

# WEEKENDER JUNE 18, 2009



## SURFSIDE BOARD MEETING

June 20, 2009

9:00 am, Saturday Morning

Surfside Business Office Community Room

31402 H Street

All Surfside members are welcome and the Board Candidates will be introduced at the meeting.



MEET THE BOARD CANDIDATES IN PERSON

SATURDAY EVENING, JUNE 20, 2009 5:30 PM

Be sure to come and meet them, to be as informed as you can be. This meeting is for the purpose of helping you vote for the best person to represent your community!

# MEET THE SURFSIDE 2009 BOARD CANDIDATES



**Valerie Harrison**

Lake cabana. Prior to moving and retiring to Surfside, I worked for the State of California for 27 years in the field of employment services. My areas of expertise have included: business management, leadership training skills, college instructor, administrative appeals and conflict resolution. If elected, as your write in candidate, I will continue to promote community involvement and the new positive changes and pride in Surfside that have begun over the last two years.

**(Valerie recently submitted her candidate application and therefore will not appear on the ballot. She must be written in, on your ballot, if you want to vote for her as a board member.)**

My husband, Alan, and I have been residents of Surfside for the last six years. During this time, I have been a member of and treasurer for the Long Beach, WA Merchant's Association and currently a board member of a non-profit organization here on the Peninsula. Eighteen months ago, Alan and I became members of the Community Relations Committee. I have seen what a community pulling together can accomplish. As a member of this committee, I have been Surfside's representative to the Ocean Park Chamber of Commerce, co-chairperson of the Surfside's New Member Welcoming Committee, co-chair of Game & Bunco Nights and have adopted and organized the plantings at the Seabreeze



**Martin Jenkins**

I have chosen to run for the board of Trustees for **a number of reasons, the most important of** which is I have disagreed with some of the decisions of the previous boards. I am a full-time resident of Surfside for the last five years. My 40 years of experience in retail management, operations management, merchandize management, corporate training, store management and general management, has given me the ability to listen to individuals and groups and not make snap decisions based on emotion or personal feelings. All of my work experience has provided experience to perform many management functions. The most important of these is the ability to communicate effectively with individuals, large groups and senior management. I have had to use patience, persuasion and most of all listen with an open mind and not second guess what is being said. I have been very successful in all of these functions. Special skills, abilities and experience that I

would bring to the job of Trustee are the following: Developed many annual budgets, all of which had to be balanced and show a profit for year end. I managed all of the business functions on a daily basis, including building operation costs, scheduling of associates, payroll, receiving of merchandise and general day to day business. As Corporate Trainer I had to develop the presentations and address large groups of associates. This was very challenging because you never knew what kind of questions would be thrown at you. The ability to think quickly and give honest answers was imperative. If I didn't know the answer I would say so and do the research and get back to the individual with the correct information. Integrity was key to success in this assignment. As General Manager I performed all of the daily business functions and in addition met with senior management to develop sales strategies and purchasing decision; the importance of making prudent decisions when purchasing merchandise cannot be overstressed. A bad buy of one or more products or product categories, can make a difference between a profit and a loss. I am pleased to say that I was in the win column when it came to purchasing. All of these management abilities would make me a good candidate for Trustee.

# BOARD CANDIDATES CONTINUED...



**Mary Ann Thoreson**

population we are serving. I am willing to step up to the plate and make sure that all Surfside property owners are treated fairly and with respect.

My husband and I have been residents for approximately seven years. We have watched the community grow and come of age and we are very proud to have been a part of it. I feel I could do a service for Surfside. I worked for Kaiser in Portland for over 15 years dealing with conflict, payroll, scheduling of over 250 employees on a daily basis. Following the rules of 5 different unions making sure that everyone was treated fairly and in a professional manner. I worked for Ocean Beach Hospital for 4 years in the billing office. During my position there I was diligent making sure that the patient voice was heard. I have lived and owned property in Surfside for over 30 years, and during those years I have seen good times and bad times. Our community needs to continue moving forward keeping in mind the concerns and needs of the



**Debbie Richmond**

committee. I have the ability to listen and work well with others. This would make me a good candidate for the Board of Trustees.

