



Newsletter



Summer 2014

City Announces New Police Chief



On June 1st, Jeff Kepley was appointed as Police Chief for the City of Palos Verdes Estates. He succeeds Chief Dave Hinig who served the City on an interim basis since October 2013.

California State University, Long Beach. Chief Kepley is a graduate of the prestigious FBI National Academy in Quantico, Virginia, where he studied police management and leadership. Chief Kepley has been awarded certificates from the California Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) including Basic, Intermediate, Advanced, Supervisory, and Management certificates. In addition, he has attended numerous management and executive level training courses including the POST Executive Development Course.

Chief Kepley was raised in Cypress and began his law enforcement career in 1986 with the Cypress Police Department in Orange County. As a Cypress police officer, he worked various assignments such as patrol officer, field training officer, and background investigator before being promoted to sergeant where he worked as a patrol team supervisor and later a traffic bureau supervisor. Chief Kepley was promoted to the rank of Police Lieutenant in 1999, and worked all of the lieutenant assignments during his tenure including field operations, budget and administration, investigations, technology and equipment, and firearms range management. Chief Kepley joined the La Habra Police Department in Orange County as a Police Captain in 2011. He served as the Operations Division Commander overseeing field operations and uniformed personnel.

Chief Kepley is married and has two teen-aged children. In his spare time, he enjoys spending time with family while camping, fishing, and RV traveling. He appreciates integrating into the community and has done so with his previous positions by participating in the Boys & Girls Club of Cypress, Cypress Rotary Club and La Habra Chamber of Commerce. He also currently sits on the Technology Committee of the California Police Chiefs Association.

Chief Kepley studied Criminal Justice at Golden West College and obtained a Master's degree in Emergency Services Administration from

Chief Kepley was formally sworn in at the June 10th City Council meeting with a ceremonial swearing-in and community reception held on June 16th. We encourage the community to get to know our new Police Chief. Please feel free to contact him at (310) 378-4211.

Palos Verdes Estates City Council

- Mayor Ellen Perkins
- Mayor Pro Tem Rosemary Humphrey
- Councilmember ... James F. Goodhart
- Councilmember ... George F. Bird, Jr.
- Councilmember ... John Rea
- Website: www.pvestates.org
- Email City Hall at: 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 7:30 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 and the City Website at least 72 hours before the meeting. For more information call City Hall at (310) 378-0383. Fax: (310) 378-7820



The 75th Anniversary Year of Celebrations Continues

PVE Independence Day Celebration -Come one, come all to the Old - Fashioned 4th of July Celebration held at Malaga Cove School grounds on Friday, July 4th. Join the generations of PVE families who enjoy picnicking with friends while listening to music and enjoying many other fun festivities. And, be sure to enter your apple-pie or submit an essay in the annual contests!



This year, the **Kenneth Norris Heritage of Freedom Award recipient and speaker** is G.W. Bailey, who plays the cantankerous Lieutenant Provenza on TNT's hit series *The Closer* and

Major Crimes. A native Texan, he began his training at Texas Tech University and started his professional career at the prestigious Actor's Theatre of Louisville, Ky., which led to a career spanning four decades and full of memorable and distinctive characters. He is known for his recurring role on *M*A*S*H* as well as regular roles on *The Jeff Foxworthy Show* and *St. Elsewhere*, and his feature film roles in *Police Academy*, *Mannequin*, *Short Circuit*, *Burglar* and *Rustler's Rhapsody*, among others.

Bailey's true passion is his work with The Sunshine Kids Foundation, where he serves as the Executive Director. Sunshine Kids is a non-profit organization dedicated to children with cancer. Established in 1982, the foundation is committed to providing positive group activities and emotional support for young cancer patients and their families.

Van Dine Americanism Award recipients will be Patricia Foltz and Gene Roeder. Both are integral to the success of the Friends of the Library book sale program held at various Library District branches. The Book Sale program has helped provide over 100,000 books to troops serving abroad, as well as to Wounded Warriors in hospitals and the Bob Hope USO at LAX.

