

Shady Hollow Highlights

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Shady Hollow Volunteers Make a Difference

A network of Shady Hollow families have formed a volunteer group called STAY L.I.T. (Living Intentionally Together). These families are providing opportunities for their children to learn about volunteerism and a stronger sense of community by giving of their time through various service projects. One of those opportunities recently benefited the Shady Hollow neighborhood as the group took on the project of cleaning, clearing and replanting the landscaped beds at the front entry signs of Shady Hollow. As quoted from Stay LIT coordinator, Lori Woehl, "It was a wonderful project and we all had a great time together. I hope it brings joy to our neighborhood every single day...this represents such a community effort and the power of coming together, giving what we each can for the greater good. I am so grateful."

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Next Board Meeting

April 18, 2019 at 7pm Community Center Sunday, April 21

Easter



April is National Volunteer Month!

The President's Corner

By Board President, Joan Allen



It has been a very busy month for the association and the board of directors. We have spent time getting organized for the year, which included establishing committees. Our committees and chairs are:

Executive Committee – Joan Allen
Finance Committee – Geoff Lawson
Recreation Committee – Laura Kennedy
Pool Subcommittee – Dave Anderson
Community Center Committee – Gregg Sales
Welcome Committee – Mary Ellen Mathis
Annexation Committee – Jim Bateman
Ad Hoc Policy Committee – Russell Downey

Several board members attended training covering board and association meetings presented by our attorney. In addition, plans were developed for opening the pool for the season and lifeguards were solicited. Plans were also made to staff the association office after the General Manager resigned to take another position.

Along with getting organized, several major improvements to association amenities are underway. You might have noticed a number of new trees that have been planted at Capistrano Park near the pool. We are very close to installing new, long-lasting lights at the tennis courts. Shortly, security cameras will be installed at the Community Center to enhance the safety of staff and visitors. Ongoing maintenance tasks such as needed repairs continue to be handled. And to top it off, a group of nine families donated their time and resources to upgrade the entrance signs on Brodie by installing new plants, cleaning the stone, and repainting the letters. This gives a stylish and welcoming entrance to our subdivision!

While all of this is occurring, a number of your board members and neighbors have been actively working to support the efforts of S.H.A.V.E., the nonprofit association working to secure the right of all subdivision residents to vote on the question of annexation to the City of Austin.

I encourage residents to volunteer for neighborhood activities as well as helping S.H.A.V.E. volunteers. Volunteering enhances the unity of the neighborhood and helps us get to know our neighbors. Hope to see you out there soon!

Sincerely,

Joan Allen

Current Board Members

PRESIDENT Joan Allen

VICE PRESIDENT Russell Downey

TREASURER Geoff Lawson

SECRETARY Gregg Sales

Jim Bateman

Laura Kennedy

Mary Ellen Mathis

Dave Anderson

Jamie Rygg

Clay Zelisko

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MUD News

By MUD Board Secretary, Cindy Nettles

The MUD Board held its regular monthly meeting on March 5, 2019 at the MUD Office Building, 3910 Capistrano Trail. All directors except Mike Tomme and Jim Linville were present.

Deputy Rush updated the Board on the incident involving the man discovered cooking in the CC kitchen without permission. He stated that APD had been looking for the bicycle the man was riding, as it apparently was stolen. Deputy Rush also reported the patrols have been checking the community greenbelts and all appear secure. He mentioned several recent sightings of coyotes along the creeks in the area.

Zac Evans introduced himself as a new addition to the District's legal team at McGinnis. He updated the Board on recently filed bills being considered in the 86th Legislative Session.

Mr. Swanks discussed the renewal of the District's insurance coverage and noted the premium amount had decreased by \$721 since last year. The Board approved the proposal from McDonald & Wessendorff.

President Stried reminded the Board it had authorized entering into a 60-day contract with Christopher Watters International Realty for the sale of the District's office building on Capistrano. He added there appeared to be continued interest in the property and an open house was scheduled.

Mr. Swanks stated that the large holes in the detention pond in Gatling Gun Park had been repaired and a new stormwater inlet installed.



The Constable's report for March included the following:

- traffic enforcement, patrols of common areas & greenbelts, community contacts;
- report of possible road rage incident spoke with both drivers (El Dorado); noise complaint welding (Gunpowder); report of elderly male in business suit possibly walking into traffic not found, but discovered he walks to church on Wolftrap (Brodie/Capistrano); illegal dumping complaint in Capistrano Park;
- assist TCSO: check welfare (Spotted Horse).



Check your irrigation system and repair any leaks as soon as possible. Remember to check the city's website for the current watering schedule, and to adjust your automatic sprinklers or manual watering times based on address. http://www.austintexas.gov/department/water-conservation



The Bluebonnets are blooming in the Shady Hollow West Nature Preserve!

