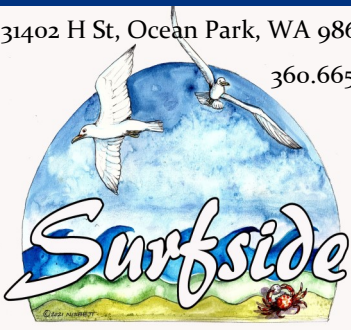


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Weekender

September 30, 2022

WORDS MATTER

Surfside Events

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I am constantly reminded how word choices matter.

Words are empty sounds and symbols without their associated meanings, but those definitions hold sway over every aspect of our lives. For example, if someone described me as “elderly” I may have a negative feeling toward them. If they said I was a “geezer” I would be insulted. But if they described me as “older” I would have a neutral opinion of them. The word choice is key.

One of my goals this year as Business Manager is to promote positive and open communication with you, our members. To support this effort, the Business Office staff will participate in a series of continuing education sessions centered around communication. Our first few sessions will cover one of humanity’s fundamental gifts... language. Next week we’ll read and discuss several articles on the subject of word choices and how they influence our interactions.

We invite you to learn along with us by reading one (or all) of the articles below and sharing the topic with your friends and family.

- [“Word choice: Hidden meanings can influence our judgement”](#)
- [“The Words Matter Movement”](#)
- [“Building equity & inclusion through the power of language”](#)
- [“Offensive language within the workplace: When does it cross the line?”](#)
- [“Linguist links language to social change in ‘Words Matter’”](#)
- [“Why this Word is So Dangerous to Say or Hear”](#)

Thank you for helping me build a stronger community. Pauline

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Adieu

Our Compliance Coordinator, Ryan, is leaving us for an adventure in the south. His last official day is October 26th. His wife, Amy, a veterinarian with the Oceanside Animal Clinic, took a wonderful new position with an animal hospital in Georgia. They are moving in November.

We are very grateful for the contribution Ryan made to the HOA in his short time here, and thankful for his energy and enthusiasm. His extensive background in law enforcement allowed him to step right into the role with no training and he will be greatly missed.

Good luck Ryan and Amy!

Compliance Coordinator

Wanted

Part-time, 20 hours/week

Oversees member compliance with Surfside HOA Covenants, working cooperatively with HOA members, the board, management, staff, and committees.

Qualifications: Facilitation, de-escalation, and mediation experience highly desirable. Technical skills in enforcement, building trades, RVs, vegetation management, and nuisance abatement. Exceptional verbal/written communication skills. Proficient with business applications (Word, Excel, Outlook), smartphones, tablets, and surveying equipment. Knowledge of governances and legal matters. Possesses privately-owned, legally registered vehicle. Must have valid Washington State driver's license.

Duties: Coordinate with members and community to achieve compliance with covenants. Build and maintain trusting relationships in support of compliance. Interpret covenants for members. Inspect properties for compliance during escrow, after building approvals, member complaints, and proactively. Prepare stop work orders and fines. Begin enforcement procedures when needed. Create and maintain templates for correspondence in proprietary software. Follow business procedures. Maintain accurate databases and related records. Prepare summary reports. Attend meetings as requested.

Responsibilities: Represent Surfside HOA in a positive and professional manner. Maintain effective and courteous communication. Practice safety measures and use equipment safely and responsibly. Work efficiently. Take direction from Business Manager and board. Maintain excellent attendance.

Compensation: Starting \$21.63 per hour.

Send **resume, cover letter, and three professional references** to phitch@surfsideonline.org.

Free mulch!



Mulch at Chipper Site, Courtesy T. Shannon

Now that the chipper site has closed for the season, we would like to remind everyone there is free mulch to pick up at the site in front of the fence. For those members who would like to take advantage of the free mulch, but do not

have a means to transport it to their property, we offer delivery for \$100 per trailer trip (each trailer contains approximately 6-7 yards of material). Please contact the business office to request this service. Also, we will have a “Rake Party” in the near future to help spread the remaining mulch over the Surfside property adjacent to the chipper site. Look for more information in a future Weekender.

