VIEW POINT

South Shores Community Association Newsletter

South Shores: Now and Then



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Election of Officers & Board of Directors

The SSCA Nominations Committee is recommending to the general membership the following candidates for election to the 2020 Board of Directors at the annual meeting. These nominees have pledged to make the commitment of time and effort to the SSCA through attendance at monthly board meetings and service on various ad hoc committees supporting the SSCA Board of Directors' Strategic Plan.

Officers:

President: Richard Scandaliato (Retired Chief Executive Officer) Vice-President: Dave Billings

(Attorney) Secretary: Jerry Gaines (Retired Educator and Country Commissioner) Treasurer: John Lang (Engineer, Artist and Inventor) Board Members:

Joyce Hall (Retired Education Assistant)

Vern Hall (Retired Port Executive)

Ed Storti (Intervention Specialist)

Lori Terzoli (Business Development Officer, Local Bank)

Gordon Thomas (IT Consultant)

Richard Welsh (Insurance Broker)

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SSCAAnnual Meeting

Date:	Saturday, March 28, 2020
Time:	Doors open for refreshments at 9:30 a.m. The meeting will start promptly at 10:00 a.m
Venue:	Little Sisters of the Poor Multi-Purpose Room, 2100 South Western Avenue, San Pedro

Meeting Agenda

The Annual Meeting of the South Shores Community Association will be chaired, once again, by President *Richard Scandaliato*. This will be the second year of holding the meeting on a Saturday morning in order to allow a more diverse group of South Shores neighbors the opportunity to attend and participate. Following his welcoming remarks, Rich will introduce any representatives of elected officials (Page 8) that may be in attendance. Please see the **President's Pointe** (page 3) for a review of last year's activities and a discussion of the Association's goals for 2020 and beyond.

SSCA Secretary *Jerry Gaines* will then conduct the election of Officers and Board members for the next 12 months. He will introduce each candidate and, as always, nominations will be taken from the floor. Please consider serving as an active Board member.

The members in attendance will then be asked to approve By-Laws amendments as presented below.

Prior to adjourning the formal meeting, there will be a brief question and answer period, time permitting. After a short break following adjournment, the first **Towne Hall** session of the year will begin at 10:30 a.m. (page4)

Coffee, juice, water and cookies will be available throughout the meeting. **Joyce Hall** will be at the Membership desk throughout the morning to sign up new and returning members. (page 7).

Proposed By-Laws Amendment:

(For complete By-Laws, please go to our home page under Board, Bylaws) Article I: Replace in its entirety as follows:

ARTICLE I

The name of this Association is: South Shores Community Association

Article VI: Modify first paragraph to read as follows:

An annual A meeting for the election of Directors and Officers of the Association shall be held at the first meeting in January each year annually.

Article VII: Modify as follows:

The affairs and business of the Association shall be managed by a Board of at least $\frac{1}{100}$ six (6) Directors of which four (4) shall be the Officers of the Association and the additional $\frac{1}{100}$ two (2) or more shall be those elected an the annual meeting by a majority vote of the members present. Such Directors shall serve on a volunteer basis and without remuneration for the ensuing year or until their successors have been elected and qualified.

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President's Point

by Richard Scandaliato, SSCA 2015-2020 President.

Dear South Shores Residents:

Another year has come and gone. Here's looking forward to a Safe, Healthy and Happy 2020. Let's continue to be wise, cautious and vigilant throughout 2020 and beyond. This past year, South Shores lost several of our great neighbors, but a number of new residents have joined the Association and our community.

Most of our 2019 goals were achieved, with the exception of membership growth. A key goal was to enhance our communications abilities so as to keep our members informed on matters of neighborhood betterment. Our Board members and I will continue to carefully listen to a variety of topics of concern to our neighbors. We remain apolitical and neutral but will continue to air, inform and communicate these issues to the community at large and our local political leaders.

As detailed on page 4, our Health and Wellness symposiums (Towne Hall meetings) in 2019 were a success beyond expectations. So much so that this year's Annual Meeting will be focused around a follow up of our most successful subject:

Disaster Preparedness (Part II). (page 4)

Safety and Security:

Two years ago, a detailed and time-consuming investigative study was performed concerning a private security service for our neighborhood. The study resulted in a "no-go" decision based upon the majority opinions of our residents.

However, this decision has not deterred us from continuing to look into ways to make South Shores a safer, more friendly community. Presently, under evaluation and study is the All License Plate Reader (ALPR) concept used by our neighbors on "The Hill." You will be hearing more about this concept in the days and months ahead.