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THANK YOU SH VOLUNTEERS

Doug Allen
George Armstrong
Camp Gladiator/Brooke
Cynthia Clarke
Russell Downey
Jim Downing
Gwen Kamper
Geoff Lawson
Janet Lawson
Gavin Ludemann
Joe Mathis
Mary Ellen Mathis
Dale Merlo
Christina Noser
Tippy O'Reilly



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The group was comprised of 38 volunteers who began work on a Friday afternoon and continued on through Saturday evening. The steady stream of hard workers completed a task list of items including; creation of landscaping plans, acquiring equipment and materials, cleaning/power washing the entrance signs along with repainting the letters, tilling existing beds to add fresh compost, removing old plants, digging new spaces to add new plants, removing and disposing of old materials no longer needed, and adding new mulch to both beds and trees at the entry. The group also took the kids helping with the project to complete trash pickup at Gatling Gun, Capistrano and Doe Run parks and up and down both sides of Brodie Lane. WOW!

Shady Hollow would like to acknowledge and thank the following families for their contribution and generous efforts in making this project happen;

Robillard Family, Elizondo Family, Merriman Family, Kauffman Family, Demederios Family, Burnett Family, Moran Family, Lear Family and Woehl Family.

Shady Hollow has many wonderful and generous people who help their neighbors in countless ways. Charitable acts of kindness and volunteerism happen every day, such as last month when the Girl Scouts gave their fundraising dollars to help a resident battling cancer, a widow receiving anonymous assistance with her bills, the Boy Scouts purchasing and planting trees for our parks and the smiling, supportive neighbors who are working hard to bring momentum to S.H.A.V.E. The residents of Shady Hollow are benefiting from neighborhood volunteers who are walking door to door to deliver the 2019 Shady Hollow Directories...thank you everyone! A neighborhood evokes a great sense of pride for all those who contribute to it. When you work together as a group, there's no limit to the impact you can make on your community. If you would like to volunteer or have an idea for a community project, please email the Shady Hollow HOA at shadyhollow@shadyhollow.org.

For additional information on STAY LIT, please email Richard & Lori Woehl at wewillstaylit@gmail.com or follow on Instagram @staylitatx. We'd love to hear from you... we have great work to do together Shady Hollow!

Shady Hollow News



Doe Run Tennis Courts Power Wash





Doe Run Park Bridge Replacement



STAY LIT Volunteers Hard at Work





CC Security Cameras Installed



Capistrano Park New Basketball Hoops and Tree Planting



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S.H.A.V.E. News

By Shady Hollow Resident, Gwen Kamper-Editorial

SHADY HOLLOW

Annexation Vote For Everyone

A little over two years ago, my husband and I decided to downsize and bought our home in Shady Hollow. My husband and I felt like we won the jackpot.! It was hard to find the home that fit just right. I compare Shady Hollow to a special jewel. There is no place like it anywhere in Austin. We have all the lovely trees, super friendly neighbors, and convenience. On top of that, we have LOW TAXES.

We knew annexation might be coming, but we decided to move here anyway. We were prepared for the tax increases. So, why do I care so much about annexation? The City of Austin is going to put a tarnish on this special jewel. Along with higher taxes, we will be part of a city that struggles to provide basic services. We already see how they handle water issues. They wait until there is a crisis before solving a problem. Remember the boil notice and dead zebra mussels? In addition, the city has a history of incompetence in reading water meters. The City of Austin is in major debt and they spend money to figure out how to spend money. In short, we will be paying much more with nothing in return.

I compare the City of Austin to the school bully who shakes down smaller kids for their lunch money. Like the bully, the City of Austin forced Shady Hollow into annexation while providing no additional services. At the time, Shady Hollow had to negotiate a Strategic Partnership Agreement or else be annexed immediately. Shady Hollow MUD did what they had to do. Our Shady Hollow MUD has acted as our protector from the City of Austin's bully tactics. They sued the city for overcharging us for water and won! Remember the credits we received on our water bill? We are very fortunate that Shady Hollow MUD negotiated to keep our current water rates until annexation in 2020. Once we are annexed, we lose this protection.

I think It's time we stop being bullied by the City of Austin. We need to stick up for ourselves! We all know what's going to happen if we don't. That's why we all need to support and donate to S.H.A.V.E., a non-profit organization created by our neighbors. They are fighting for everyone in Shady Hollow to get a vote on annexation. A \$50 to \$100 donation is a drop in the bucket compared to the tax dollars and fees we will be paying for years to come. Please neighbors, join us in the fight! https://shady-hollow-vote.com/

Please contact the committee legislators below NOW to let them know we support these bills.