PROPER MULCHING

Mulch is a newly planted tree’s best friend because it:

- Insulates the soil, helping to provide a buffer from heat and cold.
- Retains water to help the roots stay moist.
- Keeps weeds out to avoid root competition.
- Prevents soil compaction.
- Reduces lawn mower damage.



Steps to Adding Mulch Around Your Tree

1. Remove any grass within a 3-foot area (*up to 10 feet for larger tree*).
2. Pour natural mulch such as wood chips or bark pieces 2 to 4 inches deep within the circle.
1. Keep the mulch from touching the trunk of the tree.

Employee Superheroes

Kimber Holterman: “The Flash”

A proud mom whose son will be 19 this year (no way!), Kimber has been a Surfside employee for nine years. She is technically the Secretary to the Board but has a wealth of institutional knowledge and is the go-to person for anyone who has a question.

Kimber’s son, Nick, will start college next year and wants to be a lab technician in the healthcare industry. But Nick is taking a “gap year” and currently traveling the world with his grandpa, so Kimber has become a geography buff.

Kimber has an extensive family with a younger sister, four nephews and one niece. Believe it or not, she’s a great aunt twice over!

When Kimber was younger (way back in the 80s) her family vacationed on the peninsula. Her folks fell in love with the place and retired here in 2006. She and Nick joined them full time in 2007.

Kimber is bubbly and has a real love for meeting all the diverse members we have in Surfside. She finds each of them interesting and has built a true rapport with many over the years. She describes them as “kindhearted and wonderful people.” She believes everyday brings something and someone new to Surfside so there is never a dull moment.

Kimber describes herself as a “sponge” when it comes to learning new things and working here gives her ample opportunities. Right now Kimber is working on becoming a Microsoft Certified Professional. She says “learning is to grow, and I want to absorb as much as I can while I am here.”



In her spare time Kimber likes to read, paint, and write poetry. She also indulges in a simple pleasure by watching the birds outside her window.

Why “The Flash” you ask? If you’ve ever seen Kimber in action in the front office (phones ringing, emails popping, members walking in, energetic meetings, and constant interruptions) you’d know.

Help! It's an emergency.

The Emergency Management Committee needs volunteers to support Surfside’s emergency response plans. If you are interested in identifying measures our community can take in an emergency to protect lives and property, if you like to work in cooperation with emergency management agencies and resources, or if you simply want to help members be safe and healthy, then consider joining this small, but dedicated group of Surfside homeowners. They are responsible for education and outreach, too, like the Tsunami Run and the recent survey on member preparedness. They meet at 1 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of every month. Please contact the office if you need additional information or would like to join.

Thank you.

Tell me about RVs...

RV Storage

If you are renting a storage space for your RV at the Surfside HOA storage facility you will receive a statement for renewal by the end of this month. If you will not rent your space for the new year, please call or visit the office so we can list those spaces as vacant and available for other members to use. If you want to keep your space, return the invoice with your payment as soon as possible. RV gate keys for the new year will be available after November 1st.

RV Use

October 31st marks the end of the summer RV season. Unless your lot is exempt per the covenants, RVs must be removed by October 31st. In the winter, November 1st to March 14th, you can use a RV winter permit for up to 60 days. The winter permit is issued for up to 21 days at a time and cannot exceed 60 days total. While using a winter permit **you must be actively occupying the RV**, meaning you must be in it each night. No full-time RV residency is allowed on any lots. If you need a winter permit call or visit the office.



RV Fines

At the August 20, 2022 regular meeting, the Board of Trustees increased the fines for RVs left on lots during the winter season (November 1st – March 14th). If you receive a violation notice, you have 10 days to correct the violation by removing your RV from your lot. If not corrected within the 10-day timeline, fines will begin on the 11th day. **Fines start at \$25 a day for the first 30 days, then go to \$75 a day beginning on the 31st day.**

Meet the Candidates!

