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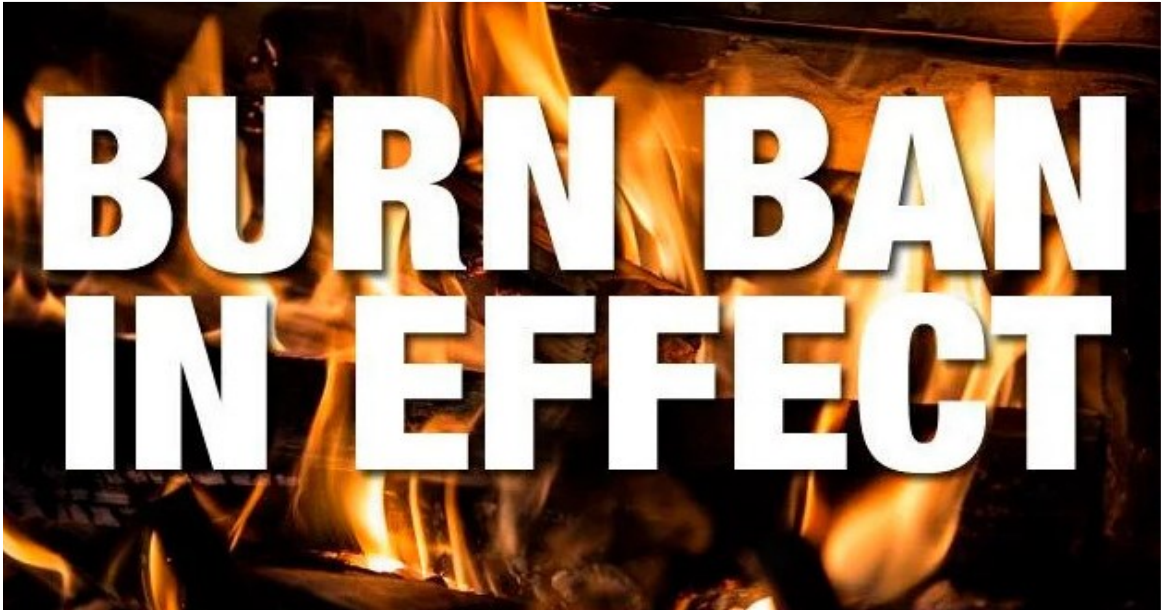


# Weekender

September 8, 2023

- Surfside Events
- Peninsula Events

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**Pacific County has implemented a BURN BAN effective at 12:01 am, Aug 18th, 2023**

**Until further notice. Pacific County joins WA State DNR in the burn restrictions. The burn ban applies to ALL OUTDOOR BURNING. ALL RECREATIONAL CAMPFIRES & other burning is prohibited.**

**Cooking stoves, barbeques and recreational fire pits fueled by propane or gas with a shutoff valve are authorized.**



Ocean Park Area Chamber



**WATCH YOUR USPS MAIL FOR  
YOUR**

## SPECIAL BALLOT

TO VISIT THE WEBSITE TO LISTEN TO THE ANNUAL MEETING  
RECORDING AND TO REVIEW THE ANNUAL MEETING MOTIONS  
CLICK THE LINK BELOW

<https://www.surfsideonline.org/2023-annual-member-meeting/>

If you have any questions please call the office at 360.665.4171  
**Ballots need to be received by September 22, 2023**



### RV Committee

The RV Committee is looking for new members. This committee has the responsibility to ensure that the restrictive covenants are adhered to in all matters regarding use and storage of recreational vehicles.

The Committee provides a voice for needs and concerns for RV owners

If you are interested in volunteering on the committee call 360.665.4171



## September is National Preparedness Month

National Preparedness Month is an observance each September to raise awareness about the importance of preparing for disasters and emergencies that could happen at any time.

This year's national public service announcements are being developed and will be released throughout the country this September, to help get preparedness information into the hands of those who live in underserved communities.

### 2023 Theme: Preparing for Older Adults

The Ready Campaign's 2023 National Preparedness Month theme is "Take Control in 1, 2, 3". The campaign will focus on preparing older adults for disasters, specifically older adults from communities that are disproportionately impacted by the all-hazard events, which continue to threaten the nation.

