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## New Membership Ideas

By Pam Meisel

The Palisades Residents Association works for everyone who lives in the Palisades, both renters and homeowners. Our efforts also benefit those who work in or visit our beautiful area. We think that everyone would like to get to know their neighbors and discuss the issues that affect our neighborhood. We also think that everyone likes to have fun. Therefore, the PRA Board has some new plans and events for 2009.

First, we are hoping to have Palisades tee-shirts, hats and possibly shopping bags available with new and renewing memberships at the Annual Meeting. We are also going to have a photo contest, and the winning photos will be made into a 2010 Palisades calendar.

More details will be announced in the next Palisades Perspective. Additional events will hopefully include a pancake breakfast, softball challenge, BBQ with local band, and a wine tasting in an exciting location. Of course, all this can't be done with just the board members. We need help.

If you can help on any event, please contact a PRA membership co-chair:

- Marissa; marissa.melling@mattell.com
- Pam; hpmeisel@cox.net
- Yvonne; yschueller@cox.net

Membership dues for 2009 are now due. You can pay on-line through PayPal or send a check to Palisades Residents Association, P.O. Box 5281, San Pedro, CA 90733-3281. ☒

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# Palisades

Residents Association

## ANNUAL MEETING

Tuesday, May 12, 2009

6:30 pm – 9:00 pm

White Point Elementary School  
1410 Silvius Ave., San Pedro

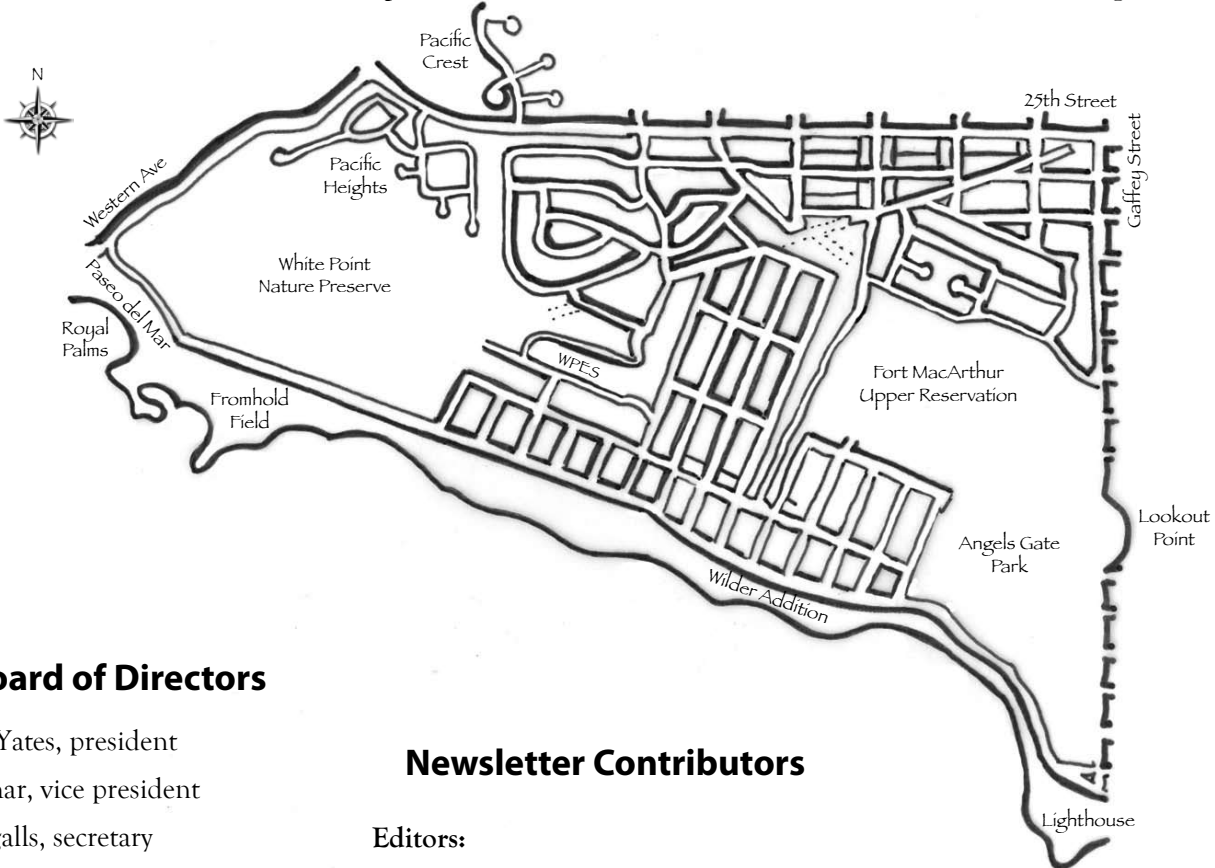
- 6:30 PM Social gathering with refreshments. Come meet your neighbors!
- 7:00–9:00 PM Neighborhood representatives speak about issues important to the San Pedro Palisades.