October 12th, 7 to 9 p.m.

Hilltop School Auditorium, 404 School Road, Ilwaco

The candidates for **Pacific County Sheriff**, Daniel Garcia and Robin Souvenir, will introduce themselves and answer your questions.

[Sponsored by American Association of University Women—Willapacific Branch](#)



We need your help at the compactor site.

Vern, the compactor attendant, and other Surfside HOA employees, are working hard to help keep the site operating as intended, with as little cost to our members as possible. Please help them by remembering what trash is and is not acceptable.

We accept only household trash (this is typical “garbage,” not carpet or construction materials). If you have questions Vern and company will be happy to answer them. And please remember, they have been trained on what is acceptable to put into the compactors and recycling roll-offs. If they say an item you bring for disposal or recycling is not acceptable, please respect their expertise and take the unacceptable item back home with you. Ultimately, all unacceptable items cost every Surfside member in dues, by increasing disposal fees and expending employee time. The compactor and the crew are a great asset to our community so *please*...help keep expenses low for everyone by being a responsible user of the compactor site.

The disposal company, Waste Connections, which collects and dumps items from our recycling bins, will NOT accept dirty plastics. Dirty plastic ends up in the regular landfill. Please CLEAN OUT plastics and glass so they can be recycled.

The compactor is open:
 Mondays, 7 a.m. to 1 p.m.
 Thursdays, 12 p.m. to 6 p.m.
 Saturdays, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

PLEASE, be courteous and DO NOT leave your trash at the locked gate.

Going to the compactor? Don't forget your pass!

Peninsula Disposal, the vendor that picks up and empties our compactors, is now owned by Waste Connections and they do things a bit differently. Recently, they told our attendants the “blue bin” (right) can contain mixed recycling—plastics and paper. Only glass has it's own space in the blue bin. Please work with the compactor attendants to ensure we are using the blue bin as required. Thank you.



Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife approves three days of coastal razor clam digs beginning September 28

OLYMPIA – Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) shellfish managers confirmed today the first round of razor clam digging opportunities at Long Beach, Twin Harbors, and Copalis from Sept. 28-30.

“After taking a short pause to allow for more marine toxin testing, we’re happy to report that razor clams on these beaches are safe to eat and pleased to get digging started,” said Dan Ayres, WDFW coastal shellfish manager. “As usual, we’ll continue to test and monitor the situation closely prior to all future planned openings.”

The following digs during evening (p.m.) low tides will proceed as scheduled, after marine toxin results from the Washington Department of Health (DOH) showed razor clams are safe to eat:

- Sept. 28, Wednesday, 9:06 p.m.; -0.3 feet; Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Copalis
- Sept. 29, Thursday, 9:51 p.m.; -0.4 feet; Long Beach, Twin Harbors
- Sept. 30, Friday, 10:43 p.m.; -0.2 feet; Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Copalis

Marine toxin levels at Mocrocks beaches remain above the DOH’s health guideline level. The DOH requires two test samples taken 10 days apart, must fall under the health guideline level before a beach can reopen for razor clam digging.

WDFW conducted summer assessments showing a strong razor clam population except at Kalaloch, which is closed for 2022-2023 season. More tentative dates are planned on Oct. 8-14, Oct. 24-30, and during November and December. The 2021-2022 season generated a record turnout of diggers and high number of razor clams harvested.



Not all beaches are open for every dig, so diggers are encouraged to make sure their intended destination is open before heading out. The most successful digging occurs between one and two hours before the listed time of low tide.

Digging is prohibited in the razor clam reserves, which are marked by 10-foot poles with signs. The reserves are located just south of the Ocean City approach on Copalis; and 2.8 miles north of the Oysterville approach on Long Beach.

