

HILLTOP HIGHLIGHTS



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Preparing for the Board of Directors Elections



Homeowner's Information Form
(Yes, it's the law!)



Wine & Chocolate Pairing - a Special Event



January's Flower: The Carnation

A note to website viewers:

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(Water & Plumbing)

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(to report suspicious activity):

760-435-4911

Emergency Police:**911**

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Office Information

- The deadline to submit information for The Hilltop Highlights is the 1st of the month preceding the month of the publication. Email to: oceanahub@gmail.com. Submissions will be accepted until the 8th of the month and included as space is available.
- 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.
- Are you moving? Do you have a neighbor who has moved or passed away? Please provide such information to Amber Effinger at: aeffinger@ocaoffice.org.

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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 takes place at 9:30 am on the last Wednesday of the month. It will be held in the Auditorium and by Zoom. The link will be communicated to residents via email and posted on the website. Agendas are posted on bulletin boards and the website. Homeowners may eMail comments **prior** to the meeting to: office@ocaoffice.org.
Zoom chat is not available.



A Message From a Member of our Board Of Directors

This article is the opinion of the author, listed below.

It's 2023. **Happy New Year!** This will be a year of changes and compromises. Costs are going up from Landscaping to Maintenance to Insurance to your own household expenses. But somehow, we are surviving while finding ways to make ends meet. When I was a young bride, so many years ago, I had no idea how to pay the bills or make sure we had enough to eat till the next Air Force pay day. But I learned to clip coupons, turn the water and light off when they were not being used. I even taught my children to conserve way back in the 70's and 80's. I wonder if they still have those habits, although I used their allowance to bribe them to turn the water off while they were brushing their teeth.

That was so long ago but there is nothing new under the sun, as they say. We still have high prices from gasoline to groceries. There are fewer coupons left but lots of electronic discounts if you sign up. (We actually saved \$16 on a Butterball turkey just by signing up for Albertson/Von's app). I remember when they were free if you bought \$25 worth of groceries.

Which gets me to my theme for this month's Director's letter to Oceana. Although we know who's in Congress now and State and local governments, we don't know who will be on our own Oceana Board of Directors. Are you curious to see how the system works? Have you always wanted to be a part of your governing membership? Wonder what everyone is talking about with the Operating and Reserve Budgets? Now is the time to volunteer for the committee that most interests you - Activity, Architecture, Landscape, Finance, SPC. You can be a part of how these committees choose to spend the funds raised each month. You can be a part of how these committees enhance the community you live in.

To be a volunteer of your community should be a large part of why you live here. There is no sense in arguing why or what is being spent. By participating, you can know what is being discussed. You would not be part of the problem, but part of the solution.

When my term on the Board is over in March, I plan on continuing being a part of Oceana. I don't think I could ever totally pull away from volunteering, just tone it down so I can get back to my creative side, right brain. That's my happy place. I have learned so much these last two years. I've seen what being active behind the scenes can do for your respect and confidence in Oceana. It's hard work while being very fulfilling at the same time. I have never read so many emails in my life!!! I have reams of paper stacked up that was read so I could make a decisive and educated decision. My elementary school teachers would be proud that I got over my fear of reading. Anyone have a good book that I can read now?

As March gets closer and closer, my hopes are that you, as an Oceana resident, take part in the decisions made on behalf of the BOD. They deserve your support and with that comes confidence that they are doing the best they can - not bringing any special interest agenda with them, but total interest in all 932 residence homes in Oceana.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve you. I wouldn't change one decision I made. The whole board learned all the facts and made their decisions based on the betterment of the community that they live in - Oceana. I appreciate the support you gave me and the Board in the last year.

Anita Romaine
Oceana BOD Secretary
2021-2023

2023 BoD Election Update:

All submissions of the Intent to Run packets were due by December 22, 2022. Thank you to those who have submitted an application. The Nominating Committee is reviewing the eligible candidate's packets, preparing for the upcoming forums. The next step is a Candidates' Orientation during which we will provide technical assistance and answer questions from the candidates.