We know older adults can face greater risks when it comes to the multitude of extreme weather events and emergencies we now face, especially if they are living alone, are low-income, have a disability, or live in rural areas.

Emergency managers and all those who work with and support older adult communities to access the new webpage available in English and Spanish languages at [Ready.gov/older-adults](https://www.ready.gov/older-adults).

For more information on preparing with disabilities visit [Ready.gov/disability](https://www.ready.gov/disability) or [Ready.gov/es/discapacidad](https://www.ready.gov/es/discapacidad) in Spanish.

As an older adult, you may have specific needs after a disaster. Use the information on this page to assess your needs and take simple, low-cost steps that help you get better prepared.



- ⇒ Know what [disasters](#) could affect your area, which could call for an evacuation, and when to [shelter](#) in place, and plan what you need to do in both cases.
- ⇒ Keep a [NOAA Weather Radio](#) tuned to your local emergency station and monitor TV and radio for warnings about severe weather in your area.
- ⇒ [Download the FEMA app](#) and get weather alerts from the National Weather Service for up to five different locations anywhere in the United States.



**2023 WATER MUSIC FESTIVAL**  
"Spanning the Globe"

**Save the Date!**  
Friday • Saturday October 13 -14

[WaterMusicFestival.com](http://WaterMusicFestival.com)

South Pacific County Humane Society

# KITTEN PALOOZA

September 12-26  
50% off adoption fees for kittens 6 months and younger.

Submit an adoption application for a specific kitten or "view"

Go to: [www.beachpets.com](http://www.beachpets.com) to see available kittens.




Creamsicle



Bliss

**SOUTH PACIFIC COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY**  
Community-Funded ♥ Long Beach, WA



**It's Easy to Help!**



**PENINSULA SENIOR ACTIVITY CENTER**

## FUNDRAISING EVENT

**TO BUILD A NEW SENIOR ACTIVITY CENTER**



# DISCOUNT CARD

Over 50 local businesses' are participating

**\$10 FOR THE DISCOUNT CARD, OVER \$1000 VALUE**

**BUY YOUR DISCOUNT CARD NOW!**

CARD EXPIRES ON JUNE 30, 2024

**More Information**

@ [www.pzac.site](http://www.pzac.site)    360.665.3999    21603 O Lane, Ocean Park

## A Guide to Porch Light Safety: Leave It On or Turn It off?

When it comes to your home's security, porch lights are critical. They guide you into your house at night and keep burglars away.

But they're most effective when you use them at the right times and combine them with other security products. If you do, you'll feel safer and more secure—whether at home, work, or on vacation.

### Here's when to turn the porch light on

#### When you're home at night

This is a good time to leave the porch light on. It alerts burglars to your presence, particularly if indoor lights are on too. The porch light also acts as a spotlight on the front door. You can easily see who's approaching through either a window or peephole.

#### When you, a roommate, or a family member plans to return late at night

It helps to leave a light on for people who won't get home until long after dark. Keeping the porch light burning helps people get to the door and unlock it safely.



#### Pro tip

Use a smart lightbulb in your porch light so you can turn on the light fixture from anywhere. This means you'll have a lighted walkway even on nights when you stayed out later than expected—or if you simply forgot to leave the porch light on.

#### When you leave the kids at home

When you step out for the evening, leave a porch light on. You won't worry about the kids, and they won't jump at strange shadows. Supplement the outdoor light with indoor ones so it looks like several people are home.

#### When you're expecting a home delivery

It's wise to turn on the porch light if you have a package coming. The extra light helps the delivery person find your home, and it reminds you to grab the package before settling in for the evening.

Generally, a porch light works best when it's coordinated with deck, garage, and indoor lights. The pairing creates the appearance that people are home and moving about.

### Here's when to turn the porch light off

If you're out of town, you should turn the porch light off during the day. A constantly-lit porch paints a target on your home. You should either have a neighbor turn the light on and off or invest in a light timer. The preprogrammed settings maintain the illusion that you're home.

#### When you go to bed

When it's time for lights-out, your porch should be no exception. Turn off the porch light—the same as you would in any room in the house. Turning off a light regularly suggests that the home is in use. Plus, many porch lights available today use infrared sensors to turn on automatically if they sense motion.

#### If you live in a rural area

This is an instance where you may be more secure if you leave the porch light off. Intruders won't be able to see where they're going and their late night stumbling may give you warning that they're coming.

