

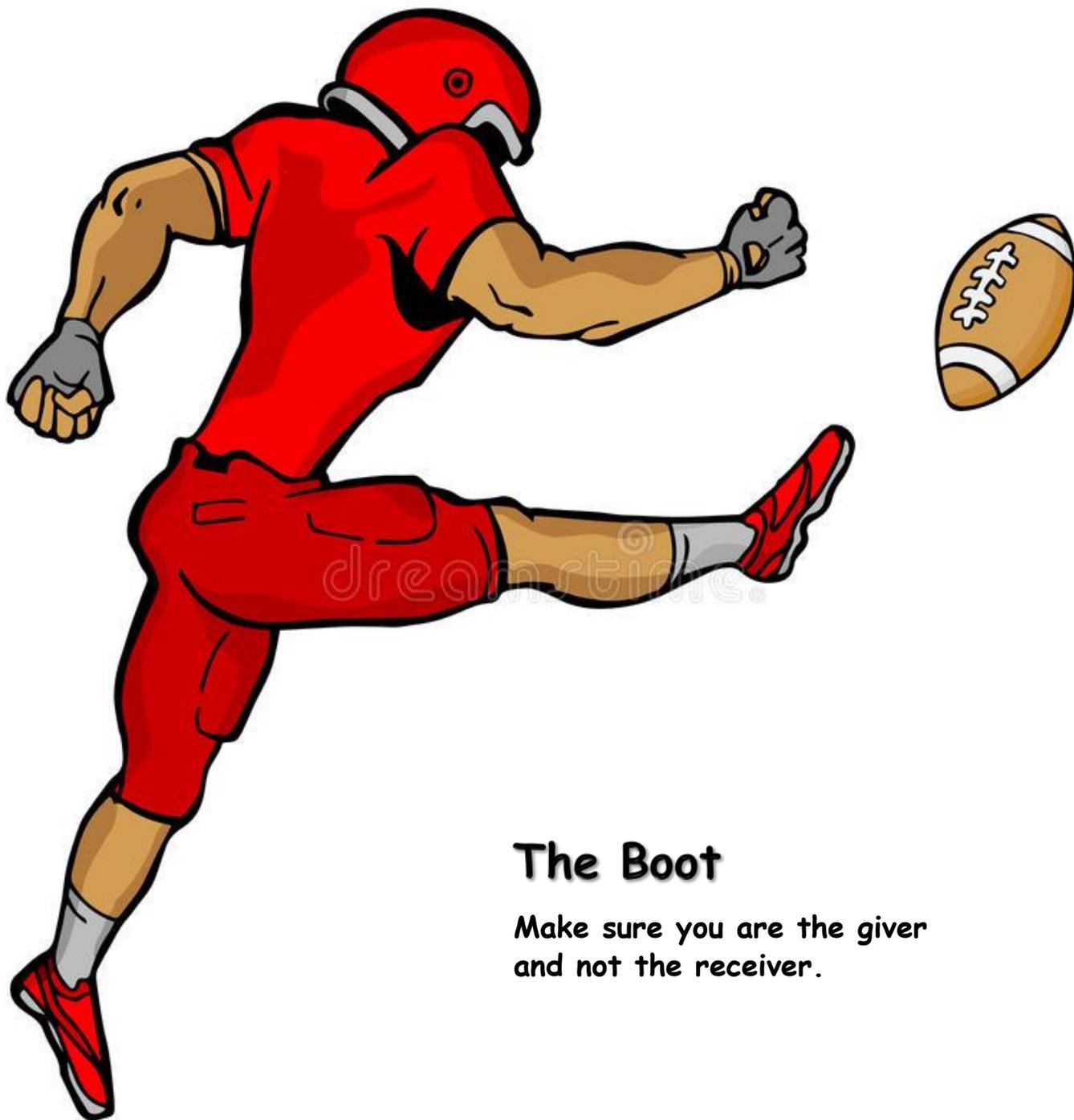
HILLTOP HIGHLIGHTS

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- ☞ **2023 Election & Nominating Committee**
- ☞ **Fall 2022 Art Show & Sale**
- ☞ **Police Non-Emergency Reporting Guide**
- ☞ **Accounting Changes**

It's That Time of the Year:



The Boot

**Make sure you are the giver
and not the receiver.**

A note to website viewers:

This page does not appear in the printed version. Please scroll down to see the rest of this month's Hilltop Highlights. And, since the printed version is done only in black & white, you can see, here, the full color of the original design.

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Don't stress about your eyesight failing as you get older. It's nature's way of protecting you from shock as you walk past the mirror.



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Office Information

- The deadline to submit information for The Hilltop Highlights is the 1st Friday of every month. Email to:
oceanahub@gmail.com.
- Have a payment to make or a work order to submit after office hours? Please use the drop box located on the front/west side of the OCA Business Office. It is checked Monday through Friday.
- How do I submit a work request? Both maintenance work requests and landscape work requests are available on our website: www.oceanaseniors.org. After completion, submit your form via office@ocaoffice.org, by fax to 760-757-8177 or by visiting the Business Office. All work requests are prioritized with other scheduled work. We do respond to an emergency situation (e.g. sewer back-ups and exterior water leaks) within 24 hours. After normal business hours and on weekends emergencies should be reported to our live answering service at 760-757-3937.
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Report City Code Infractions

When you encounter a parking problem that is a violation of city code (e.g., blocking access to your garage, parking on red lines, or blocking traffic),

Call: 760-435-4500

ci.oceanside.ca.us/gov/dev/code/oversee.asp

The monthly General Session Board of Directors' meeting will take place at 9:30 am on September 21. It will be both in-person in the Auditorium and virtual—the link will be communicated to residents via email and on the posted Agendas.



An Opinion From a Member of our Board Of Directors

Now Is The Time to Come Together

We are at a crucial point in our history. It's time for each of us to decide what's more important - our individual feelings of anger, or our entire community's future?

We currently have two groups of angry members. Both are mad about what they view as "over assessment". One group's anger arises from their May 1, 2022 assessment increase. The other group now angrily says "we were over assessed for all those years, and we want our money back!". Both groups threaten legal action.

It's time for both sides to refocus their eyes on the real prize that will improve living conditions for all of us. That prize is getting OCA's financial house in order. The largest single current and future threat to OCA's financial security is the OLC Land Leases.

The OLC Land Leases are a triple threat:

- 1) They are OCA's largest monthly cash draining expenditure;
- 2) The financial burden of OLC's Land Lease is the largest single cause of OCA's growing list of deferred common area maintenance, repairs, and replacement;
- 3) Last but not least, the OLC 99-year Land Leases raise a big question that will soon become a significant home value, mortgage availability, salability problem for all of us: What happens to the common areas at the end of the OLC Land Lease term?