For House Bill 3821 - House Land and Resource Management Committee: Tell them the following message: "Please vote for HB3821 in the House Land and Resource Management Committee. HB3821 will ensure my right to vote on annexation"

Rep. Tom Craddick 512-463-0500

Rep Sergio Munoz, Jr. 512-463-0650 Rep. Cecil Bell 512-463-0650

Rep Kyle Biedermann 512-463-0325

Rep. Ben Leman 512-463-0600

Rep. Terry Canales 512-463-0426

Rep. Shawn Thierry, 512-463-0518

Rep. Jonathan Strickland 512-463-0522,

Rep. Ina Minjarez 512-463-0634

Senate Bill 1468 - Senate Intergovernmental Relations Committee. Tell them the following message:" Please vote for SB1468 in the Senate Intergovernmental Relations Committee. SB1468 will ensure my right to vote on annexation."



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Senator Robert Nichols 512-463-0103 Senator Charles Schwertner 512-463-0105 Senator Carol Alvarado 512-463-0106 Senator Donna Campbell 512-463-0125 Senator Pat Fallon 512-463-0130 Senator Jose Menendez 512-463-0126

We need your help! Please donate to SHAVE to help pay for the lobbyist. at https://shady-hollow-vote.com/. You may also make checks payable to SHAVE and deliver or mail it to the Shady Hollow Community Center: SHAVE % Shady Hollow HOA, 3303 Doe Run, Austin, TX 78748. A \$50 to \$100 donation is so small in comparison to what we will be paying in taxes! Thanks for your support!

SHADY HOLLOW UNITED

KEEP OUR KIDS AT BARANOFF!



The AISD Boundary Advisory Committee is considering plans to divide the neighborhood of Shady Hollow and send some of our kids to Kocurek Elementary.

- · Ensure that all kids in Shady Hollow can attend the same school; don't split up our neighborhood.
- School boundaries should use major roads and subdivisions and consider transportation routes.
- Kocurek does not offer the same programs students access at Baranoff.

Take Action NOW! Join Keep Our Kids At Baranoff! on Facebook

Attend the AISD Boundary Advisory Committee meeting Thursday, April 11 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. **Board Auditorium** 1111 W. 6th Street *Sign up to speak and share your thoughts during open

Submit your feedback online to the AISD Boundary Advisory Committee http://tinyurl.com/shadyhollowunited

public forum

Contact our representatives to let them know we want to keep Shady Hollow Together!

Yasmin Wagner

School Board Member for District 7 Yasminwagneratxegmail.com

John Rocha

Boundary Advisory Committee Rep and Principal, Bailey Middle School John.Rochaeaustinisd.org

Megan Counihan

Principal, Baranoff Elementary Megan.Counihaneaustinisd.org

Learn more about the AISD Boundary Plans at https://www.austinisd.org/advisory-bodies/bac/sw-relief-changes For more information contact Christy Reddish 512-698-4835

Shady Hollow News



Shady Hollow's family friendly

Monday kids 12 and under eat free Breakfast served until 3pm. Open at 9am Saturday and Sunday Private meeting and party room available. Tex-Mex like it used to be!

1807 W. Slaughter Lane, Ste 750 512 292 1001 dkmarias.com





Thank you DK Maria's for supporting **Shady Hollow!**

Welcome New Members

Julie & Eric Jensen 3416 Doe Run

Ian Steusloff 11412 Gun Fight Lane

OpenDoor Property, LLC 11505 Gun Fight Lane

Daniel Tuck 11539 Gun Fight Lane

Do you want to be on your ACC Committee?

The Shady Hollow sections listed below have vacancies in their Architectural Control Committees. Serving on your ACC is an easy process and a great way to support your neighborhood. Please let us know if you are interested in serving on an ACC by emailing the HOA offices at shadyhollow@shadyhollow.org.



- Shady Hollow West
- Section 2/A-1
- Section 3/A-2 & 3
- Section 5-2



Shady Hollow Board Meeting Minutes

By Board Secretary, Gregg Sales

March 28, 2019 —DRAFT—

Board Members Present: Joan Allen, Jim Bateman, Russell Downey, Laura Kennedy, Geoff Lawson, Mary Ellen Mathis, Jamie Rygg, Gregg Sales, Clay Zelisko & Jason Zirkle

Staff in Attendance: None Board Members Absent: None

Others in Attendance: Bruce Kennedy, Cynthia Bennett, Lee Cantrell, X Gonzales, Jake Worthington, Gerre Boardman, Michaele Bribiesca, Jacob Youngblood, Rayford Caster & Chris Cart

Legend

ACC - Architectural Control Committee, **CC** - Community Center, **CCR** - Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions **HOA** - Home Owners Association, **MRR** - Maintenance, Reserve and Replacement, **SHAVE** - Shady Hollow Annexation Vote for Everyone

Meeting start: 7:00 pm

Current Agenda:

- MOTION to approve the current agenda by Mary Ellen Mathis, seconded by Jim Bateman. Approval unanimous.

