# SURFSIDE III

Community e-Newsletter

August 2016

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#### From your editor's desk:

In **January, 2016** the new **RULES and REGULATIONS** for the Surfside III COA were posted on our website: <u>www.surfsideiii.com</u>. On the website if you click on **INFORMATION** it will take you to our home page. Scroll down until you see the section titled "**IMPORTANT INFORMATION**". Scroll down to the title "**APPROVED RULES AND REGULATIONS**" Date posted January 11, 2016, Approved, January 9, 2016. Click on the <u>Approved Rules and Regulations</u> and you will see 12 pages of important rules and regulations.

These are important rules and regulations and everyone should read them so they will be well informed. Many violations have monetary fines.

It's also important to note that **no flyers** of any type may be posted **anywhere** in the outside areas of Surfside III. We do provide a **Community Bulletin Board** where one may post "items for sale items" or informational flyers **after** our on-site Manager's **approval**.

#### **CALENDAR FOR AUGUST 2016**

Wednesday..... AUGUST 3 at 7 p.m. NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH meeting in the Clubhouse

Saturday......August 6 at 11 a.m. Chumash History – Port Hueneme Historical Society 220 Market Street. Part of the Distinguished Speaker Series: Eleanor Arellanes For more information call: 805-986-6542 Tuesday 10.-3 Friday 9:30-3

Wednesday.....August 17....HOA candidate nomination form for the upcoming October 8, 2016 Elections of our new HOA Board Of Directors must be submitted by 5 p.m.at: Surfside III Homeowners Association, Inc.c/o Donalea Bauer, Lordon Management Co. 1275 East Center Court Drive, Covina, CA 91724

Saturday......AUGUST 13 at 10 a.m. COA MEETING also in the Clubhouse

The following articles are submitted by our Vice-President: Andy Santamaria

## <u>Unit Keys</u>

During the recent termite inspection program, staff notified unit owners that access would be needed to inspect for termites. Residents/owners were asked to be present when the inspections occurred. For the most part, there was substantial cooperation and the majority of the units were inspected. When termites were found, remediation took place.

A second notice was sent to owners where access was not available. The next inspections were able to be conducted since residents/owners were present to allow access or where staff entered the empty unit with a Board member to inspect the unit. Some of the empty units could not be accessed because the unit key for the door or screen door provided to the office did not work. The existing CC&Rs states that unit keys are to be made available for entry by Surfside III staff or its contractors when deemed necessary for emergency or maintenance purposes.

At the **August 13th Board meeting**, a discussion will be held on how to enforce the rule of owners providing working unit keys to the office.

### Railing Rust

In order to increase the Surfside III maintenance program, the Board at the last meeting approved the hiring of an additional part-time staff member who will be dedicated to painting. Currently, one part-time staff member is painting the common condo walkway rails and it has made quite a difference. You are encouraged to see the work that has been completed. With the addition of another rail painting worker, a staff member can now be dedicated to commence painting the condo rails on the patio. More information will be available once the procedure has been defined.

Also, with two part-time painting staff, the painting of the carport blue structures can also be started after the railings have been completed.

#### Clubhouse Updating

To modernize the Clubhouse, it is proposed to remove the existing fiberglass fountain and a variety of plastic plants. Other art work and decorations that have been donated will be placed throughout the Clubhouse. A discussion will be held at the August Board meeting to discuss this project's options such as what to do with the existing plastic plants.





We ask that all guests and residents **rinse off** after returning from our sandy beach to avoid water backup issues in our home showers. The outdoor shower is conveniently located next to the beach gate and has plenty of room for even rinsing off your beach toys. Thank you.

#### Pokémon GO Hotspot



A Hotspot for the latest video game of Pokémon Go is located a half-block away from Surfside III on Surfside Drive. At this site one can throw a virtual Poke Ball to try to capture the Pokémon. Success will bring candies and stardust. As more players learn of this Hotspot, the corner will be quite full of people.



