



## Shadow Brook Board Elections 2023



Board elections are quickly approaching. At the end of October keep an eye out for election materials in the mail. Here are the critical dates remaining in this election cycle.

- Voter List Finalized – Oct. 28th
- Ballot Materials Sent – Oct. 28th
- **Mail-In Ballot Deadline – Nov. 25th**
- **Voting Deadline – Nov. 29th**
- **Election Day – Nov. 29th**
- Notice of Election Results – Anytime before Dec. 14th

**Important Reminder:** Per Civ. Code § 5105(a)(7), all HOA members are permitted to verify the accuracy of their individual information on the “Voter list” and “Candidate list” at least thirty (30) days before ballots are distributed (**deadline of September 28, 2023**). If you wish to verify your information, please contact the Inspector of Elections Don Hale at: [sbaccdh2022@gmail.com](mailto:sbaccdh2022@gmail.com)

## Shadow Brook General Meeting

**Meeting place:** Almaden Country Day School (Meeting Room)  
**Time & Date:** 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm, Monday November 13th

Homeowner meetings are held 2 times a year, Spring and Fall, and are geared towards providing the Homeowners with important community information and an opportunity to provide feedback to the board. It would be most helpful if anyone expecting to attend the Fall Meeting could let us know by sending an email to [president@shadowbrook.org](mailto:president@shadowbrook.org).

## Shadow Brook Community Senior Coffee



We encourage you to join us for coffee, conversation and treats under the cabana club gazebos on Wednesdays from 10:30 -11:45 am through the end of December. If the weather doesn't co-operate we'll gather in Secchi Hall for a cozy kitchen table chat thanks to Meera and Joni.

We don't check ID and the definition of senior is fluid so please join us. We'd love to meet new neighbors and catch up with those SB residents that we miss.

Date: Wednesdays  
Time: 10:30 am- 11:45 am  
Place: Cabana Club

## Join the Red Bow Brigade

by Lydia McClure, HOA Member & Volunteer

### LIGHT-UP SHADOW BROOK FOR THE HOLIDAYS!

**ORDER DEADLINE OCTOBER 29 2023 - For Charlie Brown Trees**

**Complete and return the sign up sheet if you can help even if not ordering a tree**

Fall is in the air and it's time to order our Shadow Brook front yard Charlie Brown holiday yard trees! You should have already received your order form - if not please reach out to Lydia McClure at (408) 472-1497

We are looking for block leads and volunteers to wire street trees with red bows 11/22-12/4.

Light Up Shadow Brook and make your home brighter for your family, the confined seniors across the street, and those of us walking, running, and biking the neighborhood. The more homes with a Charlie Brown tree, the greater the impact on our community.



## Shadow Brook Sharks are hosting Champs in the summer of 2024

Planning has already begun and we would be so grateful for any and all ways our swim team community can help. If you are interested in becoming a Team Lead or lending an additional hand, please fill out our [2024 Champs Volunteer Form](#) or email us at [shadowbrooksharks@gmail.com](mailto:shadowbrooksharks@gmail.com). Volunteer descriptions can be found at [Sharks Volunteer Descriptions](#) and [Champs Volunteer Descriptions](#). Champs location and date to be confirmed in early 2024. Access the forms online at: [shadowbrook.org/swim-team/#HostingChamps2024](http://shadowbrook.org/swim-team/#HostingChamps2024)

Go Sharks!



## Diwali Open House

by Sujatha Swaminathan, VP Social

Join us to celebrate [Diwali](#) - the festival of lights at the ShadowBrook Swim Club on Sunday, November 5th from 1 to 3 pm. You can invite your guests as well. Expect yummy Indian appetizers, masala chai, and Bollywood music. We promise to up your quotient on everything Indian by the time you leave! Hope to see you there!



