Chambers - 340 Palos Verdes Drive West. All agendas for City Council, Committee and Commission meetings are posted on the City Hall bulletin boards at least 72 hours before the meeting. For more information call City Hall at (310) 378-0383. Fax: (310) 378-7820

# Peafowl Management

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Upon request, the City traps and relocates peafowl found outside the zones on private property. Within the zones, the minimum population of 21 birds per flock is assured by a semi-annual census. Upon complaint, peafowl within the zones may be trapped and relocated down to the 21 bird minimum.

A consistent use of deterrents can be very successful in keeping peafowl from moving past your property and residents can play a vital role by noting the following guidelines:

- Do not feed peafowl. Peafowl can survive quite well in the wild with domestic plants, berries, seeds, insects and, as such, do not require artificial feeding. Also, peafowl like animal food, so keep your pet's food indoors and out of reach.
- Peafowl do not like water. A motion activated sprinkler, or hose with a jet nozzle can be very effective to move the birds along. Use the hose with a wide sweeping motion to move them off your property and in their intended direction of travel.
- Consider peafowl when planting. There are certain plants and flowers that peafowl find desirable and others they find distasteful. A list of plants can be found on the City's website, under FAQs. (Example: peafowl love impatiens, but dislike azaleas.) Also, cover or fence young plants and seedlings, as they are very attractive to the birds.
- Peafowl like to roost in trees and bushes, so trim and thin overhanging trees and bushes on your private property.
- Peafowl like compost heaps for the insects found there, so keep compost heaps covered at all times.
- Peafowl will avoid certain repellents. Aromatic pepper, ground black or red pepper placed around planting beds and along walkways are known to deter the birds.

Peafowl are a part of our cultural heritage, thus it is important that we all empathize with and respect our neighbors' differing viewpoints. If you have any questions regarding the peafowl, please contact Police Captain Mark Velez at (310) 378-4211.



## Property Crimes on the Rise – Message from the Police Chief

The Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI) is responsible for maintaining Part I crime statistics throughout the country. While Part I crimes (homicide, rape, assault, robbery, burglary, larceny, auto theft and arson) do not represent a complete picture of criminal conduct, they do represent a cross-section of major crimes. We are extremely fortunate that not all of these Part I crimes plague the City of Palos Verdes Estates and that we have very few instances of violent crime (crimes against persons). That being said, since the start of 2013, we have experienced a significant increase in property crimes (burglary and theft).

It should be noted that this increase in property crimes is not unique to the City of Palos Verdes Estates. There has been a dramatic increase in these crimes throughout the South Bay and the entire region of Los Angeles County. We are well over a year into the implementation of the Public Safety Realignment Bill (AB109), which was designed to reduce the state prison population significantly by shifting some felons to county jails. Since Los Angeles

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## Council Agendas Available

*To enhance service to residents, City Council agendas are posted at City Hall, 340 Palos Verdes Drive West, the Golf Club Pro-Shop, 3301 Via Campesina and Malaga Cove Library, 2400 Via Campesina, by the Saturday morning preceding the Tuesday evening City Council meeting. Agenda and staff reports are also available online on the City website at [www.pvestates.org](http://www.pvestates.org). If you are interested in receiving the Agenda via email, please subscribe; click on "Join E-News" on the homepage.*

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County jails are also facing overcrowding issues, many county prisoners are being released into the Post Release Community Supervision (PRCS) program instead of serving full sentences. Many in the law enforcement community believe there is a direct correlation between the new law and the increase in crime.

The Police Department is well aware of the challenges AB 109 presents. Patrol Officers have become more proactive; arrests and enforcement activity have increased and the Department as a whole continues to be vigilant in keeping this community safe. Still, officers cannot be everywhere at once. We strongly urge residents to join Neighborhood Watch to help become our eyes and ears and report suspicious activity. Get to know your neighbors and look out

for one another. Lock your doors and windows and, if you utilize an alarm system, set it anytime you leave your house. If you park your vehicle in your driveway or on the street, lock it and don't leave valuable property items (purses, laptops, cell phones) in plain sight. Criminals are opportunists; if you eliminate the opportunity, you will reduce your chances of being victimized.

