



## 2024 Dues Deadline is February 15



As a reminder, your 2024 Annual Dues (\$710) deadline is February 15, 2024. Postcard reminders will be sent out in early January.

Payments received online or with USPS postmarks after February 15, 2024, will incur a \$50 late fee. For more details go to [shadowbrook.org](http://shadowbrook.org) website.



The old refrigerator in Cabana's kitchen is on its last leg. We are looking for a gently used refrigerator to replace the old one. Contact [vppool@shadowbrook.org](mailto:vppool@shadowbrook.org) if you have one.

## The 2024 SB Board Election Results Are In!

The inspector of elections concluded the vote count for the 2024 election held on November 29 of 2023. The new elected board members are:

- **Meera Desai**
- **Joni Landine**
- **Mehul Patel**
- **Sujatha Swaminathan**
- **Koorosh Vakhshoori**



There were a few write-in candidates which are being contacted. Look for additional information in future Splasher Updates.

Thank you to all the homeowners who voted in this election. We had slightly less than 34% of the homeowners come out to vote this year.

The inspector of elections, Don Hale, would also like to personally thank those Shadow Brook members who joined him on the vote counting committee and helped count the votes: **Ron Boiko, Denise Boiko, Peggy Morrison, Jim Mason, Angela Sharp, and Connie Rimroth**. Also, thanks to the **Wednesday senior coffee members** who assembled the ballot mailings and those who printed the envelopes and labels.

## Social Corner

by Sujatha Swaminathan, VP Social

**Aqua Fitness Classes are continuing throughout the winter on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:45 – 10:45 am** at the pool. It may be chilly outside but the pool is a cozy 80 degrees! Check out our website for pricing and payment details.

Special thanks to the Red Bow Brigade and Lydia McClure and her elves for supplying our Charlie Brown Trees and making the neighborhood look festive.

## Tree Care in Colder Weather by ACC

Healthy trees are essential to our community. They provide much needed shade in the increasingly hot temperatures of the summer and add value to our neighborhood.

Taking care of our trees is important. The best time to prune trees is between October and January. This is when the trees go dormant and are not actively growing. When trees go dormant, they can tolerate pruning without impacting their health as much as it would in the growing season. Additionally, this is an excellent time to check for any tree branches that might be blocking a public sidewalk. San Jose City Code requires that tree branches must be maintained at least eight feet above the sidewalk.

It is also a suitable time of year for planting new trees. Planting late in the year will require less water than planting in the summer. The soil will be moist with the coming rains and help establish the trees. Trees will adapt much easier and require less maintenance.

## Annual Shadow Brook Holiday Lights Contest

The Annual Shadow Brook Holiday Lights Contest is coming soon. We all know that Shadow Brook always has many well-decorated homes for the holidays. We all loved the contest last year and encourage more homes to participate this year.

There will be three awards presented in this contest. The categories are best decorations, theme and best light.

The deadline for voting is December 19, awards will be announced on December 22. Winners get a certificate, a yard sign, and a bottle of wine to celebrate. For all your questions please reach out to me at [social@shadowbrook.org](mailto:social@shadowbrook.org).



## Sharks Team Hosting 2024 Champs

by Katie Ciciarelli, Sharks parent representative

Happiest of Holidays to all of our Sharks families and friends!

Please see our website to be part of our fun Champs planning team!

<https://www.shadowbrook.org/swim-team/#HostingChamps2024>

