



COSTA SERENA ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE REPORT

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OCTOBER 2025

A PUBLICATION EXCLUSIVELY FOR OUR 55+ COMMUNITY

CHAIR REPORT

Dear Costa Serena Residents,

Happy Fall! We are barely into Fall and haven't even had Halloween yet, but Christmas decorations are in full swing at various stores. I think we need to slow down a bit and enjoy "the day" we are living. Cheers to today!

Once again, there's a few things that need to be addressed:

Sidewalks: The sidewalk in front of your house belongs to the City, however, it is your responsibility to keep it clear of debris, such as leaves, various types of berries and anything else that is a hazard for people walking, using a walker, crutches or electric wheel chair. Please make sure tree branches are not hanging over the sidewalks. Remember this is a 55+ community and we don't want to have anyone injured while enjoying the fresh air. Also, it could cost you a great deal of money if someone falls because of negligence.

Trash Carts: The City of Oceanside's rules for trash carts: **"Put out carts between 4 p.m. the day before and 6 a.m. on your service day. Carts must be off the street or curb line and out of view by 11 p.m."** Leaving your carts out for days really doesn't enhance your residence. If you are unable to bring in your trash carts, try asking a neighbor to help you.

Political Signs: State regulations for political signs – timeframe for placement is **90 days prior to election and 10 days after**. (Removal deadline: Under California Business and Professional Code 5405.3 political signs must be taken down no later than 10 days following election). I've heard complaints of an offensive sign with some name calling printed on it. Grow up – you're not in high school anymore.

Dog Walkers: We have had a few incidents where dog walkers are not controlling their dogs. I don't need to tell you how important it is to have your dog properly leashed. Someone was accidentally bitten by a dog who wasn't leashed properly. The dog had up-to-date vaccines, but it was still a very unnerving incident for the person that was bitten.

Landscape West Committee Member: The Committee is pleased to announce we have a new committee member, Lesleigh Maggio, who will be responsible for addressing issues regarding Landscape issues west of Buena Hills Drive. She has already been hard at work and has made an impact on improving our Community. Her brief bio is on page 6. If you get a chance to meet Lesleigh, make sure and give her a warm welcome.

Speaker for October 11th Meeting: This is a reminder that we will have Daniel Hume speak at our next Community Meeting. His topic will be the use of pesticides and the cause and effect on the environment. Dan is part of "Hume and Company, Inc. which is a family-owned termite extermination business". Dan is also a resident of Costa Serena, so it would be nice if you could make it to the next meeting and introduce yourselves to Dan.

"Happy Halloween all you Ghouls and Goblins"

Cheers and be a good neighbor,

Sharon Martinson, Chair

ARCHITECTURAL COMMUNITY QUARTERLY MEETING

3280 Pearl Lane, Costa Serena October 11, 10:00 AM

Refreshments will be served.....Please join us

The quarterly meetings are the second Saturday of the month. We look forward to seeing you there.

The architectural committee meetings are private, open to residents and guests of Costa Serena.

Costa Serena Website: <https://costaserenaseniorcommunity.com>

ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS

P.O. Box 6076, Oceanside, CA 92052-6076

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IMPORTANT HELPFUL NUMBERS FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE

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Oceanside non-emergency Police Disptch	760-435-4900	Social Security Administration	800-772-1213
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Adult Protective Services	800-339-4661	Lifeline Transport Service	760-726-1111
El Corazon Senior Center	760-435-5300,1,	https://iframe.publicstuff.com/#?client_id=138	
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County Vector Control	858-694-2888	Trash Pick-up/Large Items	760-439-2824
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City of Oceanside Customer Care	760-435-4500	SDGE-Gas leak/emergency	800-411-7343
Mayor, Esther Sanchez	760-435-3057	email: esanchez@oceansideca.org	
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The following e-mail address goes to all members of the City Council: Council@oceansideca.org			

PERSONAL ADS

Free: Queen size latex mattress, excellent condition, six inches thick with box spring.

Wanted: TO PURCHASE: 2018 - 2022 Honda CR-V. Call Elizabeth (760) 660-3636

For Rent: 3773 Gail Drive: 2BR 1 Bath with attached garage \$2,695 /mo. Updated kitchen: gas range, water filtration system, new dishwasher, refrigerator & W/D. Featuring plantation shutters, RING security system, raised garden, three fruit trees and a large shed with electricity & lighting. Tiled throughout. Quiet, respectful neighbors and a beautiful view of Calaveras Hill.

