



THE CURRENT

**Weekly News & Events for
the Town of Oak Island, NC**

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**Week of
October 7, 2024**

WELCOME to ***THE CURRENT***, the weekly digital newsletter for the **Town of Oak Island, NC.**

The days are getting shorter, the nights are getting darker. There's a chill in the air that let's you know **Spooktacular** things are coming up everywhere! But no need to be afraid, there's nothing **EGG-stra Spooky** going on! Just the regularly me events that make October a great time in Oak Island.

Just because it's Fall doesn't mean the fun has to stop. There's plenty of activities ahead, and even more news and updates to cover. So grab your finest pumpkin-colored life jacket, because *we all float down here* in this week's edition of ***The CURRENT***.

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COUNCIL & BOARD MEETINGS

RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD will hold its next meeting on **Monday, October 7** at **4:00 PM** in the Comm. Center, located at 102 SE 47th St.

ABC BOARD will hold its next meeting on **Tuesday, October 8** at **10:00 AM** in the Oak Island ABC Store at 5402 E Oak Island Drive.

TOWN COUNCIL will hold its regular meeting on **Tuesday, October 8** at **6:00 PM** in the Council Chambers, located on the 2nd floor of Town Hall.

TOWN COUNCIL will hold a ***Special Meeting*** on **Thursday, October 10** at **3:30 PM** in the Council Chambers, located on the 2nd floor of Town Hall.

All Council & Board meeting dates can be found on the ***Meetings Information*** page at [**OakIslandNC.gov/MEETINGS**](https://OakIslandNC.gov/MEETINGS).

HOLIDAY CLOSURES

There are **NO** holiday closures for the week ahead. The next holiday closure will be on **Monday, November 11, 2024** for ***Veterans Day***.

To view all holiday closures, visit: [**OakIslandNC.gov/HOLIDAY**](https://OakIslandNC.gov/HOLIDAY).



Town Council Meeting Preview

On **Tuesday, October 8, 2024** at **6:00 PM**, the Oak Island Town Council will hold its regular monthly meeting. The public is welcome and invited to attend, and sign-up sheets for commenting during the general comment period will be available in the back of the meeting room prior to the meeting.

CLICK HERE TO VIEW THE MEETING AGENDA

To view the full agenda and learn more about each of the items scheduled, visit the ***Meetings Information*** page at **OakIslandNC.gov/MEETINGS** or click the link below.

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Mosquito Fogging Continues

With the extreme amounts of rain and standing water resulting from PTC #8 and Hurricane Helene, ***Emergency Mosquito Fogging Operations*** will continue as a response to the increased mosquito population.

If wind and weather conditions permit, the Town will continue to conduct fogging operations on **Tuesdays and Wednesdays** until further notice.

PLEASE NOTE: There will be **NO** voluntary "***Opt Out***" feature for these operations; however, crews are aware of all verified apiarists (beekeepers) and will adjust fogging to accommodate.

For more information on Mosquito Fogging in general, or to learn about how you can help lower the mosquito population, visit the ***Mosquito Management*** page at **OakIslandNC.gov/MOSQUITO** or click the link below.

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Duke Energy Siren Test Scheduled

(NOTE: This notice is provided by Duke Energy)

On **Wednesday, October 9**, between **10:00 AM - 11:00 AM** the 38 outdoor warning sirens around the Brunswick Nuclear Plant will be tested at **full-volume** for **three minutes**.

To ensure they are functioning properly, ***it may be necessary to test some sirens more than once***. Follow-up testing after siren maintenance may be required **after 1:00 PM**.

Because this is a test, local broadcasting stations will not interrupt regular programming to broadcast Emergency Alert System (EAS) messages. If there was ever a real emergency at the plant requiring the sirens to be sounded, local radio and television stations would broadcast information and instructions to the public.

For more information about nuclear emergency preparedness and outdoor warning sirens, residents can visit **duke-energy.com/NuclearEP** or click the link below.

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Business Bulletin Published

Last week, the **October** edition of the ***Business Bulletin*** was published! this month includes feature articles on the **Façade Improvement Grant** program, as well as a wrap up of the first-ever **Oak Island Medallion Hunt**.

The ***Business Bulletin*** is an e-newsletter developed by the Town's Business Advisory Board and Economic Development Office. It provides hyper-local, business-focused news updates, tailored exclusively for the local business community. Read on as we shine a spotlight on the heartbeat of commerce in the Town of Oak Island, fostering connections, and fostering growth.

New editions are emailed directly to those on the subscriber list each month. To sign up to receive new editions or view previous editions, visit the **Economic Development** page at **OakIslandNC.gov/ECON** or click on Logo Link below.



Christmas By The Sea Parade Applications Now Open

With barely the first leaf of Autumn fallen, it's already time to start thinking about the the fun of the holidays! This week kicks off the leadup to one of the most anticipated holiday events, with **applications now available** for the 2024 ***Christmas By The Sea Parade***.

This year's installment of the beloved annual event will be held RAIN OR SHINE on **Saturday, December 7 at 2:00 PM**.

