

# OCEANSIDE COASTAL NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

**CONNECTING AND INFORMING NEIGHBORS** 

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#### WHO ARE WE?

OCNA is your neighborhood association. We are your neighbors down the street and around the corner who are getting involved in our community and strengthening ties to one another.

By sharing information and working together, we can make our great neighborhood even better. Our boundaries are Mission Avenue to the North, Oceanside Blvd to the South, I-5 to the East and the Pacific Ocean to the West. Learn how to join in at our website <a href="https://www.ocna.com/www.

#### **MISSION STATEMENT**

To ensure a vital, sustainable neighborhood that protects the quality of life for all citizens in the Oceanside Coastal area by promoting and conducting community events, participating in city planning processes, holding city government accountable, and supporting cultural, civic and local business endeavors.

#### **CONTACT US!**

President: Jane Marshall Vice-President: Curt Busk

Secretary: Open

**Treasurer:** Lane Stewart

**Director:** Maryanne Bienkowski

**Director:** Kevin Ham

Help your neighborhood be the best it can be! Email Jane Marshall ocna101@gmail.com for info on how you can help us!

#### **GENERAL MTG- ST MARY'S SCHOOL - JAN 25**

**515 Wisconsin Ave – 6PM to 7PM**Join us for information that affects our neighborhood!



## DEPUTY MAYOR RYAN KEIM SANDAG ROAD TAX AND PROJECTS

Please join us and welcome Deputy Mayor Ryan Keim to learn about the recent SANDAG road tax decision and how efforts to get SANDAG projects supporting Oceanside and North County.

\*\*We also have an update on the Parking Permit effort for Seaside (Seagaze to Nevada Sts. to Freeman to Nevada Sts.)\*\*

#### SEASIDE NEIGHBORHOOD CHARM JEOPARDIZED

Happening right now, a Seaside neighbor is building a 3rd story onto their 2-story home. This is happening with City approval and is in violation of the City's zoning code!

This sets an incredibly dangerous precedent that could allow more houses to illegally build above the 27-foot height limit. This height code was written by the City itself and has been in place for decades. The purpose of the height code is to maintain the charm and unique design aesthetic of our quaint neighborhood.

#### What you can do!

Drive by the 1000 block of S. Clementine, you can't miss it. And, email Council at <a href="mailto:Council@oceansideca.org">Council@oceansideca.org</a> to "stick to our City's zoning code of 27ft height limits" today!

Speak out NOW before this happens to you!!

#### THANK YOU SEASIDE FOR CONTRIBUTING!

A HUGE shout out to all the OCNA members who donated to make a local family's Christmas a little brighter during a difficult time. St Mary's School's rep, who nominated the family was overwhelmed by OCNA's generosity. We provided a gift basket with toys and treats for the children and \$250 in gift cards to Walmart and Grocery Outlet among other useful items.

Many thanks to everyone for your support!



THANK YOU MAINSTREET O'SIDE FOR PRINTING OUR NEWSLETTERS!

### Join OCNA and be part of our Seaside neighborhood OCNA101.org

#### DID YOU KNOW....

Where did the idea of New Year's resolutions come from?

Around 2000 B.C., the Babylonians celebrated the New Year during a 12-day festival called Akitu that started with the vernal equinox (equal daylight and darkness). This began the farming season to plant crops, crown their king, and make promises to return borrowed farm equipment and pay their debts.



The Babylonian New Year was adopted by the ancient Romans and the tradition of resolutions continued. The timing eventually shifted to the Julian calendar in 46 B.C., which declared January 1st as the start of the New Year. Romans then made promises to the god Janus for which January is named.

In the Medieval era, knights took the "peacock vow" during the Christmas season. They would place their hand on a royal peacock or pheasant and commit to loyalty and chivalry.

Today, this tradition has many other religious parallels. For example, many Christians prepare for the year ahead by praying and making these resolutions at a Watchnight Service. A similar practice, done during lent, is to sacrifice or give something up.

During Judaism's New Year, Rosh Hashanah thru Yom Kippur, one is to reflect upon one's wrongdoings over the year and both seek and offer forgiveness.

The concept, regardless of creed, is to reflect upon self improvement annually.

What is YOUR New Years Resolution? www.wikipedia.com/newyearsresolutions

#### SEASIDE PARKING PERMIT EFFORTS:

Only 79 signatures needed of 191 to petition the City for parking permits to help ease parking for neighbors! Permit area is Freeman to Nevada, Seagaze to Missouri streets, and would be \$15 a year per car and provide 20 free guest passes per year (5 consecutive day).

If you live on one of these streets above and would like to sign the petition, or would like to help collect signatures in this area, please contact Michelle Barnum at michelle.barnum1@gmail.com.



#### **BUSINESS MEMBER OF THE MONTH:**

The Original St. Christopher Surf Medallion.



Use code "oside" for 15% off store or online (valid until March 1, 2024) www.getbacknecklaces.com 616 S. Coast Hwy Oceanside, CA 92054 Tuesday - Sunday, 11a.m.- 5p.m.

#### HARBOR BEACH SAND DUNES APPROVED!

The City accepted a grant Dec. 20 of more than \$56,000 for the proposed pilot project of sand dunes at Harbor Beach. A consultant will install low fences and stakes to hold wind-blown sand, creating dunes and habitat for native plants at three different locations totaling about one acre. This is a nature-based solution that could help protect the coast from sea-level rise, flooding and erosion.



#### **MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS ARE DUE!**

OCNA has been your 22 yr neighborhood source for information and is *the only downtown neighborhood advocate*. We provide updates from the City and speak out on matters affecting our neighborhood quality of life! NOTE: Membership is \$40/yr (about \$3/mth) Join us today! (Business membership is \$50/yr (about \$4/mth)).

Payment is easy! Scan our easy QR Code → or visit www.OCNA101.org TODAY!

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