Our community standard of living and home values are shared. Both are dependent upon OCA's successes and failures. We all benefit when OCA thrives. We all lose if OCA financially struggles or fails. It's time to come together and recognize that resolution of the OLC Land Leases offers all of us the chance to thrive. Simple mathematics dictate that we should come together and trade our anger for OLC Land Lease resolution. A shared focus on OLC Land Lease resolution best serves all of us.

Let's stop wasting our limited time, energy and financial resources on anger. Let's combine our resources and direct them toward resolving the OLC Land Leases before it's too late. The next OLC rent escalation is near and our fixed incomes will continue to lose ground against OLC's increasing rent demand. While OCA continues to financially struggle with deferred maintenance, repair and replacement; slope, road and other catastrophic failures become more and more likely. We are nearing the time when the big question about the common areas will drive lenders, buyers, and others away. The time to act is now, before any of those serious financial threats happen.

We have an opportunity now to come together and remake our community from what it is, to what it can be for the benefit of all of us. Our community's future will be what we make of it. 'United we stand, divided we fall' applies here. It's come to that time when we must unite and stand together against our real enemy OLC.

Steve Gillis

2023 Election and Nominating Committee

It's time to starting planning for 2023

At the March 18, 2023 Annual Meeting, Members will vote to fill three Board of Director vacancies. Kelly Byrne, Peggie Moore and Anita Romaine are completing the second year of their first terms.

Nominating Committee Responsibility:

In the 1997 OCA Bylaws, "the Nominating Committee [is] to name people of ability, experience, availably, and character for nomination to the Board of Directors." This directive in coordination with the Davis-Stirling Act election laws which went into effect as of January 1, 2020 are used to define qualifications. The 2020 HOA laws more specifically limit the HOA's ability to disqualify a nominee. Other responsibilities include assisting nominees through the nominating process, coordinating print materials, introducing the candidates to the community through candidate forums and working with the Inspector of Elections. The Nominating Committee is automatically dissolved at the March Annual Meeting. Note: Members retain the right to self-nominate during the nominating period.

Forming the Nominating Committee:

An Election Town Hall will be conducted in September (date TBD) to review the election procedures. Throughout September and October, interested Members can express their interest to serve on the Nominating Committee. At the general board session on October 26, five members of a Nominating Committee will be approved by the board. Once the Nominating Committee members are approved, the board ceases its involvement in the 2023 election process, and the committee works directly with Amber Effinger, Assistant General Manager of OCA. The committee selects its own chairperson and secretary.

Election Procedures:

After the 2022 election, a thorough analysis of the election process was conducted. Candidates, OCA staff and Nominating Committee members were surveyed. Interviews were conducted. The 2022 Nominating Committee assisted in generating suggested Election Procedures. Timelines have been established in accordance with an election timeline calculator. Documents were updated. The board reviewed the procedures. The Nominating Committee and the Assistant General Manager will adjust the procedures as needed and implement them.

Members may submit completed, nominating packages in person or electronically up until the 11:59 p.m. deadline on Thursday, December 22, 2022.

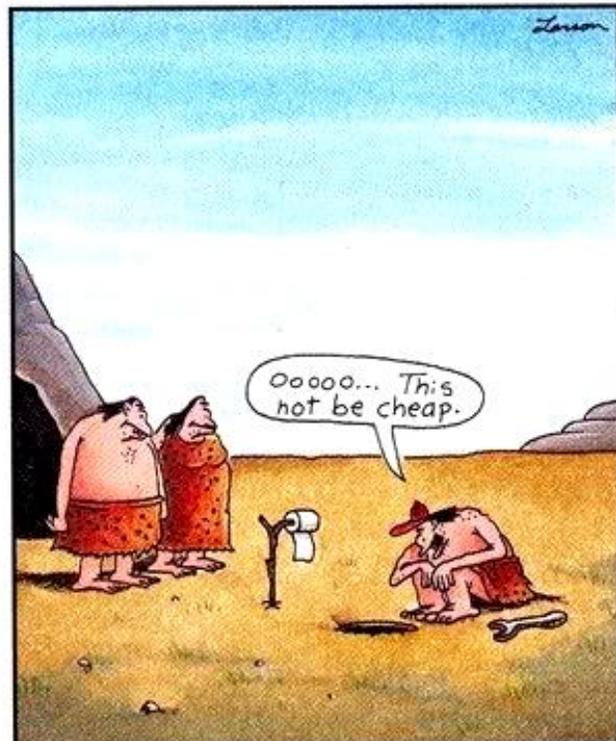
Important 2023 Election Dates:

When	What
September Sept-Oct	Election Town Hall Meeting Board seeks Nominating Committee members
10/26/22	Nominating Committee members approved
Nov - Dec	Nominating Committee seeks qualified BoD candidates
12/22/22	Nominations closed at 11:59 p.m.
Dec - Mar	Candidates presented to the membership
3/18/23	Annual Meeting—Close of Election

Note: Serving on the Nominating Committee is a great way to make a difference in Oceana with a limited, five-month commitment. If you would like to explore membership on the Nominating Committee, please attend the Election Town Hall in September and/or email the Assistant General Manager, Amber Effinger, at:

aeffinger@ocaoffice.org

Karen Bishop, Board VP



Early plumbers

"The HUB" . . .

What is "The Hub"?

"The Hub" is a name that describes a group that is tackling how we get and distribute information at Oceana.

Why:

With so many things going on at Oceana, it is really hard to keep up with them and it can be impossible if you do not know "where to look" or "who to ask".

"The Hub" is being designed to help with this process. It will be the first place you go with information that you want others to know and will be the vehicle by which that information gets distributed to the community.

The Board of Directors approved the overall concept of forming The Hub (it did not have this name at that time). It was a concept to improve communication channels in the community. Board members Sandy Riser and Karen Bishop took on the task of getting it started, refining it, and taking it back to the Board where The Hub (Communications Committee) was officially approved In July.

Key Components to Optimize Communication

- **The Hub Core Community** (this is the Committee - and personnel - to help put together, edit and distribute information through the necessary channels.)
- **Extended Committee Communications Channels** (groups that have the means to communicate information to our community.) This would include but not limited to:

Office, Hilltop Highlights, eBlasts, Directory, Website, OCATV/Zoom/YouTube, printed flyers, "doggie station" info areas.

- **Extended Committee & Community Contacts** (these groups have information to share and will eventually need information about what is going on in other areas here in Oceana.)

