



# 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](http://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!

**President:** Jane Marshall  
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Want to help and get involved with our neighborhood? Please email  
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### GENERAL MTG – ST MARY'S SCHOOL – APR 21

**515 Wisconsin Ave – 6PM to 7PM**

*Join us for information that affects our neighborhood!*

### DOWNTOWN GROWTH & GENERAL PLAN UPDATE

Russ Cunningham, Principal Planner for the City will spend time with us explaining the growth downtown and how density is being tracked. Russ will also update us on the General Plan Update explaining what parts are already approved and what parts are going through additional community input and review, and answer your questions about impacts.

Join us for an important and informative meeting that affects everyone living in Oceanside!



### GREEN OCEANSIDE EARTH CELEBRATION:

**Saturday, April 23, 2022: 9AM – 1PM @Buccaneer Park**

Join Green Oceanside for an Earth Day of Service and Celebration at Buccaneer Park! Check out booths hosted by local environmental organizations in a family friendly atmosphere and register to pick up debris and litter at 1 of 5 locations along Loma Alta and Buena Vista Creek. Let's keep Oceanside beautiful. [www.GreenOceanside.org](http://www.GreenOceanside.org) for more information!



There are many ways to make every day Earth Day! Whether you unplug items when not in use, use water efficiently, compost at home, or perform other sustainable actions, you can turn these everyday habits into actions that last beyond Earth Day!

### BUSINESS MEMBER OF THE MONTH:

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## DID YOU KNOW....

Mother Nature has her own schedule for things in the outdoors?

For instance, many agaves, especially those which have red blooms, flower after Christmas when little else is blooming. This gives hummingbirds food when few other flowers are available. Their breeding season starts far earlier than the songbirds, beginning in January and finishing in June. They need the agave nectar and also take advantage of bugs tucked up under leaves and slowed by the chill of early morning.



And, have you ever wondered why so many kittens are born in spring? It's because Nature tells our instinctively (almost) wild cats that food will be abundant in spring because of increased breeding then by mice and other prey animals. Unfortunately, we disturb the balance of mice to cats by traps, but the cats are still programmed for the old operating system.

Many of us buy amaryllis lilies for Christmas, but once they have bloomed and been planted in the yard, they don't bloom the following Christmas, they wait until spring. Though forced to bloom once at Christmas, in the ground they revert to their original natural bloom time programming, responding to the light and warmth of spring as Nature intended. Amaryllis originated in South Africa where seasons are opposite to ours. Our spring is during South Africa's winter (Christmas.)

We can fool Mother Nature some of the time, but not all the time ☺!

## IRONMAN OCEANSIDE HISTORY:

The recent Ironman 70.3 Oceanside event has a long history. Up until 2001 the event was held entirely with the Camp Pendleton Marine Corps Base, but following the events of 9/11 for security reasons only part of the bike course goes through the base. The first races were known as Half-Ironman California, until the 70.3 'brand' was created in 2005, leading to the first IRONMAN 70.3 World Championship in 2006.



The course starts at the harbor beach with a 1.2 mile swim in the salt water into the harbor to the boat docks. The bike route starts from Oceanside Harbor thru Camp Pendleton & San Onofre Bluffs State Park with a steep descent then the flat but very windy road back to the Harbor. The two-loop, 13.1-mile run course begins at Transition above the Oceanside Pier, down onto the Harbor, on The Strand and through coastal neighborhoods before a spectacular finish.

Participants come from all over the world to Oceanside for this event. It's a premier showcase for our beautiful town and varied amenities!

## TAKE ACTION AND EMAIL CITY COUNCIL

Help stop the explosion of downtown **high-density, mid-rise skyscraper** developments. Email [Council@oceansideca.org](mailto:Council@oceansideca.org) to reduce the density limits downtown. IT'S UP TO US!

## GENERAL PLAN UPDATE IN PROGRESS!

The general plan is the roadmap for our city and affects all decision on how we will grow and operate as a city from developments to climate action plans.



Make sure you know what is going on and participate in our future by going to <https://onwardoceanside.com> for more information. This is our town – make sure your voice is heard!

## MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS ARE DUE!

OCNA has been your 18 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. Your support of 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 [www.OCNA101.org](http://www.OCNA101.org) \*\***

Resident Membership is \$36/year – only \$3/month!

Business Membership is \$50/year – about \$4/month

**\*For membership information call Lane Stewart (760) 214-3984 or send checks to OCNA c/o Lane Stewart 425 S.Tremont, Oside**

**OCNA is seeking Neighbor Volunteers – Please email [OCNA101@gmail.com](mailto:OCNA101@gmail.com) to help!**