Despite the increase in criminal activity, Palos Verdes Estates is still one of the safest places to live. Let's keep it that way! Again, we encourage you to join Neighborhood Watch by contacting our Police Department's Community Relations Officer, Marcelle McCullough at (310) 378-4211. Get to know your neighbors and look out for each other. Remember, there is strength in numbers.

## Getting Police and City Alerts - Nixle



In the Fall of 2012, the City of Palos Verdes Estates launched its citizen notification service; Nixle. This

notification service alerts residents to emergency weather events, road closures, public safety advisories, natural and manmade disasters, and general city information through email and text messaging\*. The service assisted the City in providing real-time notifications on big issues that occurred recently, such as: notice of an armed and dangerous fugitive in the Valmonte area causing helicopters and a large police presence in the area; road closures due to a water main breakage on PV Drive North and; a community announcement regarding the collection of unused prescription drugs for proper disposal.

To date, we have approximately 637 residents registered to receive these emergency and timely general information alerts. We are looking to have at least 2000 residents registered by July 4th. Will you help us reach our goal? The program is free and is easy to register by going online to [www.Nixle.com](http://www.Nixle.com) and clicking "Sign Up Free!"

By staying informed, our residents can help make our community safer. If you would like assistance in registering for Nixle please contact the Community Relations Officer, Marcelle McCullough at (310) 378-4211.

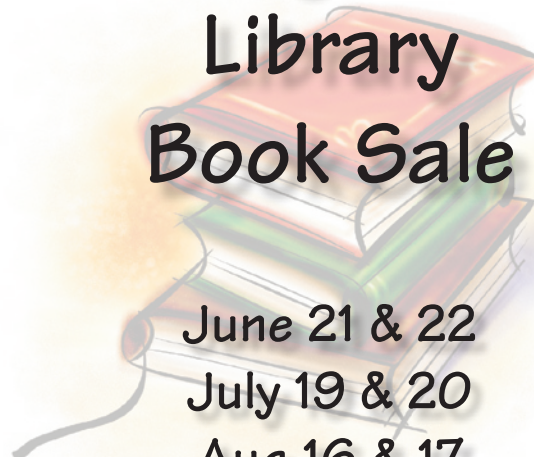
\* Standard text messaging rates may apply.

## Malaga Cove Library Book Sale

June 21 & 22

July 19 & 20

Aug 16 & 17



# National Night Out - Tuesday, August 6, 2013



**D**ata shows that when neighbors know each other, crime goes down. On Tuesday, August 6th we will once again ask you to turn on your porch light, lock your doors, grab your kids, neighbors and friends and join a “National Night Out” Block Party. The basic tenet of National Night Out is neighbors coming together to get to know one another.

Your PVE Neighborhood Watch Board of Directors (which includes five Area Coordinators), Block Captains and members, like you, (currently 2000 members strong) have worked incredibly hard to

promote and support Neighborhood Watch this past year. Please plan on joining us on **Tuesday, August 6th from 6 p.m – 8 p.m.** as the PVE Police Department, partnering with PVE Neighborhood Watch, will caravan with City Officials and key City staff to visit block parties throughout the City.

For more information about National Night Out or Neighborhood Watch, please contact Marcelle McCullough, Community Relations Officer, at (310) 378-4211 ext. 2121 or email her at [mmccullough@pvestates.org](mailto:mmccullough@pvestates.org).

## Keeping a Tradition Alive – PVE Independence Day Celebration



**T**he upcoming Old-Fashioned 4th of July Celebration will mark its 52nd anniversary this year.

Please keep the tradition alive and join us this July 4th. Listen to the amazing story of this Year’s Freedom of Heritage Honoree, Father Greg Boyle, the Founder and Executive Director of Homeboy Industries and the Van Dine Family Americanism Award Winner, Sam Goldberg, the founding president of The Peninsula Education Foundation.