The Hub" Committee:

Chair	Lynn Leszczynski
Secretary	Virginia Mann
Print Coordinator	Pam Spangler
Website Coordinator	Evelyn Thomas
Digital Coordinator	Ellen Marciel
Member	Sara Rodriguez
	Dawn Wilkes
Board Liaisons:	Karen Bishop
	Sandy Riser

Trial Run:

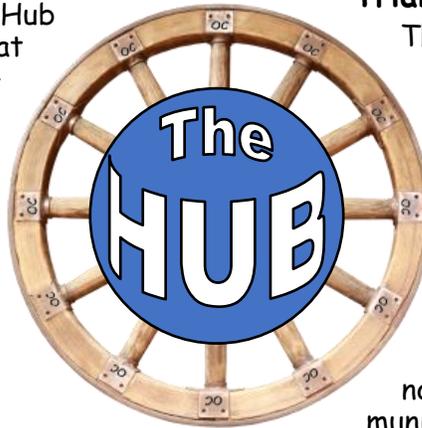
The group is starting slow (process testing) for the next 2 months with just a few applications to develop the best way to handle the information. Using feedback on the trial areas, they will optimize what will work the best for the rest of the committees and groups before taking it to the next phase.

"Stay Tuned" for future announcements of this process. Communication here in Oceana is about to get better!

Here are some comments heard after the presentation:

- I am personally very optimistic with what this group is doing. I anticipate some great improvements in how we communicate with each other.
- Oh, I really like the sound of: "**The Power of The Hub!**"
- May "**The Hub**" be with you!

Charlie Wendt



The Committee at work



July Activities Events

Yes! It's summer! Our Activities Committee was very busy this past July. Here's a summary of some of the events we had for the community. You might find one or more events that you attended. Or you might find an event or two that you are sorry you missed. Don't miss out on the fun times here at Oceana. Watch for all of our announcements!

Annual 4th of July Barbeque Bash

We had all the ingredients for a perfect summer event:

Weather: Imagine a perfect sunny San Diego/Oceanside day with around 150 people spread in small groups around shaded tables and chairs next to the pools. Sounds perfect!



Food & Refreshments: Oh Yes! Great Tri-Tip and Chicken sandwiches with all the fixin's were provided by Hunter's Steakhouse. People said it was the best BBQ they have had in a long while.

Music: You bet! We had the best musical entertainment with Jimmy and Enrique. Jimmy's guitar and Enrique's cajon and singing were a perfect fit for the afternoon!



Dancing: We also had dancing. Did anyone else recognize Oceanside Mayor Sanchez dancing at our event? Check the photos. And check to see if you recognize anyone else at our event. It was a very fun afternoon!

Thursday Morning (9 am) Coffee Hour

Coffee Hour never skipped a beat in providing a broad choice of entertainment.

1st Week: BINGO. The first Thursday of the month is reserved for Bingo. We call several different games in addition to "regular" Bingo. Some fun ones include: Hamlet, Act 3, Scene 1 - "To B or not to B"; In-N-Out Burger Bingo; Make a Square; and a new one called "What the H is that?". Ellen Marciel closed out the morning calling "Black Out" Bingo (filling in all the squares) where we award a bigger prize to the winner(s). Come give us a try!



Week 2 had Celeste Barbier back to sing for us. She has a strong beautiful contralto voice. This time she "became" Patsy Cline and sang a tribute to her. Great voice, great entertainer!

Week 3—Trivia. Don Jones makes this game so much fun. People in different tables com-

peted with other tables. We found it a lot of fun even if we didn't know the answers. (Maybe we should also award prizes for the most creative answers that are not correct.)

Plus, Share & Wear had a "Christmas In July" sale set up in the lobby. Many Christmas items were available for sale for those wanting to do some early Christmas shopping.

Week 4—Double Take. This fantastic duo always puts on a great, fun and professional show. You might recognize Janet in the duo. She and her singing partner of 32 years Nathan have been to Oceana other times. She has been part of the "Sweethearts of Swing" trio who sings Andrews Sisters' music when we've had them during some of our holiday events.



Thursday Evening Food and Fun Night!

The evening of July 14th was Margarita and Sliders Night with musical entertainment. We had close to 80 people sign up for the event. The "Oceana special margarita recipe" was again used for the refreshments and the sliders from our caterer were beef. So good! And the home made chips were wonderful too. Local resident Ron Cook provided the background music. But it became much more when folks started dancing toward the end of the evening.



Sat. Evening Summer "Lawn" Concert

Our first lawn concert on Saturday, July 23rd was planned to be a Blue Grass and Country concert with John Lowery. But John contracted COVID and could not come! Fortunately, Ron Cook said he could fill in. He did a wonderful job. He sang and played the guitar with many of the songs we all grew up with. We want to thank Ron for helping us in this big way! And for Tracy and Chuck to line this up at the last minute!

The pork and chicken sliders were fantastic (with their homemade chips) and coleslaw. The 85 people who signed up for this event brought their own liquid refreshments and seemed to have a great evening. We will look to have some Blue Grass Music in the future.



Charlie Wendt

Activities

Monday, September 5, 1 pm-3 pm

Labor Day Celebration

Burgers, Dogs, Beer, Wine, Soda
Featuring the Cool Rush Band
Cost: \$15 - Sign up Aug. 15-31



When: Sept. 5, 2022
1 - 3 pm
Where: Clubhouse
Enjoy: Burgers, Dogs, Beer, Wine, Soda
Signup: Aug. 15 thru 31
Fee: \$15

Wednesday, September 7 & 21, 4 pm-6 pm

Party on the Plaza

Bring a dish or snack to share
& your own drinks



Corn Hole & Croquet Games



When: Sept. 7, 2022 & Sept. 21, 2022
4 - 6 pm
Where: Poolside
Enjoy: Company & Fun
Signup: N/A
Fee: Free

Saturday, September 17, 5 pm-7 pm

Mission Vista High School Steel Drum Band

Bring your own picnic
Cost: \$10 - Sign up Sept. 5-15



When: Sept. 17, 2022
5 - 7 pm
Where: Clubhouse
Enjoy: Your own picnic
Signup: Sept. 5 thru 15
Fee: \$10

Thursday, September 22, 7 pm-8 pm

Charlie Wendt will lead us in:



Equinox Drumming

Cucumber Punch & Desert

When: Sept. 22, 2022
7 - 8 pm
Where: Clubhouse
Enjoy: Company & Fun
Signup: N/A
Fee: Free

Please Note: Whenever we have an event there is usually a requirement to sign up at the office by a cutoff date. Lately we have not been vigorously enforcing the requirement. This results in problems for both the food vendors and maintenance setup staff. Starting this month, we will be enforcing the cutoff date.

COFFEE HOUR

Now with Espresso. Get caffeinated. Get energized. Get dancing!



