



Sunset Mesa Property Owners Association URGENT NOTICE

**From Linda Kaye, President
October 19, 2014**

SAVE THE DATE: October 23, 2014 6:00 PM, Getty Villa

Dear Homeowners and Community,

At 6:00 PM on Thursday, October 23rd, our neighborhood Getty Villa will open its exit gates at the bottom of Coastline to facilitate our community-wide security meeting in their auditorium at 7:00 PM. For the safety and convenience of our neighborhood it is therefore not necessary to drive onto PCH. However, allow that window of time to get there, find parking and get to the auditorium.

If you subscribe to the www.sunsetmesa.org website you were separately sent an evite asking you to respond if you will attend. If you aren't already signed up to this site you are urged to, so you can stay informed. Please look for and answer it to help us gauge the attendance.

The meeting is organized by the SMPOA and held in conjunction with the Lost Hills Sheriff's Department, LAPD, County Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky's office, and the two adjacent HOA's, Pacific View Estates and Castellammare. The purpose of the meeting is to advise you on facts surrounding security issues affecting the community. Beginning last summer you were advised of these home burglaries and invasions. The crime wave has continued without abatement as many homeowners have suffered damages and losses. Therefore you are urged to attend to learn what is being done to address this.

In response to the increased crime your Board formed a Security Committee, chaired by Gregg Bernstein, to harness the power of cooperation of the two adjacent HOA groups and resources. You will hear from this Committee as well as the other HOA's about best practices.

This affects everyone who lives here. Get the word out. Tell your neighbors to attend. Be there.

- Last note: If you can't attend, remember that the sense of "someone watching our home, neighborhood...and saw me leave" is not your imagination. Counter surveillance continues to be the preferred tool of the criminal. They are watching for detection from police. In the absence of them, you are it. Learn why you need to report what you see. Understand why watching someone just sitting in their car or walking away nonchalantly with a backpack is important. Successful criminal rings have numerous alliances. Even with gardeners and construction crews. **REPORT WHAT YOU SEE.**

And please, I sincerely request, be there on Thursday night. Walk through the Getty hallways to band with a stunned community and learn how to stop crime in its tracks.

Linda Kaye
President, SMPOA