Originally from Portland, I moved to the Peninsula 30 years ago and have been a member of Surfside ever since. I owned and operated a pizza parlor in Ocean Park for 7 years. I sold the business to help my husband and son in our construction business. I have extensive experience in managing a business, including payroll, accounts payable and receivable. I am knowledgeable in land development, septic systems and construction of various types. I perform all bookkeeping and payroll for our company. I prepare and file all state payroll forms and sales tax reports as well as the tax returns for the business. I am an active member of the Community Relations Committee, helping with various functions we are involved in. I am also active with Land and Buildings Committee where I have prepared plot plans showing the location of all septic systems and buildings on Surfside Common property. I have also been involved in several building inspections with the



**John Williams**

economic downturn will likely affect Surfside in other ways: fewer homes being built, possible bankruptcies, and some properties going back on county rolls due to non-payment of taxes, if the downturn continues for an extended period. I'd like Surfside to be all that it can be in a time of many challenges.

First, I can say that I very much like living in Surfside. Generally, I am pleased with the manner that Surfside is run. The new bridges are a welcome addition. The water works and compactor area both appear to be well run. Yet, I think there is room for improvement. There is need for more and better communication between members and the Board and Surfside staff, as well as the several committees. There is a need for Surfside to be more responsible to member concerns, particularly at this point in time with the national economic downturn. Members who see their property taxes escalating at the same time their actual property values are likely to have gone into decline. Many of us are seeing our incomes decline as well. We need Surfside to be more proactive in dealing with the county. We also need to provide assistance to property owners as they deal with these issues. The





## **SURFSIDE OFFICE CLOSED :**

- **Closed Friday, July 3, 2009, in observance of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Holiday.**
- **Open Saturday, July 4, 200, from 9 am to 1 pm.**



## **Benches!!!**

Three very nice benches have been purchased with the proceeds of the Surfside Garage Sale monies and will soon be placed in various spots in Surfside where they can best be used by our members! Aren't they nice? Thank you Community Relations Committee!



### **DEPUTY SHERIFF, LARRY CLARK REPORT:**

Please be aware that there has been some malicious mischievous destruction which has occurred to some lawn ornamentation placed close to the street. This destruction has increased now that school is out and it is believed that some misguided youths, walking around Surfside on the street, are most likely causing the problem. You may want to move your lawn ornaments farther away from the street in an effort to protect them from mischievous destruction. Deputy Clark will continue to keep a close watch on the community to catch those responsible for the destruction. Also, he invites you to report any suspicious behavior you might see.

Remember that Surfside will have a float in the Ocean Park Fourth of July Parade!

Volunteers are welcome to help with the float. And we hope to see all Surfside members at the parade, cheering on your community efforts, evidenced by the FUN FLOAT DISPLAY that the Float Committee has planned for the parade!



The **Surfside Homeowners Association Annual Membership Meeting** will be held at Ocean Park Elementary School, 25701 Vernon Avenue, Ocean Park, WA, on Saturday, July 11, 2009.

The meeting will be held in the school gymnasium and snacks/drinks will be available in the cafeteria, prior to the meeting, from 9:00 am to 9:55 am. The meeting will be called to order at 10 am sharp.

# GAME NIGHT POSTPONED...

...but we hope to see you on **June 27, 2009 at 6:30 – 9:00 pm.**

Remember to bring a snack to share, your own drinks and whatever games you would like to play. Mostly bring your **LAUGHTER** and that part of you that **LOVES TO HAVE FUN!!!**



# Annual Potluck Picnic



When: Saturday, July 11, 1:00 PM

Location: SURFSIDE COMMUNITY  
ROOM

This is a pot-luck!

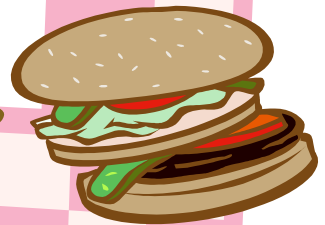
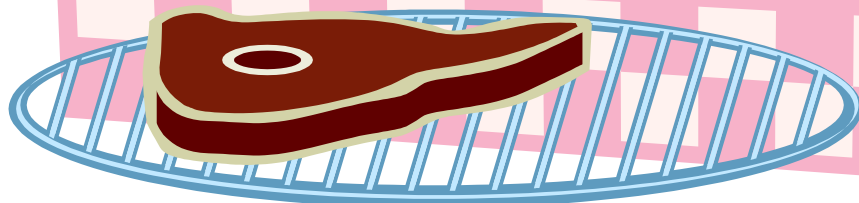
People whose last names end in A - M bring  
desserts.