- Sept. 1 : Bingo
- Sept. 8 : Jimmy & Enrique—Popular Music from Different Eras
- Sept. 15 : Jerry McCann—Classics, R&B, Surf
- Sept. 22 : Adrienne Nims—Flute & Sax, Jazz Pop Latin & Celtic
- Sept. 29 : Don Jones—Sing-a-Long

Questions? Call the office at 760-757-3937

Updates From The Isle



**NEW
RAILING**

This month we have focused on beautifying the course. Hole number 17 has received a full new garden to brighten up the area behind the green. Full of colors ranging from yellow, red, pink, and more! Along with this improvement we have also replaced the safety posts going up the path to the 18th hole giving it a much more polished look. The rest of the golf course is looking as beautiful as ever. Come enjoy a round with us!



TIPS FOR DOG CADDIES:

- ALWAYS HAVE EXTRA WATER
- TRY WALKING THE COURSE WITH YOUR FURRY FRIEND FIRST TO ALLOW THEM TO GET USED TO THE LAYOUT
- IF YOUR DOG WANTS TO RUN FAST, RENT A CART WITH YOUR ROUND. LET THEM RUN ALONG SIDE YOU AS YOU CRUISE TO THE GREEN OR TEE BOXES
- BRING TREATS OR A TOY TO KEEP THEM HAPPY. SOMETIMES GOLF REQUIRES WAITING, MAKE SURE TO PACK THEM SOMETHING TO DO WHILE THEY WAIT WITH YOU
- *ALL DOGS PLAYING THE GOLF COURSE ARE REQUIRED TO BE ON LEASH*



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**KID'S SUMMER
CAMP RECAP**



LEARNING THE RULES OF GOLF, ALONG WITH EPIC
WATER BALLOON BATTLES TO WATER
THE DRIVING RANGE, AND COMPETITIONS FOR CANDY
WE CAN'T WAIT TIL NEXT YEAR!

Things To Do at OCA

Art Studio - Wed., 1-3pm. Info: call Mary Hall, 714-595-4138.

Ballroom Dancing - Mon. 6:30-7:30pm. With Patricia Hulse. Sign-up in the Lobby. Info: 760-994-2299

Billiards -Thurs. 10:30am. Friendly group for socializing and skills improvement.

Ceramics Studio - open Mons. 9:30-12:30 and 1-3:00pm every Tues., Thurs. and Fri. Info: Dee Dee Young, deedeeyng@ya-hoo.com.

Chair Volleyball - Mon. and Thurs. at 1pm. Clubhouse. Info: Dave Freeman at 818-262-0788

Computer Room - Open Tues.-Fri., 10-12 and 1-3.

Discussion Group - Thurs. at 10:30am (following Coffee Hour) in the Library. Info: Carol Rishe at 951-894-7109.

Dominos Group - Tues., 12:30pm in the Card Room. Info: Dona White at 760-533-2484.

French Club - Wed., 11am-Noon in the Library. Call Danae at 760-529-9226.

Friends of Bill W. -Wed. at 5:00 pm. Card room. Info: Lin Riley 760-730-3371.

Garden Club - Meetings on occasion. Reserve space in our garden. Info: Kevin Immel 760-305-2160

Hand & Foot - Fridays at 12:30 pm. Info: Joan Jeffery at 760-637-2384

Keep Fit Exercise Class - MWF 8:30-9am. Auditorium. Info: Tom Trompeter, 760-681-7100.

Knitting -Thurs. at 10:30am in the Card Room. Info: Karen Jacobson 760-757-2477 or Dee Wylie 760-231-9577.

Lapidary Shop -Mon. thru Thurs. 1-3 pm. Info: John Pitarresi at 760-917-6631.

Meditation Group -Friday evenings outdoors. Info: Jean Rothman at 760-303-1972.

OCA Book Club -10 am 2nd Tues. of each month in the Library.

Pickleball - Play levels: Open, Advanced Open and Invitation Only. Clubhouse and Outdoors. See the Calendar for specifics. Info: Steve Reigle.

Pinochle - Mon. at 1 pm. Card Room. Double or triple deck; 3,4,5 and 6-seat tables. We play for fun. Info: Joyce Poxon 760-859-6728.

Poker - Tuesdays 6-8pm. Info Glenn Groth at 760-754-9646.

Sing-Along - Thurs. 6pm in the Auditorium. Bring snacks & drinks. Info: Glen Hemingway 760-518-5716.

Trivia -Mon. 7-9pm. Card room. Info: Colleen Eidson 760-529-9999

Water Aerobics
Mornings: 8:00am Mon/Wed/Fri.

Woodshop -Tuesday-Friday 1-3pm. Info: Jim Romans 949-742-2311.

Yoga
- Chair: Mon. at 10am. Auditorium.
- Floor: Tues. 7-8 pm.
Info: Peggie Moore, 949-887-4641



Hilltop Highlights
Events Scheduled Every Week - By Weekday

September 2022

Every Sunday	Every Monday	Every Tuesday	Every Wednesday
Indoor Pickleball Private: 12-2pm Open: 2-4pm Outdoor Pickleball Advanced: 9-11am 	Ball Room Dancing: 6:30-7:30pm Ceramics 12:30-3:30pm Chair Volleyball: 1-2pm Chair Yoga: 10am Keep Fit Class: 8:30am Gentle Hatha Yoga 7pm Indoor Pickleball Open: 2-4pm Scheduled: 2-4pm Jewelry & Lapidary: 1-3pm Outdoor Pickleball Advanced: 9-11am Pinochle: 1-4pm Seniors on the Go: 9-11am Trivia: 7-9pm Woodshop: 1-3pm	Ceramics: 12:30-3:30pm Computer Rm: 10-12am & 1-3pm Dominos: 12:30-4pm Floor Yoga: 7-8pm Indoor Pickleball -Advanced 9-11am -Open: 2-4pm -Scheduled: 2-4pm Jewelry & Lapidary: 1-3pm Outdoor Pickleball -Open: 9-11am Poker: 6-8pm Share & Wear: 10-2pm Woodshop: 1-3pm	Art Room: 1-3pm Ceramics 12:30-3:30pm French Club: 11am-Noon Friends of Bill W.: 5:00pm Keep Fit: 8:30am Jewelry & Lapidary: 1-3pm Outdoor Pickleball -Advanced: 9-11am Putting Practice: 10am (Golf Course) Share & Wear: 10-2pm Woodshop: 1-3pm

