

# The SCS Newsletter

South Coast Shores HOA: June 2024

## President's Message

The flags around the lake are in position which means that our annual 4th of July BBQ and celebration of our nation's birth is almost here. Mark your calendar and bring your appetite.

This month marks the end of our fiscal year and I am pleased to report that our financial position remains strong. Prudent management has allowed us to hold the monthly assessment at the current level as we have found ways to offset the almost 4% inflation over the past year.

We will be restarting the rehabilitation of the garage courts which we had suspended for the painting project. I toured with an asphalt contractor and the garage courts have continued to deteriorate, no doubt due to the last two rainy winters. This is a multi-year project due to the cost so we will try to do several a year as long as our financial position allows us to do so.

**Vince Salvati, President SCSHOA @ [Southcoast2003@gmail.com](mailto:Southcoast2003@gmail.com)**



# At the Last Board Meeting

**On May 23rd, 2024:** In accordance with Civil Code §4920, notice of the meeting and the agenda was posted on the bulletin board at least four days in advance of the General Session of the Board of Directors held on the above date at the Association clubhouse. And in accordance with State Statute the homeowners present were given an opportunity to address the Board of Directors. The following items were brought up: Vehicles and motorcycles driving at unsafe speeds, and the importance of keeping all dogs on leash when walking on the property for the safety of all dogs.

The HOA BOD committee heads for Architectural, Landscape, Clubhouse, Trash/Recycling, Parking, Lighting, Well & Equipment and Pool/Spa gave verbal reports to the board.

The Board TABLED the appointment of one Director to fill the one vacant seat created by the resignation of Shawn Van Enoo on 03/13/24, and the appointment of one Director to fill the one vacant seat created by the death of Jack Casey in March 2024, until the June board meeting, since there are no candidates at this time.

The Board APPROVED the proposal from Roofing Standards dated 05/16/24 to repair the roof and replace dry rot wood identified for \$3,950.00 to be paid from Reserves G/L #70600 (Common Area).

Management advised the Board that we are still seeking two additional bids for this project: to install an ER Spa Switch as required by the Health Department until the June 2024 meeting, pending 2 additional bids.

The board discussed ideas and plans for the annual HOA 4th of July Celebration. A motion was APPROVED by the board for a budget of \$750.00 for the celebration food and supplies. A motion was also APPROVED for a budget of \$100 for some new American Flags to be used with the older stock of flags around the Lake/Community for Memorial Day and the 4th of July holidays.

**The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be June 27th, 2024.**

**General Session at 7:00, at the SCS Clubhouse, Open for resident attendance.**

**(Closed Board Executive Directors Session starts at 6:30)**

**Click [HERE](#) to link directly to full board minutes and all financial reports and HOA forms, now at [www.southcoastshores.info/](http://www.southcoastshores.info/)**



## Bringing the Spirit!

*Big thanks go to John Donahoe and Fred Stace for the lake's lovely American Flag display that we enjoy around the lake all the way from Memorial Day to the 4th of July!*





## Please Join Us for 'Coffee for Jack Casey'



**Date:** Friday, June 28th  
**Time:** 4pm  
at the SCS Clubhouse

**Please join Ginger Casey and her family for a Celebration Gathering for the late Jack Casey.**

*Here's to you, Jack!*



## The NEXT HOA SCS OPEN Clubhouse will be Wednesday, June 26th, 11am–2pm

**Please join us...This is a great way to meet new friends!**

All residents are welcome to bring a lunch to eat or an food item to share with others, but just your company is what our monthly Open Clubhouse Event is all about.

Catchup with old friends and meet new ones! Coffee and drinks are provided.

We will put out our 6 new signs to remind you of this every 4th week of the clubhouse event.

Any questions, contact Helen at 714.556.1513. Hope to see you there!



Our blooming Agapanthus, so pretty now!

### Big thanks for the new street sign, Phil!

*Phil Bacerra, our Santa Ana City Council member for Ward 4, arranged to have a street sign installed on MacArthur Blvd. showing the northern turn-in entrance for SCS on 'Twilight'. This street name shows up in any Google search for directions for visitors looking to locate our property. This will no doubt help first responders, delivery drivers, etc., find us much quicker. For a long time I didn't even know that 'street' had a name! —Editor*







# Don't miss our big SCS 4th of July Party!

All residents are invited to our annual BBQ on July 4th at the Clubhouse from 11:30 to 3pm

And show your American spirit by wearing red, white & blue and joining your neighbors celebrating the USA.

This year we thank our military families and honor the SCS residents currently serving in our armed forces: The Donahoe's, daughter Jordan, serving in the US Navy on the USS Eisenhower; Pat Phelan's nephew, Cameron Joseph, 1st Lt. Marine Corp at Camp Pendelton; Rachelle and Pedro Zermeno has son Xzaviar in the Navy E5 and son Henry and his wife Andrea serving in the US Airforce. Please let me know of any other service members currently serving from our SCS family. We would love to honor all of them on this very special American holiday!