Come join the generations of PVE families for the many fun festivities of the day: apple-pie tasting contest, school essay contest, live music, children’s bicycle parade, three-legged race, puppet show and much more!

For activity information, essay contest criteria and complete bios of award winners, please visit [www.pvJuly4.org](http://www.pvJuly4.org). This event is free and open to all.

## Palos Verdes Tennis Club (PVTC) Junior Programs

**T**he Palos Verdes Tennis Club offers a year-round Junior Tennis Program for children ages 4 and up with afternoon workouts beginning at 3:30 p.m.

In addition to the year-round afternoon program, the PVTC will also be offering a Summer Tennis Camp consisting of seven one week sessions beginning June 10th. All classes will be coached by a USPTA certified instructor with 6 students per instructor. The sessions will include conditioning, video analysis, strategy, tactics, games, and prizes.

### **“Beginner/Intermediate” and “Tournament”** (ages 7-18)

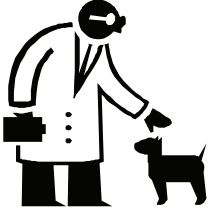
Monday thru Friday from 2:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.  
Cost is \$300 per session.

### **“Hot Shots” (ages 4-6)**

Monday thru Friday from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.  
Cost is \$70 per session.

Sign-ups and information for both programs can be found online at [www.pvtennisclub.com](http://www.pvtennisclub.com) by clicking “New! Book Your Classes Here”. For more information, please contact Head Pro, Pedro Alipio at (310) 373-6326.

# County of Los Angeles Department of Animal Care and Control Now Administering the City's Annual Dog License Program



The City of Palos Verdes Estates would like to inform you that the County of Los Angeles Department of Animal Care and Control will begin administering the annual dog license program beginning July 1, 2013. LA

County Animal control will be sending all registered dog owners renewal notices in June. As an added convenience, renewal payments will now be accepted by mail, telephone and online with credit card/debit card payments. As of July 1<sup>st</sup>, payments can no longer be accepted at City Hall.

The fees will remain the same:

Unaltered Dogs	\$24.00 per year
Altered Dogs	\$12.00 per year

LA County staff will be available to issue dog licenses

and answer any questions you may have at the low cost vaccination clinic on July 11, 2013 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Please remember to **bring proof of prior rabies vaccination** to ensure that your pet receives the correct vaccine and is able to obtain their new Los Angeles County issued dog license.

**CASH ONLY** for all veterinary services. Checks are accepted for licensing.

Optional Cat Licensing is also available beginning July 1, 2013. The fees are:

Unaltered Cats	\$10.00 per year
Altered Cats	\$ 5.00 per year

For additional information, please visit the county's website at <http://animalcare.lacounty.gov/>. For general information you may also contact them by phone at (562) 728-4882.



**FOR AGES 4 AND UP**



IN ORDER TO PROVIDE THE BEST CAMP EXPERIENCE WE LIMIT THE NUMBER OF CAMPERS, SO PLEASE BOOK EARLY TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT

## Get the best introduction to Equine Education at the Palos Verdes Pony Camp!

Campers not only learn the fundamentals of **safe riding skills**, but also **increase their self confidence** as they learn about the physical **care of the horse**. Camp is for riders of all levels and special attention will be given to each individual's level of experience.

### Daily Schedule

Camp begins with grooming and saddling, under close supervision and encouragement from the instructors. Then each small group rides in a lesson in the arena, followed by horsey games. There are no more than 2 children per pony. **Every child has a guaranteed ride time everyday.** After riding, the campers untack and groom their horses while learning and practicing essential horsemanship and horse care.

### What to Wear

**Equestrian safety helmets and 1/2 chaps and boots are provided for all campers.** Britches make riding more comfortable but long loose fitting pants are acceptable.

