



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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**We need Volunteers! Please email
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SAND AND BANDSHELL UPDATE VIA ZOOM MAY 25th AT 6PM

Join us via Zoom for an informative discussion and update on the important beach area improvements! Darra Woods, Project Manager for the band shell/recreation center will update us on the status of refurbishing of these iconic assets. Keil Kroger, Dir. of Public Works will speak on the sand replenishment project and other sand issues.



Join Zoom Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82863012391>

MAYORS MONARCH BUTTERFLY PLEDGE:



Mayor Sanchez joined the nationwide Mayor's Monarch Pledge. Here's part of the pledge:
"The City of Oceanside pledges to address the crisis of the endangered Monarch butterfly by incorporating habitat into landscaping opportunities throughout the city. It is our greatest hope that our participation, together with all communities nationwide, will have a positive impact to the survival of the Monarch butterfly as well as other endangered species."
Many flowers — especially native plants — are terrific sources of nectar for monarch butterflies, but milkweed leaves are the only food monarch caterpillars eat. You can help the caterpillars! Courtesy of Preserve Calavera,



Our classes range from beginners to advanced, and we offer an adult boxing and kids boxing class Monday through Friday!
6 am to 8pm Monday through Friday
8 am to 1pm Saturday and Sunday

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Join OCNA and help make our neighborhood thrive for only \$36/year!

Support OCNA and be part of our dynamic neighborhood!

DID YOU KNOW . . .

That the property given to the City for El Corzone was a mine? Owned by Crystal Silica (later bought by huge US Silica,) very fine sand was mined there from 1927 to 1992 when the sand refining plant was closed. This sand was the remains of an ancient shoreline created when the ocean rose and fell over the past hundred thousand years!

Sand is made up of varying quantities of quartz and other minerals. Quartz is the hard shiny flecks often found trapped in rocks such as granite. As these rocks weather away, the harder quartz remains and is released to collect as part of sand deposits. More quartz means whiter, more desired sand.

The Crystal Silica mine was a surface mine and the digging pits are still visible. Excavated sand was screened to separate various sizes of sand grains, then washed for dirt removal. This quartz sand was high quality and sought after for industrial use, but not high enough in silica for glass making. It did, make good smooth plaster and stucco for walls! After WWII, development raised output from 4,500 tons to 4,000,000 tons.

In 1928 when mining began, there was only a railroad nearby. As housing development closed in around the property, the industrial aspects of the mine led neighbors to seek the mine closure. After trivial complaints, the Mine Safety Administration closed the mine in 1992 with the loss of local jobs. The property then sat idle for years and was **never** a toxic waste dump.

Today, Moody's Recycling is filling the pits with clean fill, and Agriservice, recycles and sells green waste composte that is FREE for Oceanside Residents! Stop by sometime and check it out ☺

O'SIDE GLASS MURAL PROJECT!

Glass mosaic muralist Don Myers has partnered with MainStreet Oceanside Design Committee to install a glass mosaic mural. The 12-by-16-foot mural will be created with glass provided by Oceanside Glass & Tile. They hope to have it installed within the next few months. The mural will be placed on the Conehead Investments building at 615 Mission Ave.

Community members and businesses can be part of the mural by sponsoring a marine animal or plant. They can also participate in a mural-creation workshop to assemble the glass.

www.mainstreetoceanside.com for more info!



THE GRUNION ARE RUNNING – CHECK IT OUT!

It's that time of year again! The grunion are running and let's hope some of us will be able to see them when they come ashore to lay their eggs. It's a Southern CA event...they are **only** found **here on our beaches!**

What's a grunion? A small sardine size fish that comes ashore after dark so females can dig their tails into the sand to lay eggs and males can wrap around them to fertilize the eggs. Not as exciting as the sea turtles laying eggs which we've all seen on nature programs, but a phenomenon none-the-less. They're the only fish that lay eggs on land.

When will they come? For four consecutive nights, beginning on the nights of the full and new moons, spawning occurs after high tides and continues for several hours. As waves break on the beach, the grunion swim as far up the slope as possible. to lay and fertilize eggs, then swim away with the receding tide.

Predictions of times and places of grunion runs can be found by Googling "Grunion run".

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 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 92054**

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