People whose last names end in N-Z bring salads  
& sides.

Food can be dropped off between 12:30 & 1:00  
PM. Please label your dishes with name and phone  
number. COME AND HAVE A GREAT TIME!

DOGS, BURGERS, CONDIMENTS, DISHES,

and more to come!



Remember, Surfside covenants require that pet owners keep their dogs on a leash and also that people must clean up after their dogs as they walk around the community. Unfortunately, we have received some complaints about people not cleaning up dog droppings off of other member's property. Our Covenant Compliance Officer, Jim Meyers and the Grievance Committee requests that all dog owners, please be respectful of the other members of your community and also be respectful of the Surfside Homeowners' Association covenants. **THANK YOU!**



# July 5, 2009 Surfside Fishing Derby!!!



The Fishing Derby is up and running again and scheduled for July 5. Fishing is allowed from Surfside common property areas and from the bridges. Maps of fishing areas and registration forms are available at the Surfside office and online at [www.surfsideonline.org](http://www.surfsideonline.org) both prior to and on the day of the event. Registration begins at 8:30 and fishing begins at 9:00 am. All participants must be registered and have their fish weighed and

measured no later than 11:30. Hot dogs and awards will follow immediately thereafter. When out fishing, please be respectful of other people's property, stay on the common property areas and have a good time!

## Volunteers Needed for the Surfside Fishing Derby



The following volunteers are needed to help out in the following categories:

Bridge officials, fish weigh-In, certificate and prize distribution, scribes/notetakers (*must have good penmanship*), registration, photographers, hot dog cooks, Food Handlers, Clean Up and Set up. Also, anyone who is willing to help out wherever needed, without a specific "job title" would be greatly appreciated. If you want to volunteer contact Pam Stephens at 665-3788.

# Community Events



## Peninsula Senior Activity Center

**21063 Pacific Hwy, Klipsan Beach 665-3999**

### Current activity offerings:

- ✚ Tai Chi Classes - Mondays and Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.
- ✚ Cribbage - Tuesdays, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.
- ✚ Bridge – New Day – Wednesdays, 12:30 to 4 p.m.
- ✚ Yoga – June 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays
- ✚ Pinochle - Wednesdays and Thursdays, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.
- ✚ Crafters - 9:30 a.m. Fridays.

All of our activities are open to the public and are currently only \$1 per session.

- BBQ Burgers and Hot Dogs Dinner Fundraiser at the Peninsula Senior Activity Center. Public Welcome. Thursday, June 18<sup>th</sup> 5-6:30 pm. It is only \$7 for adults and \$5 for children and it includes Hamburger or hot dog, salads, beans, dessert and beverage. Bring a friend and have some fun!
- AARP Drivers Safety Program at PSAC June 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>. A program to help seniors stay safe on the roads and it may qualify you for an auto insurance discount. Call Gloria Farley 665-6419 to register for the 2 day class.
- Introducing the Foot Clinic of Harbors Home Health & Hospice at Peninsula Senior Activity Center! Our first Foot Clinic will be on Wednesday, July 8<sup>th</sup> and additional clinics will be held every other month. This service is designed for people who have difficulty in taking care of their own feet and are free from complicating health conditions. Foot care provided includes an inspection of your feet, nail trimming and soft buffing of calluses by a registered nurse or CNA under the direction of an RN. HHH&H provides foot care for a \$25 fee at the time of service. An appointment is required. Call HHH&H directly to schedule an appointment at 360.642.3623 or Toll Free at 800.772.1319. Here's to happy feet!