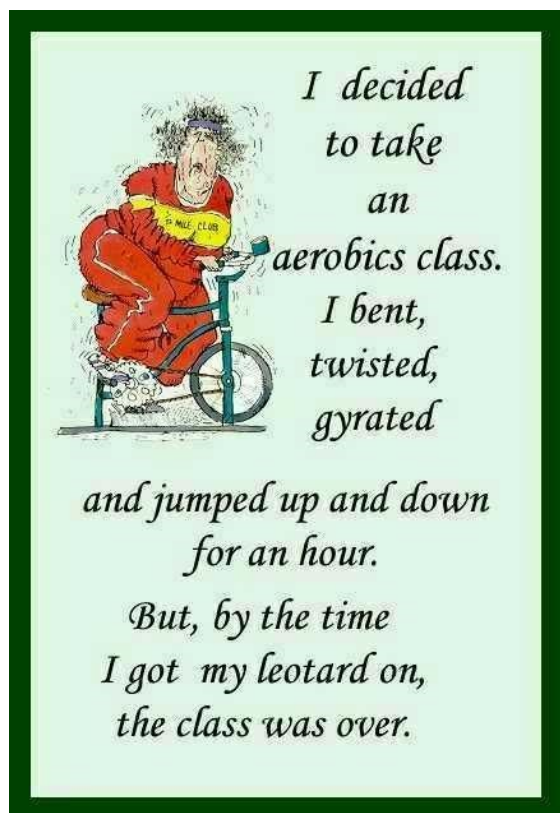
Candidate Forums are tentatively scheduled at the Clubhouse on:

- 2/9/23 (Thursday) at 9:30am as part of Coffee Hour
- 2/11/23 (Saturday) at 10:00am
- 3/4/23 (Saturday) time to be determined

The intent is to provide opportunities for the community to get to know each of the candidates. They will be recorded by OCA-TV and Zoom. More information will be provided when the times and logistics are finalized. Watch for the Friday E-blast for the most up-to-date information.

Any questions about the forum or the election can be directed by email to

OCANOMCOM2023@gmail.com.



Did You Know?



Religious Freedom Day

History

Religious Freedom Day was established to commemorate the Virginia Statute for Religious Freedom. The statute became the inspiration for the 1st amendment to our Constitution and led to freedom of religion for all Americans. This day honors the guarantee the freedom to practice whatever religion one chooses. The clause mandating this freedom was adopted by the Virginia General Assembly on January 16th, 1786.

Religious Freedom Day is officially proclaimed every year by the President of the United States on January 16th.

Religious Freedom Day Facts

- The 1st Amendment of the U.S Constitution states that Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof. This guarantees the freedom to practice any desired religion. It also ensures that no one religion is favored by the State.
- According to the Pew Research Center, as of 2021, 70% of U.S citizens were Christian. 22.8% considered themselves unaffiliated.
- Almost all U.S Presidents have identified as Christian. Two, Thomas Jefferson and Abraham Lincoln, had no affiliation.
- "I call on all Americans to commemorate this day with events and activities that remind us of our shared heritage of religious liberty and that teach us how to secure this blessing both at home and around the world." - U.S President Donald J. Trump, Religious Freedom Day 2020.



**Extra!
Extra!
Read All About
It!**

The Website Committee 1st Annual Photo Contest

*Get Your Camera Ready!
Photos Judged & Prizes Awarded*

Contest Guidelines:

All Oceana residents are eligible. All photos must be of Oceana and taken between January 1, 2022 and January 16, 2023. You must register and submit your photos by January 16, 2023. You may enter up to 3 photos for each competition category:

- Animals, • Landscape, • Animated
- Pets, • People, object,
- Plants, • An event, • Holiday

Disclaimer: You give permission to post your photo on the website and in the Hilltop Highlights.

Registration & Submission:

Obtain a Registration form:

- From the HOA office (speak to Emily Simpson),
- On the Website.

Submit your completed form and photo:

- To to Emily Simpson in the office,
- By email to oceanawebcomm@gmail.com.

