

WEEKENDER FEBRUARY 5, 2009

*Thanks for Your Dedication and
Service!*

Surfside Friends and Neighbors

It was with deep disappointment that we learned last week my wife, Jan, has a blood disorder similar to leukemia. She will be hospitalized for a month of chemotherapy and will need follow up treatments. I do not believe that under these circumstances I can effectively provide the leadership Surfside needs and deserves. I informed the Board last weekend that I am resigning as President and as a trustee. My heart is, and rightfully belongs, elsewhere.

Your Vice President, Jim Flood will become acting President. Your Board has developed as a team and works well together. I have every confidence that they and Barbara Robinson will provide the leadership, collaboration, and wise decisions that Surfside deserves.

I have greatly enjoyed being of service over the past five years and wish the best to all who participate in making our community a better place.

Thank you to all the well wishers – your thoughts and prayers are appreciated.

Warren Olson

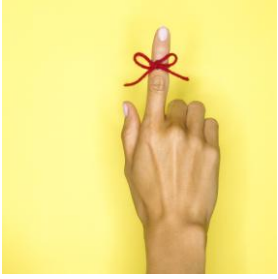


SURFSIDE OFFICE

**FEB 7, SATURDAY FOR
BUILDING**

MAINTENANCE

**FEB 16, MONDAY FOR
PRESIDENT'S DAY**



THE CONCERNED CITIZENS COMMITTEE MEETING

Don't Forget! This group will meet on
February 14, 2009 at 9:00 AM

In the Surfside Community Meeting Room.
All Concerned Citizens of Surfside are Invited

HELP FLY THE STARS AND STRIPES AGAIN IN SURFSIDE

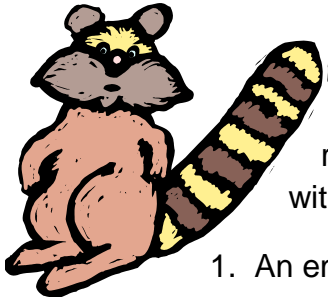
The Surfside office flagpole is in need of replacement. The flag was flown around the clock, seven days a week. No night lighting was available resulting in an inappropriate display. In an effort to resolve this problem and as part of the beautification projects of 2008, the staff and the Community Relations Committee developed plans for a new fiberglass pole adjacent to the new office sign and plant area.

The staff also installed electricity to the area to provide the appropriate lighting.

The \$700 required for the project made it through the budget process but probably will not be funded in the trying economic times. A number of Surfside members felt this project was important, wanted it completed in 2009, and immediately donated funds in an effort to make it happen. These unsolicited funds now total \$130. A good start but not nearly enough.

The Community Relations Committee suggests that you can make it happen simply by dropping a few dollars or your spare change in the locked box at the Surfside office. \$5's, \$10's, \$20's or even \$50's accepted. Help us with your non-tax-deductible cash donation, and we'll soon see "Old Glory" flying

Critters' Corner



The following tips were submitted by various residents in response to a request in the Week-ender for suggestions on how to live in harmony with wildlife.

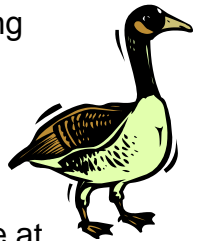
1. An emphatic # 1 was Other than the birds, **DO NOT FEED THESE CRITTERS**. This attracts them out of the wild to your neighbors' homes as well. They can be destructive to yours' and your neighbors' property and dangerous to pets.
2. Keep all garbage in the garage until you haul it to the compactor.
3. Keep your bird seed locked up in a metal container and where the bears cannot smell it and take your bird feeders in at night.
4. Keep your garage closed at all times and, above all, do not feed the raccoons.
5. Check foundation vents on a regular basis as raccoons can tear the screen off and take up residence under your house.



6. You have outside cats but also would like to put out bird feeders....what to do? A larger number of birds will die of starvation than can be killed by a cat so put out the feeders.