# **Two Capital Projects Added**

At the last Board meeting, two new Capital Projects were added to the list of projects to be done this year. They were: the replacement of the townhome wood fences and the replacement of the wrought iron fence along Surfside Drive adjacent to Buildings 1 and 2.



#### **Election of Board Directors**

Surfside III will conduct the annual election for <u>Board of Directors on October 8. 2016</u>. There are five open positions available. Owners who are willing to serve in this position should fill out the Candidate Nomination Form available on the Surfside III Website and **submit it to Lordon** by 5:00 pm August 17th.

# 2016 COA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President: Bill Betts: billbetts2@gmail.com Vice-President: Andy Santamaria andres.santamaria@surfsideiii.com Secretary: Mike Madrigal: surfsideIII.secretary@gmail.com Treasurer: Al Galluzzo: galluzzo1@twc.com Director: Richard Cusick: richardspas1@gmail.com

# DESIGNATED SMOKING AREAS

After further discussion at the last Board Meeting, it is proposed that the nine areas as shown on the map be designated as smoking areas. Residents are requested to provide input on the selection of these locations by <u>August 11th</u> by submitting emails to <u>a67sand@aol.com</u>. Common area smoking will only be allowed in these areas



## ALTERNATE ENTRANCE TO SURFSIDE III and EXIT FROM SURFSIDE II

During the tree trimming process, it was necessary to close the main entry to Surfside III from Surfside Drive. Some recently moved in residents were not aware that Surfside III has another **entrance**  $\implies$  **only for use with a gate card** which is located at the **end of Industrial Way**. The other exit from Surfside III is off of Sea Wind Way and is also shown above as.

## COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER COMMITTEES

Surfside III has various committees that you may be interested in participating in depending on your interests. The committees and their focus are as follows:

#### OWNERS AND TENANTS:

**Beautification Committee** - residents participate in quarterly planting events throughout the complex. Provide special attention to landscaped areas. Chairperson: Lynn Haile

**Community Garden -** provides an opportunity for residents to plan, prepare, plant and maintain a personal garden. Chairperson: Mary Murphy

**Elevator Response Committee** - respond to simple elevator non-operating issues such as leaves stuck in the bottom track that trigger sensors to prevent door closures.

**Enhancement Committee** - residents contribute to make Surfside III landscape attractive and well kept. Chairperson: Lynn Santamaria

**Neighborhood Watch Committee** - focuses on keeping a watchful eye on what is happening in the complex. If anything appears out of place, reports are submitted to the police and/or to the office. Chairperson: Val Lameka

**Welcoming Committee -** focuses on welcoming new owners and tenants to Surfside III. Organizes group functions to facilitate meeting others living here. Chairperson: Lya Findel

#### **OWNERS:**

**Budget Committee** - provides assistance in the preparation of financial reports and special projects. Chairperson:

**Gate Operation Committee** - assists in resetting the entry and exit vehicle gates when they get stuck. Chairperson: Lya Findel

**Procurement Committee** - prepares Request for Proposals and bids for the various projects that are needed to keep Surfside III functional. Chairperson: Sindhu Raju

**Rules and Regulations Committee** - prepares drafts and modifications to the Surfside III rules and regulations to address issues of concern. Chairperson: Ellis Faracsi

# **BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE REPORT**- Lynne Hale

We will have a planting day in August or September. Watch for the posted date.

The tree removal and tree trimming has been a major project for our complex.

As the project comes to completion the Beautification Committee is researching trees and planning for the best selection for the long term beauty of Surfside III. The new trees will be planted by the professionals.

The beautification committee will need to plant succulents around the new trees and in areas that have been damaged by the falling branches during the tree trimming project. The sprinkler system has been worked on by the landscape company and repairs to the system have improved the coverage and efficiency of the system.

We will need volunteers on the Saturday we work on replanting succulents and spreading mulch. We start at 9am and usually finish by noon. We meet by the club house. Watch for the date. We will advertise well in advance of the work day.