Or: You may complete the Google Form located on the website's "News" page under the title: **"Get Your Camera Ready"** and submit your photo there.

Judging:

Judging will be done on January 24, 2023 by a professional photographer, a member of the OCA staff, and a member of the maintenance crew. One prize will be awarded by category. The Website Committee will notify all winners by email or by phone. All photos will post on the Oceana website.

We will also have a Residents' Choice Award selected by the attendees of the 1st Annual Website Committee Photo Contest Reception to be held January 28, 6-8pm at the OCA Clubhouse Auditorium.

Attention Homeowners: Homeowner Info Required

Attention Homeowners

Civil Code Section 4041 requires each owner of a separate interest (the home you own within OCA) to provide written notice annually to the Association of all information located on the form on the following page. If the information is not provided, the property address will be used for notices.

You may submit your information by:

1. a written form (next page), or
2. Complete and submit the online survey (web address listed below).

A quick response is appreciated.

The Web Address:

<https://forms.gle/gVzE5vkmSD1UPemr6>

A Special Opportunity:

The Strategic Planning Committee needs your help!

We are looking for volunteers with some specific skills and interests. You would help gather information, perform analysis and provide reports and recommendations to the board on various topics. Here are some of the areas where we need your expertise:

- Climate actions that OCA can start implementing,
- Construction and maintenance background,
- Contract knowledge—comparing contract offers,
- Grant writing and search,
- Planning, organizing and/or assessing reserve items maintenance for the annual Reserve Study

You can join an ad hoc group, the committee or both. Let us know what field of expertise or interest you have and if you'd be available to investigate specific topics.

The committee also needs a Chairperson.

Call the office, (760) 757-3937, and leave a message for the Strategic Planning Committee with your area of expertise or interest and your contact info. Someone from the committee will get back to you.

This is an area where you can really make a difference.

Thanks!

Homeowners: Please Fill Out & Submit**(A Separate Form for Each Owned Home)****Oceanside Community Association**

550 Vista Bella, Oceanside CA 92057

760-757-3937 Phone

760-757-8177 Fax

www.oceanaseniors.org

Email: office@ocaoffice.org

ADDRESS NOTIFICATION**Annual Notice of Physical Address, Representative and Rental Status****One form per home.**

Civil Code, Section 4041 requires the owner of a separate interest (the home within the HOA Community) to provide written notice to the Association of all the following information annually.

If the information is not provided, the property address will be used for notices.

Owner _____ Phone _____

Address _____

This home is _____ Owner occupied _____ Rented _____ Vacant

DELIVERY OF HOA STATEMENTS & NOTICES

Indicate delivery preference for statements and notices.

You may change or revoke your choice at any time via written notification to the OCA office.

Monthly Statements _____ Email _____ Mail _____

Official Notices _____ Email _____ Mail _____

Email Address(es) *Please print* _____*Please print* _____

Mailing Address Street _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Notices can also be sent to an alternative or secondary address: *Please print***If any:** legal representative, person with power of attorney or alternate contact

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

Signature _____

Date ____/____/____

Activities Committee

Meets: 1st Tues. ea. Month,
10 am, Card Room
Chair
Ellen Marciel
Charlie Wendt Secretary/Treasurer
Linda Garcia Share & Wear Mgr.
Pat Hawkins
Don Jones
Carolyn Kruse
Chuck Kruse
Karin Messaros
Sue Moore
Isabelle Strubhar
Ginger Thayer
Donna Wendt
Karen Bishop Board Liaison
Sandy Riser Board Liaison

Architectural Committee

Meets: 2nd Tues. ea. Month,
9:30am, Card Room
(Agenda deadline: 1st day of month)
Chair
(Open) 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 2,6
Paula McDonald Board Exec. Cte.
Kelly Byrne Board Exec. Cte.
Peter Cornog