# GARLIC FESTIVAL

**June 20-21, 2009**  
in [Ocean Park](#)



**10 am - 6 pm on Saturday**  
**10 am - 4 pm on Sunday.**

**New Location!** This year, our event will take place on Wilson Field (aka the [Beach Baron's Car Show](#) Field) on Sandridge Road. Just follow the signs; it's just a hop, skip and jump from our previous location.

## **ATTRACTIONS**

### **Garlic Food & Condiments**

*A variety of garlic foods  
to tickle your taste buds*

### **Garlic Games**

*How many cloves can you peel?  
Games are conducted by the  
Clove Brothers and their helpers.*

### **Garlic Crafts**

*Imagination is the operative word  
for the variety of garlic crafts here!*

## **LIVE Entertainment:**

**Activities:** Garlic Vendors with Arts and Crafts items, Garlic Food, Garlic Condiments that can be tested on grounds and taken home, Garlic games for adults and children.

**Types of food incorporating garlic so far are:** Garlic Goat Cheese, Garlic Churros, Garlic Battered Deep Fried Mushrooms, Garlic Hummus, Garlic Catfish, Olives with Garlic, Garlic Cashews & Pistachios, Garlic Teriyaki and Deep Fried Garlic w/Garlic Burgers.

**Some of the crafts include** Garlic earrings, Garlic magnets, Garlic Garden markers, Garlic Coffee Mugs, Strung Garlic, Garlic Wreaths, Garlic Press, etc. besides the usual craft items vendors bring to festivals.

The [Ocean Park Area Chamber of Commerce](#) has a few of the **25th Anniversary Garlic Cook Books** available and they are going fast. You will be able to pick one up at the Festival along with the Ocean Park Signature Totes.

**FOLLOW YOUR NOSE TO THE NORTHWEST GARLIC FESTIVAL!**

# RERUNS AND CONTINUED NEEDS:

## Surfside BUNCO Group

- Starting up in April
- Beginners welcome!
- This will be held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month at the Surfside boardroom @6:30 pm.
- One table snack will be provided. Bring your own drinks.
- This is a perfect chance for you to join a group and not have to host in your home. To get in on the FUN, call Valerie @ 665-0804.



## Surfside Game Night

- Surfside members are invited to participate in "Game Night". This will generally occur in the Surfside Community Room, at the Surfside business office location.
- Times are from 6:30-9:30 pm, on the third Saturday of every month (EXCEPT FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE 2009, WHICH IS POSTPONED UNTIL THE 27<sup>TH</sup>.)
- Bring your favorite board/card, etc. game, whatever soft drink you like and a treat to share if you choose.



## Christian Women's Groups Meet

These non-denominational groups offer "Fun, Friends, Support, Bible Study, Prayer, & Spiritual Renewal". Questions? Call Coral Hughes: 665-3206. The groups meet in Surfside homes every Thursday at 9:30am:

\*Bonnie Masson: 32904 "J" Place; Call 665-6504

\*Mindy Burns: 33609 "I" Street; Call 665-0880



## Peninsula Art Association

Peninsula Art Association meets the third Tuesday of each month at 6 PM at the Barn on the Bay, 2311 Bay Avenue, Ocean Park. Firehouse Artists meet 1 pm till 4 pm at the Ocean Park Firehouse, every Wednesday. Bring a bag lunch. Friendly critiques. For further information call Bonnie at 360-665-6041 or Myrna Kay at 360-665-4592.



## Household Hazardous Disposal



The household hazardous waste facility at the County shop in Long Beach is now open. The Washington Department of Ecology has again funded this Pacific County program that runs from May 1<sup>st</sup> until September 25th of this year at 318 N. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street. This disposal facility is open every Friday from 9:00 a.m. until noon and is free to the public.

You can also find things going on the peninsula at the following web site of the Visitors' Bureau:

<http://www.funbeach.com>

and of the Pacific County Friends of Lewis & Clark at: <http://lewisandclarkwa.com/pages/ocian.html>

and for local news of the Ocean Park Area Chamber membership and activities:

<http://www.opwa.com>

and, finally, Surfside's own web page at:

<http://www.surfsideonline.org>

**Keep the news coming**... submit information to [dinah@surfsideonline.org](mailto:dinah@surfsideonline.org) (put "Week Ender" in subject line):

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