



# Shady Hollow Highlights

Shady Hollow HOA

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**Board Meeting**  
**7 p.m. Thursday**  
**August 17**  
**Community Center**  
**Members encouraged**  
**to attend.**

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## Shady Hollow Annexation Committee Meeting

The Shady Hollow Annexation committee met Wednesday, July 19th @ 7:00pm at the Shady Hollow Community center. The meeting was held by Jim Bateman and Geoff Lawson. About 50 were in attendance for the discussion of Sen-



ate Bill 6 and House Bill 6, filed in Special Session of the Texas Legislature regarding the right to vote on annexation. These bills would make it possible for residents of an area slated for annexation to have to right to vote on whether or not they want to be annexed. State Rep. Paul Workman, R-Austin (our state representative here in Shady Hollow) ensured that a provision



was included in these bills that would give

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## AISSD SCHOOL BEGINS!



The 2017-2018 school year is almost here!

We would like to share with you some very important information that you

may find helpful prior to the first day of classes on **Monday, August 21, 2017.**

### Baranoff Elementary School

Class lists will be posted after 5p.m. on August 17th. New Family Orientation - August 18<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 -11:00 a.m. Open House (Meet your teacher) – August 19th from 3-5p.m. . August 21st – first day of school – doors open at 7:30a.m., all students should go directly to their classrooms. If you are new to the area and your child will be attending Baranoff Elementary and has not yet registered, please go to the AISSD website for school on-line registration: [www.austinisd.org](http://www.austinisd.org). Call office for more details at (512) 841-7100.

### Bailey Middle School

An Advisory List will be posted by grade level and in alphabetical order on the first day of school. All that is needed for the 1<sup>st</sup> day of classes are a notebook, a pen and a pencil. No backpacks needed for the first day. Supply lists by grade level are available at [www.baileybears.org/parents/supply-list](http://www.baileybears.org/parents/supply-list). All students will be sent home with additional information including supply lists the first week of school. Registration is on-line at the

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## SHHOA Calendar

### SHHOA Board

#### Meeting (CC)

7 p.m. Thursday, August 17

**Pool open WEEKENDS  
ONLY starting  
August 22—Sept 27**

Check the [online calendar](#)  
for updates.

# You Are Invited To



## Bulldogs & Hotdogs Bowie Festival

# SATURDAY

## August 26, 2017

Bowie High School Courtyard 6 – 9 pm

[www.bowieptsa.org](http://www.bowieptsa.org)

**Food, fun, games, spirit items,  
pep rally & more  
Supporting Bowie Booster Clubs!  
Bring Your Cash & Checks  
Students, friends, family, future Bulldogs  
& community welcome  
Festival Entry: Free**

## SH Annexation Committee Meeting Cont.

residents of the Shady Hollow and River Place neighborhoods these voting rights, regardless of the fact that the City of Austin has already implemented annexation procedures.

Several members spoke including Dr. Ron Stried, President of the Shady Hollow MUD, who discussed the MUD agreement with the City of Austin and how this bill could possibly affect that agreement. Bill Aleshire, former Travis County Judge, stated his support for Rep. Paul Workman on this bill, and also mentioned that annexation is a tool that cities use to increase revenue. He also said that in the history of Travis County, the county never increased its

size and was always able to operate within its budget. He said, "even those opposed to annexation should support this bill."

Jim Bateman and Geoff Lawson drafted a resolution in support of the bills, which was passed by the Shady Hollow Board of Directors. Jim Bateman presented the resolution to the Senate Committee that was considering Senate Bill 6 by Senator Donna Campbell, R-San Antonio. Senate Bill 6 was passed by the Senate and was being debated in the House of Representatives as of August 10th. Representative Workman's provision that would give Shady Hollow residents the right to vote was stripped out of the version of the bill passed by the House Committee, but Representative Workman is expected to propose an amendment to get it reinserted. The Special Legislative Session ends August 18th. For more information on the status of Senate Bill 6 please visit <http://www.capitol.state.tx.us>.