If you've invested in motion sensor lights, potential burglars will experience night vision loss, again granting you more time to call the police and turn on every light in the house.

**39th Annual Rod Run**  
**TO THE END OF THE WORLD**  
 Ocean Park, Washington-September 9th & 10th, 2023

**Coming Soon**  
**Holiday Card Making Class**  
 Saturday, September 23, 2023 at 10 am  
 in the Surfside Board Room

**Christmas or Hanukkah  
 All Occasion  
 and a Treat Box**

**Space is limited to 10 people.  
 Payment is to be received by 9/20/23  
 \$10 for Members and \$25 for Guests**

**Call now to reserve your space  
 360.665.4171**

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 COMMUNITY  
 RELATIONS COMMITTEE**

**A second class can be added if the 10 am class fills up**

# Surfside Emergency Management Committee



Have you heard of the Tsunami Siren Test? Have you seen these funny towers up and down the peninsula?

At noon on the first Monday of each month Pacific County tests the Tsunami Sirens. Officially known as the "All Hazard Alert Broadcast". Listen and you will hear the test alert as Westminster Chimes – sounds like a loud door bell, followed by two voice alerts telling you what the hazard is and providing instructions for you. The voice alerts are in English and Spanish languages.

Check out the flyer on the sirens at <https://mil.wa.gov/asset/618301be93d80>



What is a Grab & Go Kit?  
Why do I want/need one?  
How do I get one?

To find out, go to: "Prepare in a Year"



<https://mil.wa.gov/preparedness>  
Emergency Management Division  
Washington State

"Now that your GO BAG is ready to GO, do you know the quickest route to High Ground?"  
Yes \_\_\_\_\_, No \_\_\_\_\_; If No, then get the latest [Surfside Tsunami Route Map](#) Or stop by the HOA office and pick one up.

## Tsunami Walk 2023



### Women

- Karli Ebert-1st Place
- Katrina Clift-2nd Place
- Tracy Lorimer-3rd Place

### Men

- Simon Ebert-1st Place
- Ray Clift -2nd Place
- Jay Personivs -3rd Place

## Color, taste and odor problems in drinking water



If a taste or odor occurs at every water faucet on the property, the cause is probably the main water supply. If it occurs only in certain faucets, the problem is the fixtures or pipes supplying those specific faucets. If the problem goes away after running the water for a few minutes, the problem is somewhere in your household plumbing system. The best way to reduce taste and odor caused by your plumbing is to run the faucet for several minutes, put some water in a container, and then store it in the refrigerator. You may also consider installing a certified water filter.

**Metallic taste:** Iron or copper, may leach into the water from the pipes. Less common metals, such as zinc and manganese, could also be a problem. If you are concerned, have your water analyzed by a certified lab, or contact your water utility. Ask your local health agency for a list of qualified labs.

**Chlorine, chemical, or medicinal taste or odors:** Adding chlorine to the water or the interaction of chlorine with a build-up of organic matter in your plumbing system may cause the taste or odor to be strong. This is not usually an immediate health threat. If the taste or odor seems strong to you, contact your local health agency or water utility for advice.

**Sulfur or rotten egg odor:** Bacteria growing in your sink drain or hot water heater may cause odor. Naturally occurring hydrogen sulfide in your water supply may also cause this odor. To evaluate the cause, put a small amount of water in a narrow glass, step away from the sink, swirl the water around inside the glass, and smell it. If the water has no odor, the likely problem is bacteria in the sink drain. If the water does have an odor, it could be from your hot water heater. There is an element in your hot water heater designed to protect it from corrosion. Sometimes the element causes sulfide smell as it deteriorates over time. A licensed plumber may be able to evaluate this problem. If you rule out the drain and the water heater, and the odor is definitely coming from the tap water, do not use it. Contact your water utility or local health agency.