**Let's make this year's BBQ the best ever!** Many hands are needed and many volunteer food items, too. Our SCS community always knows how to have a good party!!! A list of side dishes, desserts, etc. needed will be posted on the Clubhouse bulletin board a week before the BBQ. Please donate an item to share for the party. FREE hot dogs, hamburgers, beverages and root beer floats are provided by the HOA, as usual.




For our newest neighbors, welcome to our caring and fun community. We hope to meet you at the BBQ.

**We need helpers & portable grills!! Contact info below?**

The Rolling Thunder Parade (any vehicle on wheels: bikes, scooters, skates, wheelchairs, etc) must be decorated celebrating a branch of our US military. Pick Army, Navy, US Marine, Air Force or Coast Guard.

**This year's children's art project will be a letter to one or all our SCS serving members.** Look for more information soon in your mailbox. Prizes will be awarded!!!

Thank you for helping. 

**For more information** or to offer help call or text: Susan Salvati (718) 974-2308 or email [susansalvati@gmail.com](mailto:susansalvati@gmail.com)

See you there!!!





# Driving & Parking at SCS: A quick reminder about safer driving, and the difference between 'Registering' and 'Safelisting' your car

**Safety First!** We have had some complaints about vehicles speeding here in South Coast Shores. **As a reminder, the actual speed limit is 15mph.** That is how our speed bumps are calibrated. Please keep in mind there are a lot of older people using the recycle bins out on the streets, and now, new kids living/playing here, so please slow down to avoid any accidents.



All of our streets are two way streets, however, I do see people driving down the middle quite often. (This is also true of pedestrians—walking right down the middle of the street instead of using the sidewalks). This can be very unsafe.

The 'curves' at both ends of West Wind are potential trouble spots when residents drive too fast. It's a good idea to hug the curb a little in case someone is coming the other way in the middle of the street. Our delivery drivers are usually in a hurry, and we need to be aware of them. If you see them speeding, remind them of our safety concerns as many of our residents already do! The board is looking into some additional speed controlling features, and we would welcome your input.

## Regarding parking, it's time for a review of the terms and procedures we use at SCS

**'Registering'** a vehicle is what you do in order to have that car on a list that Patrol Masters keeps allowing you to park it in any legal space at SCS, any time of day or night. The auto is linked to your address for the long term. **If you change your license number or replace the car, you need to let me know or let Patrol Masters know ASAP or you may start getting violations that could lead to a tow.** It seems to work better if you go thru me for any registration changes you have.



**'Safelisting'** is a temporary parking permit meant for your guests. You may have 30 days of safelisting in a 6 month period. You could also have your guest park in your garage, and put your registered car on the street. Safelisting is done directly with Patrol Masters online or by phone. I don't recommend trying to use their app. It seems somewhat unreliable.

If you have some situation where you need special help, please let me know.

—Freddie Troy, 657-232-1811 or at [freddiemillert@aol.com](mailto:freddiemillert@aol.com)

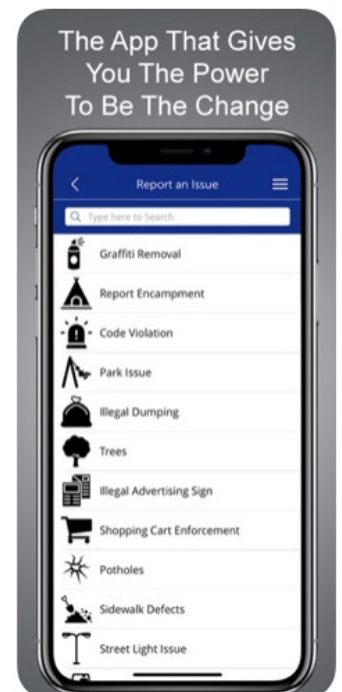
## The best way to clean up graffiti?

**There's an app for that!** Download the **mySantaAna** app and report graffiti, and other issues to be brought to the City of Santa Ana's attention including illegal dumping, potholes, street light outage, etc., when you are out and about in Santa Ana.

*The mySantaAna mobile app puts the power of the Santa Ana city government right in the palm of your hand! Residents with an iPhone or Android smartphone can now download the mySantaAna application for free, allowing them to quickly and easily report issues with photos to the City for resolution. And you will see results fast with the graffiti!*

You can also report issues to Santa Ana directly online at

<https://www.santa-ana.org/report-issue>



# Landscape News

By Maurizio Bertoldi, SCS Landscape Committee Chair  
info@southcoastshores.info or 714-206-2109

**With the summer heat coming, it's a good time to review strategies to keep those mosquitos away from you:**



**1. Dump out any standing water near your home or in your patio.** Mosquitos can breed in just 14 days in a minute amount of water in an old flower pot, a rain gutter or bird bath. *This is the most important thing we can do to keep mosquito populations low—keep a close eye on ANY standing water and eliminate!* Don't forget

to clean pet water bowls weekly, and don't let water sit in potted plant saucers.

