# Barber Tract



# Times

#### Established 1989

Barber Tract Neighborhood Association <u>www.barbertract.com</u>

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

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# **A Family Friendly Summer at the Beach**

During the wildfires of 2014, Marine Street Beach underwent a transformation that we would feel an impact from for years to come, were it not for a few amazing neighbors who worked together to regain control over this quaint little beach. In 2014 we were the host of a RAVE beach party, that grew to epic proportions through social media. There were so many people on the beach that at one point it was Standing Room Only.



Summer Security Guard

Neighbors met with the San Diego Police Department (SDPD) as the drinking and drugs began to escalate and the SDPD Beach Team was out in full force during the summer of 2015. Their efforts returned the beach to a quiet family beach with most of the beach activity clearing out by sunset. Unfortunately the SDPD has been hit with a significant decrease in the number of officers on the force, we now have 1,861 officers on the force and in 2009 we had 2,128 officers. During the winter of 2015 we were notified that the level of services Marine Street Beach received during the summer of 2015, just simply would not be possible during the summer of 2016.

Thankfully we had a few amazing beachfront homeowners who not only answered the door

when we knocked, but also listened intently to the plight our beach was about to suffer from without some help from the community. One homeowner south of Sea Lane took action to help find a solution. (Continue to page 2)

### THIS IS YOUR COMMUNITY...GET INVOLVED

The Barber Tract Neighborhood Association only survives because of volunteers. We have a few Board Members who will be temporarily transferred over seas and we are looking for volunteers to take their positions. If you are interested please contact our President, David Talcott.

# A Family Friendly Summer (Continued from page 1)

.... The area south of Sea Lane has always been difficult to patrol because it curves in just enough that the police cannot see it from the railing on Marine Street and the lifeguards can not see it from their chair. This leads to a small little cove for activities to transpire that are not becoming to the families enjoying the beach. The homeowner organized a group of individuals to pay for a private security guard to patrol the area. It made a huge difference in keeping the beach family friendly this summer.



2014 Rave Party

Another beachfront homeowner that stepped up to help was Cliff Douglass. Cliff installed Nestcams on the front of his home allowing the SDPD and neighbors access to keep an eye out for large parties that included alcohol and drugs on the beach. These cameras are available for homeowners to view online. Cliff decided to make these camera views public and if you would like to see them they can be accessed through these links: Northwest view: https://video.nest.com/live/37ryS4mCTA or the Southwest view: https://video.nest.com/live/QYGyyqhfry. If any other beachfront homeowners are interested in installing similar cameras to help keep the beach alcohol and drug free, contact the BTNA.

Thanks to the wonderful community we live in we were able to successfully address an issue on the beach and maintain a family friendly summer at the beach.

Author: Cynthia Chasan, BTNA Board Member



#### New Digs for the Lifeguards!

After two years of pleading with the City about our old rickety lifeguard chair that was falling apart, we finally got new ones for Marine Street Beach! They were hand made by City staff for our precious beach.

# **BTNA 4th of July Parade 2016!**



Melissa Elliot and Amber Remley



Max Elliott with patriotic singers



4th of July Paraders



Max Elliot, Amber Remley, Melissa Elliott & guests

Another fantastic 4th of July Parade. Max and Melissa Elliot have been hosting the festivities for over 40 years. This year we had over 300 people attending and supporting the parade. Parade started on Monte Vista and heading along Barber Tract neighborhood turning around at White Sands.



Marie Michetti working magic

A special thanks to Marie and Peter Michetti for bringing the food, balloons and drinks to the parade. Another Special thanks goes to Barber Tract annual host Max and Melissa Elliott.

Author: Michelle Talcott, BTT Publisher

# La Jolla Christmas Parade and Holiday Festival

The 59th LJ Christmas Parade and Holiday Festival is fast approaching and will be held on December 4<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm. The parade will include equestrians, bands, beauty queens, classic cars, floats, marching units and more.

The parade will be followed by the Holiday Festival at the Rec Center, which will include photos with Santa, stage entertainment, pony rides, inflatables, education booths, Surf Diva, Birch Aquarium and more activities. For more details go to <u>http://ljparade.com</u>

Author: Ann Kerr Bache BTNA Board Member

# **2016 Annual Coastal Cleanup Day**

Coastal Cleanup day was held September 17 on Windansea Beach. Coverage of the cleanup covered from White Sands at Marine Street Beach to the end of the Windansea strand. This year our team of 60 volunteers picked up over 60 pounds of trash and another 6 pounds of recyclable material. Not bad considering 6 days



before another beach cleanup was conducted in the same area by H2O Patrol which nabbed 370 pounds of the beach filth. <u>http://h2otrashpatrol.com/</u>

Congratulations to all that helped out. Mike Cole and Dave Talcott were once again site captains, with assists coming from Lisa Bock and Michelle Munoz-Talcott.

Here is the press release from their website for all activity across the county:

Thank you for your help at our 32nd Annual Coastal Cleanup Day!

Results are still tricking in from the 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Coastal Cleanup, but one thing is for sure this year's event was an astounding success! Over 7,500 San Diegans across the country explored and

beautified beaches, canyons, creeks and parks and worked to remove over 150,000 lbs of debris! San Diego County's Coastal Cleanup Day is part of a statewide and international cleanup effort to enhance and conserve our coast across the globe. While we wait eagerly for 2016's international results, check out www.CoastalCleanupDay.org to see the data entered in from coordinators across the globe in real time.

Author: David Talcott, BTNA President

### **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:** If you 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 OR STREET REPAIR REQUESTS:

Create a service request for repairs or services on street related issues online. You are given a tracking number so you can check on the status of your request.

http://apps.sandiego.gov/streetdiv/

# **2016 Calendar of Events**

October 26 7 pm

**Annual Meeting** 

December 8 6 pm

**Holiday Party** 

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