Project	Budget	Status	Description
Spa	Capital	Completed	In operation
Concrete	Capital	Completed	Done
Tree Removal	Capital	Completed	Done
Tree	Capital	In Progress	Work is underway.
Trimming			Anticipated end
			date is July 28th.
Fire Alarm	Capital	In Progress	Work is underway.
Campus	Capital	Pilot in	Awaiting contract
Lighting		Progress	and insurance
Utility Doors	Capital	In Progress	Awaiting contract
			and insurance.
Property	Maintenance	Deferred	Due to notification
Management			requirements to our
			current Property
			Management
			Vender this has
			been deferred until
			the end of the year.
CC&R	Operations	Planning	Request for
Attorney			Information out to
			lawyers.
Townhouse	Capital	Planning	Gathering
Fencing			information
Surfside Drive	Capital	Planning	Gathering
Fence			information

#### PROCUREMENT COMMITTEE REPORT – Sindhu Raji

# **NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH** - Val Lemeka

We almost made it through the summer with no big incidents. Then, the July 4 weekend was spoiled by two tenants assaulting each other.



Our Watchers did not hesitate to call the police and report this; fines will be issued to the owners, who will pass the fines on to the assaulting neighbors. The police will have these folks "on their radar".

Otherwise, while the clubhouse has been extremely busy this year, it's been a great summer.

The next Neighborhood Watch meeting will be <u>WEDNESDAY. August 3 at 7 pm</u> in the clubhouse. All are invited.

Val Lameka 805-986-2855

# WELCOMING COMMITTEE - Lya Findel

At the last Board meeting it was decided that one sheet flyer (two sided) "Useful Information" flyers would be printed and placed on **every door** in our community with the idea that all residents will be "**informed residents**".

We plan on having them on every door before the 10<sup>th</sup> of August.

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If you are interested in joining a committee or starting a committee to address

issues that you feel are important and are not being handled by other

committees, please contact:

# **ON-SITE OFFICE**

manager@surfsideiii.com 805-488-8484

## Property Manager:

carol.short@surfsideiii.com

## Assistant Property Manager:

monica.sanchez@surfsideiii.com

# SURFSIDE III COA- Useful Resident Information

No Smoking: on balconies, patios or within 25 feet of all indoor common areas, children playground areas and exclusive use entrances. Also, no smoking is allowed in the elevators at anytime.



MPH is the **speed limit** in Surfside III.

PLEASE

Surfside III Community quiet time is 9 p.m. to 8a.m.

With Non-emergency construction & homeowner repairs are allowed Monday through Saturday 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. and on Sundays between 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.



**Guest Vehicle Entrance** control service must be set-up with the <u>on-site office 805-488-8484</u>. Once that has been established, when your guests arrive at the Guest Entrance, they will call you using the speaker at the Guest Entrance. After you answer vou must <u>wait 3 seconds</u> BEFORE your press "9" which unlocks the gate. After 10 seconds the system <u>no longer accepts the "9"</u> command to open the gate. Timing is very important when using this remote service.

Vehicles left in Guest Parking for more than 96 hours will be towed at owner's expense. Self service car washing is solved at located next to the Clubhouse on Sea Wind Way.

Vehicles EXITING Surfside III must get very close to the exit gate since it only stays open for 7 seconds.

and exit quickly once it opens

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Fackage **deliveries cannot** be made to the office. If you want to play it safe, request deliveries must be signed in order for delivery. The COA cannot guarantee their safety if left outside your door.

Free Internet access in the Clubhouse. NO

Locked storage rooms are for storage of bicycles only. No gasoline driven cycles of any type may be stored in these rooms. The COA holds no liability for theft or damage of bicycles in storage. The occupant assumes all risk. Space is limited to first come first served. Key is available in the on-site office.

# 1

**No one** should be playing in the roadways or impeding traffic. **Recreational** areas are provided for all occupants. See Surfside III map on reverse side map forlocations.

