



Weekender

February 10, 2012

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TOMBSTONE ON THE BEACH

We have had a lot of interest in the tombstone that is on the beach above the north outfall. Travis tried to removed it to no avail, much too heavy. The county was notified, they said it was not their jurisdiction, that the State Parks would have to take care of it. Because the beach is considered a state highway, we also contacted the department of transportation. They said it is not their responsibility, they do not do anything on the beach even though it is a state highway.

At this date we are still awaiting a response from State Parks.

The mystery is how did it get on the beach, This is much too heavy to have washed up during the recent flooding.

Please be aware that we are trying to resolve this issue.



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RECYCLING

The following information is the 2011 year end totals for the recycling program at the compactor.

The total poundage recycled was 65,762.

Aluminum cans	1061 pounds
Newspaper	19632 pounds
Glass	3072 pounds
Plastic	2513 pounds
Magazines	11835 pounds

This represented nineteen boxes for an average load of 3461 pounds.

Let us all keep up the good work and remember to rinse and flatten plastic, keep newspaper and magazines separate and flatten all cardboard. Thanks so much for being conscientious about our environment!



SEPTIC ALARM NOTICE FROM THE ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE

Absentee Home and Land Owners

Absentee septic alarms are becoming an issue here in Surfside. As an absentee owner, you are responsible for your alarms. Please make sure your neighbors AND the office have your contact information, or know who they are to call in case an alarm is reported. Should you choose to have a servicing contract with one of the local septic installation company's, please have them put a sign at the front of your lot that says, "In case of septic alarm, please contact (Business name) at (phone number)". This sign should be at the front of the property, so others wouldn't need to trespass to read it, and the sign is to be no larger than 8 ½ X 11 inches.

PICTURES SHARED BY SURFSIDE MEMBER
JIM LOBDELL



Jim caught this fish at Sea Breeze Lake this year! Nice fish Jim!
The big black float was found on a recent beachcombing trip!



NOMINATION COMMITTEE

Kirby Smith was nominated and approved as Election Committee Chairperson at the January board meeting. The nomination for election committee chairperson will be at the February board meeting , if you are interested in serving on the nomination committee let Kirby know.

We have three board positions to fill this year. Those positions are currently being held by: Debbie Richmond, Martin Jenkins and John Williams. These are all three year terms.

The board meets monthly on the third Saturday, the exceptions are the annual meeting, which is the second Saturday in July and traditionally no meeting in December.

Volunteering is the ultimate exercise in democracy. You vote in elections once a year, but when you volunteer, you vote every day about the kind of community you want to live in.

Submitted on 26 October 2004 by Marjorie Moore, Minds Eye Information Service, Belleville, IL, USA

Come join a committee or be a candidate for the Board! Surfside needs you!

Community Relations Meeting Minutes held on Tuesday, February 7, 2012

Present: Sheila Wallace, Sophia Platt, Kirby Smith, John Williams, Ann Thoreson

Community Emergency Response Team: "CERT" John and Ann told the Committee that they were 4/5 certified. During our classes we were told that Surfside is one of the most prepared areas on the Peninsula but we want to go further. It was discussed how we could get information about the members of Surfside in a centralized area that during a disaster, high winds, tsunami, earthquake, major fire, an extended period of time with no electricity, CERT could have a plan in place to help the high needs members first. That would be elderly, children that may have their parents at work and not able to get to them in a timely manner, disabled, etc. Neighborhood watch was discussed as the people to have the most knowledge about their specific area. We tabled further discussion until we could get more information.

Planting Program for May 18, 2012, time 1:00. Ann told the group that she had talked to Rachel Gana, the Master Gardener. Rachel will be available to assist us during our planting program. We will need to decide what the planting will be on, prizes etc. next meeting.

306 was discussed. It was decided that Ann will contact Gil and tell him that we would like the dirt that is being removed during the water line repair. Kirby suggested that we remove the wood chips from the planting area before the dirt is placed. Ann, will ask Gil if that can be done.

311 Beach Approach on I Street: Sophie told the Committee that the Board wants Gil to get 3 bids for beautifying the approach before they make a decision on the plan. Gil has 2 bids and will be getting the 3rd very soon.

Golf Tournament: Kirby told the Committee that he has talked to John the Surfside Golf Course owner and the date they decided will be September 22, 2012. This date will make the most sense since the Committee thinks that Saturday will have the most participation, but we do not want to cause loss of revenue for the Golf Course.

Fish Tournament: Kirby talked about the Fish Tournament and that it was going to take place this year. Sorry Kirby, I did not get the name of the woman you have been talking to that has graciously accepted the responsibility to getting the job done. Kirby told the Committee that volunteers will be needed.

Nomination/Election Committee for the Board: Kirby is the Chairperson of this Committee. He advised our group that the search is on for members that would be willing to be on the Board and wanted our help.

Chili Cook-Off will be held on August 8, 2012. Further decision will be made next meeting as to prizes, entertainment etc. Jan Richardson will not be at our next meeting? But hopefully the Local Artist will assist us again in making the event a success.

If I have missed anything please feel free to contact me, keeping in mind that when Holli is not available for taking the minutes they will be given the task. Have a great day.

Our next meeting will be March 6, 2012, at 1:00.

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What to Expect When You're Expecting Tsunami Debris

On March 11th, 2011, the world watched in horror as a local tsunami on the Japanese coast carried the spoils of its wreckage out to sea. According to NOAA, debris could begin washing up on the U.S. West Coast as early as this winter, and indeed in a few instances, some already has; large black floats, the size of a 55 gallon drum have been found at Neah Bay, and Vancouver Island. The floats travel quickly, arriving first, because they sit atop the water, pushed along by the wind.

According to NOAA, "many variables affect where the debris will go, and when. Items will sink, disperse, and breakup along the way." In addition to uncertainty about when, where, and how much debris will arrive, it cannot be resolutely determined *what* will arrive either. Concerns have been raised about debris radioactivity, marine navigation obstruction, and chemical hazards. So far, NOAA has indicated that these risks do not have a high likelihood of becoming an issue on the U.S. West Coast.

NOAA will be partnering with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to monitor, record, and properly dispose of debris. Citizens who find Japanese tsunami debris are encouraged to notify NOAA's Marine Debris Program (MDP), which will use debris data in current and future studies. The MDP has even created a smartphone app to document, visualize, and share this data.

PCEMA will be hosting three presentations with NOAA's Nir Barnea to discuss Japan tsunami debris issues and concerns in more depth. These courses were previously scheduled for January were moved to February 14th and 15th due to weather issues.

February 14, 2012—6p.m.

Peninsula Church Center

February 15, 2012—10a.m.

Ocean Park Firehall

February 15, 2012—5:30p.m.

Shoalwater Bay Tribal Center

A complimentary meal for attendees will be served by the Shoalwater Bay Tribe.

NOAA's Marine Debris Program Info. Online:

<http://marinedebris.noaa.gov/info/japanfaqs.html>

February 2012

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3	4
5	6 Safety Meeting 8:00 AM	7 Architectural Committee 9:00 AM Community Relations Meeting 1:00 PM	8 RV Committee 9:00 AM	9	10	11
12	13 Safety Meeting 8:00 AM	14 Architectural Committee 9:00 AM	15	16	17	18 Board Meeting 9:00 AM Clam Digging PM Tides
19 Clam Digging PM Tides	20 Safety Meeting 8:00 AM	21 Architectural Committee 9:00 AM	22	23	24	25
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