### Summer Camp Fees:

Half-Day: \$275 (Residents)  
\$295 (Non-residents)

### Summer Camp Hours:

Morning Session Tues - Fri 9:00am - 12pm

**REGISTRATION BEGINS APRIL 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2013.**

### Summer Camp Sessions:

**Tuesdays thru Fridays for 10 weeks, with a 1-week break.**

**SESSION 1** June 11 thru June 16

**SESSION 2** June 18 thru June 21

**SESSION 3** June 25 thru June 28

**BREAK WEEK** July 2 thru July 5

**SESSION 4** July 9 thru July 12

**SESSION 5** July 16 thru July 19

**SESSION 6** July 23 thru July 26

**SESSION 7** July 30 thru Aug 2

**SESSION 8** Aug 6 thru Aug 9

**SESSION 9** Aug 13 thru Aug 16

**SESSION 10** Aug 20 thru Aug 23

- The Camp deposit is non-refundable
- Please provide your child with a sack lunch



For more information please visit our website at: [www.PalosVerdesStables.com](http://www.PalosVerdesStables.com)

OR CALL DAVID AT 310.634.3103

OR E-MAIL: [DAVID@PALOSVERDESSTABLES.COM](mailto:DAVID@PALOSVERDESSTABLES.COM)

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## **BUSINESS LICENSE REMINDER**

Business licenses are required for any business conducted in the City and should be renewed annually every January. If you have not renewed your business license, or you are a new business owner and have not yet obtained a business license within the City, please do so immediately. Business license fees and the application can be found on the City's website ([www.pvestates.org](http://www.pvestates.org)) under the Finance Department FAQs.

Penalties are accrued at a rate of 10% per month beginning in February, not to exceed 50% of the business license fee. New business licenses are due upon the first day of business in the city and fees are prorated based upon that date. For more information or questions, please contact the City's Finance Department directly at (310) 378-0383.



## **Disaster District Program Drill – June 22nd**

If you have ever wanted to learn about PVE's emergency response plans, and the five easy steps you can take to be better prepared, plan on joining us at the PVE school closest to your home on **Saturday, June 22nd from 8:00AM – 10:00AM.**

This drill, conducted by our Disaster District Program (DDP), will require the assistance from all of our community volunteers and residents. The drill will test the capabilities of our DDP and Neighborhood Amateur Radio Team members assigned to the six Disaster Districts, all of which are equipped with a cache of equipment and supplies to support our community emergency responders. The focus of this drill is on activation, set-up, communications and the check-in process of volunteers following an emergency.

We need YOU, our Palos Verdes Estates residents, as volunteers, to go to your nearest Disaster District location (your closest school) on June 22<sup>nd</sup>, check-in and observe the City's disaster district teams at work. The event will be brief, from 8:00 a.m.– 10:00 a.m., and offers a great opportunity to meet your neighbors and still enjoy the rest of your day. . . . . *Continued to page 7*



## **LOW-COST PET VACCINATION & MICROCHIP CLINIC**



Sponsored by the LA County Dept of Animal Care and City of Palos Verdes Estates ~ Veterinary Services Provided by the SCVVC

**THURSDAY, JULY 11, 2013 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm**

**PALOS VERDES ESTATES CITY HALL** (Parking Deck), 340 Palos Verdes Dr. West, PVE

For clinic participation requirements and other important pet health care information, visit [www.scvvc.com](http://www.scvvc.com). For licensing, pet adoptions, and pet ordinance information, visit [www.animalcare.lacounty.gov](http://www.animalcare.lacounty.gov) or call (877) 872-9738.

