



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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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 – OCT 28

515 Wisconsin Ave – 6:00PM to 7:00PM

Join us for information that affects our neighborhood!

- 1) OCEANSIDE POLICE CHIEF:** Please join us for a brief on crime statistics in our area, what is being done to enforce speeding and noise on Coast Hwy & parallel streets, and how OPD works with Gatekeepers security forces to improve safety and reduce crime downtown.
- 2) OCEANSIDE CODE ENFORCEMENT:** Learn what is its role, the variety of what enforcement does, what are our typical neighborhood issues, and what neighbors can do if they see a code enforcement issue. **Come and ask questions!**

DIA DE LOS MUERTOS – CIVIC PLAZA OCT 26TH:

This multi-cultural festival celebrates the traditional Dia de los Muertos (Day of the Dead), a fun family-friendly event with retail and food booths. Featuring traditional live entertainment, community and family altars built in memory of loved ones with marigolds from Mellano Flowers.



Now in its 24th year, the Día de los Muertos Festival proudly continues its celebration in Downtown Oceanside, honoring culture, community, and tradition. **Join us Sunday Oct 26 from 10AM-4PM all alone Pierview way and Coast Hwy.**

OCNA'S BUSINESS MEMBER OF THE MONTH:

Jordan's Upholstery

917 S Coast Hwy, Oceanside, CA 92054
(760) 722-6662



Our family upholstery business has served the community for 57 years. Let us help give your tired furniture a new and refreshed look!

And for prompt notary service, call Julia at 760-722-6222 or juliasnotary@yahoo.com

THANK YOU MAINSTREET O'SIDE FOR PRINTING OUR NEWSLETTERS!

OCNA is your Voice for Matters Affecting YOU in Downtown Oceanside

DID YOU KNOW...



scarecrows have a very long history? When the world was largely agriculture based, they were intended to protect either newly planted seeds or almost mature harvests from predatory birds and other animals, not for decorations.

The Egyptians had scarecrows 3000 years ago. Greeks had them in their vineyards around 2500 BCE. These were humanoid figures made to resemble Priapus, the hideously ugly son of Dionysus (god of wine) and Aphrodite (goddess of wisdom and beauty) to scare birds away and guarantee a bountiful harvest.

The Romans, copying this Greek idea, took scarecrows to areas of Europe which they conquered and colonized. Germans created witches made of wood as an improvement on the Roman idea. (Can you see we are getting closer to a familiar idea?)

In the Middle Ages children, employed as “crow-scarers,” ran around the fields clapping wooden blocks together. After the Black Plague decimated the population, children were needed for other things and farmers began stuffing old clothes put up on poles to resemble humans. Moved by the wind, they could fool birds long enough to let seed sprout or a harvest to be gathered.

CHECK OUT THE TRANSIT TUNNEL MURAL!

Mainstreet and NCTD have revitalized this dreary tunnel – take a walk over to see this amazing undersea world!



2025 O'ARTS FEST ~ OCT 18th CIVIC PLAZA:

The 2025 O'Arts Festival **celebrates** the Oceanside California Cultural District on Saturday October 18th to highlight what makes Oceanside unique. This is the 5th annual celebration of art & culture!

- 11AM - 5PM at Civic Plaza and Artist Alley
- 1PM - 4PM the Community Stage featuring O'Side presentations and performances from arts and culture
- 11AM-11PM Venues and businesses will have events and specials to celebrate everything that is Oceanside
- **O'Arts Grant Awardees will be announced!**



OCNA HELPS NEIGHBORHOOD FAMILIES:

For the last several years, OCNA members have given a holiday basket to help a needy family in coordination with St Mary's School. **Please bring your cash donation OCT 28th**

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS ARE DUE:

OCNA has been your 23 yr neighborhood source for information and is **the only downtown neighborhood advocate**.

We work with the City and speak out on matters affecting our neighborhood quality of life! ***Only paid members can vote on critical issues that OCNA may endorse!**

**NOTE: Membership is \$40/yr (about \$3/mth)
(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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