Joan-Marie Reker 858.220.5340

For Rent: Interested in sharing house with single female; private bedroom etc. 760-439-3288

For Sale: DOWNSIZING; If you want ANY household items+Camry Hybrid; Janisu 760-439-3288

For Sale -- 4-wheel walker/rollator with seat and brakes. Red. Folds up for transport or storage. Used very little, like new. \$40 cash. Costa Serena resident. Call or text Gary at 760- 522- 3563.

For Sale: L - shaped beautiful tempered **glass desk:** framed in black steel. 56" one side, 52 inches other side of the L, Height 29.5 ", Width 19": Asking \$120 **Entertainment Center:** Designed in two sections; Left: Light wood color. H 72", W 59", D 17", 4 shelves with bottom doors beneath shelves on both sections. Open glass doors at top of each section with a light in the middle section. Right section; 2 designed trays for music CD's storage; \$150. Queen size: Nikken firm mattress with magnets inside.Re: Nikken mattress for info on purpose of magnets 4 health. \$60. Call 760 994 9805

For Sale: Mobility Scooter lift. Heavy duty. Hitch-mounted (2"). Works great. Power cable included. \$200 cash, Venmo or Zelle. Costa Serena resident. Call or text Gary at 760- 522- 3563.

For Sale: Six lite-weight fishing poles, great for fly fishing, tackle box, reel, wading boots and more. Make an offer. Call Bill or Terry @ 760-435-9881

Dog Walker: Experienced w references Costa Serena resident. Drop ins as well Kathe 949-212-3147

Wanted: VINYL RECORDS. Preferable genre's Blues, Jazz, Classic Rock.
760-458-0914, valleafcon@yahoo.com, Mark

PERSONAL AD POLICY

All new personal ads will be posted for a maximum of three newsletters, before being automatically deleted. They can be renewed, but the editor must be specifically advised prior to the newsletter deadline (4th Wed of the month). Also, if you provide something especially by mailbox or hand written your name clearly needs to be spelled out. I do not decipher scribbling signatures. I CAN NOT publish personals without knowing where or who it came from. Thank you

Volunteers Wanted

We are in need of volunteers to help deliver the CSAC newsletter monthly. This is a great way to get involved with CSAC, get to know your neighborhood and become more involved in the community. Please contact Susan Paton either via email at spaton4@gmail.com or 989-400-9005 if you are interested. Thanks so much!

We have had some issues regarding fences. Please contact a Permits Committee member **BEFORE** installing your fence or any other changes to the exterior of your property. Permit Committee members will provide you with the proper guidelines established for our community and prevent costly mistakes. Sharon Martinson, Chair

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Age Compliance

We currently have no open cases and three cases were closed. Thank you to everyone who has taken the time to let me know about possible underage people living in our community; it takes all of us working together to preserve Costa Serena's senior status. If you feel there is an age violation in our community, please contact me either by telephone, email, or text, or if you prefer, you may submit an anonymous complaint by dropping it off in our secure lock box located at 3670 Aqua Lane or mail to Costa Serena Architectural Committee, Attn: Barbara Hillery, P.O. Box 6076, Oceanside, CA 92052-6076. Your input will remain confidential. Please let me know if you have a question or if you would like a follow-up on a previous complaint.

Barbara Hillery 760-717-6387

Landscape

East

The current Landscaping questions this last month:

Can I legally trim branches and roots from your neighbor's tree that extend onto your property, but you must stay on your side of the property line and cannot harm or kill the tree?

The neighborly way to protect your yard from overgrown trees and shrubs is to talk with your neighbor first. If a friendly conversation does not work, you can trim. For more serious issues, you can report hazardous trees to your local government. It is a courtesy to speak with your neighbor first to offer them the chance to trim the tree or to get their permission to enter their property for trimming, especially if it's necessary to reach overhanging branches. Only you can manage your Trash-Can Weeds and Trees

Ray Brown 415-815-8934

West

As fall rolls in with its pumpkin-spice everything, it's also time to give your yard a little seasonal TLC. Think of it as tucking your landscape into bed for the winter—fluffing the mulch, trimming back those overgrown perennials, and aerating the lawn (if you have one) so it can actually breathe after a summer of backyard barbecues. Clearing leaves may feel endless (mother nature's confetti never stops), but it keeps your yard healthy. And if you're planting trees, shrubs, or bulbs, now's the time because roots love the cool, damp soil almost as much as we love a cozy sweater and a good excuse to stay inside

Lesleigh Maggio 760-550-7912

Permits Reports:

East:

None Given

Sharon Martinson 760-696-3864

West:

2 new roofs installed and one person removing shutters.

