

**Board Meeting** 7 p.m. Thursday October 20 **Community Center Members encouraged** to attend.

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### Fall Brings a Host of Events to SHHOA

By HelloNabr

National Night Out: Shady Hollow HOA's annual night out was another great event to



bring all the neighbors together. The night featured Ist responders from the Manchaca AND Austin Fire Departments, with their Fire Trucks. The kids had an opportunity to

climb and sit in the fire truck and use the Brush Truck's fire hose. The neighborhood Constables and Sheriffs departments were also there.

The featured entertainment for the night was Ruby Dice. Everyone loved their music and the 3 food trucks. The adults also enjoyed free beer from City Wide AC while the kids got to play in Leo's Dance



Party & Fun Zone and also had fun with the Bowie Lacrosse Team.



The weather was great and the Community Center grounds are a great place to have these types of events. The best part is that neighbors had a great opportunity to get to meet new peo-

ple and get to know each other better. We look forward to seeing everyone at the next event - The Shady Hollow Halloween Party!



On October 6, 2016, the Belarus mediaeval music group "Stary Olsa" gave a free concert at the Shady Hollow Community Center. The band's repertoire included Belarusian folk balladry and martial songs, Belarusian national dances, works of Belarusian Renaissance composers, Belarusian canticles of the 16th - early 17th centuries, as well as European popular melodies of the Middle Ages and Renaissance. Moreover, the band performed several mediaeval style interpretations of rock music hits of the Beatles. Pink Floyd and AC/DC. The music was performed using unique and



exotic mediaeval instruments: lute, rebec. gusli, shawns, cisters etc. Right before the Stary Olsa performance, Yakov and Viktoria Nizhnik from Shady Hollow played two Karelian folk tunes using Karelian kanteles (zithers).

# Have Unwanted Plants in Your Yard?

## Bailey Middle School is looking for:

- Nandina
- Cactus pups
- Lantana
- Rose bushes
- Liriope

Please call Mike Berryman 512.914.0069 and we can make arrangements to dig it out by March.

Please feel free to donate Crape Myrtles, Desert Willow, Retama, Citrus or any other tree you would like to see when driving by Bailey. We use air pruning these develop a thick fibrous root system before planting in the ground.

#### **Email Newsletters**

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# Letter From the **President**

By Mike Cain SHHOA Board President

This fall brings about another season of football and elections.

As we head into fall and winter, high school, college, and professional football really can polarize neighbors. We have fans of all sorts and seeing their teams win and lose is just part of what it's all about. Watching the Bowie Bulldogs on Friday nights has been fun for us and seeing the team and the band do well is why we go. With all our social media the best and worst seem to come out in people and how they act, but a high school game here in South Austin can be a good experience.

The same seems to hold true with politics and the coming presidential election. The media floods us with all things political and we are left with a carnival of sorts. Trusting the future of our country seems to be a four year cycle of sorting out the facts from the fiction.

Our neighborhood is approaching another election cycle for the Home Owners Association Board. The board will be seeking new



members. As the President of the Board, I can tell you that serving on the board has made me more aware of all the good and bad things in our neighborhood. It's been rewarding so far and I hope that others will consider volunteering their time to help the neighborhood more forward. Announcements will be made in the coming months to accept candidates for the board.

# Your Curb Appeal Checklist

The curb appeal of our community depends on each resident maintaining his or her property as completely as possible. For those who keep their homes and yards well maintained, the association thanks you for your efforts and good examples. We encourage all residents to pay particular attention to the following maintenance items.

**Exterior paint.** Paint is a quick and easy way to keep your property looking fresh, new and clean. It will also protect against corrosion, weathering and insects.

Landscaping. Landscaping is extremely important to our community's curb appeal. Please remove dead plants and branches. Keep shrubs properly pruned and flowers well-tended. Keep yards free of leaves and remove grass clippings.

**Roofs.** Please insure your roofs are properly maintained and cleaned.

**Driveways and sidewalks.** Please repair cracks, pitted or flaking surfaces and other concrete problems. Remove weeds from sidewalk joints and debris from driveways and sidewalks. Do not use driveways for storage or auto repairs.

**Gutters and downspouts.** Please keep them cleaned out to prevent overflowing and flooding.

Window boxes, awnings and decks. Please replace worn or damaged fixtures, check fittings for stability and paint all items at least bi-annually.