Other Scheduled Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
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4	1-3pm Labor Day Celebration— Clubhouse 	5	9:30am Activities Cte. Card Room	6	10am Website Cte. - Computer Room 2pm The Hub Cte. Card Room 5pm Safety Cte. Library 4-6pm Party on the Plaza—Poolside	7
11		12	9:30am Architecture Cte. - Card Room	13	9am Unit Advisors Cte. - Auditorium	14
18	9:30am Finance Cte. - Card Room	19		20	9:30am Open Board Mtg. - Auditorium 4-6pm Party on the Plaza—Poolside	21
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Every Thursday	Every Friday	Every Saturday
Billiards: 10:30am Ceramics: 12:30-3:30pm Chair Volleyball: 1-2pm Coffee Hour: 9am (See below) Computer Rm: 10-12am & 1-3pm Discussion Group: 10:30am Knitting: 10:30am Jewelry & Lapidary: 1-3pm Outdoor Pickleball -Open: 9-11am Share & Wear: 10-2pm Sing-Along: 6pm Woodshop: 1-3pm	Ceramics: 12:30-3:30pm Computer Rm: 10-12am & 1-3pm Hand & Foot: 12:30pm Indoor Pickleball -Advanced 12-2pm -Open: 2-4:30pm -Scheduled: 2-4pm Outdoor Pickleball -Advanced: 9-11am Share & Wear: 10-2pm Tai Chi: 10-11:30am Woodshop: 1-3pm	Indoor Pickleball -Advanced 12-2pm Outdoor Pickleball -Open: 9-11am 

Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9am Coffee Hour - Bingo Clubhouse	2	3 10am-2pm Share & Wear's SSS 
8 9am Coffee Hour - Jimmy & Enrique Clubhouse	9 10am Landscape Cte. Billiards Room	10
15 9am Coffee Hour - Jerry McCann Clubhouse	16	17 5-7pm Summer Lawn Concert—Clubhouse 
22 9am Coffee Hour - Adrienne Nims Clubhouse 7-8pm Equinox Drumming—Clubhouse <i>Fall begins</i> 	23 9am BOD Exec. Session	24
29 9am Coffee Hour - Don Jones Clubhouse	30	 Same time next year?

OCA Committee Membership

Activities Committee

Meets: 1st Tues. ea. Month,
10 am, Card Room
Chair
Ellen Marciel
Charlie Wendt Secretary
Linda Garcia Share & Wear Mgr.
Pat Hawkins
Mary Hurban
Don Jones
Chuck Kruse
Karin Messaros
Sue Moore
Kathleen Pursell
Carol Rishe
Isabelle Strubhar
Ginger Thayer
Karen Bishop Board Exec. Cte.
Sandy Riser Board Exec. Cte.

Architectural Committee

Meets: 2nd Tues. ea. Month,
9:30am, Card Room
(Agenda deadline: 1st day of month)
Chair U 12
Jay Norris U 10,11
Lisa Bagot U 3,7, A
Fritz Beechler U 1,1A,4
Mike Castoro U 12
Bruce Cowgill U 5
Jay Crawford U 8
Chuck Daily U 9
Les Jones U 2,6
Paula McDonald Board Exec. Cte.
Kelly Byrne Board Exec. Cte.
Peter Cornog

Landscape Committee

Meets: 2nd Fri. ea. Month,
10am, Billiards Room
Interim Chair
Mike McLaughlin
Debra Demary
Sue Mansis
Bill Matthews
Steve Omlor
Peter Cornog Board Exec. Cte.
Peggie Moore Board Exec. Cte.
Anita Romaine Board Exec. Cte.

Strategic Planning Committee

Meets: TBD
Chair
Wade Messer
Patricia McArdle
Sue Moore
Mary Murphy
Mike McLaughlin
Steve Omlor
Tain Soreboe
Peter Cornog Board Exec. Cte.
Steve Gillis Board Exec. Cte.
Peggy Moore Board Exec. Cte.

OCA-TV Committee

Geoff Allison
Lee Mansis
Steve Milligan
Theresa Loverro
Anita Romaine Board Exec. Cte.

Safety Committee

Meets: 1st Wed. ea. Month,
5pm, Library
Chair
Dr. Andrea Anderson
Patricia McArdle 703-254-8916
John Moore 510-701-4044
Alice Nolan 214-0221
Toby Roberts
Dorothy Thayer
Sandy Riser Board Exec. Cte.

Unit Advisors Committee

Meets: 2nd Wed. ea. Odd-numbered Month,
9 am, Clubhouse Auditorium
Chair
Jeff Kern
Diane Pettibone Secretary
Unit
1 - Ron Landsel 760-231-7586
1A - Linda Langworthy 562-301-1346
2 - (Open)
3 - (Open)
4 - Sally Lopez 760-421-4187
5 - Evelyn Thomas 760-681-4716
6 - Steve Lawler 760-419-7011
7 (1-34) - Renee Maricque, 920-562-3436
7 (35-62) & 7A - (Open)
8 - Kathleen & Dan Pursell 760-439-9282
9 - Jeff Kern 908-420-1853
10 - Judy Hartmann 909-518-8767
11 (1-45) - MaryAnn Alger 503-348-9959
11 (46-77) - Diane Pettibone 760-803-1637
12 (1-53) - Jaci Ackles 760-845-4612
12 (54-98)- Elaine McClendon 626-940-4487
14 - Toby Roberts 760-721-6077
& Kristine Hale 858-775-4253
Steve Gillis Board Exec. Cte.
Sandy Riser Board Exec. Cte.

Website Committee

Meets: 1st Wed. every Month,
10am, Computer Room
Chair
Evelyn Thomas
Patricia McArdle
Robin Ynacay Nye
Karen Bishop Board Exec. Cte.
Anita Romaine Board Exec. Cte.

"The Hub" Committee

Meets: 1st Wed. ea. Month
2pm, Card Room
Chair
Lynn Leszczynski
Virginia Mann Secretary
Pam Spangler Print Coordinator
Evelyn Thomas Website Coordinator
Ellen Marciel Digital Coordinator
Sara Rodriguez
Dawn Wilkes
Karen Bishop Board Exec. Cte.
Sandy Riser Board Exec. Cte.

Attention all Committee Chairs:

Please inform the OCA office of any changes to your committee, either times, days, or new contacts. We need to keep all published committee info current so the Oceana residents can attend your meetings and not be misinformed. Let's keep everyone up to date and active. Thank you.

NOTE: Unless otherwise indicated, the deadline for Cte. Agendas is 10 days prior to the meeting.

Notices & Reminders



Aladdin's Lamp

This Project:
**A New Skutt Kiln for
 the Ceramics Studio**



The fundraising project for
 the new Kiln is at \$3688.23.

We are past the halfway mark and with your help we will reach our goal very soon. You can help us close the deal with \$2311.77 in donations this month. Our goal of \$6000 will cover the kiln, our venting device, the environment, taxes, delivery, and installation.

We thank you for every donation, large and small. Checks, cash and recyclables have made this possible. Your outpouring of generosity is felt by all. With your help, clay will continue to be morphed into objects of art and utilitarian wares by those who are already members of Ceramics and those who want to venture into the clay and creating world.

We have found the Kiln for Ceramics: a brand new Skutt 1027 KMT, in stock at a local retailer. They not only sell Kilns but do the delivery and installation, observing environmental needs. We are very lucky to locate this kiln as the wait from the manufacturer is two months. We are looking into financing some of the funding but will still need to pay for all costs.