James Draves 760-707-9120

***** Please check in before starting your project if a permit is necessary*****

Further information regarding permits: "According to our policy and procedures, it is not only required but it is mandatory to have written approval from the Architectural Committee for all exterior changes before any work may begin. Anyone failing to obtain a permit before starting work will be in violation of the CC&R's." If you have any questions, please call a permit committee member.

RECYCLE REPORT

Thank you to all who recycle! In September we added \$162.75 for a new 2025 total of \$1,484.92. Only 3 months to raise \$2,000 for the year. Let's do it! Don't forget to encourage all of your new neighbors to recycle with us! I think some are recycling already.

Also thank you for separating **clean**, dry plastic from glass and aluminum, and for removing bottle caps to make it easier and faster for us. Don't forget to put those caps in the bag with the bottles tho.

Remember that we can **NOT** get paid for plastic and/or glass bottles, or aluminum cans that had **any kind of food or oil** in them

Also thank you for **NOT** bringing SCRAP - i.e. solid white and/or solid colored plastic bottles for example yogurt drinks, Ensure, laundry detergent, bleach, etc or ANY cleaning product container.

No plastic juice and/or large opaque milk & water bottles, **UNLESS they have CRV on them. Note that juice plastic from Dollar Tree is not CRV...**No liquor bottles unless marked CRV. Please put those in your blue recycling bin.

YES to **clean**, dry containers such as all aluminum beverage cans; plastic ice tea; glass soda, beer, wine bottles and anything else marked CRV or California Redemption Value.

Note that juice plastic from Dollar Tree is not CRV...

Drop off your bags over the west gate at **3639 North Way** or call/text **Lynette 760-717-9121** if you need a pick up or have questions. Don't forget to take some empty bags when you drop off. Many just had water bottles in them. There's usually enough for your neighbors too!

Funny October dates to celebrate: 10/5 Get Funky Day, 10/9 World Postcard Day, 10/15 I Love Lucy Day, 10/21 National Witch Hazel Day, 10/26 Visit A Cemetery Day, 10/31 Happy Halloween

FINANCIAL

Previous Balance As of August 27, 2025				\$29,353.60
1070	9/12/25	Community Legal Advisors	Legal Fees	-396.50
1071	9/22/25	Copymax	Printing	-353.64
		Meeting Donations	No Meeting	\$0.00
		Recycling Donations		\$162.75
		Advertisers		\$270.00
		Donations		\$700.00
		Document Fees		\$50.00
Total Deposits				\$1,182.75
Ending Balance as of September 24, 2025				\$29,786.21

*****PLEASE SEE DONATION CARD AT TOP OF PAGE 9*****

ATTENTION....HOMELESS PEOPLE hanging out in our community overnight, is UNACCEPTABLE. If you see any incidences, usually in the early morning hours, where people are sleeping in the bushes or in their car, Please call the Oceanside Police Department. The numbers are **760-435-5195 or 760-435-4911**. Another helpful hint is to keep your porch lights on; this deters unwanted visitors . The only way to curb loitering is for ALL of us to be vigilant; make a phone call. Thank you

MINUTES OF COSTA SERENA GENERAL MEETING

NO MEETING LAST MONTH

Steve Good, Secretary

NEW BOARD MEMBER BIO

Hi! My name is Lesleigh Maggio. I moved into Costa Serena 5 months ago with my husband Matt, our pug Paisley and 2 cats, Violet and Fig.

I absolutely love our new little community and I'm so excited to be transforming our new little home into our perfect home .

I've been in the floral/garden design business since 2001. I owned a beautiful garden shop, Grit & Grace in Solana Beach for several years but now run my own garden design/floral design business from home as well as floral design 2 days a week in Del Mar. I'm passionate about gardening, designing, cooking and spending time with my grandbabies.

I'm looking forward to serving on the landscape committee and meeting all of you.