**2. Keep mosquitoes outside.** Have good screens on all windows to keep mosquitos from slipping into the house. And keep them in good repair.

**3. Use mosquito repellent.** The most effective chemical repellents contain DEET, picaridin, PMD, or IR3535 insecticide, which are all considered safe when used as directed. The Environmental Working Group lists picaridin and IR3535 as its top choices for repelling mosquitoes. Just watch out for skin irritation and avoid spraying chemicals around the eyes or mouth. Experts say to concentrate the repellent on your ankles, feet, lower legs and wrists—thin-skinned spots mosquitoes love to bite.

**4. Wear light-colored clothing, when outdoors.** Apparently from research, deep colors—like black, deep blue and red—stand out so they attract bugs. Thicker fabrics and looser fits offer more protection than thin clothing that fits tightly.

**5. Stay indoors during dusk and dawn.** While mosquitoes can bite at any time of day, it's wise to limit your exposure during their prime feeding times. If you can't avoid being outdoors at these times of day, be sure to take some other precautions.

**Pet Owners:** Please keep your dogs on leash when walking them at SCS. Big or small, it's safest for your dog, other dogs and other residents, and a rule in our neighborhood and the city of Santa Ana.

Thanks!



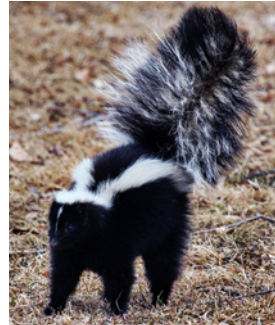
## FYI: Some very good reasons to keep your garage doors shut...

We are seeing so many garage doors left up, either open all the way or sometimes just a few inches lately that we would like to warn you about some problems that could happen with that (besides letting in unwanted people). Skunks and feral cats have been spotted on our property based on reports received lately.

In one instance a male feral cat got into a garage during the day, a couple of months ago, and sprayed the whole area, which was a difficult stinky mess to clean up. And, the smell is not totally gone, even yet!

Skunks can do the same thing in your garage, and DO roam the property during the day and can get inside if access is allowed.

The homeowner that had a skunk in their garage was very lucky that the animal was able to be carefully shooed out by neighbors without spraying that awful smell (We think it was a baby skunk that time).



Several residents have reported the skunk spray smell that came in their house in the middle of the night and kept them awake the rest of the night—because of how strong that smell is! So you sure don't want that smell inside your garage.

Also, of course, rodents are always happy to start a nice new home inside your garage, too, if they can find their way inside.

So, please be careful who you 'let in'.





Book Club met at the pool on a beautiful, sunny day in June. We talked about what everyone had been reading (or listening to, as the case may be). Lots of murders but other kinds of books as well. Erik Larson was discussed and his books, which are mostly nonfiction.

For next month we are planning to read *The Covenant of Water* by Abraham Verghese or his previous book, *Cutting For Stone*. These are very long books, so no shame in not finishing or even starting. No shame at all ever.

We will be going back to the second Wednesday of the month from now on, so please update your calendar.

—Freddie Troy, 657-232-1811,  
freddiemillert@aol.com

## Did you lose something ???



Be sure to post a message on the resident clubhouse bulletin board with your name/phone number and **what you lost**—we have a lot of walkers here and they just might find it for you!

Lots of keys, jewelry, glasses, etc., have been returned to owners by helpful neighbors who noticed a posting on the bulletin board. Also, use the clubhouse bulletin board to post if you FIND something on the property (with your phone #)—that would be very appreciated, too. FYI: At SCS we don't really keep a 'Lost & Found' box on site.

# Updated information about the Trash Bins stickers in our SCS garage courts

It has come to the HOA's attention that has been some misunderstanding about much can be put into our trash bins. This has happened because our super-nice Republic trash pickup guy has been kind enough to overlook a couple of very overfilled bins, and accept them with stuff piled over the top, lids up, and kindly not send in a violation for SCS. This has given the wrong impression to some residents, who now think that 'overfilling' is acceptable.



'Overfilling' will not be allowed anymore and if it occurs the HOA will get a violation/fine. To make this clear Republic Services is now in the process of applying stickers that show the top limit for trash inside the bin (nothing sticking out beyond the top edge of bin), and requires us to keep the lids 'close-able' at all times. And closed when not in use.