Recyclables of clean plastic bottles and aluminum cans has been incredible. We have been able to maintain the \$100 a month donation with your help.

Learn more about this project by going to:

www.youtube.com/watch?v=UiX5svad74

If you have any questions, comments or requests please contact us:

Phone or message 858-525-3035

Email: deedeeyng@yahoo.com

We welcome new members to join us!

Thanks to all of you for your generosity, support and kindness. You make the difference. We are over halfway there!

Dee Dee Young

Fall 2022 OCA Art Show and Sale

Hello to All!

The dates have been set.

Artists of Oceana, it's time to tap into your wonderful creative energy and prepare for **Sunday, October 16, 2022 from 12pm to 4pm** in the Oceana Clubhouse. Saturday from 12-3 will be set-up time in the Oceana Clubhouse for the artists.

We have an abundance of talented people living in Oceana and it's time to spread your wings and share your talents with the community. Ceramics, painters, jewelers, lapidary, woodworkers, quilters, photographers, glassworkers, published authors, crafters and so on. If you have any questions, please contact us at the number below.



Oceana residents: please put this date and time on your calendars and notify your friends and family of the date. This will be a wonderful and exciting time

for Holiday shopping, a great day for strolling the aisles of art and objects created by your neighbors, and time to talk with the artists about their work and inspirations. You may be inspired to start your own art projects at home or join in the fun in the Ceramics and Art Studios, Lapidary and jewelry, and the Woodworking shop.

Come support our Oceana community. Enjoy free refreshments of wine and cheese trays for your pleasure. We are hoping to have piano music again this year for your entertainment. If you are a pianist and would like to volunteer, please contact us at the number below.

This will be our third Art Show and Sale directed by the Ceramics group. Sign-up sheets will be in the OCA office and the clubhouse by September 19th. Please sign up early as we have been filling up fast and have been running out of table and easel space in the Clubhouse. We will start a wait-list as we begin to fill up. See sign-up sheets for more information.

If you have any questions, please contact:

**Dee Dee Young
 858-525-3035**

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Meet Amber

Our New Assistant General Manager

Amber Effinger has worked in the property management industry for over 9 years. Her experience includes 55+ active adult communities, master associations, condominiums and sub-associations. She is responsible for educating employees on how to use various systems and applications, including accounting software and mass communication procedures. She takes ownership of her communities and has a drive to succeed in all things.



Amber has a magnetic presence in the workplace and uses her positive attitude and energy to encourage others and to bring out the best in them. Amber is inspired daily by her two sons, Ian and Blake. She has been married to her husband Chris for 19 years. In her free time, Amber likes to soak in the sun at the beach, go hiking, attend baseball games (GO Dodgers!) and spend her time volunteering.

Let's all welcome Amber Effinger to our community.

The City of Oceanside:

Roadway Rehabilitation

Oceanside will be doing roadway reconstruction in our area soon. The expected timeframe:

Mon., August 2 to Fri., September 10.

NO PARKING signs will be posted by street with date(s) specified. Do not park on your street during the dates on the sign. This restriction applies 24 hours a day, including weekends. If you park in the posted area, your vehicle will be towed at your expense!

Work will be conducted from 8am to 4:30pm M-F. We have a commitment that you will have access in and out of your driveway, with temporary dirt ramping when needed.

Please drive with caution. Road conditions will be rough with heavy construction equipment, uneven surfaces and dirt-like conditions. Personnel will be on-site during work hours to help guide you through the work areas. Trash and mail service will be maintained.

Questions? Contact Lance Jardine with ATP General Engineering at 619-777-8100 ext, 108, or the O'side City Project Manager at 949-390-0124. More information is available at:

www.OceansideCIP.com.

Coyotes - Again!

Lately it seems that our coyote population is growing, and quite alarmingly. One adolescent is frequenting our neighborhoods at all times of the daylight hours, no longer dusk or dawn.

Two weeks ago, this coyote preyed on my neighbors' small dog in unit 12. The dog managed to escape with several bite wounds. This week in unit 11 he grabbed a small dog on a leash and ran off with it. Three days ago I awoke to find 13 coyote nose prints pressed onto my patio sliding door. All my neighbors on "R" Street have seen a coyote several times a day trotting in grassy corridors behind their homes, hunting rabbits & squirrels. Many have reported that he's now entering their "human spaces" and doesn't seem the least bit afraid of us.

While I fully realize we are encroaching on their turf, coyotes are opportunistic and, at this time of year, more aggressively looking for food sources. I think it behooves our community to be reminded that **any** scraps of food, bird seed, water bowls, fruit, even many kinds of decaying plants are invitations for coyotes to feast. Leaving these items out attracts rodents that coyotes also hunt.

Coyotes are smart, silent and sneaky. As an animal owner, I fear for my pets' lives. Coyotes see us much faster than we see them. Please send out this warning to everyone, non-pet owners as well. We are all sharing this space and I feel this is our corporate responsibility to care for each other's safety as well.

Thank you!

Sue Mansis

A Reminder to Smokers

Many of the residents at OCA have significant breathing issues. The problems range from COPD to allergies to components of cigarette smoke. Cigarette smoke can pose a serious problem for them.

No, we are not going to tell you to kick the habit (although that's not a bad idea). But, please remember when you light up outside that the cloud of smoke you leave behind you can be carried on the wind into any number of adjacent residences.

An early 20th century American comedian joked that you must always get your drinking water upstream from the herd. A corollary to that would be 'If you light up outside, please do so downwind from your neighbors.'

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Committee Reports

Safety

Dear Neighbors,
The safety committee would like to share an easy way to contact OPD non-emergency number. It is presented to the right as a form that you can follow when reporting something unusual. It is presented to be clipped from the newsletter and kept for future use. Follow the instructions on the form and report the information indicated. This is the way the safety committee reports unusual activities in our community.

Although the black and white patrol car was not repairable and we gave it up, we are still active and visible. You might see us walking, in our own vehicle or riding in a golf cart through your neighborhood. Feel free to stop us and ask questions or call us and the office if you have concerns.

We are here to assist in the safety of our community. We meet on the 1st Wednesday of the month at 5 pm in the library, come and share your ideas. We love to see you.

Andrea Anderson
Safety Chair

Website

Oceana is a thriving 55⁺ community that functions largely because of the staff's and resident's dedication of time, knowledge, experience, and love for the community. The Board of Directors, the OCA staff, and the OCA volunteers are dedicated to serve your needs. The Oceana website functions as an external and internal digital information and communication platform for current, potential, and future residents. The website is a key element of our community.

The Website Committee has undergone a reorganization. Our goal is to make the OCA website the place to go for updated information about activities and the business of Oceana. It is an important spoke in the HUB of communication.

