



# PASADENA RPEA CHAPTER 007 NEWSLETTER

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## **“Fraud Prevention”**

Detective Quiroz, Alhambra Police Department

**Thursday, October 9, 2025 at 12:00 Noon**

Villa Gardens Retirement Community

842 E. Villa Street, Pasadena  
1<sup>st</sup> Floor Garden Room

Lunch – Free to RPEA members + 1 guest

### **Fraud Prevention**

Detective Quiroz from the Alhambra Police Department will be leading a presentation focused on fraud prevention and the growing number of scams targeting seniors.

As technology evolves, so do the tactics used by scammers, ranging from phone and email schemes to in-person fraud and identity theft. This presentation will provide valuable insight into how these scams work, the warning signs to look out for, and practical steps you can take to protect yourself and your loved ones.

Attendees will also learn how and when to report suspicious activity and how staying informed can make all the difference. Whether you've encountered a scam before or simply want to be prepared, this presentation is a must for anyone looking to stay one step ahead.

### **Reservations Required**

Please call in your reservations by  
**Monday, October 6**

Beverly Knapp 626-797-6850  
Walter White 626-359-5805

Or e-mail to [blaberly48@gmail.com](mailto:blaberly48@gmail.com) your reservation with “RPEA” in the subject line.

### **Valet Parking is available**

The valet entrance is the driveway just west of the main entrance at the front of Villa Gardens. You may also park on the street or use public transportation. Be aware that street parking has many more restrictions than in the past.

Public Transportation:  
MTA Bus Routes 180 or 485  
Pasadena ARTS Routes 20 or 40  
Metro A (Gold) Line - Lake Station

Next Board of Directors meeting will be held at 1 pm on **November 13th** in the Fellowship Room of Trinity Lutheran Church. 997 E Walnut St., Pasadena.

Parking lot access is off Locust St. Please contact Michael Warner to confirm date and time or to get directions.

(All members are welcome to join.)

## Upcoming Chapter Meetings at Villa Gardens

October 9, 2025 ..... Garden Room  
 December 11, 2025..... Garden Room

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## June Meeting Notes

Program: Dr. Jason Williams, who is a Postdoctoral Fellow at Carnegie Science Observatories in Pasadena and is the scientific and technical lead for the Henrietta Spectrograph, a cutting-edge instrument being developed for the Carnegie's telescopes site at Las Campanas, Chile gave an absolutely amazing presentation with endless information about our planet and where we fit in the vast solar system.

President's Report: Michael Warner introduced Margaret Brown, State President, R.P.E.A. and, after a few words, then introduced Dominick Bei. He informed us that he is running for the CalPERS Board. He spoke briefly about CalPERS, it's two million members, and it's \$500 billion in assets.

Steve Lacey then spoke to us about the major staffing changes taking place in Sacramento, in an effort to reduce costs and streamline the operation.



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