### Diagnose Your Rotten Egg Smell

| ISSUE    | HOT WATER ONLY         | COLD WATER THAT GOES AWAY               | HOT & COLD WATER, DOESN'T GO AWAY |
|----------|------------------------|---|-----------------------------------|
| PROBLEM  | WATER HEATER ANODE ROD | SULFATE-REDUCING BACTERIA               | HYDROGEN SULFIDE FROM SOURCE      |
| SOLUTION | REPLACE ANODE ROD      | SHOCK CHLORINATION (USUALLY WELL WATER) | CULLIGAN® SOFTENER OR IRON-CLEER  |

### Upcoming Events

- September 9, 2023, [39th Annual Rod Run](#)
- September 16, 2023, Regular Board Meeting, at 9 am.
- September, 16 & 17th, 2023 [Garlic Festival](#)
- September 20, 2023, Oysterville Cemetery Tour, call to sign up
- Chair Yoga Classes starting in October( more information coming soon)
- October 7, 2023, Chili Cook-Off
- October 21, 2023, Regular Board Meeting, at 9am.



## Tips on Water Use and Conservation

- Did you know a garden hose can use 10 gallons of water per minute? Use a broom instead of a hose to clean patios, walkways, and driveways.
- How “green” is your garden? By using native plants — plants that are used to our climate you may be able to reduce your outdoor water use significantly.
- Does your lawn need watering? A good way to check is to just step on the grass. If it springs right back up, you may not need to turn on the sprinklers. When it’s time to water, do it at dawn or dusk to reduce evaporation.
- Do not scalp lawns when mowing during hot weather. Taller grass holds moisture better. Grass should be cut fairly often, so that only 1/2 to 3/4 inch is trimmed off. A better looking lawn will result.
- Consider decorating some areas of the lawn with wood chips, rocks, gravel, or other materials now available that require no water at all.
- Water slowly for better absorption, and never water on a windy day.
- Fertilize lawns at least twice a year for root stimulation, but do not over-fertilize. Grass with a good root system makes better use of less water and is more drought-tolerant.
- Do not over-water. Soil can hold only so much moisture, and the rest simply runs off. A timer will help, and either a kitchen timer or an alarm clock will do. Apply only enough water to fill the plant’s root zone. Excess water beyond that is wasted. One and a half inches of water applied once a week in the summer will keep most grasses alive and healthy.



Sourced from [Washington Water](#) 8/23/2023

## A Message from your Water Department

Remember to shut off the main water supply to your home any time you're planning to be away for more than 24 hours. Yes, that includes weekend breaks. It's the best way to avoid serious water damage in the event of a plumbing failure. Water damage can result from frozen pipes, leaking supply lines, dripping water heaters, or other causes. Any damage will be greatly reduced by turning off the water before you go on vacation.

### Potentially massive costs

Even if you're fully insured, you'll still be out of pocket once everything is dried out, cleaned, and replaced if necessary (highly likely). Not to mention the complete rewiring of the electrics, which is often also necessary. You never fully recover the costs.

### The potential massive stress and inconvenience

While you're awaiting the insurance decision and the check, you may have to find rented accommodation. This adds to the inconvenience. Then there is the emotional stress of seeing family heirlooms, prized possessions, and memories all succumb to the water. It's a horrible feeling that no family wants to go through.

***You can call and request your water to be shut off or turned on during the week at no charge.***

***360.665.4171***

## Waterways Update - Seabreeze Lake

### Land, Buildings, and Waterways Committee

During the summer months, the waterways are at increased risk of developing algae blooms which can be toxic to humans, pets, and wildlife. In late August, a vigilant homeowner spotted an algae bloom on the lake and notified the committee. We will be treating Seabreeze Lake with an additional treatment for blue green algae in mid-September. Our applicator, AG Coastal, will be notifying residents prior to the application as required.

Prior to spotting the algae bloom, we have received reports of yard debris getting into the waterways. Dumping or allowing yard debris into the waterways is detrimental to a safe and healthy aquatic environment. While yard waste is made up of natural materials that will eventually decompose, they can damage a wetland in the process. As they decompose, it causes oxygen depletion, and provides nutrients for the proliferation of blue-green algae. This results in a rotten egg smell and massive algae blooms during the summer.

For additional information on Homeowner's best practices:

Washington State Department of Ecology

"Homeowner's Guide to Wetlands and Buffers"

1406022.pdf (wa.gov)

## When do I need a Land Clearing Permit?

### Q: What are critical areas and resource lands?

A: "Critical Areas" include all wetlands, frequently flooded areas, aquifer recharge areas, fish and wildlife habitat conservation areas, geologically hazardous areas, and shellfish areas and kelp, eelgrass, herring and smelt spawning areas. "Resource Lands" include areas designated as agricultural, forest and mineral lands.