Flea Control Products available • Clinic is held on a first-come, first-served basis • Pet owners must be at least 18 years of age to participate • All pets must be on leashes or in carriers • Only healthy & non-pregnant animals will be vaccinated • Bring License tag, License Renewal Notice, or Prior Rabies Certificate to receive a 3-yr Rabies vaccine; otherwise, the vaccine will be good for 1 year • **CASH ONLY** for all veterinary services • Licensing available at the clinic (Checks accepted for Licensing)

**NOTIFY THE VETERINARIAN PRIOR TO VACCINATING IF YOUR PET HAS EVER HAD A REACTION TO A VACCINE, OR IF YOUR PET HAS RECENTLY SHOWN ANY SIGN OF ILLNESS OR COULD BE PREGNANT.**

**DOG VACCINE PRICES: Rabies \$10, DHPP \$17, Bordetella \$14, Lyme \$22**

**CAT VACCINE PRICES: Rabies \$10, Purevax \$20, FVRCP \$17, FELV \$19**

**Microchips for Dogs & Cats: \$25**

**Deworming for Dogs & Cats (price depends on pet's weight): \$13 - \$35**

## Summer Concerts in the Park-Code of Conduct

Concert season is once again upon us with concerts being held during the summer months at Malaga Cove's Farnham Martin Park and Lunada Bay Park. To ensure the safety and enjoyment of all concert-goers, the City requests that you abide by the following code of conduct:

- Refrain from:
  - Sitting or blocking pathways and stairways
  - Walking on the fountain
  - Throwing balls or other items near the gallery
  - Running or walking on retaining walls
  - Playing or running through the landscape area or in the parking lot
- Chairs & Blankets – Do not reserve a spot before 3 p.m. and do not save more room than is needed; use low back chairs for the viewing pleasure of others.
- Talking – please keep conversation to a minimum during the concert as a courtesy to the Artist and fellow concert goers
- Safety –consider bringing a flashlight, especially towards the later dates in August – it gets dark earlier!
- Parking – observe existing parking restrictions
- Trash –use the trash receptacles for disposing of picnic trash and do no leave any waste behind.

## New Refuse Contract Update



The refuse contract that began in July of last year with Athens Services had several significant changes. The biggest change was that residents were able to comingle the recycling and refuse together into one barrel. Athens then transports the comingled waste to their Material Recovery Facility, and removes the recyclable materials for reuse. The intent of this change was to increase the amount of materials that can be recycled and reused, and decrease what goes to a landfill.

We are pleased to report that our diversion of waste from the landfills has increased from 61% last year to 65.5% this year. Our diversion number is calculated by comparing the amount of waste that goes to a landfill compared to the amount that went to landfills in year 1990. The State requires our diversion per this method to be at least 50%, and our contract with Athens requires a minimum 60% diversion.

Staff has also received positive feedback regarding the other changes in the contract, such as the new natural gas powered trucks, shredding events, decreased monthly cost to residents, and support of community events.

## Disaster District Program Drill – June 22nd

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Please save the date, share the information about the drill with your friends and neighbors and join us for this very informative event. For more information about the Drill, please visit the City's website at [www.pvestates.org](http://www.pvestates.org), click "Police Department," then "Community Events."

### **What is the PVE Disaster District Program (DDP)**

The City of Palos Verdes Estates has developed a comprehensive community based disaster preparedness and response program known as PVE Disaster District Program (DDP). With a select group of volunteers, the program is designed

to increase disaster readiness and survivability at the neighborhood level during a disaster.

The program divides the City into six Disaster Districts, each equipped with a cache of equipment and supplies to support community responders. Managed by sworn Disaster Service Worker Volunteers under the City's Disaster Services Coordinator, the program integrates the resources of PVE's disaster services including area CERT members, Neighborhood Amateur Radio Team (NART), Disaster Service Workers (DSW) and the PVE Police Dept Reserve Corps.

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City offices will be closed  
 Thursday, July 4th in observance of Independence Day

CITY OF PALOS VERDES ESTATES

## **Landscaping Fire Hazards**

Reduce your risk of fire on your property during dry summer and fall months by following these helpful tips:

- Keep fire hydrants clear of plant and grass overgrowth.
- Choose plants with drought-tolerant characteristics.
- Keep trees, plants and shrubs away from structures.
- Tend to all plants, trees, and shrubs of dead wood and excess stems and branches.

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