For activity information, essay contest criteria and complete bios of award winners, please visit www.pvJuly4.org. **This event is free and open to all.**

"An Afternoon in the Plaza,"



at Malaga Cove Plaza on Sunday, July 20th from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., promises good wine and beer tasting, good food, good music and a good time for all.

There is great participation by some of the area's favorite restaurants: The Ranch Market Catering; Yellow Vase; Alfredo Garcia; Red Onion; Chez Melange; Mama Terano's; Gaetano's; and Entertaining Friends Catering. Jeremy Wilkinson and staff will be pouring wines from highly rated family-owned vineyards. Absolution Brewing Company is kindly sharing their selection of brews with the guests. A nine-piece Mariachi band will roam through the Plaza, and some of the pioneering artists of Palos Verdes will have their work on display. It is an honor to pay tribute to these people who have helped to keep the arts in the forefront of life in Palos Verdes. Another artistic touch to our event involves local artists who are hand-painting market umbrellas that will be up for auction during the festivities.

Guests are directed to park in the lot of the Christian Science Church, 4010 Palos Verdes Dr. North, near the corner of Via Campesina. Shuttle busses provided by Supervisor Don Knabe's office will ferry people to the Plaza and back.

Advance purchase of tickets required. How can you purchase your ticket? Visit www.pve75.com, print and complete the order form, mail it to the City with your check for \$75 per person, payable to the "PVE 75th Anniversary Committee". Or you can visit the City offices at 340 Palos Verdes Dr. West and purchase your ticket there. Advance tickets are required – no ticket sales at the door. Questions about this event? Please call the City at (310)378-0383, or contact co-chairs Maureen Banasky (chomo2@cox.net), or Nancy Bolton (qnance@aol.com).



Mark your Calendar for Other 75th Anniversary Celebratory Events

- September 27th & 28th Recreation Days –
Activities at PV Beach & Athletic Club,
PV Stable, PV Golf Club, PV Tennis Club
and a Trail Walk
- October 9th -13th Heritage Days – Art & History at Malaga Cove Library
- October 18th 75th Diamond Jubilee at PV Golf Club
5:30 p.m.
[Buy your ticket at City Hall!](#)
Ticket Price: \$125.00
- October 26th Lunada Bay HOA Harvest Festival & Oktoberfest*
- December 5th & 6th Neighborhood Church Yule Parlor Parade*

*Indicates an event that is sponsored by a community organization and not by the City.
For more information on 75th Anniversary Celebratory Events, please call PVE City Hall
at (310) 378-0383 or visit www.pve75.com.

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. If you are interested in receiving the Agenda via email, please subscribe; click on "Join E-News" on the homepage.

VACATION SAFETY TIPS FOR YOUR HOME

Did you know that your PVE Police Department will provide Vacation Checks on your home and property while you are away overnight?

Complete a Palos Verdes Estates Vacation Watch Form found online at www.pvestates.org (search vacation form). Officers will offer extra patrol to your home while you are away.

Follow these other tips to protect your home and property so you can enjoy a peaceful vacation:

- Your goal should be for your home to appear lived in. You want it to look different in the morning than at night.
- Inform as few people as possible of your vacation plans. This includes newspaper and postal delivery people.
- Ask a trusted neighbor to keep an eye on your home while you are gone and to report any suspicious or criminal activity to the Police Department.
- Give emergency telephone or cell phone numbers, your itinerary and a house key to your trusted neighbor.
- Ask your neighbor to pick up your newspaper, mail and other deliveries

daily, or place a mail hold on them.