## Giorgio Secchi - A Special Volunteer

By Gale Infeld former Shadow Brook President

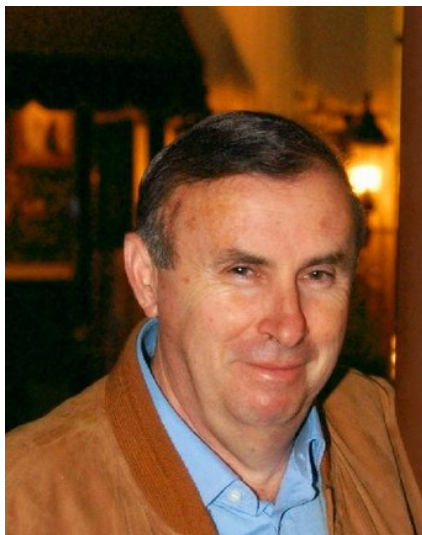
Our Shadow Brook neighborhood has a reputation of being a wonderful community to live in and raise a family. It earned this reputation largely due to the wonderful volunteers, who, through the years, have worked hard to keep our pool in quality shape, support our swim team, keep our homes and streets looking their best and making sure we all can enjoy an array of social activities.

Recently a very special volunteer, Giorgio Secchi, passed away. The Secchis have lived in Shadow Brook since 1980 and Giorgio started his volunteering in 1981 as part of the ACC. Among other roles he served as pool director before taking on the role of President. He worked tirelessly to make Shadow Brook a community all its residents could enjoy and be proud of. He served on the Board for over 20 years.

For those of us that go way back we hold wonderful memories of Giorgio. Some of the best are the Pig Roast at the pool (with his assistants Henry Blankenheim and Ed Krakov), Giorgio leading our 4th of July parade in his Uncle Sam costume, and most of all his happiest call while working at the BBQ - "juicy, juicy hot dogs, juicy, juicy sausage."

Volunteers are the heart of this community, making it such a special place to live. Secchi Hall, where our seniors meet for coffee during the winter months was built thanks to Giorgio's leadership and is a tribute to all his efforts for Shadow Brook. Giorgio was a special volunteer and we thank him for his part in making Shadow Brook the wonderful community it is.

Our deepest condolences and gratitude to Giorgio's family, his wife Cindy and children Robbie, Marco and Christina and grandchildren for sharing Giorgio with us.



## CONTACT 811 BEFORE YOUR DIGGING PROJECT!

by ACC

**Planting a tree? Working in your garden? Building a fence?** You may be digging close to underground utility lines connected to your home. Contact 811 to have your underground lines marked before your project begins.

Visit [california811.org](http://california811.org) or call 811 at least two days prior to your digging or planting project to schedule a crew to come mark your underground lines. There is no charge for this service.

## Update from the Pool

There is a new PurpleAir air quality monitor up and running at the pool. The name of our monitor is ShadowBrook Swim Club and real time data can be viewed on the PurpleAir map at the following link:

<https://www.purpleair.com/map?zoom=12&lat=37.21321524742814&lng=-121.8495950412338&key=MTY26FC4AV72J5VO>

Or just goto [shadowbrook.org](http://shadowbrook.org) site and click on the PurpleAir icon.



Big thanks to Jason Gruenhagen for helping to order and install the monitor. I would also like to thank Kevin Ryan for his continued support with pool facility maintenance and thank Scott Brookshire for managing the Brivo gate access system. As my mother in law used to say, "many hands make light work." If anyone is interested in volunteering to assist with small jobs at the pool, please reach out [yppool@shadowbrook.org](mailto:yppool@shadowbrook.org)

## Halloween @ Shadow Brook

A friendly suggestion. Let's have a fun and safe Halloween night in the neighborhood for all by following this practice. If you want to hand out Halloween treats, leave your front porch light on; otherwise, keep both your front porch and room lights off.

## Neighborhood Baby and Pet sitting

Are you interested in helping a Shadow Brook family with babysitting or petsitting duties? If so, please send your name and contact phone number to [splasher@shadowbrook.org](mailto:splasher@shadowbrook.org).

As per past custom, this list will be posted at the Pool and in future Splashes.

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