Lesleigh

Neighborhood Connections

Starting in November 2025, your Committee will begin a new section as a part of our Monthly Newsletter entitled: **Neighborhood Connections**

Neighborhood Connection will provide the opportunity for new residents, established community members, current committee members, and volunteers to introduce themselves or reintroduce themselves based on interesting information, stories or hobbies you would like to share with the community. Please contact me with any questions or feedback you might have.

Ray; Feedback: rbrown5518@gmail.com

REMINDER: There is absolutely **NO SOLICITING OR RELIGIOUS CANVASSING** in our neighborhood. It doesn't matter who they say they represent or who they say has authorized their activities, **SOLICITING IS FORBIDDEN BY CITY ORDINANCE IN COSTA SERENA!** Call Police Non-Emergency 760.435.4900 . Thanks CSAC/Editor

*****NEWSLETTER INPUT:** Any newsletter statement or article by anyone other than Committee members must be signed by the writer and are not necessarily condoned or the opinions of the Costa Serena Architectural Committee***

COMMUNITY INFORMATION and ASSISTANCE

FREEWAY HELP Several California agencies have teamed up to provide free help to disabled vehicles on freeways. Out of gas, flat tire, they will mount your spare OR tow you for service. Call 511 & ask for Roadside Assistance. Call boxes access 511. If no one nearby, they'll connect you to a call center. Look up 511SD.com.

CSAC MEETINGS...It's important to reiterate that all owners and renters are invited to attend the Costa Serena quarterly meeting. It's our intent to inform all residents in our community as to our past, present and future efforts to keep the neighborhood peacefully and pleasantly livable. There is no better place to get an update. Also, this effort is enhanced when we have live feedback from our community. The date and time of the meeting is always posted in the newsletter.

CITY PROPERTY City property Issues such as street repairs or dangerous stop sign problems, you can contact the city via their website https://www.ci.oceanside.ca.us/services/customer_care.asp

OBITUARIES If your loved one passes in our community, we would like to hear from you. Please let Mark Valle or any committee member know by the 4th Wednesday of the month and we will publish.

NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS:

Dog & Cat Donations / Box Tops for Education, collecting towels, blankets & rugs (no rubber backing) for dogs & cats. No bed pillows. Please leave donations at 3527 Mira Pacific.

LOCK BOX: There is a CSAC lock mail box at 3670 Aqua Lane. It is next to the garage door. This mail box can be used for donations, advertising payments or any other CSAC communication

YANA PROGRAM

Utilizes uniformed senior citizens to provide a variety of services under the direction of the Oceanside Police Department. Services include vehicle patrol of neighborhoods, traffic control, security checks, welfare checks of homebound seniors and disabled individuals. Contact (760) 435-4763.

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MAILBOX: Mail boxes have been opened at night by unidentified people. Please don't leave mail sitting overnight. ALSO, IT'S A FEDERAL OFFENSE TO PUT UNAUTHORIZED PARAPHERNALIA IN MAILBOX.

FOOD FOR LIFE: NEED GROCERIES? See you Saturday! No registration, first come-first serve, Items vary weekly; **WANT TO VOLUNTEER?** We'd love to for you to join us! Opportunities available every Saturday@ 7-11 am foodforlife@llccmail.com; 760-439-3300/ Jackie Hill (resident) 760-704-2808

DOG WALKERS: When a property owner has a sign that says, "NO DOGS ON PROPERTY" Please respect their wishes and DON'T be rude...it is their property...Thank You

"CC&Rs - covenants, conditions and restrictions - are lengthy contract automatically binding all owners, and the law holds each to have read, understood and agreed to its contents....regardless of whether the owner actually reads it". CSAC

ZELLE: The email to send money to CSAC through Zelle is Money4csac@gmail.com

HARVEST OCEANSIDE: Do you have surplus backyard produce (citrus, fruit, vegetables)? Contact Produce Good to schedule a FREE pick of your yard for donation to local feeding organizations. This keeps it out of the landfill AND reduces food for coyotes, rats, raccoons, possums, and other animals. Email info@producegood.org for more information.

FERAL CATS: We feed feral cats in Oceanside and Vista and are looking for any food donations, canned and/or dry. Contact Jackie 760-433-8908 or 480-536-5621 Can drop off or pick up. We're in Costa Serena

BOOKS WANTED: If you have books no longer want, I'm happy to have them. I share book donations with V.A. Clinic Oceanside. Drop offs OK at 3526 Santa Maria Street or you call/text David for P/U: 760-889-7370.