The daily limit is 15 razor clams per person. Under state law, a daily limit consists of the first 15 clams dug regardless of size or condition, and each digger’s clams must be kept in a separate container.

“Razor clam seasons information”, <https://wdfw.wa.gov/fishing/shellfishing-regulations/razor-clams#current>;

Extracted 09-28-22

Robertson Miller's presentation on [Astro-Photography](#) can be found on our website, under Committees, then Community Relations Committee. Check it out!

The Community Relations Committee Presents the Speaker Series, #9

Pacific County's Department of Community Development
Code Enforcement Officer, **Travis Ostgaard**

Thursday, October 6th
at 2 p.m. at the Business Office

Space is limited.

Please RSVP to 360-665-4171 or
office@surfsideonline.org



Please do not try to take the plants at the compactor site home with you. We use these as vehicle barriers around the cardboard recycling bin. Thank you.

Fee Increase

On September 17, 2022, the Board of Trustees approved an increase to the property transfer fee. It went from \$200 to \$250. We suggest sellers negotiate who pays the fee (buyer, seller, or split between both).



Nope...Santa did not lose his ride.

These elk are local residents and our neighbors, but they are wild and potentially dangerous. Please do not feed them or encourage them into your yard. If they browse on their own, like these two trespassers, admire them from afar and keep your pets inside.

Photos courtesy of R. Purvis



Upcoming Events

- * October 1st, Empty Bowls, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Family Worship Center
- * October 1st, Blessing of the Animals, 1 p.m., Humane Society
- * October 6th, Speaker Series #9, Travis Ostgaard, Business Office, 2 p.m.
- * October 6th, Shoreline Master Program Review, 5 to 6 p.m., via Zoom
- * October 7th, Book Club, Business Office, 3 p.m.
- * October 7th, Peninsula Arts Association Fall Art Show, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Old Long Beach Train Depot
- * October 8th, Chili Cook-Off, Oysterville School House, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- * October 12th, Meet the Sheriff Candidates, Hilltop School Auditorium, 7 to 9 p.m.

FAMILY WORSHIP CENTER
26310 RIDGE AVE IN OCEAN PARK

Empty Bowls

FILL YOUR BOWLS

SILENT AUCTION

RAFFLES

LOCAL ART

*All proceeds go towards
the
Food4Kids Backpack Program*

Saturday October 1, 2022
11AM to 2PM

SUGGESTED DONATION

ADULTS \$12 / KIDS \$6 (UNDER 12)

LIVE MUSIC BY THE FRED CARTER!

A special thank you to Bay Avenue Gallery for creating & donating
beautifully glazed ceramic bowls!



MAKE A DIFFERENCE. ROUND UP YOUR CHANGE FOR PETS.



Astoria 

FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER ONLY!

- ROUND UP YOUR CHANGE AT THE ASTORIA COOP
- TO PARTICIPATE:
- 1.) SHOP AT THE ASTORIA COOP (YOU DO NOT NEED TO BE A MEMBER)
- 2.) WHEN ASKED IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ROUND UP YOUR CHANGE FOR SPCHS- SAY YES
- 3.) BE HAPPY- YOU JUST HELPED PETS!
- DONATIONS GO TOWARD EXPENSES LIKE VET CARE FOR DOGS LIKE LINK (PICTURED)



Rain or Shine

In Honor of St Francis of Assisi
Patron Saint of Animals & the Environment

SOUTH PACIFIC COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY

Annual Blessing of the Animals

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2022
1:00 PM
Rain or Shine
All Socialized Animals Welcome
Meet us in in the parking area of
330 Second St NE • Long Beach, WA

**Donations
Most
Welcome!**

*Blessing Courtesy of
The Rev Richard Loop, Vicar
St Peter Episcopal Church*

Join The Conversation: Shoreline Master Program Periodic Review

The next **Quarterly Project Update** will be held **October 6th from 5:00 – 6:00pm** via **Zoom**. Join Pacific County staff and the project consulting team for a virtual public info meeting on the SMP periodic update process! The quarterly virtual public info meetings are a chance for you and other community members to learn about the project as it progresses and ask questions of SMP team members. The County's Planning Commission has started their review of draft amendments ahead of a public review process later this Fall. For more information on meetings or to how to register to attend a meeting, please visit the [Online Open House](#).