SHADY HOLLOW HOA



# YAPPY HOUR

**COME OUT AND MEET & GREET YOUR NABRHOOD  
PET PARENTS AND PETS!**

**PET TREATS 🐾 PET SERVICE VENDORS 🐾 PET PRIZES FOR BEST DRESSED AND BEST TRICKS**

**TUESDAY, AUG. 15 • 7-8 P.M. • CAPISTRANO PARK**

**WEDNESDAY, AUG. 16 • 7-8 P.M. • COMMUNITY CENTER PARK**

**WEDNESDAY, AUG. 30 • 6:30-7:30 P.M. • WEST PARK**

**THURSDAY, AUG. 31 • 6:30-7:30 P.M. • GATLING GUN PARK**



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Ann Weitzman  
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**DRAFT July 20 Board Meeting Minutes**

**Board Members Present**

Jim Bateman, Mike Cain, Geoff Lawson, Mary Ellen Mathis, Susan Morey, Gregg Sales & Ann Weitzman

**Staff in Attendance**

Darin Laracuent

**Board Members Absent**

Russ Downey, James Elizondo, Laura Kennedy & Mike Wilson

**Others in Attendance**

Cindy Nettles & Bruce Kennedy

**Meeting start**

7:03 pm

**Current Agenda**

**MOTION** to approve the current agenda by Susan Morey, seconded by Mary Ellen Mathis. Approval unanimous.

**Previous Minutes**

**MOTION** to approve the corrected February minutes by Susan Morey, seconded by Ann Weitzman. Approval unanimous.

**Citizen Communication**

Bruce Kennedy - Expressed thanks for the support of the local Boy Scout troop from Marbridge.

Cindy Nettles - 1. Home Depot donated mulch to the HOA has been applied to our parks. She would like the HOA to send a letter to Home Depot expressing thanks. 2. The City of Austin is doing a long range transportation plan. The time to address this issue is during the planning phases.

Susan Morey - a resident commented to her about the desire for play equipment for small children at Shady Hollow West park.

**Managers Report - Darin Laracuent**

Reviewed the following:

**Office**

The newsletter went out later so that it could include 4th of July information

The payment portal for HOA dues was used by 11 members

A petition to change some covenants has until August 17th to be submitted to the HOA.

Working with Craig Murray soon to come to an agreement on tennis lessons for kids in Shady Hollow.

**Finance**

A communication email to explain the new payment portal was delayed while work on the portal was under way.

Our expenditures are \$8,200 under our monthly budget for June and \$12,000 under budget on the year. We are \$9,500 behind what we expected to bring in as far as assessment collections are concerned and \$40,000 behind on our income on the year.

**Deed Restriction Violations**

Total violations contacted during the month - 68. Resolved as of today's meeting - 59.

**Pool**

Due to high demand for adult swim keys this year more keys had to be made

We have only had to shut down the pool three times this year due to incidents

The pool seems to be losing water at a much quicker rate of late. Our pool maintenance company (ACS) is checking to see if it can be slowed or if we have to ride it out until the end of the season and get it repaired at the same time we do the decking, re-plaster, etc.

A chemical delivery truck knocked part of our pool gate off. ACS is taking responsibility for all damage.

The A/C unit for the pool house is failing.

**Parks**

Capistrano Park - The new trees are doing well.

Doe Run Park - Tree cutting and removal was performed ahead of the City of Austin's planned cutting

Gatling gun - Tree work was performed.

There is still some debris to be removed and the sprinkler line seems to be repaired at one point

Shady Hollow West Park - A sprinkler audit is schedule for the end of July

**Community Center**

All phase I renovation work has been completed.

The windows have been tinted and the conference rooms have been cooler

The capacitor went out on one of our East Room A/C units

The concrete table and bench tops on the East and West Room patios were replaced.



The MUD Board held its regular monthly meeting on July 10, 2017 at the MUD Office Building, 3910 Capistrano Trail. Only Director Nettles was not present.

Deputy Rush reported some of the mailboxes located along Indian Point Drive had been broken into and packages stolen. The post office had been contacted about repairs and the constable's office would continue to patrol the area. Deputy Rush also stated he would check into a report of a vehicle parked at the swimming pool during early morning hours.

Ms. Johnson provided a review of bills passed during the regular Legislative session. She said her office would monitor the upcoming special session and report on any relevant bills passed.

The Board discussed an estimate of property value for the MUD office building, noting the terms of the SPA require the building be sold prior to Oct 1, 2019.

