



BALBOA PENINSULA POINT POINTER

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A Message From The President

Hi Everyone,

The Chili Cook-Off was a great success. We had 17 entrants and they were all outstanding. I should know, I had to taste them all! There won't be any chili at the Aiello House for awhile. Thanks to all the volunteers who helped with setting up, cooking all the hot dogs, selling t-shirts and raffle tickets, entertaining the kids, and doing anything I forgot to mention. Thanks to the band FLAIL—they were great. I saw a lot of people moving to the music. SPECIAL THANKS to BAMBI WILTCHIK. We would not have had a Chili Cook Off if it weren't for Bambi and her dedication and hard work...I cannot thank her enough. Bambi, it was awesome! If anybody has pictures, we would like to post them on the website—call Paul McKelvey or Bob Yant and they will help you get them posted.

At our last meeting we enjoyed having LT. Bill Hartford and Officer Paul Sarris of the NBPD attend. They came by to make sure we were happy with their summer presence and to find out if there was anything they could improve on. Only a few people were at the meeting so there were no complaints, and we thanked them for their stepped-up patrols in our area. Lt Hartford reported that the cameras at the Wedge and CDM proved very helpful in patrolling the beaches after the 10:00 PM curfew; over 600 tickets were issued due to the camera surveillance. The NBPD has been very involved with the BPPA and they keep us informed. I would like to thank them for their efforts. If you would like to contact anyone from the department, go to www.NBPD.org, send an e-mail and they will get back to you.

Hope everyone is enjoying the quiet time and remember to **DRIVE SAFE** around the neighborhood

-Sam

Aircraft Noise and Banner Towing

Those of us fortunate enough to live on the peninsula and benefit from the convenience of John Wayne Airport must also live with a reasonable amount of noise. During the past summer, there were several incidents of either low-flying or noisy aircraft over the peninsula. As you may know, John Wayne Airport has very strict noise abatement procedures in place. Currently, approximately 20 operators are on a three-year ban from use of the airport for noise violations. (3 violations = 3 year ban). If you feel that an aircraft is in violation of the norm, you may report your observations to the airport by calling (949) 252-5185.

As for the banner-towing aircraft, most of which fly from Long Beach Airport, they are supposed to be at least 500 feet over people or vessels in the water and 1000 feet over land. The FAA in Long Beach has recently met with most operators and expects improved compliance and cooperation from the banner-towers. If you note a banner-towing aircraft in obvious violation of the altitude restrictions or excessively noisy, you may report your observation or concern to the FAA in Long Beach by calling (562) 420-1755, Extension 152. Please provide the date, time, direction of flight, description of banner, aircraft type and Registration number, if possible.

By working together, we can enjoy living on the peninsula and they can enjoy making a living!



Happy 100th Birthday

Congratulations to Catherine Johnson who celebrated her 100th birthday on October 6th, 2007 with a fabulous birthday party with 70 people in attendance! She even received a lovely birthday card from President and Mrs. George W. Bush as well as a birthday greeting from Willard Scott of NBC.

Catherine (known as Kay by the locals) has lived on Peninsula Point since the early 1940's. She and her family lived primarily in Pasadena, and 340 L Street was their second home. During the war years the family rented the home to servicemen who were stationed in the area. Soon after the end of the war Kay, her husband Johnny and their 2 sons moved permanently to Balboa. During her many years here on the Point, Kay has endeared herself to all who know her with her kind and loving spirit. With her nursing degree she became highly skilled volunteer at Hoag Hospital. When she stopped driving in her early 90's she walked to the bus stop to take the bus up to Hoag. Kay was honored by the hospital at a special reception in recognition of her 30 years of voluntary service and over 10,000 hours of donated time. She finally resigned as a volunteer at age 94 after a patient remarked that because of her age he should be wheeling her out instead of her doing the task for him! She felt that serving Hoag at her age was giving the hospital a bad reputation. As usual, Kay was thinking of the good of others!

Kay is quite an attractive woman, even at 100! Up until a few years ago once a week she would walk briskly with her walker up to her hairdresser's salon by the library to have her hair and nails done. Now her wonderful caregivers keep her looking beautiful on the outside to match the beauty that dwells within her...Way to go Kay!

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Board meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month at 7:00 pm at the Peninsula Point Racquet Club and are open to all BPPA members.

**THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD ON
NOVEMBER 8, 2007**



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