Overfilled bins indicate to our trash vendor that we need more pickups per week, and we need to avoid the extra cost of that to keep HOA dues as low as possible. We believe our capacity for trash is adequate now, if residents recycle with both Food & Yard Waste (Organic) and Recycle bins that we are required by the state to use (located on the perimeter streets). Breaking down larger pieces of trash can help make our bins more efficient and save space, too. And, it is unsafe for our pickup guy when bins are overfilled at the weekly dump time.

Bin lids need to be able to close to keep out rodents, which have been seen inside the trash bins (although no food waste should be inside trash bins now with our Food & Yard Waste bins in service).

**If your trash bin is full, feel free to redistribute to a nearby bin (if there is room) which will help us keep costs down and create no 'overfills'.** And, maybe you can hold back on some trash for the following week's pickup, and not take too much space in the bin in one week—which causes all the overfill issues, it seems.

**And, please note: our trash needs were never calculated to accommodate construction debris from a remodel project. Our R&Rs require vendors to take their trash/debris items away and NOT use our trash bins, at all, actually.**

Thanks for your consideration,  
—Your Trash/Recycle Committee,  
of the SCS HOA Board of Directors

## Please join our community Facebook page

A 'neighbor' page has been setup for SCS residents (only!) and you are invited to join! Anyone in our group is able to post announcements, news and other subjects of interest to our residents joined on this FB page.

Search 'South Coast Shores' in your Facebook search bar and request to join or click the link below.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/408111792989992>

Jowanna Cannon is administrator of the FB page (jbashout@yahoo.com)

## The SCS Website is [www.southcoastshores.info](http://www.southcoastshores.info)

Just click on MEMBER in the upper right corner and you can read minutes of past meetings, see agendas of upcoming Board of Directors Meetings, review the monthly financial report, and get SCS application forms for architectural and landscape improvements, a map, Rules & Regs, and much more.

## Have a Homeowner Issue or Question? Here is your SCS Contact List:

### Optimum Professional Property Management

230 Commerce #250, Irvine, CA 92602 Website: [www.optimumpm.com](http://www.optimumpm.com)

Office: 714-508-9070 / Fax: 714-665-3000

Office Hours: 8:00am. to 5:00pm. Monday-Friday

Optimum's After-Hour On Call Service: 714-741-2685

### Certified Community Association Manager:

Christian Long, CMCA, Ext. 305, E-mail: [clong@optimumpm.com](mailto:clong@optimumpm.com)

**Assessment Billing/Collections:** (Billing/Account Payments, Delinquency Matters) Ext. 1, E-mail: [billing@optimumpm.com](mailto:billing@optimumpm.com)

**Escrow Department:** (Escrow Demands, Requests for Documents) Ext. 2, E-mail: [escrow@optimumpm.com](mailto:escrow@optimumpm.com)

**Maintenance Department:** (Common Area Maintenance/Pool-Spa/Keys, etc.) 714-508-9070, Option 3 For E-mail: [Maintenance@optimumpm.com](mailto:Maintenance@optimumpm.com)

**Administrative Assistant:** (ARCHITECTURAL APPLICATIONS/Forms/etc.) go to Edward Thompson, Ext. 375, E-mail: [ethompson@optimumpm.com](mailto:ethompson@optimumpm.com)

**Emergencies:** things must be handled immediately such as gates non-working, or broken water lines, etc, can be sent by email to [Maintenance@Optimumpm.com](mailto:Maintenance@Optimumpm.com) or you can call 714-508-9070 and press Option 3

**Santa Ana Police Department:** 714-834-4211 (non-emergency)

### HOA Liability Insurance: As of July 1st 2022:

LaBarre/Oksnee Agency Inc: 800-698-0711, Fax: 949-588-1275

## Do you have a specific question about:

### Parking Issues &

**Clubhouse Rental:** Call Freddie Troy, (landline) 657-232-1811 or [freddiemillert@aol.com](mailto:freddiemillert@aol.com). *Don't put off registering a car!*

### Trash/Recycle/Food & Yard Waste Bins or Pickup for Bulky Items:

Email questions to Susan Todd at [sutztodd@me.com](mailto:sutztodd@me.com)

**Landscape and Architectural/Roof Improvements:** Contact Maurizio Bertoldi for questions, 714-206-2109 or email to [info@southcoastshores.info](mailto:info@southcoastshores.info)

**Patrol Masters:** 877-648-0602

or [www.patrolmasters.com](http://www.patrolmasters.com)

(To safe-list cars for visitors and other parking issues) Note: All parking variance requests must go to Freddie Troy at [freddiemillert@aol.com](mailto:freddiemillert@aol.com), the BOD parking committee head, not directly to Patrol Masters.

**Please email Freddie with any questions.**

### Your SCS Board of Directors:

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