- Ask your neighbor to park their vehicle in your driveway occasionally and reciprocate the favor for your neighbor when he/she goes on vacation.
- Arrange to have the lawn mowed.
- Install dusk-to-dawn (photo cell) or motion sensor lights on all outdoor lights.
- Use automatic timers on a radio and lamps to simulate occupancy. Set these for your normal routine. For instance, a radio and lamp in the living room might be on from dusk until 10:00 PM then at 10:00 PM a lamp goes on in the bedroom and off at midnight.
- Don't post your vacation plans on social networking sites.
- Lock all outside doors using quality deadbolt locks and shut and lock your windows. Lock your garage door.
- Use your home alarm if you have one.
- Store valuables in a safety deposit box.

For more information, contact the PVE Police Department Community Relations Officer at (310) 378-4211.

Get to Know Your City – Fall Forums

As the City celebrates its 75th anniversary this year, it is an opportunity for the community to come together to celebrate the quality of life in Palos Verdes Estates and to further civic engagement and become more familiar with the services provided by the City. With the goals of engaging residents in an interactive, dynamic and educational experience and to strengthen the connection between residents and the City, three forums are being scheduled as follows:

Public Safety and Disaster Preparedness

September 6, 2014, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Police Department/Fire Department and street in front of the stations

Police, Fire, and Streets & Parks Departments will be on full display. Facilities will be open to the public with tours provided of the Fire Station and Police dispatch, briefing room, jail, booking room, firing range, detective bureau and garage. Resources will be on display, and demonstrated including vehicles, equipment and K-9. Meet your Police and Fire personnel and volunteers from Disaster District Plan (DDP), Neighborhood Watch, and PVE-CARES.

Roadmap to City Services

October 2, 2014, 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers and City Hall offices

Learn about City services provided to the public by the City and the City’s organization including an overview of the City’s form of government; roles and responsibilities:

of Mayor and City Council members, City Treasurer, City Manager and City Attorney; City organization and Commission/Committee structure; who to contact for various types of government inquiries. The presentation will also include a high-level review of City finances highlighting where revenue comes from and how it is distributed for City services, as well as current and future City projects. City Hall office space will be open for self-guided tours after the session and the public will have the opportunity to walk through City Hall and see where business is conducted. Staff will be present to answer general questions.

Planning and Development

October 16, 2014, 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers

The qualities of the City and its unique character result from its historical roots, planning processes and building/zoning requirements while the City’s future rests, in part, on the City’s response to pressures for change - changes in the demand for services, the physical and technological environment, and demographics. To discuss where the City has been, where it is, and where it is going, a moderated panel discussion will take place featuring a variety of individuals with knowledge of the City’s past, present and vision of the future.

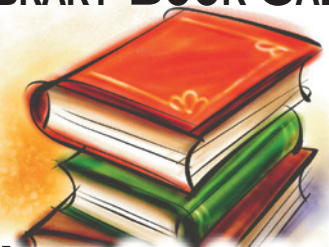
For more information, contact City Hall at (310) 378-0383.

Maintenance of **OVERGROWN VEGETATION**

Trimming, reducing or removing vegetation on your property to improve sight visibility is an effective way to help improve traffic safety in your neighborhood. Overgrown vegetation may jeopardize public safety when vegetation blocks view of pedestrians, motorists and traffic signs. If vegetation is blocking visibility of the street or an intersection, it is the responsibility of the adjacent property owner to trim, reduce or remove the vegetation. Please note, for this reason, all plants, shrubs, and groundcover planted in the City right-of-way may not exceed 30 inches in height.

To report vegetation that obstructs sight visibility, please contact the Code Enforcement Officer at (310) 378-0383.

MALAGA COVE LIBRARY BOOK SALE



JUNE 20 & 21

JULY 18 & 19

AUGUST 15 & 16

75th ANNIVERSARY PHOTO CONTEST

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NEIGHBORHOOD
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NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH launches its third photo contest with a \$100 cash prize! PVE NW pays tribute to our City's 75th year by inviting all current and new Neighborhood Watch members to have fun with their cameras and capture images that symbolize PVE's 75th Anniversary. Winning photos will appear in the Fall 2014 NW newsletter, on the NW website, and at the NW annual meeting and various 75th Anniversary Events. Deadline for entries is August 31st 2014, so start shooting! Download flyer for rules and how to submit your photos.