### Q: How do I determine if this property has any critical areas, such as wetlands?

A: A Critical Areas Resource Lands (CARL) evaluation may be applied for. This evaluation is performed by the Planning Division and is valid for two years. A CARL is required before any filling, grading, or building may occur. [Click here for the Application Process page for the application paperwork and further information.](#)

### Q: Do I need a permit to cut down trees on my property?

A: Depends. If a tree poses immediate and direct danger to residences or other structures, then a permit is generally not required provided the stump is left. Removing the stump constitutes a grading activity that triggers the need for a critical areas and resource lands evaluation/permit. When cutting down multiple trees such as those activities considered "clearing" or "logging" requires permit authorization from Pacific County and possibly the Washington State Department of Natural Resources.

### Q: What is a danger tree? What can I do if I have hazard/danger trees located on my property?

A: Danger trees are trees within a tree length and a half from property improvements, i.e., house, garage, etc. These trees must have significant structural defects that are likely to lead to failure, potentially causing property damage, injuries, or power outages. Before cutting a danger tree make sure the tree is located on your property; if not, you will need to contact the owner of the property. When cutting a danger tree, you will not be required to obtain a permit from our department but you will be required to leave the stump intact. For more information or questions concerning danger trees, please call our office and ask to speak with a Planner.

[Sourced 9/6/23 from Pacific County's FAQ](#)

## SETBACKS

# COVENANT CORNER

What is a setback? In the definitions of the Restrictive Covenants, 1.18 defines a setback as those to the front, rear, and sides of a building's exterior wall which are free of structures except as specifically allowed or for which exception is granted by the Architectural Committee or the Board of Trustees. (See also Section 3.2 – Setbacks)

**3.2 Setbacks 3.2a** Except as listed in subsections 3.2d and 3.2e of these Covenants, no structure may be located closer than 10 feet to the front property line or rear property line of the property upon which the structure is located. In addition, no structure may be located further west than 10 feet east of the Line of Upland Ownership as originally shown on the plat that created the property or the platted portion of the property. No structure may be constructed or maintained anywhere west of that Line of Upland Ownership.

**3.2b** No structures in Division 1 through 20 of the plats of Surfside Estates and the plats of Ocean Crest, Sunny Slopes, Ocean Woods, Ocean Villa, Seadunes, Beach Addition, and Surfview shall be constructed closer than five (5) feet to the side property line.

**3.2c For corner parcels**, no structures shall be constructed closer than ten (10) feet to side property line abutting the road right-of-way. Front line determination for corner parcels will require Pacific County Building/Engineering Department verification.

**3.2d** The following platted parcels are allowed a minimum setback of five (5) feet from the front property line. Division 2: Blocks 1-3 inclusive, All Platted Parcel Division 3: Block 3, Platted Parcels 1-13 inclusive Blocks 4-7 inclusive, All Platted Parcels Division 4: Block 2, Platted Parcels 1-10 inclusive Block 6, Platted Parcels 1-12 inclusive Block 7, Platted Parcels 1-4 inclusive Division 7: Block 1, Platted Parcels 1-6 inclusive Block 2, Platted Parcels 1-8 inclusive and 17- 23 inclusive Block 3, Platted Parcels 1-6 inclusive Division 9: Block 10, Platted Parcels 5-11 inclusive Block 11, Platted Parcels 1-11 inclusive

**3.2e** The following platted parcels require a 20-foot setback from the front property line. Division 20: Block 1, Platted Parcels 2-6 inclusive, 41-43 inclusive and 45 Tract A, Block 2, Platted Parcel 1.

**3.2f No structure, including fences, shall be constructed within 25 feet from the edge of the canals, lakes, or waterways within Surfside Estates.**

### Board and Committee Meetings

To find the meeting links for Board Meetings and Committee Meetings just visit the website, by clicking [here](#).

Once on the page, click on the link of the meeting you want to join and, it will take you directly to the meeting. When joining the meetings please make sure that your first and last name are visible. Also—mute your phone, and if you are not speaking, turn off your video. Also- no eating  
If you have any questions, just give us a call at 360.665.4171.