Community Resource Center Committee

Meets: Beginning Jan., 1st Wed. ea. Month
10am, Card Room
Chair
Teresa Chamberlain-Spradlin Secretary
Kris McLaughlin
MaryAnn Alger
Mary Hall
Ron Landsel
Nancy McAdams
Pamala Perry
Evelyn Thomas
Georgette Velez
Anita Romaine Board Liaison

Landscape Committee

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

Finance Committee

Meets: 3rd Mon. ea. Month
9:30am, Card Room
Chair
Charlie Wendt
Nancy Follin
Nancy Horridge
Lynn Leszczynski
John McDonald
Peggie Moore Board Liaison

OCAMedia Committee

Geoff Allison
Lee Mansis
Theresa Loverro
Sara Rodriguez
Anita Romaine Board Exec. Cte.

Safety Committee

Meets: 1st Wed. ea. Month,
5pm, Library
Chair
Dr. Andrea Anderson 510-701-4045
Thomas Burke 703-254-8916
Patricia McArdle 760-214-0221
Alice Nolan
Toby Roberts
Dorothy Thayer
Sandy Riser Board Liaison

Strategic Planning Committee

Meets: TBD
Kris McLaughlin Acting Chair
Kathy Jones Secretary
Mary Murphy
Tain Soreboe
Peter Cornog Board Liaison
Peggie Moore Board Liaison

"The Hub" Committee

Meets: 1st Wed. ea. Month
2pm, Card Room
Chair
Lynn Leszczynski Secretary
Virginia Mann Print Coordinator
Pam Spangler Website Coordinator
Evelyn Thomas Digital Coordinator
Ellen Marciel
Sara Rodriguez
Karen Bishop Board Liaison
Sandy Riser Board Liaison
HUB Contacts: Oceanahub@gmail.com
760-290-4252

Committee Membership

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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.

Hilltop Highlights

Events Scheduled Every Week - By Weekday

January 2023

Every Sunday	Every Monday	Every Tuesday	Every Wednesday
Pickleball-Indoor -Adv'd: 9:30-11:30am -Open: 2-4pm -Private: 4-6pm Pickleball-Outdoor -Adv'd: 9:30-11:30am -Private: 2:30-4pm	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 Jewelry & Lapidary: 1-3pm Pickleball-Indoor -Open: 2-4pm -Private: 4:15-6pm Pickleball-Outdoor -Adv'd: 9:30-11:30am Pinochle: 1-4pm Seniors on the Go: 9-11am Trivia: 7-9pm Woodshop: 1-3pm	Billiards Warm-Up 6pm Ceramics: 12:30-3:30pm Dominos: 12:30-4pm Floor Yoga: 7-8pm Jewelry & Lapidary: 1-3pm Pickleball-Indoor -Adv'd 9:30-11:30am -Open: 2-4pm -New Player Lessons: 4-6pm Pickleball-Outdoor -Adv'd: 9:30-11:30am Poker: 6-8pm Share & Wear: 10-2pm Woodshop: 1-3pm	Art Room: 1-3pm French Club: 11am-Noon Friends of Bill W: 5:00pm Keep Fit: 8:30am Jewelry & Lapidary: 1-3pm Pickleball-Outdoor -Adv'd: 9:30-11:30am -Private: 11:30am-1pm Putting Practice: 10am (Golf Course) Share & Wear: 10-2pm Woodshop: 1-3pm

Other Scheduled Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
1 	2 1-4pm Mah Johgg - Community Rm.	3 10am Activities Cte. Card Room	4 10am Website Cte. - Community Room 2pm The Hub Cte. Card Room
8	9	10 9:30am Architecture Cte. - Card Room	11 9am Unit Advisors Cte. - Auditorium
15	16 9:30am Finance Cte. - Card Room 1-4pm Mah Johgg - Community Rm. 	17	18 10am CRC - Computer Room 5-7pm Special Event - Wine & Chocolate Pairing Clubhouse
22	23	24	25 9:30am Open Board Mtg. - Auditorium 1pm BOD Exec. Session
29	30	31	