The Fall 2013 Photo Contest entries can be seen on the PVE Neighborhood Watch Website www.pvenw.org

Low-Cost PET VACCINATION & MICROCHIP CLINIC



THURSDAY, JULY 10, 2014 5:30pm-7:30pm

Cat Owners: Please try to come at the beginning of the clinic!

PALOS VERDES ESTATES CITY HALL (parking deck)

340 Palos Verdes Dr. West, Palos Verdes Estates, CA

For clinic and other pet health care information, visit www.SCVVC.com. For pet licensing, adoption, and ordinance information, call (877) 872-9738 or visit www.animalcare.lacounty.gov.

- 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
- Vaccines listed below may change based upon availability
- License Renewal Notice or Prior Rabies Certificate required in order to receive a 3-year Rabies vaccine; otherwise the vaccine will be good for 1 year

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!



Bring prior vaccine records if possible
CASH ONLY for all veterinary services



DOG VACCINES: Rabies \$10, DHPP or DAP \$19*, Bordetella or Bordetella w/Parainfluenza \$14, Lyme \$22

* **Combo Discount:** \$2 off with DHPP & Bordetella -or- DAP & Bordetella w/Parainfluenza

CAT VACCINES: Rabies \$10, Purevax Rabies (Non-Adjuvant) \$20, FVRCP \$18, FELV \$21

MICROCHIPS for Dogs & Cats: \$25

Deworming & Flea Control Products available (prices depend on pet's weight)

DOG LICENSING & RENEWALS

The County of Los Angeles Department of Animal Care & Control will be available at the clinic to issue new dog licenses and renewals. Please bring proof of prior rabies vaccination & proof of sterilization (if applying for a new license to receive the discounted fee). Checks are accepted for licensing. Fees: \$24 for unaltered dogs, \$12 for altered dogs. Optional cat licensing is also available. Fees: \$10 for unaltered cats, \$5 for altered cats. Licenses are valid for one year from issuance.

Summer Programs



Palos Verdes Beach and Athletic Club (PVBAC)

Swim lessons at the PVBAC pool begin in June. Sign-ups are underway now. Club membership is not required.

Sessions are Tuesday – Friday, during daytime hours, beginning June 17th with the final, third session

ending August 15th. Lessons are provided for children of all skill levels beginning as early as age 6 months. This is a lesson program only – no recreational swimming is available. PVE resident cost is \$180/session. Spaces are filling up, so contact the PVBAC at (310) 375-8777 for more information or to enroll now!



Palos Verdes Tennis Club (PVTC)

The PVTC will offer a four week-long summer workout session for Juniors (Ages 4 and up), beginner and intermediate levels from June 30th through August 8th. The sessions will be 2

p.m. to 4 p.m. on Monday through Friday. Cost is \$200 per session.

Also, as a reminder the Club offers year-round Junior Workouts from ages 4 and up. (Quick Start to Advanced).

Club membership is not required for any of these junior programs. For more information, and to sign up, please visit the PVTC website at www.pvtennisclub.com, or call Head Pro, Pedro Alipio, at (310) 658-0307.



Palos Verdes Stable

The Palos Verdes Stable horse camp program will be offered from June through August for children ages 4 and up. Sessions run

Tuesday - Friday from 9 a.m. to noon. Campers learn the fundamentals of safe riding skills and physical care of the horse, while increasing their self-confidence. Cost is \$275 for PVE residents. For more information, contact 310-634-3103 or visit www.palosverdesstables.com

Fire Prevention During Summer Months

Hot temperatures, drought, high winds, dry plants and trees can significantly increase the chance of a fire. The Los Angeles County Fire Department wants to enhance fire safety by educating our residents of the dangers of fire hazards.