# OYSTERVILLE

## CEMETERY

At 11:00am



NEW  
TOUR

NEW  
TOUR

Tucker Wachsmuth will be giving a guided tour

# ONLY ON 9.20.2023

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED CALL THE OFFICE TO SIGN UP  
360.665.4171

Please park outside, to the side of the road.

SURFSIDE'S COMMUNITY  
RELATIONS COMMITTEE  
PRESENTS

# CHILI COOK-OFF

10.7.2023 **BRING THE HEAT!** Taste & Vote 12-2  
pm

Hot Prizes for the best chili!

Oysterville School House  
3322 School Rd, Oysterville, WA 98641

- \*Bazaar and Bake Sale
- \*Non-perishable food products accepted!



Craft Tables available for \$15

Proceeds to the Ocean Park Food Bank

Awards at 2:30 pm

### FREE WASHINGTON STATE PARKS DAY

September 23rd, National Public Lands Day

October 10th, World Mental Health Day

November 11th, Veterans Day

November 25th, Autumn Day

If you're still in need of some weekend plans, look no further than the great outdoors.

In recognition of these holidays, the U.S. National Forest Service is waiving day-use fees. That includes picnic areas, boat launches, trailheads, and visitor centers.

The free pass is on Saturday only and does not include campsites.

# 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/](http://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 plot 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](http://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!

# SEPTEMBER 2023

| SUN   | MON  | TUES                         | WED   | THURS   | FRI  | SAT   |
|---|--|------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
|   | 8/28   | 8/29<br>AC 9 am<br>EMC 1:15p | 8/30<br>Budget Cmte<br>10 am<br><br>Chipping 10-2p            | 8/31  | 1<br>TBVN 1:30 p   | 2<br>TSUNAMI<br>WALK 9am<br><br>Chipping site<br>10-4               |
| 3<br>Office Closed  |   | 5<br>CRC 1:15 p              | 6<br>RV Cmte. 130p<br><br>LAST DAY OF<br>CHIPPING             | 7<br>L,B, W 9am<br>WSP 10:30am<br>N. Watch 2p | 8<br>Special<br>Board Mtg<br>1:15 p  | 9   |
|  |  | 12<br>AC 9 am                | 13<br>Budget Cmte<br>10A                                      | 14  | 15   | 16<br>Board Meeting<br>9am  |
| 17  | 18   | 19<br>AC 9 am                | 20<br>Oysterville<br>Cemetery<br>Tour 11A<br><br>RV Cmte 130p | 21<br>S & S 3p                                | <br>NATIVE<br>American<br>DAY | 23<br>First Day of<br>Autumn<br><br>Holiday Card<br>Making Class 2p |
| 24  | 25   | 26<br>AC 9 am<br>EMC 1:15p   | 27<br>Budget Cmte<br>10A                                      | 28  | 29   | 30  |
| October 1   | 2  | 3<br>AC 9 am<br>CRC 1:30 pm  | 4<br>RV Cmte 10a  | 5<br>Neighborhood<br>Watch 2p                 | 6<br>TBVN 1:30p<br>Book Club 3p  | 7   |

## LEGEND

AC=Architectural    CRC=Community Relations    EMC=Emergency Management  
 LBW=Land, Buildings and Waterways    SS=Safety and Security  
 TBVN=Tree, Brush, Vegetation and Noxious Weeds    WSP=Water Systems Planning

# October 2023

| SUN | MON | TUES                        | WED                           | THURS                           | FRI                             | SAT                        |
|-----|-----|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1   | 2   | 3<br>AC 9am<br>CRC 1:15p    | 4<br>RV Committee<br>10:00 am | 5<br>Neighborhood<br>Watch 2p   | 6<br>TBVN 1:30p<br>Book Club 3p | 7<br>Chili Cook-off<br>12p |
| 8   | 9   | 10<br>AC 9am                | 11<br>Budget Cmte.<br>10am    | 12<br>L, B, & W 9<br>WSP 10:30a | 13                              | 14                         |
| 15  | 16  | 17<br>AC 9am                | 18                            | 19<br>S & S 3p                  | 20                              | 21<br>Board Meeting<br>9a  |
| 22  | 23  | 24<br>AC 9am                | 25                            | 26                              | 27                              | 28                         |
| 29  | 30  | 31<br>AC 9am<br>EMC 1:15 pm |                               |                                 |                                 |                            |

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