**Board Members Needed!** No experience is necessary. Please contact us to be placed on the ballot.

*Please join us!*

## Palisades Residents Association of San Pedro

Representing the residents of the area of San Pedro bounded by Western Avenue, 25th Street, Gaffey Street and the Pacific Ocean, plus the Pacific Crest section of the U.S. Air Force housing.



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### Meetings

The board meets at 7:00 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month (excluding August and December) at the Angels Gate Cultural Center, 3601 S. Gaffey St., in the board room of Building A. The general membership meeting is held in May at White Point Elementary School. Residents are invited to attend any and all meetings.

### We'd Like to Hear From You

Would you like to voice an opinion regarding a Palisades area issue? Letters to the Editor (150 words or less) and Guest Article (750 words or less) submissions must be of general interest and not be considered potentially libelous. For your submission to be considered, a street address and phone number where we may contact you are required. Anonymous submissions, addresses and phone numbers will not be published. We reserve the right to edit, condense or refuse submissions.

Submissions may be sent as a Word document or in the body of the email to [pra@sanpedropalisades.org](mailto:pra@sanpedropalisades.org). Deadlines are March 3, July 3 and November 3.

**Over the Back Fence:  
One Neighbor's View**

# Interview with an Angels Gate Studio Artist

By Anna Gladich

As many of you know, there are artists' studios up at Angels Gate Cultural Center. In this newsletter we decided to feature one of the artists there. Her name is Anna Erneholm. Born on the west coast of Sweden, Anna met her future husband, a native San Pedran, while he was vacationing there. Anna has a degree in architecture, but a passion for sculpture has made her a full time artist instead.

*I asked her about the experience of having a studio at Angels Gate:* "It is an ideal working environment. Places like this are very hard to come by where you can work outside without disturbing anyone, since sculpting sometimes involves loud tools. It is also very inspiring with beautiful views, even though the buildings themselves aren't much to speak of. The important thing is that the rent is affordable, and that helps keep the art community alive."




Photo by Anna Gladich

Anna Erneholm at work on a sculpture in Chinese elm wood outside her Angels Gate studio.

*What kind of sculpting do you do?* "I mainly do wood sculptures, for example elm and ebony wood, but I also do stone sculptures in granite, marble, and limestone."

*Can people come visit your studio?* "By appointment only, and you can email me at [annaerneholm@yahoo.com](mailto:annaerneholm@yahoo.com). We also have a yearly event called Open Studios. This free event occurs on Sunday, May 3, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and we welcome

the whole community to come and see our art. There are about 40 studios at Angels Gate, and on that day every artist has their studio open to the public. Many also serve refreshments, and there will also be a Korean barbeque truck serving food."

For more information about Angels Gate Cultural Center, visit [www.angelsgateart.org](http://www.angelsgateart.org) And to see some of Anna's artwork, you can visit her website at [www.erneholm.com](http://www.erneholm.com). 

