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In addition to this monthly newsletter, you can stay connected with the Woods of Shavano Community Association through multiple platforms – email, Facebook, Twitter, Nextdoor and the WOSCA website.

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# A Note from the

## **Woods of Shavano President**

By John Haines, President, Woods of Shavano Community Association

I wish everyone a wonderful new year! I want to take a moment to encourage everyone to attend the WOSCA Annual Meeting. We want your participation on many items.

This past year was a good year for the Association. Some of the highlights were a successful pool & swim team season with an awesome swim coach. The Indian Woods Park revitalized the children's playset and a couple of benches were added. Significant improvements occurred at the clubhouse with a new keycard system, internet, new toilets, new shower faucets, additional picnic tables for the deck and new outside lighting. In addition, two trees had to be removed due to safety.

#### This year we will be focusing on the following:

- Implementing new keycard access system
- Planning for swim season and swim team
- Park Improvements
- Facility Improvements

**NOTE:** We are currently rebuilding one of the pool decks and could use your financial support or volunteer help. The cost for materials is \$5,000 – a \$20 donation from each membership would help pay for the materials.

Additionally, we will continue our Memorial Day pool event, July 4th Parade, Family Fun Day, Santa photos, Market/Produce truck visits, and food drives, as well as continue serving as a voting precinct.

# What's Your Talent?

Whether it's tech support, fixing up things, gardening, grilling, or serving up some cheesy nachos – WE WANT YOUR HELP! If you are interested in volunteering to make our community even better – please send us an email (woodsofshavano@yahoo.com) with your name and phone number and tell us what type of volunteer work you are interested in doing. We will contact you when

projects/activities of interest are scheduled.

There are plenty of opportunities, big and small, indoors and outdoors, throughout the year, but much of our volunteer work takes place in April and May to get the pool area ready for opening on Memorial Day weekend. Now is the time to take that leap and help out!



# A Great Way to be In the Know

Do you like creating interesting and informative articles? Do you have experience in preparing newsletters, informational flyers, and/or brochures? The WOSCA Board is looking for a Newsletter Editor, ready to start in March 2023 (training provided). The editor collects information (from the Board and other sources) and creates fun, interesting and informative articles. The editor then coordinates with/submits these articles to our newsletter partner, Neighborhood News, who handles the typesetting, layout, and graphics design to transform the collective articles into an eye-catching newsletter.



If you are interested in being Newsletter Editor for the WOSCA, please contact: newsletter.woodsofshavano@gmail.com



## Woods of Shavano Events Calendar

#### February 8

**WOSCA Board Meeting, 6:30 PM** 

#### February 15

Meet and Greet at the Dooryard, 5-8 PM

#### February 23

**WOSCA Annual Membership Meeting, 6:30 PM** 

#### February 25

Volunteer Day @ Indian Woods Park, 1-4 PM

#### March 8

WOSCA Board Meeting, 6:30 PM



#### **Pickleball for Kids**



Junior Match Youth Pickleball Program is starting at the Woods of Shavano tennis courts (by the pool on Parksite Woods). We are looking for kids ages 6-12 that want to play pickleball. Upcoming season starts February 7, 2023. You can register online at juniormatch.org. Enter code WOSWIN2023 for a \$10 discount.

Not sure if your child would be interested in playing pickleball? Stop by one of our practices on Tuesdays from 5:45-6:45 to try it out! Don't have a pickleball paddle? That's okay. Extras will be available to use. Hope to see you out there!

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# Neighborhood **SPOTLIGHT**



No good deed is too small! A couple days after Christmas, a lost dog wandered into Jonathan Worley's garage. He took care that the four-legged fella was protected from the elements of the hard freeze that had recently hit San Antonio. Happy to report that after a short time searching (walking the dog on a leash down the street, connecting with other neighbors, and posting on social media), the dog was reunited with its owners! Thank you for being a great neighbor, Jonathan!

On another jolly note, we would like to thank Santa's helpers who made his Texas sleigh ride through the WOS safe and merry! Thank you **Jeff, Nancy and Sara Kreth, Barbara Haines,** and **Victor Agueros** for braving the cold and helping make the evening cheerful and bright! We appreciate all the families who also braved the cold while eagerly and patiently waiting for Santa to stop by!

Sometimes it's the little things that bring the biggest smiles!



A neighborhood workday to beautify the Indian Woods Park is scheduled on **Saturday**, **February 25th**, **from 1:00 – 4:00 PM**. Show your neighborly love and a can-do attitude by helping with some simple outdoor maintenance of our community assets, including some painting, spreading pea gravel, picking up litter, and laying landscape timbers. Wear some comfortable clothes, closed-toed shoes, and work gloves. Grab a neighbor and join us for an hour or so in the open air, working to make our beautiful neighborhood even better!