Every Thursday	Every Friday	Every Saturday
Billiards: 10am Ceramics: 12:30-3:30pm Chair Volleyball: 1-2pm Coffee Hour: 9am Discussion Group: 10:30am Knitting: 10:30am Jewelry & Lapidary: 1-3pm Pickleball-Indoor -Private: 3-5:30pm Pickleball-Outdoor -Adv'd: 9:30-11:30am Share & Wear: 10-2pm Sing-Along: 6pm Woodshop: 1-3pm	Ceramics: 12:30-3:30pm Hand & Foot: 12:30pm Pickleball-Indoor -Open: 2-4pm Pickleball-Outdoor -Adv'd: 9:30-11:30am Share & Wear: 10-2pm Tai Chi: 10-11:30am Woodshop: 1-3pm	Pickleball-Indoor -Adv'd: 9:30-11:30am -Open: 2-4pm Pickleball-Outdoor -Adv'd: 9:30-11:30am

Thursday	Friday	Saturday
5 9am Coffee Hour - Bingo Clubhouse	6	7 10am-2pm SSS
12 9am Coffee Hour - Clayton Colton Clubhouse	13 10am Landscape Cte. Billiards Room	14
19 9am Coffee Hour - Glen Kramer Clubhouse	20	21
26 9am Coffee Hour - Robert Parker Clubhouse	27	28 6-8pm 1st Annual Website Cte. Photo Contest Reception— Clubhouse



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. 10am-Noon. Warm-Up Tues. 6-8pm. Friendly group for socializing and skills improvement. Billiards Room. Info: Lonnie Burrows 760-433-9481.

Ceramics Studio - open every Mon., Tues., Thurs. and Fri. 12:30pm to 3:30pm. Info: Dee Dee Young, deedeeyng@yahoo.com.

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

Discussion Group - Thurs. at 10:30am (following Coffee Hour) in the Library. Info: Danae Danycz at 760-529-9226.

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.

Mah Jongg -1st & 3rd Mon. 1-4pm. Clubhouse Community Room. Info: Karen Frisch 760-689-5877 or karen.frisch@hotmail.com.

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 Website 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. Pool by the restrooms. Info: Sue Moore 951-990-3536 or smoore121263@gmail.com.

Wood Carving Club -Wednesday 6-8pm. Room TBD. Info: Margaret O'Keefe (760) 828-1530 soundingthebell@gmail.com

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

Yoga (Chair) - Mon. at 10am. Auditorium. Info: Peggie Moore, 949-887-4641

Committee Membership

Continued from Committee Membership page

Unit Advisors Committee

Meets: 2nd Wed. ea. Odd-numbered Month,
9 am, Clubhouse Auditorium

Jeff Kern
Diane Pettibone
Unit
Chair
Secretary

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 - Renee Maricque,	920-562-3436
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
Sandy Riser	Board Liaison

Website Committee

Meets: 1st Wed. every Month,
10am, Community Room

Evelyn Thomas
Karen Bishop
Anita Romaine
Chair
Board Liaison
Board Liaison



Notices & Reminders



What use is sitting alone in your room?

Help make the music play!

Join the Activities Committee, friends.

Spread joy along the way!

You will become involved, get active, make friends and have fun!!!

The Activities Committee is busier than ever. Yes, we do a lot of work, but we sure have lots of fun too!

Have you ever wondered:

Have you ever wondered about the table of people at Oceana activities who are always laughing and having a good time? It's the Activities Committee! After the events are up and running, we sit together and enjoy the fun! You can have fun with us too!



Activities Committee members can attend the meetings and get familiar with the "business" side of things. Or, you can just help out at our events. Or both! It's really a great way to meet people, and to get that good feeling, knowing you have helped put smiles on your neighbors' faces at our events! Stop by the OCA office and fill out the Volunteer Application. It's quick and easy. Come join us! Get active! Spread some joy!

Community Room Open

Attention:

The newest room in the Clubhouse is open and ready to use for anything you would like:

cards, puzzles, games, a small meeting area for meetings like Landscape, Website, Mahjong, Bridge, etc. There are 9 new card tables and 4 chairs each table. It is ready to make reservations by calling the office. If your group wants the room for a specific day each week, like Mahjong, call the office and they will make sure it's yours.



