
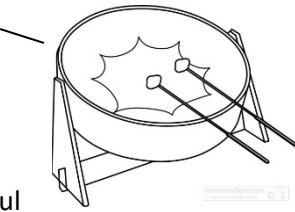




Your Place for Food, Fun and Friendship!

2023 Special Activities Events

We had a busy year of activities that the committee planned for 2023. Here is a general summary of our events. We hope that you were able to attend these events and remember them. But if not... perhaps you will see a few events that you wish you would have attended and look forward to possibly attending this year. (Also... see Coffee Hour Events summarized in the newsletter.) Enjoy!

- January **Wine, Beer & Chocolate Pairing** – This is when our “love affair” with Johna Nilson and her chocolates started. She paired up different chocolates with different beverages. Scrumptious!
- February **TV Game Show Night – “The Price is Right”** – After Killer Pizza from Mars, approximately 80 people joined up in 10 teams to guess prices of local items. The team with the best answers won prizes at the end.  **Super Bowl Tailgate Potluck Party** – FREE! Watched Super Bowl LVII (57) between KC Chiefs (winner by a last second field goal) and Philadelphia Eagles on the “big screen”. Great food and lots of fun!
- March **Spring Equinox Drumming** – FREE - Good turn-out of drummers for the Spring Equinox.
- April **5th Thursday – Afternoon Treat** – John Lowery played guitar and sang. **Steel Drum Concert** – Poolside concert from the Mission Vista High School Steel Drum Band. Enthusiastic students playing (and dancing) by our pool area. Great food, music and fun!  **Paint and Sip** – 1st time at Oceana. Instructions from Pinot’s Palette staff on painting while sipping wine and eating cheese and crackers. Full auditorium of people having a wonderful time.
- May **Cinco de Mayo** – Tacos and Margaritas with music from Bell Pepperz. **Lapidary Open House** – FREE! Folks at the Lapidary opened it up for all residents to see what they do.
- June **Memorial Day BBQ** - with the Sweethearts of Swing – Chicken and Tri-Tip from Hunters Steak House. **Wine Tasting Event** – 4 whites and 4 reds compared. Many happy people at the end of the night! **Pride by the Pool** – First ever LGBTQ Pride event at Oceana. **Dog Days of Summer** – Fun event for Oceana dog owners, organized by Lisa Bagot. **Summer Solstice Drumming** – FREE! Good group to drum on the longest day of the year – Summer Solstice.  **Afternoon Treat** – Bell Pepperz provided music. Eddie Chiu provided finger food for this 5th Thursday event.
- July **4th of July BBQ** – with Jimmie and Enrique – Burgers and hot dogs from Eddie Chiu.
- August **New Resident Orientation** – Entertaining and informational event for new (and not-so-new) residents in the community.  **Ice Cream Social** - FREE at the Pool. Anton the juggler from Orange County entertained our residents. **Party Under the Stars** – Event at the Community Garden, organized by the Garden Club. Strolling musicians, garden tours, refreshments, and auctions. Great attendance! **Afternoon Treat** – After pizza, new entertainers John Scott and Brian Otto sang and played their guitars.
- September **Labor Day BBQ** – Cool Rush Band was outstanding and had many residents up and dancing. Eddie’s food with pulled pork and chicken sandwiches. **Fall Equinox Drumming** by the pool – FREE – many residents joined us for the Fall Equinox.



Oktoberfest Beer Tasting and Dance – Johna Nilson provided different beer selections. Jim Romans cooked Brats! Adrien Nims provided a trio group playing Oktoberfest Music to dance to.

Oceana Art Show and Sale – FREE! Anita Romaine chaired this event that showcased many residents displaying their artistic talents.

November

Evening Halloween Dance and Costume Contest – Food (“worms & eyeballs”), costume parade, and dancing instructors from McCann Studios! Some great costumes. Lots of fun for all!

“Deck the Halls” – FREE - Decorating the Clubhouse and enjoying fresh Eggnog!

Share & Wear Christmas Sale – FREE! 2-day sale - Plus “Super Saturday” sales throughout the year.

Drama Club Play – Original play, “The Tavern at Oceana”, written and performed by the members of the Drama Club. Excellent play! Sold out!

Angel Tree – Sponsored the “Giving Tree” to purchase Christmas gifts for local Head Start school.

Thanksgiving Meal – Nice event with plenty of food and friendship.

Afternoon Treat – Excellent Entertainment by the “Toe Tappers” group.

December

Hanukkah Party – Celebration of this sacred Jewish holiday, with stories from residents and traditional homemade treats.

December

TV Game Show Night – “The Price is Right - Holiday Edition” – After pizza, divided into teams to guess prices of Holiday items to win prizes at the end. Fun time for all!

Holiday Garden Club Fair and Market – FREE event organized by the Garden Club, with treats from local artisans and gardeners, and a surprise visit from Santa!

