

Barber Tract



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Barber Tract Neighborhood Association

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OUR MISSION:

To band together to identify, discuss, and deal effectively with neighborhood concerns.

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The BTNA Board would like to dedicate this issue in memory of George Beardsley. George was a wonderful neighbor and reliable distributor of our Barber Tract Times for over 8 years. He will be missed by all that knew him.



Holiday Party 2018

A big thank you to all contributors and participants of last year's neighborhood holiday party. Once again it was hosted by the Fitch's and took place on December 6th. Food was amazing and the conversation lively. It's a wonderful opportunity to meet your neighbors and share in the holiday spirit.

We look forward to seeing you at our next holiday party scheduled for December 5, 2019.



Neighbors mixing at the Fitch home.

THIS IS YOUR COMMUNITY...GET INVOLVED

The Barber Tract Neighborhood Association only survives because of volunteers. We need board members to represent Monte Vista and Olivetas. If you are interested please contact our President, Mike Cole, at BarbertractNA@gmail.com. Also, please become a member of the BTNA to help support our neighborhood.

See registration form enclosed

4th of July Celebration 2018

Our 4th of July Celebration for the Barber Tract Neighborhood was once again a success. The celebratory walk started at Max and Melissa Elliot's home who have been hosting the festivities for over 40 years. Thanks Max for dressing up like Uncle Sam!

We estimate around 300 attendees were on hand for the festivities. It was awesome to see families out in force enjoying their neighbors and the birthday of our nation.

A special thanks to Marie & Peter Michetti for bringing the food, balloons and drinks to the celebration. Thank you to all our volunteers who arrived promptly at 9am to organize our food and beverages.



Elliot Home



Michetti's enjoying the neighbors!



Family Fun!



Sweet mom and daughter, Jenny and Ella

***Come and enjoy Independence Day 2019
with your neighbors on Thursday, July 4th at
the 7200 block of Monte Vista!***

Marine Street Beach Memorial Mall

This proposal to build a park at the west end of Marine Street was an action item at the 2/25 La Jolla Parks & Beaches (LJPB) meeting. Erik Holtsmark, the architect for this proposal, has a vision for an elaborate park with water features, landscaping, restrooms, vending machines, an improved lifeguard station, an elevator, statues and benches. This mall would be funded privately to memorialize deceased friends and family. Erik lives in the Country Club neighborhood of La Jolla.

This dead-end area of Marine St. is currently a red-curbed Fire Zone, used by SDPD to stage beach patrols and for beach rescues by emergency vehicles.

Catherine Douglass, representing opposition, presented Cynthia Chasan's slides that highlighted mainly public safety reasons for objecting to Erik's proposal.

Jack DeFranco spoke on behalf of Barber Tract neighborhood residents about the impracticality of the proposal including storm tides and probable seasonal flooding of restrooms at the beach level. Mike Cole reported that the Barber Tract Neighborhood Association board opposed the proposal due to potential public safety and traffic congestion issues. A letter was distributed from Tony Ciani, architect and former BT resident, to the LJPB Board opposing the project and detailing California Coastal Commission non-compliance and other issues. A Motion to Deny the proposed Marine Memorial Mall based on issues including safety, not fitting community character, pollution, parking, maintenance and noises issues was unanimously passed by the LJPB.

Author: Dorie DeFranco

Barber Tract Street and Sidewalk Improvements

At long last, replacement of some of the worst looking streets in Barber Tract is under way. Westbourne St., Belvedere St and Vista Del Mar (south) had become horribly decayed with cracks, potholes and patches. These concrete streets were originally poured in the 1930's. Each of these streets is now being replaced with new concrete and base underlay. These repairs will provide a very nice and lasting improvement to our neighborhood. Work on these streets should be completed by mid-April.

Our thanks to Barbara Bry's office for supporting the Barber Tract by way of making these streets a priority with the city street division. And many thanks to the contractors who have been so helpful and respectful with our neighbors during these renovations.

The BTNA board is currently working to identify other streets in our neighborhood that need replacement. As of this point, Neptune and Olivetas are the highest priority streets identified. If you are aware of any other streets in the Barber Tract that should be included in this prioritization please advise by sending information to barbertractNA@gmail.com.

Many of the sidewalks in the Barber Tract still need repair or replacement. In general, sidewalk repair is the homeowner's responsibility unless the damage is caused by a city-planted tree. A special offer is being made by city to pay for half of the cost of homeowner's sidewalk replacement/repair. More information on this program is available at

<https://www.sandiego.gov/street-div/services/roadways/sidewalk>

Author: Mike Cole

Save the Date for Beach Cleanup at Barber Tract

Meetup on Saturday, April 27 9 a.m. at Neptune/Westbourne

Important San Diego City Contact Numbers

NON-EMERGENCY NUMBER FOR CITY OF SAN DIEGO POLICE DEPARTMENT: (619)-531-2000

<http://www.sandiego.gov/police/services/nonemergencies.shtml>

CITIZENS' ONLINE NON-EMERGENCY REPORT

<https://www.sandiego.gov/police/crimereports/startaccess>

STORM WATER HOTLINE:

See someone dumping into the street gutters or drains? Report storm water pollution!

(619) 235-1000 <http://www.sandiego.gov/stormwater/index.shtml>

GENERAL PARK AND RECREATION INFORMATION: (619)-525-8213

<http://www.sandiego.gov/park-and-recreation/>

POTHoles, STREET, SIDEWALK, LIGHTING REPAIR REQUESTS:

Create a service request for repairs or services on street related issues online.

www.sandiego.gov/get-it-done

2019 Barber Tract Calendar of Events

April 27	9 am	Beach Clean up	Westbourne & Neptune (WindanSea)
July 4	10am	4th of July Parade	7200 block Monte Vista
December 5	6 pm	Holiday Party	Fitch's :7231 Monte Vista