**Palisades Crime Beat**

11-21-08	1:45 AM	900 block W 30th St	Personal/Other Theft
11-21-08	6:40 PM	800 block W 28th St	Rape
11-29-08	8:45 AM	1400 block W 36th St	Personal/Other Theft
12-04-08	4:00 PM	3400 block S Barbara St	Theft from Vehicle
12-08-08	7:00 AM	1400 block W 36th St	Grand Theft Auto
12-11-08	6:00 PM	1400 block W 37th St	Burglary
12-15-08	6:40 PM	900 block W 37th St	Personal/Other Theft
12-18-08	10:00 PM	800 block W 29th St	Theft from Vehicle
12-19-08	4:30 AM	2600 block S Alma St	Theft from Vehicle
12-25-08	3:10 AM	3400 block S Leland St	Theft from Vehicle
12-25-08	12:00 PM	2700 block S Gaffey St	Grand Theft Auto
12-30-08	7:00 PM	1000 block W 31st St	Theft from Vehicle
12-30-08	11:00 PM	1000 block Paseo del Mar	Theft from Vehicle
01-15-09	8:00 PM	3600 block S Emily St	Theft from Vehicle
01-17-09	1:15 AM	1000 block Paseo del Mar	Aggravated Assault
02-04-09	7:50 AM	900 block W 26th St	Burglary
02-26-09	12:00 PM	1200 block W 37th St	Aggravated Assault
03-03-09	7:00 PM	900 block W 29th Pl	Personal/Other Theft

## Treasurer's Report

January 1-March 16, 2009

**BEGINNING BALANCE \$1,595.74**

DEPOSITS:  
Memberships 225.00  
Total Deposits: \$225.00

DISBURSEMENTS:  
None  
Total Disbursements: \$0

U.S.P.S. Account Balance 78.83  
PayPal Account Balance 207.86

**ENDING BALANCE \$2,107.43**

# Demolition at Angels Gate

By Anne Ingalls

On Thursday, February 26, LAUSD hosted a meeting to inform the neighborhood about the demolition of buildings scheduled to begin in March and conclude in October, 2009. At this point, LAUSD is still in its selection process for contractors. The process should be completed soon, at which time the selected contractor will go through a process of qualification and verification.

The demolition work will be conducted from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Friday. Except for unusual circumstances, there should be no work conducted on Saturdays or Sundays. There will be no demolition of buildings by the fire department as suggested in previous reports. Asbestos and lead will be removed before demolition. All vehicle loads will be covered. The debris removal vehicles will access the site from Gaffey Street at the Barlow Saxton Road, although as of the date of the meeting there had been no memorandum of understanding reached between LAUSD and Parks and Recreation for using that road.

Angels Gate Continuation High School and the Early Education Center will be moved onto parking areas currently used by the Marine Mammal Care Center and the International Bird Rescue Research Center. The Marine Mammal Care Center requested realignment of storage containers and voiced concern that the significant

reduction of their outdoor space would diminish vehicle access for deliveries and public events.

An eight-foot chain-link fence with dust barriers around it will be constructed to prevent the dust from blowing into the neighborhood. Water trucks will be on site to water down the debris. Runoff of this water will be directed to catch basins in the event the water contains toxins. Sound blankets will be installed around the buildings pre-demolition. Accumulated debris specific to each building demolished will be covered by a tarp until it is carted away. When debris is slated to be carried away, neighbors can expect 12–15 trucks per day, again on Gaffey, entering and exiting at Barlow Saxton Road.

It was noted by the audience that wind speeds reach up to 25 mph daily, despite the Final Environmental Impact Report's indications that wind speed was 6–7 mph. Mr. Chang explained that there is present on site a dust monitor that indicates when work must stop due to dust and wind speeds. He could not say at what wind speed this might occur. He said that the water trucks saturate the area, which makes it unlikely that wind would quickly dry up the water and allow the dust to become airborne.

Concern was raised for the foxes seen on the property as well as the redwood trees at the base of Barlow Saxton and Gaffey. The request was made for extra care.

By mandate, LAUSD salvages materials from the demolished buildings. The contractor is responsible for recycling, which generally includes concrete, asphalt, steel, and wood. The AQMD inspects one to two times a week; they are easily identified in their little white cars.

Contact information for questions or complaints: Mike Chang, who is overseeing the demolition at 626-278-4513. Brian Eamer is the project manager: 213-972-3912. To report a crime on the property, call LA School Police at 213-625-6631, but don't hold your breath for them to respond since their office is in downtown Los Angeles.

One gentleman from the audience who has contracting experience raised the concern that the selected contractor would get his workers from the parking lot at Home Depot. These workers would not have training in safety, debris removal or asbestos and lead handling. LAUSD's response was that all workers are paid union wages. Wages are verified and certified by the contractor. LAUSD will bear responsibility, with inspections occurring through their environmental branch.

Future meetings are scheduled to explain the removal of toxins from the soil. The neighborhood will be notified. ☒



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## Coming Together for Nature Education & Stewardship

By The Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy



Photo Courtesy of Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy

Local students exploring nature through the Conservancy Science Education Program.