Our New Community Room

As you can see in the picture there are lots of windows with a sliding glass door that opens up to the pool area. Warm, clean (new paint and flooring) and welcoming, that's what the Community Room is. Check it out. I guarantee when this catches on it will be hard to make a reservation!!!

Thank you,

Anita Romaine



It is with deep regret that we must announce the death of **Bill Christopher** of Unit 12. He passed on November 23, surrounded by his family. We offer our deepest sympathies and condolences to his wife, Rhonda, and to his family and friends.

Pickleball Training Resumes

Pickleball training for new players resumes Tuesday, January 3rd. For reservations, please contact the OCA Office.

Thanks.

Steve Reigle

City Street Sweeping for OCA

No parking on city streets, both sides,
9am-1pm,
1st & 3rd Fridays

Committee Reports

Community Resource Center

Did you know, if you do not have access to a computer at your home, you can come to the Community Resource Center (CRC) during any open time and use one of 2 computers? The computers are connected to the clubhouse Wi-Fi. The volunteers who staff The CRC are called "Greeters".

There is a computer expert on the Wednesday afternoon shift. Don't have computer skills? A CRC volunteer greeter can open the Oceanaseniors.org website for your use. You will be able to browse the many resources available to us seniors. There are hard copy brochures in a binder to make it easy for your review. There are brochures in the Lobby and at the CRC for you to take. There is a printer available for making copies. There is a charge for making copies to cover the cost of ink, 20¢ cents for black and 40¢ cents for color.

The CRC's Neighbor Helping Neighbor service is a private session to meet with a CRC volunteer. We will discuss your interests and assist with applying for benefits you are entitled. There is no set length of time to spend with the volunteer at one time. You can make a short appointment to get a feel for what is available and do follow ups along the way to getting the benefits you desire.

We are posting government and non-profit agencies who offer no cost and/or low cost for us seniors. While there are many good private businesses, we are not an advertising agency for them. The general topic of service need is generic, and you can get help with understanding how to go about doing your own research of private business for services.

The CRC is now ready to go to the next level of development. The CRC needs help for this growth. We are seeking volunteers for research on a variety of aging issues. The development of these found resources will be done and posted on our section of the website.

The January meeting will be held on the third Wednesday, January 18 at 10 am to 11:30am.

If you are interested in helping with this task, please go to the OCA office and complete the Volunteer application. I will follow up.

Thank you in advance for your service.

Teresa Chamberlain-Spradlin
Chair CRC

Safety Committee

Residents Should Be Aware!

OPD Senior Patrol is now patrolling routinely between 9 am and 2 pm Monday to Friday. There have been several occasions where citations were issued for parking in handicapped space without a placard. My partner and I issued one on Friday, unfortunately. We patrol for safety and protection, therefore parking violations will receive citations. We are instructed by our patrol leader, **no exceptions**.

Andrea Anderson

Garden Club

Our nursery is thriving and filled with plants that need to go into the ground this winter and spring. If you would like to help, please contact me, Kevin Immel, at 760-305-2160 to discuss how you can get involved in the effort. Thank you.



Oceana's Garden Club Nursery

Kevin Immel



Wednesday, January 18, 5-7 pm

A Special Event

Wine & Chocolate Pairing (& Beer too)

Back by popular demand:

Joanna

Our favorite chocolate & wine expert
to help us learn more

Cheese & crackers provided for palate cleansing



When: January 18, 2023
5-7 pm

Where: Clubhouse

Enjoy: Chocolate with Wine & Beer

Signup: 1/3/23 - 1/17/23

Fee: \$10

Please Note: Whenever we have an event there is usually a requirement to sign up at the office by a cutoff date. We are sorry that we have to enforce this requirement. Not doing so results in problems for both the food vendors and maintenance setup staff. Please try to sign up in time. Thank you.