Volunteerism:

Repeat from My 2019 Message: "All these projects are ambitious! They can't be successfully carried out by only a handful of Board members. They require **volunteers** to carry out the mission. On several occasions, neighbors would voice and opinion, describe a project that needed to be done, express an idea that needs evaluation or implementation. Unfortunately, when called upon to follow up on the necessary



activities to pursue the task, those same individuals had no time, lacked a specific goal or a plan for implementation. Yet, in some cases, these same folks had time to manifest displeasure and criticism if the SSCA didn't achieve immediate results to their liking."

Having repeated this obviously shows our frustration, but will not be a reason to stop

pursuing what is right for our neighborhood.

Frustration will not lead to complacency. We will continue to listen to our constituents and follow up on matters in which we can be effective. Each of you has a stake in the community. Each of you have specific skill sets that can be effective tools in getting things done.

The dilemma we all face...as homeowners or renters, neighbors, parents, grandparents...is having more ideas than time to implement them. If you can find the time, please consider volunteering to further the goals of the Association. Just contact me or any Board member in person or through **Contact Us** on our website. Time to step up to the plate.

2019 Highlights:

Initiated a daytime Annual Meeting in March. Towne Hall symposiums continued. **CyberWatch** under the leadership of **Bob Genest** continued to be a pillar and icon for neighborhood safety awareness. Our Annual Members' Reception in May was a tremendous success. (see page 6) The **Welcome Wagon** program expanded.

2020 Goals:

Increase membership in the Association (see page 7). Expand communication and awareness of community projects. Continue to enhance the SSCA website to be more user friendly, accurate and informative. Post the **President's Corner** on a more regular basis. Continue the Welcome Wagon program.



Towne Hall Program

by Ed Storti, SSCA Board Member, Program Mgr.

Here we are in 2020. It's been two years of facilitating the Health and Wellness for the residents and guests of the South Shores community.

We started off in 2018 with three terrific presentations: **Fall Prevention, Hypertension** and **Memory Loss.** Attendance at the Saturday morning meetings continually increased throughout the year. The members of the audience were enthusiastic with appreciation for the expertise of the various speakers. In 2019, we followed up with the topics:

Understanding Depression, Healthy Nutrition and Disaster Readiness, Part I. We experienced our largest audiences last year and the show of support from the attendees to continue these informational and interactive symposiums will bring us an exciting schedule for 2020.

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Program Schedule for 2020

- Our March 28, 2020 Towne Hall will follow immediately after the Association's Annual Meeting and will start at approximately 10:30 a.m., concluding at noon. The program is entitled: Disaster Preparedness, Part II: The Do's and Don'ts of Neighbors Helping Neighbors. Detailed information will be provided on the SSCA web site home page and on distributed flyers.
- The July 18, 2020 program will focus on Dispute Resolution. The Association has had several requests for information on this topic over the years. We are fortunate to have representatives from the Los Angeles City Attorney's Office to speak to such neighborhood issues as: barking dogs, tree trimming, building restrictions, parked vehicles and disruptive neighbors. Available resources for resolving these issues through mediation and other methods will be presented by the speakers. As always, there will be adequate time for questions and answers.
- Our third program this year will take place on November 21, 2020. The program will feature the San Pedro Chamber of Commerce presenting

its **Vision for Tomorrow** and **Opportunities for New Businesses** in San Pedro. We have also requested a speaker from the Port to provide an update on the future of the Port of Los Angeles.



There are many to thank for the success of these Health and Wellness presentations. Thanks go to the South Shores Community Association's Board of Directors and President Richard Scandaliato for their continued support. We must also thank the **Little Sisters of the Poor** for hosting our meetings at their excellent facility and providing refreshments, thanks to *Dolores Kollmer*. Kudos also go to The **House of Hope** and **Shawl House** ladies that distribute the flyers for the meetings and assist at the scheduled events.

I'd also like to thank *Mary Ford*, Coordinator of the **Torrance Memorial Medical Center's** Speakers Bureau for sending such terrific and knowledgeable speakers. They have given their time, talent and energy to making these Saturday morning sessions so special. As you can see, it takes a group of volunteers to bring these special seminars to our South Shores residents. All you have to do is attend and enjoy the moments with your neighbors. "Not a bad deal." Hopefully, we will see you on March 28th at the Little Sisters of the Poor auditorium located at 2100 South Western **Avenue**. As always, there will be signs and folks to direct you to the venue and available parking.