Mr. Swanks (filling in for Ms. Wheeler) reported that the installation of a safety fence along the back side of the box culvert in the SHW nature preserve was completed. He provided photos of the fence for the Board's review. Mr. Swanks informed the Board that the cleanout of Slaughter Creek was about two-thirds complete, and he estimated the project would be completed within the next two days. He also stated that there had been four water leaks in the District's system during the past month, including a water main break along Indian Point Dr. He added that SAMCO Leak Detection was in the process of inspecting the District's water lines for any additional leaks.



**The Constable's report for July included the following:**

- ▶ worst of the speeders: 45/30 (Green Emerald);
- ▶ assist in finding lost dogs (Baranoff, Buck Race); received info re: fight club posted on NextDoor; complaint kids blocking driveway with baseball game – cleared on arrival (Poppywood Cv);
- ▶ usual patrols of parks, amenities, school zones; community contacts;
- ▶ assist TCSO: burglary of mailboxes (Indian Pt); report of shots fired (Black Mesa Hollow); suspicious person – drove into driveway, stating they lived there – possible drug use involved (Lost Oasis).

**The grass is getting brown; the soil is dry & cracked; the chance of rain is a negative number. Use the city's Water Use Calculator to estimate potential water savings at your home or the Irrigation Runtime Calculator to see ways to water more efficiently. <http://www.austintexas.gov/department/water-saving-tips>**

Check the city's website for the current watering schedule: <http://www.austintexas.gov/department/stage-2-watering-restrictions>. Remember to adjust your automatic sprinklers or manual watering times based on your address.

**Clubs & Activities**

Shady Hollow has clubs and interest groups for many ages and interests. See the [full list](#) online.

**Garden Club**

Join this fun group for interesting programs, garden tours, nursery visits, plant exchanges and more. Meetings are in the mornings the second Wednesday of each month (call contact to verify). The time varies with activities. Contact Anne Linville, 280-6404, or

[jalinvil@gmail.com](mailto:jalinvil@gmail.com)

**Tai Chi**

At the Shady Hollow Community Center (CC)  
Mondays at 9:30a.m.  
Thursdays at 10:30

**Please limit outdoor watering to your scheduled day & time.**

## Classified Ads

### Neighborhood Pet Sitter

\$10.00 1st animal, \$2.50 each additional animal per visit. 10 years of caring for Shady Hollow pets with loving care.  
[lindalaterl@mac.com](mailto:lindalaterl@mac.com)  
 or text to (512) 809-4280



# Monthly Financial Snapshot

### SHHOA OPERATING ACCOUNT STATUS

MONTH END	STARTING BALANCE	DEPOSITS	EXPENSES	TRANSFERS	ENDING BALANCE	NET CHANGE
7/31/17	\$18,675	\$184,000	(\$53,089)	(\$7,100)	\$142,485	\$123,811
Y-T-D	\$52,208	\$526,057	(\$366,080)	(\$69,700)	\$142,485	\$90,277

### SHHOA MRR RESERVE ACCOUNT STATUS

MONTH END	STARTING BALANCE	INCOME	EXPENSE	TRANSFERS	ENDING BALANCE	NET CHANGE
7/31/17	\$152,080	\$17	(\$3,470)	\$7,100	\$155,728	\$3,648
Chase MRR Savings 6610	\$10,832	\$0	\$0	\$3,630	\$14,462	\$3,631
Chase MRR Checking 2895	\$0	\$0	(\$3,470)	\$3,470	\$0	\$0
Compass MRR 2471	\$138,248	\$17	\$0	\$0	\$138,265	\$17
Compass MRR Checking 1947	\$3,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,000	\$0
Y-T-D	\$178,291	\$4,793	(\$77,056)	\$49,700	\$155,727	(\$22,563)

### COMBINED ACCOUNT STATUS

MONTH END	STARTING BALANCE	INCOME	EXPENSE	TRANSFERS	ENDING BALANCE	NET CHANGE
7/31/17	\$170,754	\$184,017	(\$56,558)	\$0	\$298,213	\$127,459
Y-T-D	\$230,499	\$530,850	(\$443,136)	(\$20,000)	\$298,213	\$67,714

## Board Minutes cont.

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### Events

July 4th Parade was a large success. We are still trying to think of new ways to keep the parade crowd around a little bit longer.  
 Q & A with AISD Trustee Yasmin Wagner, August 2 at 7 pm at the CC. Topic - School bond vote and how it could effect our current school boundaries

### Treasurers Report - Geoff Lawson

We continue to build the MRR account each month by \$7,100.  
 We owe a final \$1,000 to complete the phase one Community Center renovations.  
 The pool will be the next large expense we will address.  
 The reserve account balance is \$152,000.

