

## 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 www.OCNA101.org

#### **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!**

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Want to help and get involved with our neighborhood? Please email Jane Marshall ocna101@gmail.com

# BEACH SAND UPDATE & SEAGAZE "TOWER" LIVE IN PERSON MEETING SEP 16Th AT 6PM St Mary's School, 515 Wisconsin St

Much of the sand which used to give Oceanside wide beaches has been cut off by the Camp Pendleton boat basin and jetties,.

Russ Cunningham, Principle Planner, will speak at the OCNA's September 16th meeting. He will discuss the Feasibility Study for Beach Sand Replenishment & Retention.

Also Michelle Barnum, local resident, will update us on the proposed Seagaze and Nevada Street 8 story "Tower" project! Come and learn the details from Michelle who is leading the impacted neighbors to oppose this planned high density apartment and hotel.

## OCEANSIDE GENERAL PLAN VISION UPDATE:

Participate in designing the VISION for Oceanside by attending the upcoming Planning Commission on Sept 13<sup>th</sup> and the City Council on Oct 6<sup>th</sup>

\*DRAFT COMMUNITY VISION PLAN at WWW.ONWARD OCEANSIDE.COM\*

THIS VISION WILL IMPACT ALL ASPECTS OF OCEANSIDE"S FUTURE!!! It outlines organizing themes and guiding principles that will inform all aspects of the City's General Plan Update. The Vision will be discussed by the Planning Commission on Sep 13 and the City Council on Oct 6, 2021.

Please attend these public meetings to learn more about the Vision and bring your thoughts on the challenges and opportunities for Oceanside. Share your comments by emailing council@oceansideca.org



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



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## DID YOU KNOW . . .

Did you know that the drought we are currently experiencing, possibly the earliest stage of a mega-drought, is not the worst drought California or the West has experienced?

Our memories are short and fed by the continuous news cycle, we think this is the worst period of low moisture or rainfall ever. Actually, the worst drought in recent years as recorded, which only started in the year 2000, lasted 376 weeks beginning Dec 27, 2011 and ending Mach 5, 2019.

The most intense period of that drought was during July of 2014 when 58.41% of California was in stage 4 drought conditions. Today, only 33% of California is in category 4 drought.

Some scientists say the drought never really ended despite the wet winter of 2019.

What causes droughts? Currently we are experiencing La Nina conditions brought about by a mass of warm water off the coast known as "The Blob". This mass of water is 1000 miles across and 300 feet deep. It has been in the same location for 2 years...dry years for us.

In the coming year we have a 66% chance of La Nina conditions from November 2021 through January 2022.

Is this the longest historical drought on record? No, the 1930's Dust Bowl was the worst in US recorded weather history.

But tree rings tell a different story. According to tree rings there were 21 droughts over 5 years long from 1216-1958. The worst was one of 38 years.

So we have a way to go to qualify for a mega-drought no matter how dry we feel.

## **3RD ANNUAL SCARECROW CONTEST:**

Fall is upon us and OCNA will host it's third annual scarecrow contest for all neighbors from Michigan to Oceanside boulevard!

Those interested must register by emailing <a href="OCNA101@gmail.com">OCNA101@gmail.com</a> your name and address by Oct 22, 2021 and all scarecrows must be up for judging on Oct 29, 2021.

Last year we had many fun and interesting contributions and it's a great way to celebrate the season and be part of our neighborhood cheer!

Email <u>OCNA101@gmail.com</u> for more information and to register for this fun event and prizes!

## **BANDSHELL AND SEAU REC CENTER UPDATE:**

There has been a LOT of confusion on what is happening with this incredible cultural resource we all know and love.



As it turns out, the city hired consultants to prepare an analysis of the current structure as it has aged over time, conduct multiple community meetings to get input, answer questions, and create ideas for review at the community level. Various commissions will review with community input, then the council review, keeping in mind the historical/cultural value.

Some of the aging concerns include current code requirements, ADA accessibility into and within these structures, and creating flexible uses such as 2 basketball/volleyball courts vs. the current 1 court, and keeping the stage and other amenities. The bandshell needs restored and updated.

Google "Oceanside Beachfront Feasibility" and attend upcoming meetings!

## OCNA NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT: RENEW TODAY!

OCNA has been your neighborhood source for information and updates from the City and speaks out on matters affecting our neighborhood. Your support on only \$36/ year for residents, \$50/year for businesses will help us continue to make Seaside the best part of downtown Oceanside!

\*\* Pay via Paypal at our website <a href="https://www.OCNA101.org">www.OCNA101.org</a> \*\*

Resident Membership is \$36/year – only \$3/month! Business Membership is \$50/year – about \$4/month

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OCNA Board of Directors wish all of our members and supporters well during this time!