



SWANSBORO COUNTRY PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION

Newsletter—November 2022

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NOTE: There will not be any SCPOA meetings in December, 2022.



The Mosquito FSC is hosting a Veterans Day recognition event to honor the service of our veterans. This will take place on November 11th, at 11 AM at the flagpole at Dyer Lake. If weather is inclement please meet at the Dyer Lake pavilion.

Everyone is invited to take a moment to say thank you for their service.

Get involved—become a SCPOA board member. Nominations and elections will all occur sooner than we think. This year there are 4 openings for board members. Board members serve for two years, beginning with the annual meeting in February. Board members also serve as committee chairs for the following committees— Budget/Finance; Common Areas; Communications; Airport/Runway; and Roads. Serving as a board member you can help keep the budget balanced, promote ideas to better Swansboro and the membership, and , to put it simply— make Swansboro better. Nominees will be expected to attend the “Meet and Greet”, held in December or early January. (Date not yet determined.) The “Meet and Greet” is intended to be the opportunity for members to meet all the candidates, and ask questions. It is also the time when candidates can provide members with their thoughts as to why they would like to become a board member, answer your questions, and let us know how they can make Swansboro better. These positions are volunteer positions. Payment comes in the form of knowing you have participated in making our community an even better place for all residents. Information will be available as soon as TMT has the information sent to you.

MANY FOLKS AT THE HALLOWEEN DYER AFTER DARK EVENT ASKED ABOUT THIS:

ASSISTANCE FOR SENIORS AND VETS Seniors and Veterans Defensible Space Assistance Program

Need assistance with creating a defensible space at your primary residence in El Dorado County's west slope area? This service is only available to veterans (including surviving spouses) regardless of age and/or seniors age 60 or older, who are financially unable to afford vegetation removal on your property and physically unable to do the work. Find out more about this free service by clicking this link www.edcfiresafe.org/veterans-defensible-space-assistance-program/

This program is brought to you by -



HOLIDAYS ARE COMING! KEEP THESE THOUGHTS TO MAKE HOLIDAYS BETTER.

EIGHT crime prevention safety tips -

#1. Get to Know Your Neighbors

The first thing you can do to improve your neighborhood safety is to simply get to know your immediate neighbors. Make sure to share contact information and perhaps give a spare key to a trusted neighbor.

#2. Let Your Neighbors Know When You Go Out of Town

Your home is more vulnerable when you aren't there, so if you're heading out of town, let your neighbors know. Not only can they keep an eye on your home, but they can help prevent a break-in by keeping up appearances such as collecting the mail.

#3. Form or Join the Neighborhood Watch

A great way to know what's going on in your community is to join the local neighborhood watch group. If your neighborhood doesn't have one, perhaps you can organize one. Leverage social media and create a local community group everyone can access and share updates.

#4. Install a Visible Home Security System

Burglars are less likely to break into homes with visible security systems. Protect your home and encourage neighbors to do the same by installing a DIY home security system. If your security system includes motion-activity lighting or an alarm it can further help deter intruders.

#5. Maintain Appearances

Overgrown yards provide hiding spaces for burglars and create the appearance that no one is around which can make your home an easy target. Maintain your yard and encourage neighbors to do the same to show potential criminals that people are active in the community and reduce hiding spots.

#6. Teach Your Children Safety Tips

Keeping your home and neighborhood secure is one thing, but you can also take a few steps to keep you and your neighbor's kids safe. If you're new to the neighborhood, walk around with your kids to help them to be familiar with the area. You can also set boundaries for where they can go giving them some freedom to explore within reason.

#7. Spend Time Outside in Your Neighborhood

If a lot of people are outside the neighborhood is likely to be less inviting to burglars as there are more people to see them, especially as most burglaries occur during the day. Spending time outside is also a great way to get to know your neighbors (back to tip #1).

#8. Close Your Blinds at Night

At night with the lights on and blinds open can make your home a fishbowl for someone to peer into. If you leave your blinds open potential burglars can easily 'case' your home and get an understanding of your habits. A good neighborhood safety tip everyone can practice is to close all blinds and windows at night.

(Security tips thanks to Swann Security—Swann.com)

Grilled Portobello Quesadillas **DIRECTIONS**

INGREDIENTS

- 4 medium portobello mushrooms
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- kosher salt and black pepper
- 8 8-inch flour tortillas



- 1) Heat grill to medium. Brush mushrooms with 1 tablespoon of the oil and season with 1/2 teaspoon of salt and 1/4 teaspoon of pepper.
- 2) Grill, covered, until tender, 8 to 10 minutes per side; thinly sliced.
- 3) Lightly brush 1 side of each of the tortillas with remaining tablespoon of oil. Form 4 sandwiches with the tortillas (oiled side facing out), mushrooms and cheese. Grill, covered, until cheese is melted and the tortillas are crisp, 1 to 3 minutes per side.

Recipe thank to realsimple.com