Following the **Online Open House**, a **workshop with the Planning Commission** will take place at **6:00 p.m. via Zoom**. For workshop materials please visit: https://www.co.pacific.wa.us/dcd/Planning_Commission.htm.

Pacific County is conducting a required periodic review of its Shoreline Master Program (SMP). In adherence to state law, the SMP is a comprehensive plan that guides the development, conservation, and restoration of Pacific County's shoreline. The purpose and scope of the 2022-2023 Periodic Review is to:

- Align the SMP with applicable state laws and guidelines in effect at the time of the review;
- Assure consistency of the SMP with the Pacific County Comprehensive Plan and development regulations; and
- Provide existing code clarifications to improve usability and predictability for applicants and reviewers.

ONLINE OPEN HOUSE—LEARN MORE & ENGAGE! Pacific County has launched an [Online Open House](#) to share information about the SMP Periodic Review process! Please continue to explore this new online community resource and learn what a Shoreline Master Program is, why it is reviewed, and learn about the review process. Additional details on draft SMP amendments will be available on the online open house in the near future.

Key features of the Online Open House include opportunities to:

- Access project resources and documents,
- Explore the proposed SMP amendments (more details to come soon), and
- Discover upcoming opportunities for you to join the review process.

Visit the [County's main project website](#) for more information about the periodic review process and review project related documents.

CONTACT INFORMATION! We encourage you to reach out to our team throughout the process, for questions please contact:

Shawn Humphreys, Director
Pacific County Department of
Community Development
Email | SMP@co.pacific.wa.us
Phone LB Office | (360) 642-9382





The Community Relations Committee
is sponsoring a
Chili Cook-Off, Bazaar, and Bake Sale

Saturday, 10/8/22 from 10 am to 3 pm

Oysterville Schoolhouse, 3222 School Road

Chili Entries: Free - bring your favorite!

Chili entries accepted 10 am-11:45 am

→ Minimum 4 quarts ←

Tasting Admission: \$5

Taste and vote from 12 noon to 2 pm

Awards at 2:30 pm

Bring your crafts to sell,
craft tables available for \$15

Bake sale contributions appreciated.

***** Net proceeds benefit "Pack2School" *****

For information call: 360-665-4171 or 352-586-0082

ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE

Plan on installing a fence, a shed, a gazebo or building a garage or a house?

REMINDER...

ALL building plans must be submitted to the Architectural Committee prior to any construction.

Pacific County will not approve permitting until the committee has signed off on all plans.

The committee meets every Tuesdays at 9 a.m. at the business office. The building packets are on our website at surfsideonline.org/forms/ or you can pick them up from the business office. Applications must be received by end of day on Thursdays to make the agenda for the following Tuesday's meeting.

Please notify the business office if you want to attend the meeting in person.

If you are building on a vacant lot without an address, please post a sign so the committee knows which lot will be developed.

Two (2) sets of plans must be submitted to the committee. Once approved, you will get a copy of the approved plan. Take it to the county for their approval as needed. Surfside will retain one set of approved plans to keep on file.

For more detailed information on the Architectural Committee duties and guidelines go to our website surfsideonline.org, select the Other tab, then Governing Documents. Download the Operations Manual and the Surfside Restrictive Covenants or call the business office 360-665-4171 with questions.

Thank you!

October 2022

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AC=Architectural CRC=Community Relations EMC=Emergency Management

LB&W=Land, Buildings & Waterways S&S=Safety and Security

TBVN=Tree, Brush, Vegetation and Noxious Weeds WSP=Water Systems Planning