High school students in need of service hours are welcome. Children 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Contact us at <a href="woodsofshavano@yahoo.com">woodsofshavano@yahoo.com</a> if you have any questions about this event.



On Saturday, February 4th from 11:00 am - 1:00 PM, and again on the following three Saturdays, members of Troop 80 will sell Girl Scout cookies at the Woods of Shavano Clubhouse. Come on by to purchase your sweet treats (cash only, please).

Cookie selections include: Lemon-Ups, Trefoils, Do-si-dos, Samoas, Tagalongs, Thin Mints, Girl Scout S'mores, and Toffee-tastic. The cost is \$5.00 per box. Annual cookie sales help fund programs, camps, travel, and other activities for the Girl Scout troop.

Join Us for the

# **WOSCA Annual Meeting**

On **February 23, 2023**, the WOSCA will hold its Annual Meeting to review its accomplishments in 2022, set goals for 2023, approve a new budget, review by-laws, and elect Board members. Discussion and question time will follow. Please make plans to attend.

If you would like to make a **positive impact** in the WOS, be involved in **making policies** for the community, serve the Association through **good stewardship** of its funds, and help **complete new projects**, PLEASE CONSIDER RUNNING FOR AN OPEN POSITION ON THE BOARD.

There will be a few positions open. Attend the Annual Meeting and Place your Name in the running. If you are interested, requirements are:

- Be a current WOSCA <u>full</u> member willing to serve a two-year term. (If you aren't currently a member, you can join.)
- Attend monthly meetings from 6:30-8:15PM on the second Wednesday of each month.
- Be willing to volunteer for/coordinate special projects and events that benefit WOS residents and association members.

Only one person per residence is allowed to run for office. Another member of the Association can nominate you at the Annual Meeting, or you can nominate yourself.

If you are interested and would like additional input, contact one of the current Board members or inquire by email at <a href="woodsofshavano@yahoo.com">woodsofshavano@yahoo.com</a>.

If your membership is up for renewal, you may pay your dues prior to the meeting. (Checks, PayPal, and Credit Cards are accepted.)

# **WOSCA Annual Meeting Proxy**

If you cannot attend this important meeting, we still want your input. By completing the proxy below, you give your voting rights to another Association member. Any proxy may be reclaimed on the night of the meeting if the owner decides to attend. Return the signed and completed Proxy to the WOSCA Clubhouse mailbox or mail it to WOSCA, 13838 Parksite Woods, San Antonio, TX 78249 prior to **February 18, 2023**.

I/We, Full or Supporting (Circle One) members of the Woods of Shavano Community Association hereby give my/our proxy to:

The Board of Directors, and direct that my vote be cast in the manner as they would vote.
(If this box is checked, do NOT check any other box.)

Unless revoked, this proxy will remain in effect until the adjournment of the 2023 Annual Meeting.

Date:\_\_\_\_\_ Signed:\_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number:\_\_\_\_\_ Name (Printed):\_\_\_\_\_

Property Address:

San Antonio, TX 78249



☐ Another member (please print name)





## **Protecting Homes with Citizens' Help**

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They continually test, inspect, repair, improve, and monitor gas lines 24/7 for natural gas leaks. Emergency responders are trained to respond to natural gas emergencies.

What can citizens do to help?

#### **Recognize the Signs of a Gas Leak**

- Smell a distinctive, sulfur-like odor is infused in some gas, but don't rely on smell alone. Some are odorless.
- **Sight** Continuous bubbling in water outdoors, dirt spraying or blowing into the air, dead or dying vegetation in an otherwise moist area.
- **Sound** Hissing, roaring, or whistling noises coming from the ground or gas equipment.

#### Dig Safely

- When planning a project that involves digging, first call 811 to locate natural gas lines and other utilities (NO COST). Allow two full business days for a team to come to your property to make the survey.
- Call **CPS ENERGY** at **210-353-HELP** if you make any contact with a pipeline, even nicking it or its coating.

#### **React Immediately**

- Assume there is a danger if you observe any danger signs.
- Warn others and leave the area.
- **DO NOT** light a match or use electrical appliances, including light switches, garage door openers, doorbells, radios, TVs, or phones. These can ignite natural gas.
- Report the leak immediately.
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# **Suggested Valentine's Day Books** to Read with Your Children

Here are some suggested books you can read with your children this Valentine's Day:

Little Blue Truck's Valentine by Alice Schertle
Happy Valentine's Day, Mouse! by Laura Numeroff
Love from the Very Hungry Caterpillar by Eric Carle
Roses Are Pink, Your Feet Really Stink by Diane deGroat
Arthur's Valentine by Marc Brown
Happy Valentine's Day, Little Critter! by Mercer Mayer
llama llama i love you by Anna Dewdney
The Day It Rained Hearts by Felicia Bond
The Biggest Valentine Ever by Steven Kroll
There Was An Old Lady Who Swallowed A Rose!





by Lucille Colandro





Open Wednesday - Sunday

# **Monthly Meet and Greet**

A time to relax and hang out with fellow WOS neighbors. Won't You Please Join Us?