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In All dogs must be on a leash held by a dog walker when in the common areas. Dogs are only allowed to run freely in the designated "dog run" area in Lighthouse Park.



**Three pet limit**. All dogs must be **registered** in the on-site office within **5 days** of occupying unit.

Dogs <u>please tell your walkers</u> not to allow you to urinate/pee on the first floor posts and in the planted garden areas. Have them lead you to the grass areas and you will know what to do.



Rental units **may not** be **subleased** in whole or part. Violations will be assessed an initial fine of \$500.00 and every 30 days thereafter until violation is corrected.





# ORMOND BEACH

On June 7, 2016 the Oxnard City Council passed Ordinance 2906. In an effort to protect Ormond Beach, a designated Important Bird Area of Global importance,

Certain activities are no longer allowed at Ormond Beach. These activities include, but are not limited to:

• Bringing animals of any type except those certified as service animals, service animals must be leashed.

- Camping or any camping equipment.
- Fires of any sort

• Flying of kites or remotely operated airplanes, drones, or cars.

• Operating any motor vehicle

• Interfering with designated, protected habitats

• Removal of plants, dunes or other vegetation

For a full list of prohibited activities, please visit the city's website at www.oxnard.org/protec-ormond-beach

Violators are subject to citation and fines of up to \$500

# OWNER'S CORNER

#### Streetwise by Dulce Setterfield

While walking or driving, the street signage for Surfside III may give rise to confusion over discrepancies. Turning off Surfside Drive and approaching the main gate, a city street sign says 'Seawind Wy PVT'(with PVT designating a privately owned street, even if that portion of pavement is not within the gated area of the Surfside III community).

Once inside the gate, metal street signage says Sea Wind (two words, not one). Adjacent to that street is a large wooden sign with a schematic map of the complex, on which Seawind (one word) is used for the same street that bears the Sea Wind metal street sign. While I do not reside on that street (Seawind Way or Sea Wind Way, depending on where you look), I can see from various real estate websites that the property addresses on file with county records use one word, not two. However, documents originating from the onsite office and from our Board of Directors typically use the two-word spelling.

I reside on a street the U. S. Postal Services, and the aforementioned real estate websites, call Ebbtide Circle. (The post office actually uses CIR, rather than spell a complete word). I signed my home loan documents with that address designated,

Lordon Management Company bills me monthly with that same address, and I therefore tend to stick with Ebbtide spelled as a single word. Parties wanting to digitally create driving directions to my home do just fine inputting Ebbtide Circle (or Cir); although Ebb-space-Tide might work equally well as Ebbtide, with GPS and the like. The Board of Directors favors the use of two-

word spelling: Ebb Tide, on the communications pertinent to our Condominium Owners' Association. The aforementioned large wooden sign originally spelled my street as 'Ebbtion' for unknown reasons (perhaps the sign-painter was confused, decades ago). Last year's correction to the signage, executed by the newly formed Enhancement Committee, is appreciated! It's good to have the word Ebbtion gone, as it fueled confusion for anyone viewing the sign and trying to make sense of the environs, find an address on Ebbtide, or confirm their location. But beyond that signage correction, the two-word/one-word disparity may linger, ongoing. Other streets within our community do not have a disparity. Reef, for example, is clearly a single word: hence, Reef Circle (or simply CIR, as the database of the post office indicates). Bluewater, Sunfish and Lighthouse: all using a single word, just like Surfside; no party generating documents or installing signage seems to require a protocol of spelling these streets using two words. (I used to get asked though, on the phone, when my abode was on Sunfish Way: is that Sun-space-Fish?) I'm confident we can all continue to live with any disparity that persists with records and signage pertaining to certain streets. Whatever divergence or lastminute change occurred long ago, resulting in a single word prevailing with local government records and the post office, whilst parties within the Surfside III development chose otherwise for recordkeeping and signage is a mystery.

