



REMINDER - THE ANNUAL MEETING IS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2022, 9:00 A.M. ON SUNSET COVE

PUMP HOUSE UPDATE

Your volunteer Water Board has been very busy the past few months installing the new backup power generator in our newly built pump house at the Sunset Beach Mutual Water Company's water storage site at Sunset Cove. Adam Kaiser constructed the new pump house structure with the help of Water Board members Jim Stabile, Dennis Bostrom, Rod Harris, Kren Rasmussen, and Calvin Carr. Additional construction support was supplied by community members Kevin Walsh, Mark Shelley, and Johnny Baker. Volunteer labor significantly reduced the expense of building the new pump house structure.

The new pump house encloses our existing variable pump with start controller, pressure tank, new electric panel, and new power generator transfer switch. Additional room exists for a future backup pump and pressure tank.

The Honeywell 24KW power generator automatically starts whenever our PG&E power source is interrupted. The propane-powered generator will automatically power our pump, and water service will not be interrupted if we continue to receive water from the City of Watsonville. During extended PG&E power outages, the generator will be turned off after 10 PM to conserve propane and reduce noise and turned back on after 6 AM. Un-pressurized water will be available during these scheduled power outages.

The SBMWC will give an overview of this project and address questions about it during the upcoming annual meeting in September. - *Article Courtesy of Calvin Carr*



Three Board Member spots are opening up on the SBIA Board. Please consider volunteering!

The Sunset Beach July 4th Parade brought out good vibes!
A Big Thank You to Grand Marshalls Patty and Adam Kaiser
for all of their contributions, including movie night.

Thank you to the talented musicians for their performance
and all who participated in the preparation & the fun!

Images Courtesy of Angelynn Bostrom & Patty Kaiser



WHO, LOT, WHERE?

Two fairly new residents to Sunset Beach asked about the empty lot on Mesa Way, as well as available parking in that area. As many long-term residents may already know, that is not one big lot, but actually, three separate lots owned by two separate families. Below, please find the property lines according to the County of Santa Cruz as well as the common area parking:

Lot 1 belongs to the house to the left of it and is considered “unbuildable” by the county;

Lot 2 is use code designated as a rural zone;

Lot 3 is use code designated as a residential zone;

The Santa Cruz County Planning Department has indicated that, at this point in time, construction is not likely to take place on lots 2 and 3 based on sewer/septic restrictions due to the lots’ proximity to a nearby water well.

Behind these three lots, a home, pool and driveway is visible, but the property line extends much further than the eye can see, to include the yard and greenery. The large oddly shaped property boundary line was drawn by Santa Cruz County and is private property belonging to 25 Sunset Drive:



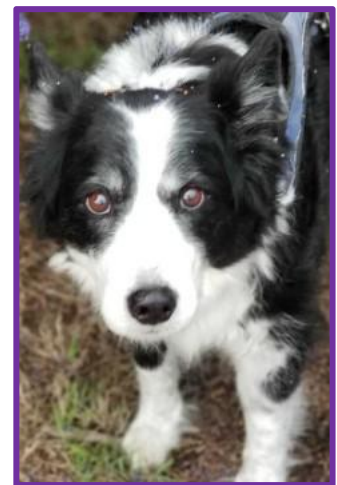
LOST & FOUND

Maisie Arn-Ell of Sunset Beach wandered away from her home in mid-July, alarming all who care about her. After spending one night out in the wild, she was found the next evening trapped in a small thicket within a larger thicket. The larger thicket was cut back to gain access to the crying canine. A Big Thank You to Dave Hafey for being Edward Scissorhands and chopping Maisie out of the smaller thicket and then making like a Billy goat and scrambling up the embankment with the freed pooch. Michele K., thank you for running comms! And thanks to all who shared information and worked together to get Maisie safely back home. *She was incredibly thirsty and hungry but otherwise okay!*

If you or your pet are in need of help, please reach out to your neighbors for assistance. You can also check out the pet page on the SBIA website if you need to identify a resident’s pet:

<http://sunsetbeachimprovementassociation.org/about-us/photos/pet-page/>

If you cannot reach the website by clicking on the link, your search engine may prevent you from doing so as a security measure. Alternatively, please type in the link to locate the page and explore other parts of the SBIA website while you are there - don’t forget to bookmark it!

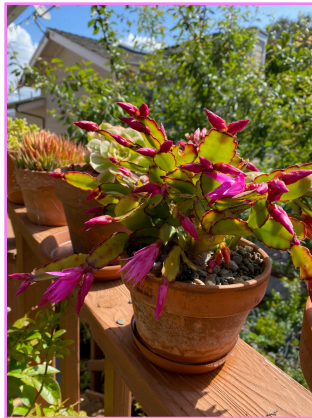
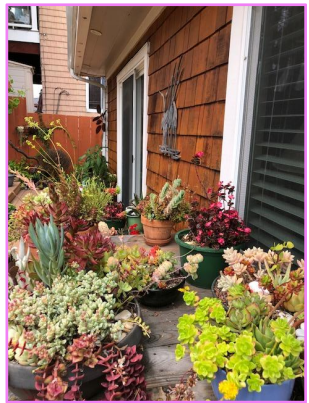


A History of Sunset Beach, Chapter One, Sunset Beach Au Naturel

“The Pajaro River is not an ancient river. It is a young river which has taken over some of the drainage from the SF Bay. Our own fresh water supply is a legacy of ancient times, flowing as it does from the Coast Range, higher than the salt level. Fresh water deposits held by a clay bottom are fairly common behind sand dunes. As the silt poured into the ocean, the waves cast the sediments back up onto the shore, grinding them finer and finer with each cast. That is the way the sand dune upon which we live was formed, grain by grain, some 30,000 years ago. The Fort Ord dunes are now being formed in this same manner.”

🌸 How Does Your Garden Grow? 🌸

In this month’s edition, we take a peek at the wondrous garden of Angelynn Bostrom at 14 Mesa Way.



“A thousand paper cranes for our neighbors.
May we care for each other
and live in contentment.”
- Angelynn



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