TOOLS & TALENT

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a) China b) Germany c) England d) Italy (Answer page 12)



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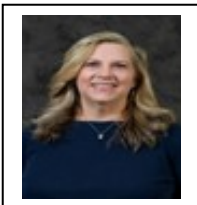
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The CSAC bears no responsibility for the content and accuracy of newsletter ads. It is the responsibility of the advertiser to develop an ad that correctly displays their message. We only review ads for inappropriate or illegal content. A reminder to our residents, the distribution or delivery of flyers to individual residents is not permitted in our community. If you experience unwanted paraphernalia, please reach out to any board member. Thank you. CSAC

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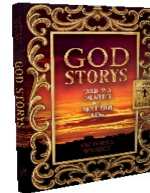
The Book Launch for **God Storys**

Saturday, November 8th ... *Open House* from 12:30-4:30 pm

Carlsbad City Library: Gowland Meeting Room, 1775 Dove Lane, Carlsbad, CA 92011

- Refreshments
- Live Readings
- Ex Libris Signing
- Drawings for FREE books

RSVP via email: Victorya@GodStorys.com



*****VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE FOR 2025*****

We are looking for enthusiastic residents to join our Resident Ambassador's Team. This is an opportunity for you to meet your new neighbors and help preserve Costa Serena's senior status. When a new resident moves in, we stop by to say "Welcome to the neighborhood", provide a packet of information that includes Costa Serena's CC&Rs, helpful pointers, a map of the area, and other information we hope our new residents will find useful. As a Resident Ambassador, you will help new residents complete their Age Verification Survey. You will always work as a team and never by yourself. No experience required, one of our current team members will provide the training required. Not sure if you would like being a Resident Ambassador? You can give it a try, if you find that it's just not your "cup of tea", there is no obligation to continue.

Please call or text 760-717-6387; email: barbara.hillery@gmail.com, w/ questions or more info

THE TEN THOU SHALT'S OF COSTA SERENA

- Thou Shalt Pick Up Their Dog's Poop
- Thou Shalt Respect Owners Signs (No Dogs, No Trespassing)
- Thou Shalt Not Intimidate or Badger Fellow Residents
- Thou Shalt maintain Moderate Noise Levels (Music, TV, Phone Talk, etc.)
- Thou Shalt Be Mindful of Their Parked Cars (do not block mail, driveways, etc.)
- Thou Shalt Keep Hedges, Trees, Bushes etc trimmed away from Neighbors yard
- Thou Shalt Control Their Dogs Barking
- Thou Shalt respect thy neighbor
- Thou Shalt Keep Trash Cans Out of Site.
- Thou Shalt Comply with CC&Rs.

Imagine, if everyone abided by these guidelines.....our neighborhood would enhance another notch!!!

Answer: China is renowned for its rich history and numerous contributions to science and technology. One of its most significant inventions is the first mechanical clock, which was invented in the country during the ancient era. The mechanical clock, an instrument for measuring and indicating time, was first created in China, marking a massive leap forward in horological technology.

This groundbreaking invention was developed by Yi Xing, a Buddhist monk and mathematician, in 725 AD during the Tang Dynasty. It was a complex device powered by a waterwheel and incorporated a series of intricate gears and escapements to maintain its accuracy. This clock was not only used to tell the time but also had an astronomical function, as it was designed to emulate the rotation of celestial bodies.

Yi Xing's clock was monumental because it marked the transition from sundials and other primitive timekeeping methods to something more precise and automatic. The clock was designed to strike a bell on the hour, allowing for a more accurate measurement of time than ever before.

The invention of the mechanical clock in China laid the groundwork for future developments in horology. It represented a pivotal moment in the history of timekeeping, leading the way for more sophisticated mechanical clocks and watches that we use today. The mechanical clock's invention in China is a testament to the country's advanced scientific and technological capabilities during ancient times.

China's achievement in inventing the first mechanical clock is a testament to its long-standing tradition of innovation and creativity. It showcases the remarkable ingenuity and craftsmanship of the ancient Chinese people. Today, this invention continues to influence how we perceive and measure time, underscoring China's significant role in shaping modern horology.

HAPPY FALL AND HALLOWEEN TO ALL THOSE WHO PARTICIPATE IN THE SWEET STUFF.....