What is not a mystery is the presence of a stop sign, on Bluewater Way, near the main gate (heading toward the exit onto Surfside Drive). The stop sign makes sense, as Ebbtide (or Ebb Tide) and Seawind (or Sea Wind) converge in that vicinity and traffic can also be coming through the entrance gate. Pedestrians can be visibly or not-so-visibly present as well. Numerous times this year, drivers have ignored that stop sign. Those doing the ignoring are both male and female. Senior citizens and much younger drivers, both during daylight hours and after dark, have failed to stop. Some drivers who miss the stop sign have been recognized as residents of Surfside III, rather than first-time visitors or realtors and the like. If all drivers could be alert to that stop sign in the future, they'll be contributing to our community. Call it street-savvy, or street-wise; street wise or streetwise. Or we can simply call stopping at a stop sign Safe Driving: abiding by the rules of the road.

#### Water wise by Dulce Setterfield

Prior newsletters (this year and last year) have nudged residents to turn off the water in their units when going out of town. This may be a simple, single-valve task in a townhome. For the condo units stacked three-high in buildings 1 through 8, there is different situation. A neighbor pooh-poohed the idea of turning off the water, saying it could only be turned off for the entire building, and that valve is not within any owner's own unit. Upon asking Antonio, our operations expert, I got two answers regarding the steps in turning off the available flow of water into a condo unit in buildings 1 through 8.

(1) If a home improvement project requires the water to be off for a period of time, the entire building can be shut down—by Antonio—going into the attic of the building (by prior arrangement: make a request to the onsite office).

(2) If a resident is going away and wants to shut off valves as a precaution while out-of-town, then the valves as follows were identified by Antonio as the ones to shut off. These valves are accessible within the unit, to the resident:

Kitchen Sink (same valve serves Dishwasher) Clothes Washer Toilet Bathroom Sink

NOTE: Tub and Shower are not listed above, as no valve exists to turn off, apart from

the faucet used for day-to-day bathing/showering. As for an ice-maker inside a freezer, cleaning it out before leaving town is a way to avoid the possibility of melted ice dripping onto the kitchen floor. Such dripping can occur if there is a power outage lasting long enough to warm up that freezer—or if the appliance's controller fails when a surge occurs as electric power is restored. (Yes, this has happened—and during the hot weeks of summer; the needed controller part was out of stock and took weeks for the repairman to acquire).

#### A N N O U N C E M E N T OPEN HOUSE, 576 EBBTIDE CIRCLE SATURDAY 8/13/2016 9 AM TO 9:45 AM

prior to Open Agenda meeting at Clubhouse Owners only\* are invited on this occasion. No pets.

**HOSTED BY DULCE SETTERFIELD:** the open house is an opportunity for owners to visit my abode, briefly, before the Open Agenda meeting begins. Fruit, juice, tea will be available. If you prefer

using the elevator to/from the top deck of the building, please bring your own elevator key. The property is not for sale. The open house is offered in the spirit of sharing a slice of life in Building 1. In recent meetings such as those to review and comment on Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions (CC&Rs), I have heard disparaging remarks about Building 1. The open house is an opportunity to either confirm existing opinions or to glimpse this building with fresh eyes. The west-facing 'tree-top' view (from balcony) is newly opened to the Bubbling Springs duck pond. The pond view is probably the most expansive in over a decade of that water feature (enhanced by greenery and wildlife). Recent tree trimming to the east and south of Building 1 has opened the balcony to increased morning and mid-day sunlight.

At a later date, an afternoon (or early evening) open house, inclusive of any interested tenants and guests as well as owners, may be offered. After a couple more home improvements are complete, is the idea, for a future event.

Thanks to all Surfside III residents I've spoken with in recent months who helped shed light on one aspect or another regarding the scoping, sequencing, budgeting, aesthetics, functionality, and overall managing of various improvements. We encounter pitfalls and challenges with condominium properties and beach proximity that differ from prior experiences elsewhere, with single-family homes. Here's to continuing to enjoy our homes, easy beach access, discoveries, and new solutions to make the most of where we live.