Previous Minutes

- MOTION to approve the February 21, 2019 minutes by David Anderson, seconded by Clay Zelisko. Approval unanimous.

Citizen Communication

- Bruce Kennedy Representing BSA. Introduced two scouts who came to observe our meeting.
- Cynthia Bennett Discussed remodeling her home and issues with her ACC.
- Lee Cantrell Discussed the use of a conference room at the CC.
- Michael Bribiesca Spoke about a concern with the planned Easter event and how it was organized.
- Jacob Youngblood Continued the conversation about the exclusive organizing of the Easter event. Offered his help for the SHAVE.

General Managers Report - Interim GM Russell Downey

- Office prepared a newsletter and it was sent out by the deadline
- CCR Violations were communicated to residents
- We have converted our payroll system over to ADP.
- Trees at Capistrano Park were trimmed. Several families cleaned and maintained our main entry sign.
- New dog stations to be installed at Shady Hollow West park. Capistrano and Gatling Gun parks will have new stations in the future.
- Letters were sent out to owners who were past due on assessments.
- Directories were printed and are being distributed.
- We started receiving life guard applications.
 Our Easter event is scheduled for April 20th

- New Executive Board members have been added to the HOA bank accounts.
- While seeking to move our account from BBVA a better account interest rate was offered, and we agreed to keep the account at BBVA.
- We made our normal monthly \$7,958 transfer to our reserve account.
- Ending balance in our operating account was approximately \$226,000.
- Discussed budget details.

Treasurers Report - Geoff Lawson

Shady Hollow Board Meeting Minutes

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Committee Reports:

- 1. Executive, Joan Allen Met twice for orientation and training.
- 2. Finance, Geoff Lawson Did not meet.
- 3. Recreation, Laura Kennedy Did not meet.
- 4. Pool Committee David Anderson Did not meet. The Pool Committee will operate as a separate committee. A list of items that are needed to be address before the season starts was created. A pool calendar has been created for the swim season. The swim team is going to head up a pool cleaning day. Discussed lifeguard hiring and budget.
- 5. Community Center, Gregg Sales Did not meet. We have one quote and one decline for replacing the CC monument sign. We are seeking one last quote before moving forward.
- 6. Welcome, Mary Ellen Mathis Did not meet.
- 7. Annexation, Jim Bateman Discussed bills at the Texas Legislature that would provide a vote on annexation to all of the HOA members, and the efforts of the SHAVE Association to fund a lobbyist to promote those bills.
- 8. Ad-hoc Policy Committee, Russell Downey Goal is to remove unnecessary procedural items from the policies and create a separate procedural manual that can be amended more easily.

New Business:

- City of Austin Mobility Plan for Brodie Lane and its effect on Shady Hollow was discussed.
- Discuss and consider action regarding installing a sprinkler system for Gatling Gun Park. What we have could not be fixed. One bid at \$8,682. Second bid at \$16,593. It was stated that the canopy is so thick that it would be hard to maintain grass in that area. It is recommended that no work be done at this time. No motion was made to approve.

Old Business:

No old business

The Board went in to Executive Session at 7:50 pm

The Board returned from Executive Session and resumed the Board meeting at 8:38 pm

- MOTION to approve and ratify the acceptance of the General Manager's resignation effective March 22nd, 2019 by Russell Downey, seconded by Geoff Lawson. Approval unanimous.
- MOTION to appoint Russell Downey and Geoff Lawson as interim co-General Managers and set their compensation at \$20/hour for 20 hours a week each with the understanding that Mr. Downey and/or Mr. Lawson not receive any compensation for their duties as HOA board members and subject to advice from legal counsel by Jason Zirkle, seconded by Clay Zelisko. Approval unanimous.
- MOTION to approve and ratify engaging as legal counsel David J. Attwood the law firm of Savrick, Schumann to represent the HOA in potential litigation by Geoff Lawson, seconded by Laura Kennedy. Approval unanimous.

MOTION to approve and ratify action directing the association's attorney to institute legal action against our former auditing firm by Jim Bateman, seconded by Jason Zirkle. Approval unanimous.

Meeting Adjournment

- MOTION to adjourn by Russell Downey seconded by Jamie Rygg. Approval unanimous.

Meeting ended 8:41 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Gregg Sales, Secretary	



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All events are held at the community center unless otherwise noted