



Reminders

As a reminder, your 2023 **Homeowner HOA Dues** (\$700) deadline is **February 15, 2023**. Payments received online or with USPS postmarks after February 15, 2023, will incur a \$50 late fee.

The Spring Meeting will be held on April 11th at 7 pm location TBD. Your questions, comments, and suggestions are encouraged and welcomed.

Notice

Summer Associate Members, you should have received your payment notice via email by now. If you have not yet received yours please send an email to secretary@shadowbrook.org as soon as possible. Dues are payable by February 28th via Condo Control (CC). When paying in CC the reference/invoice number is your house number and street. For example, 123 Bret Harte Dr.

Associate Members, we are excited to announce that we will be offering a year-round membership for \$1350 beginning May 27, 2023, through May 24, 2024, in addition to our Summer Season Membership from May 27th through Labor Day 2023 for \$725.

Message from the HOA President

by Meera Desai, HOA President

It's a new year and a nearly new Board ready to serve our neighbors and associate members. As you know from our last issue, we elected only 5 board members for 6 open seats. As a result, the incoming board voted to appoint me as President leaving the VP of Social position vacant. I am humbled to serve as your HOA President for 2023 and I am looking forward to working with Joni Landine – VP Pool, Mehul Patel – Treasurer, Koorosh Vakhshoori – Communications, and last but certainly not least our fearless Secretary – Tracy Rodriguez. As you'll read about in the Social section, we are asking for someone (or a team of 2) to step up and take over the Open VP of Social position (with my help, of course).

I also wanted to take this opportunity to thank David Heindel for serving as our President (and many other roles) since the fall of 2020. We are forever indebted to David for his dedication and service to the community. I am hopeful that all the hard work he has done will now make my job much easier. Also thanks to Kevin Ryan for serving as VP Pool since 2020, his efforts to upgrade and maintain the pool facility are evident and very much appreciated. Many thanks also to Emre Tapucu for taking on the communications role in 2022. He streamlined our communications process and spearheaded the implementation of Condo Control which has made payments and record keeping so much easier for the volunteer Board. I also want to thank ZZ Zhen for serving as our treasurer for 2021 through the first half of 2022. She worked with David to get our books organized which helped tremendously with tracking expenses and revenue.

Condo Control (CC):

If you are not yet set up, please send an email to Koorosh at splasher@shadowbrook.org. CC allows online payments and two-way communications. Processing hundreds of checks is a big task, so we are asking everyone to pay online. Splashers will also be going online soon to save some trees and a whole lot of money! So, sign up today!

Volunteers:

As they say it takes a village...so we'd love to have more neighbors volunteering to keep our community strong. If you are interested in learning more about the VP Social position or other ways you can help, please reach out to me president@shadowbrook.org.

Reminder:

Move your car
on Sweep Day!

1st Monday
of
Every Month

More thank yous:

Special thanks must also go to Valerie Waagen for serving as Pool Manager the last 2 years and agreeing to take on this task again for 2023, and our amazing ACC - Sheryl, Annette, and Don N. Thanks also to Don Hale for serving on the Shadow Brook ACC for many, many years! Our neighborhood continues to look amazing thanks to his efforts. And of course, I have to thank our amazing Social Committee for making my job so easy this year! I hope that you will all continue to help our next VP of Social or volunteer to take it over (wink, wink)!

Swim Team:

On behalf of the Board, I would like to recognize and thank Katie Ciciarelli and Staci Tenczar for serving as our parent reps for 2022. Staci, have fun in your retirement and thank you for your many years of service on the Board and with the Sharks! Thank you to Katie and Valerie for taking on this task for 2023 with the help of Jeff Raegan. For more information on Sharks visit <https://shadowbrooksharks.swimtopia.com/>

Yard Trimmings Placed in our Streets by ACC

This is a friendly reminder that the City of San Jose Rules dictate that yard trimmings be placed in the streets no earlier than one day before scheduled pick-up. For our Shadow Brook neighborhood, Thursday is the earliest yard trimmings can be placed in the street. Additionally, you are responsible for cleaning up any residue left after pick-up. You may also want to consider placing your yard trimmings in a cart. For more information, please refer to the City of San Jose Yard Trimmings website:

<https://www.sanjoseca.gov/your-government/departments-offices/environmental-services/recycling-garbage>

2023 Sharks Swim Team Meet Schedule

by Katie Ciciarelli, Shark Parent Representative

Hello Sharks families. On the right is the 2023 Shadow Brook Sharks Cabana Swim Team Dual Meet Schedule for your calendar. For more information go to:

<https://www.shadowbrook.org/swim-team/>



May 20 - Time Trials at Shadow Brook Pool

May 27 - HOME vs Almaden

June 3 - AWAY at Creekside

June 10 - AWAY at Pinehurst

June 17 - HOME vs Santa Teresa

June 24 - AWAY at Crossgates

July 1 - BYE Week

July 8 - CHAMPS at Independence High School
(Hosted by Almaden Dolphins)

Red Snapper



INGREDIENTS

1.5 oz Four Pillars Rare Dry Gin
2 oz tomato juice
.75 oz lemon juice
1 oz hot sauce
.5 oz Worcestershire sauce
salt and pepper

DIRECTIONS

1. Combine all ingredients in a large glass. Add ice and stir to chill. Garnish with a celery stalk, lemon wedge, salt, and fresh cracked pepper.

Social Corner

by Meera Desai, Acting VP Social

Hi Neighbors! We hope you are keeping safe and have had a good start to 2023!

Congratulations to our neighbors at 6667 Bret Harte Drive for winning the People's Choice Award for the holiday lights contest. Honorable mentions also went to our neighbors at 969 Summer Leaf and past Board winners 6744 Heathfield and 6652 Charter Oak. Hard to beat those guys!

This year we were finally able to celebrate Lunar New Year at the cabana (this year is the Year of the Rabbit). We had a great turnout, learned to make dumplings, and got to eat some yummy food. Special thanks to Lirong Shan and her crew for organizing such a special event. Check out some of the pictures below.



It has been great fun serving as your VP of Social for the past few years. We really need to find a new neighbor who can take over the OPEN position as I won't be able to serve as both President and VP of Social. So if you are interested please reach out to me and I'll get you going! It's not hard, I promise, and we have a great team of helpers to assist you. Remember, we are only able to have all these activities due to the volunteer efforts of the community. So, if you have enjoyed all the events we've added over the past few years, please consider volunteering for this role so we can continue building our community.

For those of you looking forward to celebrating the end of DRY JANUARY – here's a fun cocktail to enjoy during the Super Bowl.

Pool Update

By Joni Landine, VP Pool

Greetings to all. The pool is open this winter for lap swimming. Members interested in pool access for lap swimming must sign a waiver. For info on requesting access please visit shadowbrook.org for information goto: <https://www.shadowbrook.org/the-pool>

Aqua Fitness is on Tue and Thur mornings at the pool 9:45-10:45am, for additional information go to the following web page and click on the flyer link:

<https://www.shadowbrook.org/the-pool/hours-of-operation/#AquaFitness>

If you or someone you know is interested in lifeguarding this summer, Shadow Brook is now accepting applications for the 2023 season. Please see our website for the Pool Manager and Lifeguard job descriptions and application. Send completed applications and any questions to shadowbrooklifeguards@gmail.com. We are accepting applications until March 31, 2023, and interviews will be scheduled for April 22 & 23. Thank you!

Splasher is going paperless

By Koorosh Vakhshoori, Communication

Dear fellow Shadow Brook residents. Starting from the next issue of Splasher this March, all households with at least one member signed up with Condo-Control and who have given their consent for electronic delivery will receive their newsletter at their registered email address. This change would reduce the printing cost and streamline the process. Moreover, e-delivery has the added benefit of being paperless, which is good for the environment. Those households who have not opted in; would still receive their paper newsletters at their front door. About 70% of households have signed up for e-delivery; which is excellent news. However, we encourage the remaining 30% to do the same if you have access to the internet and email. To sign up with the Condo-Control, email us at splasher@shadowbrook.org.

Thank you for your support.

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