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\*The Owners' Corner" and "The Renters Corner" are places in the newsletter for owners & renters, to voice their observations and/or suggestions about the community, association operations, or make announcements about any Surfside III social event or activity. While the newsletter Editor and the Board do review these submissions, the opinions and content only represent the author and not the association. We will refuse and return to the author for re-writing any material that is not factual or is in bad taste or denigrates any individual. We are not perfect and apologize in advance if you find the content of anything in this section offensive.

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\*The Davis-Sterling Act requires associations to give notice of Board meetings, including an agenda of the meeting. Posting is allowed, provided it is in a prominent location accessible to all members. In addition, associations must mail a notice to any owner who sorequests.

\*Surfside III posts all agendas on the website (Surfsideiii.com) and on the Clubhouse Bulletin Board.

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#### DUE TO THE IMPORTANCE OF THE ASBESTOS INFORMATION THE FOLLOWING WILL BE PRINTED IN EVERY NEWSLETTER.

For a full copy of the law listed below, please contact the on-site office. Advisement and reminder to all owners who are planning to remodel or repair their home. **PRIOR** to work commencing, the **CALIFORNIA ASBESTOS LAW** requires the owner or the contractor to do asbestos testing Please be aware that when you are doing any renovation activities in your unit the law states the following: Useful definitions while reading this law:

#### Surveying = testing Operators = contractors

Rule 1403. Asbestos emissions from demolition/renovation activities (Adopted October 6, 1989) (Amended April 8, 1994) (Amended November 3, 2006)(Amended October 5,2007)

#### (a)Purpose

The purpose of this rule is to specify work practice requirements to limit asbestos emissions from building demolition and renovation activities, including the removal and associated disturbance of asbestos-containing materials (ACM). The requirements for demolition and renovation activities include asbestos surveying, notification, ACM removal procedures and time schedules, ACM handling and clean-up procedures, and storage, disposal, and land filling requirements for asbestos-containing waste materials (ACWM). All operators are required to maintain records, including waste shipment records, and are required to use appropriate warning labels, signs, and markings.

# THIS RULE, IN WHOLE OR IN PART, IS APPLICABLE TO OWNERS AND OPERATORS OF ANY DEMOLITION OR

**RENOVATION** activity, and the associated disturbance of asbestos containing material, any asbestos storage facility, or any active waste disposal site.

# SURFSIDE III COA CONTACT INFORMATION

Surfside III On-site Property Manager's Office: manager@surfsideiii.com

#### 805-488-8484

is scheduled to be open:

Monday: 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Tuesday - Friday: 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m

OFFICE hours are also posted on the Clubhouse door When the office is closed there will be no on-site telephone service (just a recorded message).

600 Sunfish Way, Port Hueneme, CA93041

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**MANAGEMENT COMPANY:** All billing questions should be addressed to:

#### Lordon Property Management 1275 Center Court Drive, Covina, CA 91724

#### Phone: 800-729-5673For after-hours emergencies – 818-707-0200 or 626-967- 7921 Option 9, listen fully to the message

When emailing Lordon Management, please address email to Jennifer M Critchfield along with a

copy to Donalea Bauer Include your phone number (s) and/or email for response before the end

of the next business day. If you get her voice mail, but would like to speak with her directly, hit

zero and talk to the operator.

If more urgent, call Donalea Bauer, Vice President, community manager at: 800- 729- 5673x3342 donalea@lordonmanagement.com

Jennifer M. Critchfield, assistant community manager: 800-729-5673x3380 jcritchfield@lordonmanagement.com

#### LORDON MANAGEMENT: OTHER DEPARTMENT EXTENSIONS:

All escrow matters: Stefani Cordero, ext. 339 escrow@lordonmanagement.com

Insurance and collections: April Webster, ext. 3337 april@lordonmanagement.com

Your account, billing address, etc: Tera Bordon, ext. 3319 tera@lordonmanagement.com