### Committee Report

Executive, Mike Cain - No meeting  
 Finance, Geoff Lawson - No meeting  
 Recreation, Laura Kennedy - No meeting  
 Community Center, Gregg Sales - Met

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## Email Newsletters

Almost 1000 members receive their newsletter by email.

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[www.shadyhollow.org](http://www.shadyhollow.org) and request login access.

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**THE ADVENTURE CONTINUES FOR THIS WEBELOS & AOL PATROL EVENT**

Survival skills are essential for anyone who might ever become lost in the wilderness— in a jungle, on a desert island, or, yes, during a Scout hike or campout! This adventure teaches several of those skills to Webelos Scouts, preparing them to deal with emergencies in an outdoor environment.

Come join the Scouts of Troop 488 as they take your Webelos or Arrow of Light Patrol through the requirements for the Castaway Adventure.

**THINGS TO BRING**

- WATER BOTTLE
- CLOTHES THAT CAN GET WET
- PENCIL OR PEN
- WEBELOS OR ARROW OF LIGHT SCOUT BOOK

**AUGUST 27 AT THE SHADY HOLLOW COMMUNITY CENTER 3303 DOE RUN, AUSTIN, TX 78748**

**1PM - 6PM**

**FREE TO SCOUTS & A TASTY MEAL WILL BE PROVIDED**

**STATIONS RAN BY THE TROOP 448 PATROLS**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO RSVP GO TO 448.SPLASHTHAT.COM**



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**Welcome New Members!**



**Soren Sprissler**  
3009 Sesbania Drive

**Vittal Siddaiah & Karuna Gowda**  
11315 Stormy Ridge Road

Please come to the office to get your recreation cards and update your information.

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today to do a final walk through before paying final bill for the renovation  
Welcome, Mary Ellen Mathis - Will meet tomorrow.

Annexation, Jim Bateman - Met yesterday.  
Discussed the current bill moving through the special session.

**New Business**

None

**MOTION** to approve resolution in support of legislation that would provide HOA members

more rights regarding city annexation powers by Geoff Lawson, seconded by Ann Weitzman. See attached.

**Old Business**

None

**Meeting Adjournment**

**MOTION** to adjourn by Mary Ellen Mathis, seconded by Susan Morey. Approval unanimous.

Meeting ended 8:02 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Gregg Sales, Secretary

## AISD SCHOOL BEGINS! Cont.

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AISD website – [www.austinisd.org](http://www.austinisd.org). Call school for more details at (512) 414-4990.

### **Bowie High School**

New Student Orientation - Theatre, August 10<sup>th</sup>, 9:30 AM – 11 AM. **Dawg Days** of Summer are **August 9<sup>th</sup>** (Incoming 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> Grade) and **August 10<sup>th</sup>** (Incoming 9<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Grade) from 9 AM – 5 PM both days. The purpose of the Dawg Days is to allow students to complete the following tasks before school starts: Class pictures, School ID's, lockers, textbooks, parking permits, and year-book purchases (please note students are assigned specific days and times to report). Please calendar and join us for the annual **"Bulldogs & Hotdogs Bowie Festival"**, Saturday, **AUGUST 26**, 6 PM – 9 PM. For more information on Bowie High School, please visit the AISD website at [www.jbhs.org](http://www.jbhs.org). Call office for more details at (512) 414-5247.

## Assessments: The Best Bargain in Town

Some people question why they have to pay what is commonly known as the member assessment when they move into a homeowner association. While assessments may be a technically correct term, the fact is that they are actually property maintenance fees. When the collective buying power of the entire association is factored in, they prove to be a real bargain for individual homeowners. These fees cover exterior maintenance, parks maintenance, landscaping, trash removal, and utilities, recreation facilities, and more. They also include savings for future big-ticket items like roofs, hot water heaters, ac units, pool maintenance and parking lot repaving—which means homeowners will not be hit unexpectedly with a special assessment when the roof needs to be replaced in a few years.

**PAY HOA FEES**