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As you may be aware, a hailstorm hit the area May 24, 2016. We were called recently to replace a community member's roof that was severely damaged by HAIL. As a result of the recent hailstorm, many incurred damage to their roofs based on our findings. I would like to perform a FREE INSPECTION to assess any damage your roof may have sustained. To ensure repair of your roof by your insurance company, time is of the essence. Some insurance providers require a claim to be filed and proof of repair or replacement within 180 - 365 days of your loss. Additionally, any damage resulting at a later date could result in a denied claim by your insurance carrier. I would like to inspect your roof as soon as possible. If I feel the damage warrants a claim, I will help you with the process of repair or replacement. Please call today to set up your free inspection, estimate, or consultation.

# APD Trick-or-Treat Safety Tips

The Austin Police Department encourages safety and supervision for children throughout the year, especially on Halloween. It is important for parents to follow a few safety precautions as children take to neighborhood streets for traditional trick-or-treating. Know your trick-or-treater's route:

#### Take a flashlight

- Be sure costumes, shoes, and treat bags are safe
- Remind children not to enter a stranger's home or car

- Set rules about not eating treats until your children are home. Inspect all treats before allowing kids to eat them
- Candy that has been opened should be thrown away. Any homemade treats or fruit should be inspected closely
- Remember drivers have a hard time seeing people, especially at dusk
- Never cross the street from between parked cars
- Watch open flames from jack-o-lanterns as they present a fire hazard for costumes and long wigs. Review the "stop, drop and roll" procedure in case your costume catches on fire
- Only visit well-lit houses. Don't stop at dark houses

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### SHHOA Calendar

Texas Avid Outdoors
Fall Outdoor Expo
(Doe Run Park)
12—5pm Saturday,
Oct 16

SHHOA Board Meeting (CC) 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct 20

SHHOA HALLOW-EEN PARTY (Doe Run Park) 7—10pm Saturday, Oct 29

Hayride begins at night-

No activities inside Community Center.



Check the <u>online calendar</u> for updates.



A fun-filled Halloween Party is being scheduled for the evening of **Saturday**, **October 29th, at 7:00 at Doe Run Park** located beside and behind the Community Center. We are planning movies in the park, and a scary hayride, an array of food trailers, and much more!

The haunted hayride will start after it gets dark!

We will need volunteers to help out at the party, scare people along the haunted walk, and to help decorate the Community Center outside grounds on Friday, Oct. 28, and help taking everything down on Sunday, Oct. 30 after the fun!

Party starts at 7:00pm on Saturday, Oct. 29. Let's Celebrate Halloween in Style!

#### **Board of Directors**

**President** 

Mike Cain

**Vice President** 

Jim Bateman

**Treasurer** 

Geoff Lawson

**Secretary** 

**Gregg Sales** 

**Members** 

Laura Kennedy

Ryan Merriman

Rebecca Shaw

Aaron Vollmer

Mary Ellen Mathis

Dave O'Rourke

Russell Downey

# SHHOA Monthly Financial Snapshot

MONTH END	STARTING BALANCE	DEPOSITS	EXPENSES	TRANSFERS	ENDING BALANCE	NET CHANGE
9/30/16	\$141,064	\$11,283	(\$46,734)	(\$10,240)	\$95,373	(\$45,691
Y-T-D	\$19,087	\$555,895	(\$408,409)	(\$71,200)	\$95,373	\$76,285

#### SHHOA MRR RESERVE ACCOUNT STATUS

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MONTH END	BALANCE	INCOME	EXPENSE	TRANSFERS	BALANCE	NET CHANGE
9/30/16	\$228,869	\$27	\$0	\$10,240	\$239,137	\$10,267
Chase MRR 6610	\$85,106	\$4	\$0	\$10,240	\$95,350	\$10,244
Chase MRR Checking 2895	\$2,723	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,723	\$0
Compass MRR 2471	\$138,041	\$23	\$0	\$0	\$138,064	\$23
Compass MRR Checking 1947	\$3,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,000	\$0
Y-T-D	\$170,608	\$2,730	(\$5,402)	\$71,200	\$239,136	\$68,528

#### COMBINED ACCOUNT STATUS

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MONTH END	BALANCE	INCOME	EXPENSE	TRANSFERS	BALANCE	NET CHANGE
9/30/16	\$369,933	\$11,310	(\$46,734)	\$0	\$334,509	(\$35,424)
Y-T-D	\$189,695	\$558,625	(\$413,811)	\$0	\$334,509	\$144,814



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The MUD Board held its regular monthly meeting on September 6, 2016 at the MUD Office Building, 3910 Capistrano Trail. All directors were present.