Residents should be aware of the following safety measures:

- Regularly clean roof surfaces and gutters of pine needles, leaves and branches to avoid accumulation of flammable materials.
- Reduce the Fuel Zone. Clear your private property of all dry vegetation, weeds and debris that may fuel a potential fire.
- Remove branches of any tree extending within 10 feet of the flue opening of any interior or exterior stove or chimney.
- The roof, and any exterior structure on your property, should be constructed of non-combustible or fire resistant materials. Contact the City Building Official at (310) 378-0383 if you have questions about your structure.
- Install smoke detectors and test them monthly. Be sure to change the batteries at least once a year.

- Smokers Beware. Never smoke in bed, or when you are sleepy. Appropriately extinguish and dispose of cigarette butts.

In the case of a fire, the following tips may save your life:

- Set a family plan and ensure all members know what to do in the event of a fire. Establish a floor plan with at least two ways of escaping each bedroom/bathroom.
- To reduce the risk of breathing in smoke or gases, practice staying low to the ground when escaping.
- Feel all doors before opening them. If a door is hot, find another way out.
- In a fire, time is critical. Don't waste time getting dressed and searching for valuables. Just Get Out!
- If your clothes catch on fire- Stop, Drop to the ground, and Roll.

For more information on fire safety awareness, please call: Fire Station #2 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at (310) 373-6539 and ask for the Captain on duty.

Water Conservation

Water is California's most precious and natural resource. How we manage it today will affect every aspect of our future. After three consecutive dry years, California is now experiencing a serious drought. With summer approaching, we encourage you to follow these simple conservation tips.

Inside

- Check your faucets and plumbing joints to make sure you aren't wasting water. A leaky faucet can waste up to 20 gallons per day.
- Shorten showers and/or consider installing a high-efficiency showerhead. Every minute you shorten can save several gallons per month.
- Turn off your faucet when you're not using it while brushing your teeth, shaving, or washing dishes.
- Use full loads when operating your dishwasher or washing machine.
- Look at purchasing water efficient appliances, such as washing machines, toilets and dishwashers.

Outside

- Water your lawn early in the morning or late in the evening when temperatures are cooler.
- Check your sprinkler system for leaks and broken sprinkler heads. Avoid overspray and runoff onto driveways, streets and gutters.
- Plant low-water and drought-resistant plants.
- Apply mulch around shrubs and plants to help reduce evaporation, limit weed growth, and prevent erosion.
- Avoid washing down paved areas. Use a broom to clean your walkways, driveway and patio.
- Use a bucket of water and a hose with a low-flow spray nozzle to wash your car. Or even better, take your car to a car wash that recycles its water.

For more water saving tips, please visit www.westbasin.com or www.calwater.com.

Permitted Construction Hours

Construction is permitted during the following hours:

- **MONDAY – THURSDAY**
from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- **FRIDAY**
from 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
- **SATURDAY**
from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- **SUNDAY**
Construction activity/noise is prohibited.
- **HOLIDAYS**
Construction may take place on a holiday, provided that it does not fall on a Sunday.

If you hear construction noise outside of these specified hours, please call the PVE Police Department on their non-emergency line at (310) 378-4211. If you have any further questions, please contact the Code Enforcement Officer at (310) 378-0383.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT - AUGUST 5th



National Night Out (NNO), which will be held in neighborhoods around the City on **Tuesday, August 5th** from 6 pm – 9 pm.

What is National Night Out? It's America's Night Out Against Crime! Block parties will be hosted at homes throughout the City and will feature cookouts, ice cream socials, and family fun activities. There will also be a caravan with City Officials and crime dog, Officer McGruff, visiting block parties throughout the City.

For further information on how to attend, or host, a party, please contact Marcelle McCullough, Police Department Community Relations Officer, at (310) 378-4211.

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City Hall will be closed on Friday, July 4th in observance of Independence Day.

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