Traditionally held on the first Saturday in December, the Parade runs right through the heart of Town along E Oak Island Drive, starting in front of Town Hall at 46th Street. In 2023 the Town of Oak Island became the sole organizer and primary sponsor, which saw the largest attendance, highest number of entry participants, and longest parade length in history!

Only anticipated to grow even more, it's best to start making your plans NOW to participate in this year's ***Christmas By The Sea Parade***! To learn more or fill out a Parade Entry Application, just visit the ***Special Events*** page at **OakIslandNC.gov/PARADE** or click the Logo Link below.





SAFETY BRIEF



FIRE: "See You At The Station" is ***THIS THURSDAY!!***

It's back! October 6-12 is **#NationalFirePreventionWeek** and that means the return of our annual "open house" event ***See You At The Station!***



On **Thursday, October 10, 2024** from **6:00 PM - 8:00 PM**, the bay doors at **Fire Station 2** (8510 E. Oak Island Drive) will open wide, with an opportunity for your family to meet ours.

Meet the firefighters, tour the station, learn important fire safety tips, and let your kids touch the trucks ... there are educational and fun activities for both kids and adults!

This marks our **THIRD** year of hosting See You At the Station, and it has been a growing success each year; becoming a favorite part of our Fire Prevention Week Activities. To view the theme and details on this year's NFPW, just visit our dedicated Fire Prevention webpage at **OakIslandNC.gov/FP** or click on the department patch below.



POLICE: National Night Out is *THIS FRIDAY!!!*

After you stop by **See You At The Station** on Thursday, we'll crank the fun up to ELEVEN the following night with our **SECOND** ever **National Night Out** this **Friday, October 11**, from **5:30 PM - 8:30 PM**.



Make plans now to attend this awesome evening full of music, food, and fun, with activities and static displays from all military branches and the local first responder community, as well as local sponsors and partner agencies!

For more information and to make your plans NOW to attend, visit **OakIslandNC.gov/NNO** or click on our department patch below.





Live & Local: Market + Music

Last week brought a spectacular kickoff to the 2024 **Live & Local: Market + Music** series!



The fun continues for the remaining three Saturdays in October, with live music, local food, and craft vendors.

Remaining 2024 Band Lineup:

- **Saturday, October 12:** The 52nd Street Band
- **Saturday, October 19:** Dave's Not Home Band
- **Saturday, October 26:** The Cruise Brothers Band

To keep track of all the upcoming happenings, check out the ***Special Events & Programs*** page at OakIslandNC.gov/LIVE or click the link below.

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THIS WEEK: *In Recreation*

Provided below is a listing of the recreation activities for the week ahead! For questions or additional information, contact the **Recreation Department** at **910-278-5518**.

Monday, October 7

- **Recreation Center fitness classes**
 - Mature Aerobics with Debbie 7:30 AM
 - SilverSneakers Fitness with Maggie 9:00 AM
 - Senior Yoga with Mert 11:15 AM
- Recreation Center
 - 5:00 PM Bingo

Tuesday, October 8

- **Recreation Center Fitness Classes**
 - 8:30 AM SilverSneakers with Susan
 - 9:30 AM Senior Yoga with Mert
 - 11:30 AM Qigong for Beginners

Wednesday, October 9

- **Recreation Center Fitness Classes**
 - 7:30 AM Mature Aerobics with Debbie
 - 9:00 AM SilverSneaker with Mary Beth
 - 4:30 PM Yoga for Balance with Tammy
- **Recreation Center**
 - 10:30 AM – 11:30AM Strides Walking Club (Bill Smith Park)

Thursday, October 10

- **See You At The Station**
 - 6:00 PM Fire Station #2
- **Recreation Center Fitness Classes**
- **Off Island Adventures**

Friday, October 11

- **National Night Out**
 - 5:30 PM Middleton Park Complex
- **Recreation Center Fitness Classes**
- **Recreation Center**

Saturday, October 12

- **Recreation Center fitness classes**

- 10:00 AM Community Yoga with rotating instructors

- **Middleton Park**

- 4:00 PM Live and Local Market - ***New PENNY WARS Night!***
- 6:00 PM Live and Local Concert
- 5:00 PM Live and Local Truck Pull

Monday, October 14

- **Recreation Center fitness classes**

- Mature Aerobics with Debbie 7:30 AM
- SilverSneakers Fitness with Maggie 9:00 AM
- Senior Yoga with Mert 11:15 AM

REMINDER: A full listing of all coming events can be found on the ***Events & Programs*** page of the Town Website at **OakIslandNC.gov/EVENTS**.

Click on the event flyers below to download, print, and share!



October Fitness Calendar



Trask Farms



Truck Pull



Spooktacular

THANK YOU

Thank you for reading this edition of ***THE CURRENT***, and choosing to stay informed on the News & Events happening in Oak Island, NC.

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PAST EDITION ARCHIVE

DID YOU KNOW? *The CURRENT*, hasn't always been a weekly publication. Originally produced as an award-winning digital monthly newsletter, *The CURRENT* published 35 editions, spanning a period of three years from from December 2020 to 2023. As a monthly publication, *The CURRENT* provided longer form, "magazine style" reading, along with added commentary, and content contributed from community partners.

Past editions of both the weekly and monthly formats are available to view anytime, by clicking the tabs below.

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