White Point is entering another major phase in the transformation process into a thriving 102-acre nature preserve. When White Point was dedicated as a nature preserve in 2000, the Conservancy was asked by the community to help develop and implement a community-based master plan. Active management began in 2002 with trail development and habitat restoration on the formerly derelict, tumbleweed-covered site. With the help of community volunteers, who have contributed some 10,000 hours, over 80,000 native plants were planted.

The Preserve is now teeming with an amazingly diverse population of butterflies, birds, and animals. Visitors can hear the California gnatcatchers hopping about in the sagebrush, meadowlarks in the grasslands, red

tail hawks soaring above looking for errant ground squirrels. There is even a burrowing owl that visits in the winter. By taking a closer look, visitors can find pygmy blue butterflies flitting about in the quail bush, colorful bumble bees feeding on California bush sunflower, and a host of other interesting insects whose presence tells us that the habitat is healthy.

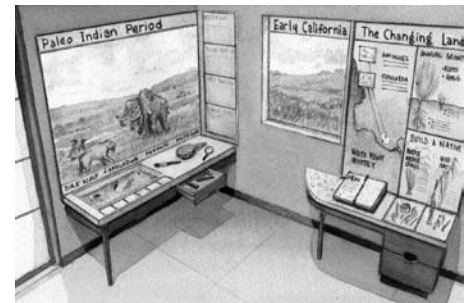
Now the Preserve is on the way to becoming an even more valuable education resource, especially for the children in the area. An innovative Nature Education Center is being constructed in the newly renovated historic military assembly building, utilizing recycled site materials. The center will feature interpretive exhibits on native habitat, the history of the land, conservation and ecology and be a significant resource for visitors and area students participating in nature education programs. It has also been designed to accommodate small community meetings and gatherings.

To add to the educational experience, a demonstration garden of native California plants is being installed around the Nature Center. Four mounded areas of the garden sections of the Tongva "demonstration" gardens will be arranged spatially to pay tribute to the site's rich California Native American heritage.

The exhibits at the Nature Education

Center and the development of the demonstration gardens have been funded by the Land Conservancy through grants solicited from corporations, foundations, and private donors. The Metropolitan Water District provided the funding for interpretive and plant identification garden signage.

More than 260 students each year from White Point, South Shores, and Leland Street elementary schools visit White Point as part of the Third Grade Nature Education Program, which also includes four in-class sessions at each school.



Concept drawing of an interactive display for the new Nature Education Center at White Point.

The Land Conservancy is extremely proud of the strong partnership we have formed with the San Pedro community, and grateful for the strong community support that is helping to make White Point an accessible, educational, and flourishing open space nature preserve. ☒

## 2009 Spring for White Point Home Tour

By Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy

This year the annual Home Tour Event will take place Sunday, June 14. It will showcase seven distinctive San Pedro homes to raise awareness of the White Point Nature Preserve, as

well as raise critical funds for habitat restoration, education programs and public access. The event, in its eighth year, hosts over two hundred people and concludes with a wine and cheese

reception featuring live music, a silent art auction and the work of local artists. Tickets and more information will be available on the Land Conservancy website: <http://www.pvplc.org>. ☒

## New & Renewing Members

Since our last newsletter, the Palisades Residents Association has received dues from the following persons in our neighborhood. Some sent checks for \$15, the minimum cost of an annual membership, while many donated more, all which we greatly appreciate!

Anyone who lives in the Palisades neighborhood, whether homeowner or renter, is considered to be a member of the association. You don't have to pay dues, but it helps when our volunteers don't have to dip into their pockets to pay association expenses.

A portion of our annual budget comes from advertising in the Palisades Perspective newsletter. When you do business with our advertisers, please mention that you saw their ad in the Palisades Perspective.

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## The Palisades Residents Association Needs You!

We cannot accomplish our goals without help from the residents, both renters and homeowners, of the Palisades. Becoming a member keeps our newsletter and website in production as well as helps us with community events. To become a member please use one of the following methods:

**Pay Online** Donate today by credit card, PayPal or bank account at <http://blog.sanpedropalisades.org/membership/>

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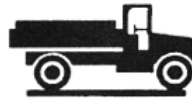
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