If you would like to help in volunteering a small amount of your time to help continue these endeavors, or have suggestions for future programs, please call Ed Storti at **1-310-547-5704.**



South Shores History Project

By Richard Welsh, SSCA Board Member, Social Chair

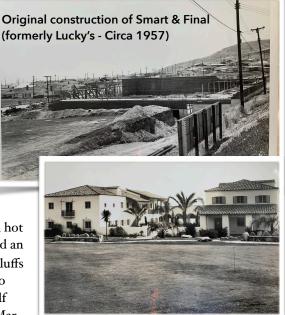
South Shores as we know it today dates back to the

mid-1950s when the developer, *Marlow & Co.*, began selling homes and lots advertised as "LOS ANGELES' last and FINEST Residential Development at the Sea". The developer's period sales brochure advertised: New "Ocean Unit" Lots now on sale, Extra Large, Ocean View, Best of Improvements. A copy of this vintage brochure can be seen by using the drop-down menu "Neighborhood" on our home page and then clicking on "South Shores History."

Prior to the 1950s, however, South Shores at various times: was under the control of the Federal Government for coastal defense during WWII; was populated by farms; was the home of a hot springs hotel at White Point and Royal Palms; and in the 1920's had an 18 hole golf course that stretched along the flat area north of the bluffs along today's Paseo Del Mar and Warmouth Street. There were two structures at that period which occupied the area including the golf course gate house on the southern side of what is now Paseo Del Mar and Western Avenue. There was also a fairly large golf club house which sat at approximately Paseo Del Mar and Anchovy Avenue. While the gate house remains with us to this day, the golf club house tragically burned down (it was said by vandals), possibly in 1955.



Royal Palms - Fountain & Pool



Old clubhouse on former golf course (Paseo Del Mar & Anchovy Ave.)

Today, South Shores keeps much of its original charm with the neighborhood seeing mild to moderate changes. A constant is its serene position located along the ocean directly in front of Catalina Island.

The SSCA Board has recently initiated the South Shores History Project.

We are looking for photos and stories from the past to load onto our website to help memorialize and expand the knowledge of our community's history. The photos shown here and on the cover come courtesy of the San Pedro Historical Society, which the SSCA now supports.

If you have an old photo of the neighborhood and would like to share it then please send it our way.

San Pedro Elks Club Opening Soon

The Elks Club is close to holding its Grand Opening in late March or early April. Work is 99% complete with the City of Los Angeles needing to issue a Certificate of Occupancy. The club has planned special activities for a full week that will be announced upon clearance from city officials. The South Shores Community Association looks forward to again having the San Pedro Elks be active in our neighborhood.





2019 SSCA Members' Reception

Photos by Bob Genest



Members enjoying buffet



SSCA Treasurer - John Lang, Hostess Lisa Jimenez & Joe Bustamante



SSCA Social Chair - Richard Welsh with Mark Arata & Mingli Wang

The 2019 reception was held in May at the beautiful upper South Shores home of *Lisa Jimenez*. Over 180 neighbors enjoyed a warm Sunday afternoon gathering enjoying live music by the local SP band "The Rumble", wonderful food and friendship.

Plans are underway for this year's reception, celebrating our 55th year. Being invited to this event is one of benefits of being an Association member.



Neighbors enjoying the view



Live music by the "The Rumble"



2020 Membership Campaign

by *Vern Hall*, SSCA Board Member, Membership Committee Chair.

Membership Status:

This year's active membership drive is currently underway in response to individual letters signed by President Richard Scandaliato and mailed to our previous members (2017-2019). The South Shores Community Association has by-far the greatest participation of any of the volunteer homeowner's groups in the South Bay; both in number of members and percentage of homes in the neighborhood. Even so, your Board of Directors believes in the old adage that "**More is Merrier**". So, if you haven't renewed yet for 2020 **or** haven't been a member for some time **or**, in particular, **have never been a member......**



Participation Through Membership:

As can be seen from the range of neighborhood betterment activities described in this newsletter, the SSCA does a lot for its residents, members or not. The costs of publishing *VIEW POINT*, maintaining and enhancing our website (www.southshoresca.org), conducting the Towne Hall meetings (pg.4), hosting the Annual Members' reception (pg. 6) and maintaining prudent financial reserves are all dependent upon our once-a-year membership campaign. **Membership remains at \$20.00 per** household per year.

We believe this is a real bargain; less than one average trip to a fast food restaurant.

In addition to financial support, we believe that volunteerism is an essential part of being a good neighbor. We know that today's society places great demands on family time, but we also believe that active involvement in your neighborhood is a prudent way of protecting the value of your home. Contact any current Board member if you have such an interest.

How To Join:

- Cut off or copy the form below, fill it out and return with your check for \$20.00 payable to SSCA and mail to **South Shores Community Association, P.O. Box 922, San Pedro, CA 90732**
- Use Pay Pal[™] by logging on to our website, going to the Membership menu on the homepage and following the simple two-step process or
- Attend the Annual Meeting on March 28th and pay at the Membership Desk

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Name (s):	
Address:	
Telephone: 1	E-Mail
	New Member @ \$20 per year (All information will remain confidential)

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