Deputy Sumrall reported there were several burglaries of unlocked vehicles in the neighborhood during the past month. With school back in session, the deputies are monitoring the loading and unloading of school buses and school crossing zones.

Following the public hearing on the proposed tax rate, the Board voted to set a tax rate of \$0.00/\$100 valuation for debt service and \$0.0380/\$100 valuation for maintenance and operations for the fiscal year ending Sept 30, 2017. The total tax rate is \$0.0380/\$100 valuation, which is a reduction from the previous year's rate.

The Board reviewed and approved the budget for fiscal year 2016-2017.

Mr. Haag introduced Ms. Helen Gilbert of Gilbert Wilburn, PLLC, who updated the Board on the work conducted by Mr. Jay Joyce of Expergy Generating Solutions, applying the rate refund methodology set out in the PUC order to the District's invoices. She noted that Mr. Joyce had estimated the District's potential refund from the city to be substantial. Mr. Haag suggested contacting the city and attempting to resolve the issue prior to filing a petition with the PUC. The Board authorized the District's attorney to contact the city regarding the refund owed the District due to water and wastewater overcharges, and, if the matter is not resolved within 2 weeks, to file a petition with the PUC.



#### The Constable's report for September included the following:

- worst of the speeders: 50/35, 46/35 (Brodie); 45/30 (Green Emerald); 43/30, 42/30 (no location);
- traffic stops: numerous warnings/citations issued for expired registration, invalid/no driver's license, expired license plates, no headlights, using cell phone in school zone;
- suspicious vehicles: high school kids parked vehicle at park &
   walked to friend's house had them move vehicle (11:30 pm, Ca-

pistrano Park); two high school kids parked behind school (8:30 pm, Baranoff); car parked sideways in driveway w/doors & windows open, no one around – owner was cleaning & airing out vehicle (no location given);

- parking complaints vehicles parked facing wrong way (Gunfight, Aloysia); open garage (Doe Run); youth on crutches reported going door to door soliciting money for deceased Akins HS student – not located (Apache Forest);
- ▶ assist TCSO: vehicle burglary guitar stolen from unlocked vehicle (Shady Hollow Dr); vehicle burglary handgun, other items stolen from unlocked vehicle (Spotted Horse); house alarm (El Dorado); reckless driving (Capistrano, Brodie); report of shots fired possible dove hunting (FM1626/Brodie).

Water Conservation TiP: Only run full loads in your washing machine. If you must wash a partial load, set your machine to use the least amount of water required. Pretreat stains to avoid rewashing. Check washer hoses for cracks that could result in leaks.

Remember to check the city's website for the current watering schedule, and 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 <u>full list</u> 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. The time varies with activities. Contact Anne Linville, 512-280-6404, or jalinvil@gmail.com.

## Shady Hollow Moms and Kids Club (SHMAK)

The Shady Hollow Moms and Kids Club (SHMAK) is a small group of no more than 45 moms in the South Austin area. Our group invites moms in our area with kids ranging in ages from infant through preschool to join us in events and play dates. We have age-based playgroups which offer more opportunities for your child(ren) to socialize with peers as well as whole group events that include several age groups.

We currently have openings and keep a waiting list for those interested in joining if our roster becomes full.

For more information, please visit

http://www.meetup.com/ SHMAKmeetupgroup/. If you have further questions, you can contact the group organizer through the website.

### **Classified Ads**

### **Neighborhood Pet Sitter** \$10.00 1st animal, \$2.50 each additional animal per visit.



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### **DRAFT September 17 Board Meeting Minutes**

#### **Board Members Present**

Iim Bateman, Mike Cain, Russ Downey, Laura Kennedy, Geoff Lawson, Mary Ellen Mathis, Ryan Merriman, Gregg Sales, Rebecca Shaw & Aaron Vollmer

#### **Board Members Absent**

Dave O'Rourke

#### Staff in Attendance

Darin Laracuente

#### Others in Attendance

None

#### Legend

CC - Community Center

#### **Meeting start**

7:00 pm

#### **Current Agenda**

Motion to approve the agenda, Mary Ellen Mathis seconded by Ryan Merriman. Approval unanimous.

#### **Previous Minutes**

- Motion to approve the August minutes, Laura Kennedy seconded by Geoff Lawson. Approval unanimous.

#### Citizen Communication

None

#### Managers Report - Darin Laracuente

Reviewed the following:

Expense \$3,300 under budget, \$25,000 under budget for the year.