7. A Surfside homeowner has devised a goose guard that allows them to enjoy watching the ducks and geese swim by...to their neighbor's yummy yard, to eat the neighbor's yummy grass and leave gobs of droppings on the neighbor's yard. This devise consists of 2"x2"stakes, 4' long, painted white. Drive the stake 2 feet into the ground, next to the waters edge, and space each stake 17 feet apart. Take four, 1/4" nylon cords, strung perpendicular on the stakes and spaced 6" apart on the remaining top 2 feet of the stake. A stainless steel screw eye will hold the cord in place on each row on the 2x2 stake. While the geese and ducks are quite capable of flying over the guard, they do not, thus allowing the homeowner to live in peace with the water fowl.

Final word, "Good grief no, do not feed them!" A diagram of this guard is available at the Surfside office for those who may want to make one.



- QUESTION SUBMITTED: How to keep crows from dropping oyster shell particles in the yard. The homeowner cleaned up the mess at the concrete staircase by the street in their front yard and took out the crow's favorite tree in the front. The crows then
- selected another favorite tree, this one in the corner of the back yard, and resumed littering oyster shell particles. Home owner would like HELP! Send suggestions to tgmourikis@centurytel.net .





Peninsula Art Association...

meets the third Tuesday of each month at 6:00 at the Sunset View resort in Ocean Park (call Bonnie Cozby at 360-665-6041)

***Eric Weigardt**, internationally known painter, is planning four 10 week blocks of instruction in Ocean Park, Saturdays (8-11 AM) beginning in late February. . (call 360-665-5976 or 360-665-6041)*

***Dennis Meiners** Ceramic workshop. all levels. Free. February 13, 2009. 9 AM to 4 pm. potluck luncheon. Clatsop Community College Art Gallery 503-338 2472*

Community Events



This portion of the Surfside Weekender will include events within the community that Surfside members may want to know about. If you are involved or know of an event here on the Peninsula, or close by, that you would like to have published in the Weekender, please email the particulars to Dinah@surfsideonline.org. Please limit your submissions to family friendly community events.

FEBRUARY 7-8 (CONFIRMED) RAZOR CLAM DIG DAYS



Low Tide on Saturday 7, 6:10 PM; Low Tide on Sunday 8, 6:55 PM



Valentine's Day Dance- Feb 14

Columbia Pacific Heritage Museum (aka Ilwaco Heritage Museum)
115 S.E. Lake Street, Ilwaco, WA 98624
360-642-3446

The Peninsula is known for being a romantic destination with ample opportunities for couples to simply enjoy each other's company. Over Valentine's Day weekend its romantic appeal is even greater. In fact, the Peninsula is a delicious place to spend a romantic weekend, the pounding surf, winter hikes followed by some hot chowder guaranteed to steam up any relationship!

Free Rubber Stamping Demo



*Details: Free rubber stamping demos are available all day
February 14, 2009-10:00 am - 4:00 pm Saturday*



*at the Picture Attic in North Long Beach, 711 Pacific Ave. North,
Long Beach. For more information please call (360) 642-4770*

RERUNS AND CONTINUED NEEDS:

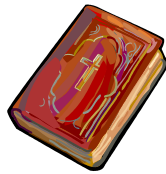


The Fish & Waterways Presentation Native Plants for Waterside Areas

February 28, 2009

9:00-12:00

Surfside Business Office Community Room



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

*Linda Lanphear: 809 - 347th Place; Call 665-0895

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

New Church in Surfside



Dan and Mindy Burns, Surfside residents and Friends (Quaker) pastors, would like all their neighbors to know that a new Friends Church is just beginning on the Peninsula. This small group meets weekly on Sunday evenings for dinner, prayer, and a study from the Bible. If you would like more information, contact them at Indyandan@hotmail.com or 665-0879.

Other Local News

You may access directly the current issue of the weekly Chinook Observer, our local source of news and events, by clicking on the following web site:

<http://www.chinookobserver.com>

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, Surside's own web page at:

<http://www.surfsideonline.org>

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

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