Why check out the website? The biggest advantage of the website is that changes can be posted very quickly. Emily, the OCA staff

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How to Call the **Police Non-emergency Line:** **760-435-4911** **(If weapons visible, call 911)**

You: call the non-emergency number, above.
Police response: How can I help you?
You:

Hi, my name is _____

My phone number is _____

I'm calling to report:

1. What is happening—for example: rummaging through garbage, loitering in lawn area, harassing or following people, etc.
2. Where is it happening—Give the street address, not the unit number.
3. How many people involved? _____
4. Describe each person (as best as you can):
 - Male or female
 - White, Black, Hispanic, Asian, mixed
 - Age (estimate)
 - Size (fat, skinny, tall, short, average)
 - Hair—color & length, facial
 - Color and type of pants, shirt, jacket, hat, etc.

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**Answer any questions
 to the best of your ability.**

A report example: "I'm calling to report 2 adults trespassing in our private trash area. 3685 Vista Campana south. One is a male white approximately 6 feet tall and skinny, wearing blue jeans and a purple T-shirt with sneakers. He is bald and has a beard. The other is a female White, short and stocky, wearing black pants and a dirty white sweatshirt. Both look to be in their 30s. They are stealing from the trash bin and leaving a mess."



COVID-19 Info Sites

Federal:

The Centers for Disease Control
www.cdc.gov

State:

CA Department of Public Health
www.cdph.ca.gov

CA Department of Aging
www.aging.ca.gov/covid19

Assembly District 76

COVID-19 Resource Navigator
a76.asmdc.org/coronavirus-covid-19-resource-navigator-0

San Diego County:

www.sandiegocounty.gov/coronavirus

City of Oceanside:

www.ci.oceanside.ca.us/gov/fire/home/coronavirus.asp

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website committee liaison, does a great job maintaining the Events Calendar and the Activities sections. One of the newest additions is the top, right-hand link to OCA Community Resource Center with vetted information.

Last month, the website committee conducted an OCA Google survey. The goal of the survey is to collect data and gain insight of the website's strengths and grow areas: what is working and what you need. The survey was e-blasted to all homeowners and residents who have provided the office approval to email them. 116 respondents submitted comments. From the survey, the following was learned:

- 11 responders did not know OCA had a website. Now that they know there is a website, 85% will visit it.
- Most visit 1-2 times a month.
- The top reasons people use the website:
 - 57% Forms
 - 53% News
 - 50% Activities (monthly calendar)
 - 43% AppFolio
 - 42% Meeting Info
- 57% may be interested in training to work on the website.
- 25 responders provided contact info.
- 28 provided additional comments.
- Survey respondents requested a search tool
- The BOD wants an area for OCA business limited to members only.

If you missed the opportunity to provide input, you can click on the survey link on the oceanaseniors.org website.

Volunteers needed: It all comes down to interested volunteers. Keeping a website current and accurate is an ongoing job. A goal is to train more committees and clubs to maintain their own section with updated pictures, information, and dates. A monthly review ensures that the most recent OCA business information is posted. "Contact Us": You can provide comments, suggestions, etc. on the last page of the website. The email is checked frequently.

oceanawebcomm@gmail.com

Evelyn Thomas
 Chairperson

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Thanks to Our Volunteers!



Accounting Changes

The current BoD has listened and has been working in our first four months to build a sense of stability and long-range planning for Oceana. The association must be responsive rather than reactive to the needs of the community. In partnership with Scott Humberstone, OCA General Manager, we feel confident that the new changes in the accounting office will bring an increased sense of confidence. By the time you receive this Hilltop Highlights, the BoD will have filled the Assistant General Manager and AP/AR Coordinator positions. We also contracted with REA Accounting services. Along with Scott and me, REA has reconciled all accounts, vendor accounts, and homeowner accounts. There have been minor glitches, and we all appreciate your patience and understanding. Please do not hesitate to contact Scott or me if you have any questions or concerns.

Do you know there is a major cost savings opportunity? The cost to snail mail over 500 homeowner statements each month is in excess of \$2,000. Help OCA save up to \$24,000 each year by opting to receive your statement by email! This can be done via your AppFolio account or by sending an email to



shumberstone@ocaoffice.org

and let him know your preference.

2023 budget preparations have begun with an initial 6-month review of income & expense projections through 12/31/22 and reserve and operating needs of 2023. Insurance costs will likely see a minimum 25% increase due to various legal challenges.

Watch the weekly e-blasts, bulletin boards, etc. for notifications of town halls that will provide you input into and a deeper understanding of the 2023 line-by-line budget needs and community goals.

Please refer to the July 27 Treasurer's Report for more information.

Peggie Moore
BoD Treasurer

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Pickleball Training

For anyone new to Pickleball we will be having lessons from 4-5:30pm on Tuesday afternoons in the clubhouse. This is for people new to Pickleball. It is intended to introduce newcomers to the sport and bring them up to speed before joining regulars in Open Play. We intend to explain the court, the scoring and to practice some of the basic skills like:

Serving, Volleying, and Dinking.

The intention is to get someone new to the game adept enough to spend time practicing hitting the ball back and forth with a partner to develop basic strokes. At that time they should be ready to practice on their own whenever a court is available. Lessons will be available until further notice unless there is a conflict with the use of the clubhouse

Denny Hanrahan

Unit Advisors Needed

Unit Advisors are vital volunteers in Oceana. They welcome new homeowners, deliver Hilltop Highlights and assist neighbors communicate with the Board of Directors, OCA office and committees. It is a wonderful volunteer opportunity for people who care and want to help others. Units 2 & 3 need UAs and current UAs can always use assistance. If you may be interested, observe the next UA meeting on Wed., September 14 at 9 a.m. in the auditorium.

Karen Bishop

Pool & Spa Hours Reminder

Residents

Summer Hours - 7:00 am to 9:00 pm

Winter Hours - 7:00 am to 7:00 pm

Daily Guest Swim Times

11:00 am to 1:00 pm

3:30 pm to 4:30 pm

All guests must be accompanied by a resident at all times.

NO EXCEPTIONS.





Obituaries

Bruce Bunyan, resident of unit 14, died July 24th. He and his wife, Ruth, had been residents of OCA for 12 years. Bruce is survived by Ruth, his wife of 67 years and by 3 generations of offspring. Bruce was often seen on his scooter walking his little white dog, Latte. He was an avid pinochle player and frequently scored exceptionally high meld.



Bruce Bunyan

Merrille Sutton, resident of Unit 8, died Aug. 2nd. She is survived by her sister, Norma Jean.

We offer our deepest condolences and sympathies to both Ruth and Norma Jean, and to all of their family and friends.

Did You Know?