Auditors had last minute questions Taxes were paid to the IRS on the 14th

#### **Deed Restriction Violations**

Total violations contacted during the month - 75. Resolved as of today's meet ing - 55

#### **Entryway lights**

One of the LED drivers burned out, which caused one of the lights to turn green for one night before we shut off the power

#### Capistrano Park

The tennis court, parking lot, & basketball court lights will be replaced this Monday

#### Mowing

We are mowing more frequently than our contract stipulates due to the good weather, which has put our contractor behind schedule. We are not incurring any additional cost for the extra mowing.

#### **Events**

Happy Hour - CC - Thursday Sep. 22 - 6-8 pm

National Night Out - DRP - Tue. Oct 4 -5:30 pm

Halloween Party - DRP Sat. Oct. 29 - 7-10 pm

#### **Treasurers Report -Geoff Lawson**

The reserve account has approx. \$220,000, by the end of 2016 we anticipate spending \$50,000

#### **Committee Report**

Executive - NA

Finance -NA

Recreation - Discussed tennis court lights and gates. Do the cameras work at the pool, yes. Mowing and trees. Restriping the Capistrano Park parking lot is planned for 2017. Community Center - NA Welcome - NA

Annexation - NA

#### **New Business**

Discussed reviewing long-term ser-

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vice agreements. Two items discussed were the pool and landscaping contract.

- Motion for the board to review service contracts over \$15,000 annually on an every other year basis was made by Ryan Merriman, seconded by Laura Kennedy.

#### **Old Business**

Reviewed the CC renovation documents. The board will review the documents in coming weeks. At that point, contractors will be solicited to bid on the project. The Board will make no decision on the budget/cost/scope of the project until they receive project estimates.

#### **Meeting Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn, Rebecca Shaw, seconded by Jim Bateman. Approval unanimous.

Meeting ended 8:12 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Secretary, Gregg Sales.

# APD Trick-or-Treat Cont.

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- Don't enter any homes unless you know the people
- Carry a spare Halloween bag -- in case it breaks or your original one is filled
- Make sure fake knives, swords, and guns are made from cardboard or other flexible materials to avoid accidental injury or worse having them mistaken for the real thing
- Don't cut across yards. Use sidewalks and stay out of back yards
- Follow traffic signals and do not jaywalk

or cross at mid-block

- Always watch for cars backing up or turning
- Never accept rides from strangers
- Respect other people and their property Be polite and say "thank you"

It is also important to ensure that your home is safe and accessible to trick-or-treaters. There are some very simple steps to make the evening safe for everyone.

- Turn on your porch light
- Move lit jack-o-lanterns off the porch where kids get bunched up when trick-ortreating in groups
- Remove objects from your yard that might present a hazard
- Drive slowly all evening. You never know what little "creature" may suddenly cross your path

Report any suspicious or criminal activity to the police

For adults celebrating Halloween, there are some things to consider when wearing that "perfect" costume.

- Make sure any accessories, such as fake guns, knives, and other potentially dangerous items are not mistaken for the real thing
- Fire safety and visibility are important for adult costumes. Apply the same standards to adult costumes as you do to your children's Remember adults that are dressed up can be scary to young children

The Austin Police Department wishes everyone a safe and fun Halloween.



### Welcome New Members!

Terrence Flaherty & Gwendolyn Kamper 11505 Hobbiton Tr.

Chris & Angela Mathias 4110 Aldama Dr.

Cory Lura 3006 Shoot Out Court

Phil Weinholts, Rachel & Polly Atkinson 3113 Festus Dr.

Christopher Kirby & Charles Sherwood 3317 Spotted Horse Tr.

Suzanne Richards 11540 Gun Fight Ln.

Please come to the office to pick up a directory and update your information.

We look forward to meeting you!

# ACC Vacancy

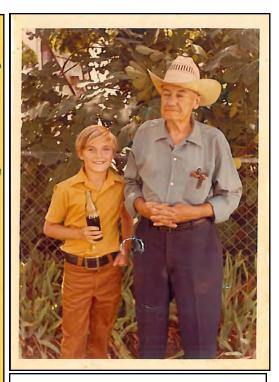
Debbie Helms is running for an ACC vacancy in Section 3/A/I

### 41ST ANNUAL

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Sunday Nov 13 8:00am to 10:30am
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Lunch available - Saturday Only
Craft Show Indoors Admission is Free
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Location: MUMC Family Life Center
FM 1626 at Manchaca Rd.



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