COFFEE HOUR

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



Jan. 5 : Bingo

Jan. 12 : Clayton Colton - Classic, Country & Irish Rock

Jan. 19 : Glen Kramer - Musical Interactive Presentation of "Name That Tune"

Jan. 26 : The Elegant & Classy Pianist Robert Parker

Questions? Call the office at 760-757-3937

November 2022 Activities

Take Me Out To The Ballgame:

In November the Activities group had their own "buy me some peanuts and Cracker Jacks... I don't care if I ever get back" event called **"Take Me Out to the Ballgame"**. Attendees went to a baseball game...played by none other than Oceana Residents! As our "players" checked-in, we obtained their player nick-names and added it to their name tag. We had Toni the "Blue Butterfly", Bob "Flip Flop", Bert "Smiley", Bob "Doc", Anita "Peaches", Lynn "Raccoon Dog", Chuck "Bed Bug", Lori "Bloodlust", Lonnie "Lefty", Donna "Buckeye" and many others competing and attending the event. Umpire Officials for the event were Charlie Wendt and Lee Mansis.



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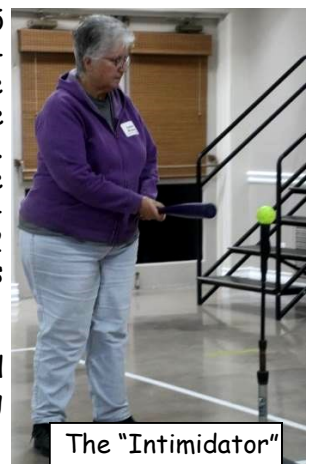
While the packed stadium crowd enjoyed hot dogs, chips, peanuts, Cracker Jacks, and their favorite beverage our contestants separated into groups of men and women and participated in three events: Home Run Derby, Pitching Contest and a Best Dressed award. The suspense and anticipation was electrifying!

Home Run Derby:

Contestants hit 5 "pickle" balls from a batting tee toward the stage. Balls hitting the curtain scored 1 point. If they hit thru the small opening in the curtain, they would score 2 points. The last ball was worth double.

Women's Competition:

12 women competed for first prize in hitting the tee-ball "out of the



The "Intimidator"

park". **Sydnie "the Intimidator" Wauson** went into the finals with a 1 point lead in the preliminary round and beat **Jan "Polar Bear" Burrows** to decisively win first place with 13 points! What a slugger!

Men's Competition: 6 men competed for first prize in hitting the ball "out of the park". The preliminary round had a close competition between **Larry "Laire Bear" Bungay** and **Jay "Big Red" Crawford**. "Big Red" had a 2 point lead going into the finals. In the finals, "Big Red" scored 7 more points to win by 5 points with a total of 15 points!

Pitching Competition:

Contestants threw 5 "pickle" balls into a pitching net area. A point was awarded for getting it into the main strike zone, but scored 2 points if it hit the smaller target area. The last ball was worth double.



"Reggie" & the "Shark"

Women's Competition: The same 12 women competed for first prize in the Pitching Contest. The competition was very close. In the preliminary round **Ellen "Lady Bird" Marciel** had a 1 point lead over **Toni "Blue Butterfly" Hayard** and **Karen "Shark" Peltonen**. But the "Shark" came on strong in the finals and scored 6 points to win by 2 with a total of 12 points!

Men's Competition: In the preliminary round 5 men scored 4 or more in points. But one had a clear lead. **Gary "Reggie" Demaine** scored a total of 7. Without having a final round, he was the clear leader and declared the winner!

Best Dressed Competition:

People came dressed to the event in many different outfits from different sports. We had many Padres gear and even some hockey jerseys. Contestants were nominated from the floor. By the biggest round of applause the Padres uniformed couple of **Karen "Shark" Peltonen** and **Gary "Reggie" Demaine** won the award for best dressed. They were "triple" winners, Men's and Women's Pitching and Best Dressed!



More Pictures from the Evening:



It was a fun evening and we will plan another one next year!

Charlie Wendt
Activities Secretary