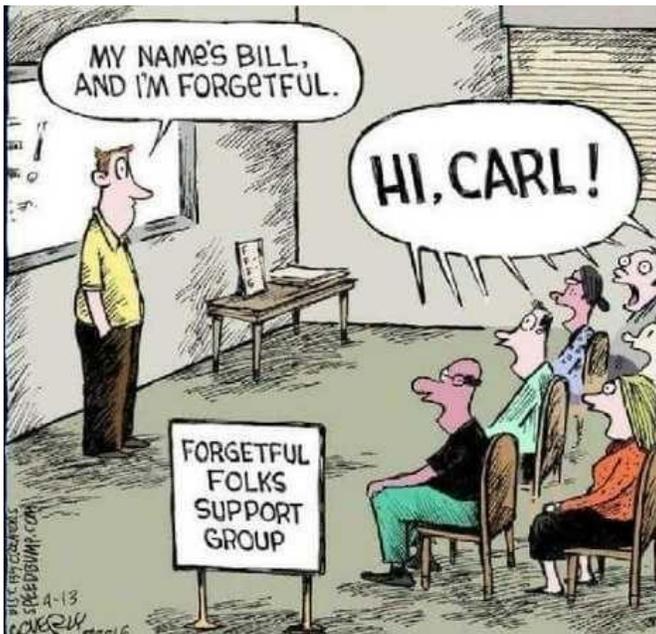
History

Oktoberfest is a 16-day festival celebrated in Munich, Bavaria, Germany. It is the world's largest Volksfest, German events that combine beer festivals with traveling funfairs.

Oktoberfest began on Oct. 12, 1910 when King Ludwig I married Princess Therese of Saxe-Hildburghausen. Citizens of Munich celebrated the marriage in fields leading to the city gates. The fields were named 'Theresienwiese' in honor of the Princess. The wedding celebrations ended on October 17th with horse races which continued annually until 1960. Eventually, carnivals, amusement rides, food booths, beer tents and parades were all added to the celebrations. Today, Oktoberfest is held annually at the Theresienwiese fairgrounds in Munich, but without any horse races. Oktoberfest celebrations have also spread globally, becoming synonymous with beer and German culture. This festival usually starts on the third weekend of September and ends on the first weekend of October.

Facts

- According to tradition, beer tents at the Oktoberfest can only sell beer brewed in Munich. The beer has to adhere to the Bavarian purity requirements called *Reinheitsgebot*. The six breweries allowed include: *Augustiner, Hacker Pschorr, Hof-bräu, Löwenbräu, Paulaner, and Spaten*.
- Locals refer to Oktoberfest as *Wies'n*.
- Beer is poured into mugs called *Maß*. A *Maß* contains a 1-liter calibration mark to which beer must be filled. If a *Maß* is not completely filled, or the calibration mark falls below the true 1-liter position, or if there is no calibration mark, the seller can be prosecuted for committing fraud. Yes, it is monitored!
- Traditional German clothing includes a *Sennerhut*, a woolen hat that may be embellished with a variety of symbols, including goat hair for good luck. Men traditionally wear *Lederhosen*, while women wear *Dirndl*.
- In 2019, 6,300,000 visitors attended Oktoberfest in Munich. About 7.3 million liters of beer were consumed at the approximate cost of 10.22 euros per 1-litre mug.



Our Fine Feathered Friends

Some are back for the season. Some live here year-round. The trees seem more alive with brilliant flashes of color, and it is a lot noisier in the morning. San Diego County boast of one of the largest bird lists with other counties of our size in the United States, with over 515 species of birds. Here are a few of our local beauties.

The Western Bluebird is one of the most beautiful. The males are a shining blue with rust-orange on their breasts and upper back. The females are grey-buff with a pale orange wash on their breast. They are very social and feed in flocks during non-breeding season. You can see them nesting in the trees, especially in special-hung birdhouses. Western Bluebirds like to stay low to the ground to catch insects, their favorite food, but frequently feed on berries.



If you are more down-to-earth, watch for the ground-dwelling California Quail running through the brush. They travel in small flocks called coveys until spring when they pair off for breeding season. As a year-round resident you must have heard their distinct call. It sounds like the bird is saying *Chi-ca-go*. The groups are so cute to watch running in a line. They feed on seeds, green vegetation and insects. But don't be fooled into thinking the quail are always there in the bushes—Mocking-birds mimic them. That is, until the Mocker gets bored and switches to the sound of a car alarm or my favorite, a UPS truck backing up!



What was that you wondered? That quick movement in your yard? Most probably it was our California earth-cuckoo also known as the Roadrunner. They prefer to run alongside houses under the bushes. They have long legs and a tail used as a rudder to change directions when running down their prey. They are known to run 30 kph (or 18.64 mph). This is a helpful bird to have around. They feast on a varied diet of insects, black widow spiders, tarantulas, mice, lizards and small snakes, including the rattlesnake.



The migrating Hooded Orioles are interesting too. Six species have been sighted in San Diego County. Starting mid-March, you will start noticing their striking bright yellow and orange feathers. They are

frequent guests to backyard feeders and fruit offerings. They are especially fond of grape jelly. It is a delight to watch their comical antics that include bickering at the feeder,



hanging upside down as they chatter with their peers, then darting off. Most likely, these are the chicks you hear in their nests in the trees.

Just looking at our tiny, jeweled treasure, the Hummingbird can lighten your heart. The most common, the Anna's Hummingbirds, have an iridescent, reddish-pink throat and live in San Diego year-round. Two other Hummer breeds you may see are the Allen and the Rufus. Rufus is reddish-brown or rust colored. The Allen's are more colorful with iridescent orange-red scale-covering the throat. Look carefully, sometimes it is difficult to tell the difference.



Anna's Hummer

daily consume their body weight in nectar, 2,000 flowers throughout the day. They also eat ants, aphids, gnats, mosquitoes and wasps. Remember to be extra careful with our jeweled treasures. According to the Hummingbird rescue team at the Wetlands & Wildlife Care Center in Huntington Beach, 10% or more of all Hummingbird rescues are due to fungus infections from dirty feeders. Any dark spots or dead insects in a hummingbird feeder should be promptly discarded and properly cleaned. For more information contact them at (714) 374-5587.

Who is screaming so early in the morning? During July that screeching, and screaming are the new baby Red Tailed Hawks in the tall trees with their mother reminding the male in flight for food. A baby hawk can't fly until its flying feathers have grown, which can take from 42-48 days. Hawks aren't picky eaters. They like a protein diet that includes rodents, snakes, lizards and the occasional feast of crows' eggs.

Oceanside is a great place to enjoy bird watching. A couple local places for an outing and to watch the birds are San Luis Rey River Trail or the Audubon Nature Center on Coast Highway in Oceanside. Be sure to call for times and hours open to the public. For more information visit:

www.birds.cornell.edu or www.wikipedia.org.

Diane Huntley