February 15, 2023 5PM – 8PM

at **THE DOORYARD** 4503 DeZavala Road, Suite 108

San Antonio, TX 78249

(across from the Woods of Shavano Clubhouse and Pool)

# Monthly Woods of Shavano Board Meetings

You are Welcome to Attend!



The Woods of Shavano Board of Directors meets the second Wednesday of each month from 6:30 – 8:15 PM at the Woods of Shavano Clubhouse. All Woods of Shavano Community residents are welcome to attend the meeting. *The first 15 minutes of each meeting is reserved for resident input.* If you are a resident of the Woods of Shavano community and would like to attend – please join us!

Our next meeting is scheduled for February 8, 2023 at 6:30 PM.

# CLUBHOUSE RENTALS AVAILABLE



The calendar for the end of the school year is already quickly being filled by school organizations who plan **End of the School Year** parties. If you are planning an event for your school, please contact **Ruby McDonald** at to make reservations for your preferred date.

Meanwhile, if you're planning a birthday, wedding or baby shower, or an anniversary celebration in the upcoming months, let us reserve the WOS Clubhouse for your event. Times and dates are still available.

The Woods of Shavano Clubhouse is available to rent for members and non-members. All *full* members are eligible for one free rental, plus a \$60 use fee, *after renewing their initial membership*. Support and non-members can also rent the clubhouse for a fee.

The Clubhouse holds up to 52 people. We have eight six-foot tables, two three-foot tables, and 52 chairs available for use.

A **\$100 refundable** security deposit is required for all events.

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#### **Protect Yourself**

Imposter scams are still rampant. Here are a few examples, plus ways to avoid falling victim to these scams:

#### **IRS SCAM**

How it works: Tax season will soon be upon us, and scammers posing as IRS officials call saying you owe taxes and better pay up. They threaten to arrest or deport people, revoke a license, or even shut down a business. How do they do it? By rigging caller ID information to appear as if the IRS is calling, they can fool people. Sometimes they even make a follow-up call claiming to be the police or the DMV.

**What to do:** Remember, the IRS will not call you on the phone. If they need to start a conversation with you, they will do it by official USPS mail. If you owe, or think you owe federal taxes, call the IRS at 800-829-1040 or go to irs.gov. IRS workers can help you with payment questions.

#### **TECH SUPPORT SCAM**

How it Works: A technical support scam usually starts as a phone call from a person pretending to be with "Microsoft" or "Windows." They try to trick victims into believing that their computers are infected or is "sending signals" that there is a problem. Then the sales pitch starts, with the caller trying to convince the consumer to download and pay for worthless software or to let the "technician" remotely access your computer. The fraudsters charge for their "help" and sometimes install malware on computers while they have the computer under their control, allowing the scammers to steal your money and/or your personal information.

What to do: If you think you have been a victim of this scam, download legitimate security software and then run it to scan your computer for viruses and malware. Change any passwords you gave out. If you paid for a service with a credit card, call your provider to stop/reverse the charges. You can also file a complaint with the Federal Trade Commission at <a href="fc.gov/complaint">fc.gov/complaint</a>.

#### **JURY DUTY SCAM**

How it works: The phone rings, you pick it up, and the caller identifies himself as an officer of the court. He says you failed to report for jury duty and that a warrant has been issued for your arrest. You say you never received a notice. To clear it up, the caller says he will need some information for "verification purposes" – your birth date, Social Security number, and sometimes even a credit card number. Facing the threat of arrest, victims are caught off guard and may part with some the information to defuse the situation.

What to do: Hang up the phone and call SAPD (210-207-7273) to report the incident. Court officers never ask for confidential information over the phone; they generally correspond with prospective jurors by mail.

#### **GRANDPARENT SCAM**

How it works: You receive a phone call from someone saying that your grandchild or another loved one is in trouble. The con artist exploits the love and generosity of the grandparent by pretending to be the actual grandchild or someone helping the grandchild who needs emergency funds (by bank transfer or pre-paid credit cards) to pay for transportation from a foreign country, medical treatment, or bail.

What to do: Don't fall for it. Independently check on the status of your family member first. Don't provide personal information, and don't wire any money. If you have gotten a call like this, contact the SAPD (210-207-7273) to report the incident.



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