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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

The time has come to pass the torch to a new set of members to be the stewards of our community. I will be resigning after the annual member meeting in February. It has been a privilege serving on the Board and representing the WOS community the past seven years.

Please remember some of the key aspects of the Woods of Shavano:

- Community – Great parents are those who are involved. Great neighbors are those who are involved, too!
- Partnership – Be engaged in the neighborhood, even if it is just for a little bit.
- Service to Others – Give back and leave a legacy.
- Good Stewardship – Take care of your family, home, street, neighborhood, and community.
- Golden Rule – Be nice and treat your neighbors how you would like to be treated.

Life is short, so take the time to enjoy your family and neighbors.

Spring is just around the corner and the WOS association has some exciting things awaiting you...

- Extended pool hours via key card access
- Parksite pickleball & basketball courts
- Park enhancements
- Fun community events

Take a chance – become a member and join the adventure! See you around the neighborhood!

A Little Help Goes a Long Way...



Please Help Lighten the Load

The WOSCA is currently rebuilding the pool deck at the main lifeguard stand and *could still use your help – financial or helping hands*. The cost for materials is \$5,000 – a **\$20 donation from each membership** would help pay for the materials. Email woodsofshavano@yahoo.com if interested in helping.

Additionally, your WOSCA Board members carry the bulk of the load in providing activities and completing much-needed projects to keep the Woods of Shavano a welcoming and attractive place to live. **Won't you help lighten that load?**

There are plenty of opportunities, big and small, indoors and outdoors, throughout the year. You can HELP...

- Get the pool area ready for swim team practices and opening on Memorial Day weekend. (Set up and clean tables and lounge chairs; plant new flowers; etc.)
- Serve/sell concessions on Memorial Day, July 4th, and/or Family Fun Nights.
- Beautify the entrances, clubhouse grounds, tennis/basketball courts and Indian Woods Park (on specific volunteer days and/or throughout the year as needed).
- Assist in coordinating the July 4th parade.
- Decorate the entrances and/or clubhouse for Memorial Day, July 4th, and Christmas.
- Greet and sign in guests during Photos with Santa event at the clubhouse.
- AND MORE!

HELP make our community even better – please send us an email (woodsofshavano@yahoo.com) with your name and phone number and tell us how you can help. We will contact you when projects/activities of interest are scheduled.

Any help is most appreciated!



Calling All Sharks!!

Shavano Sharks Swim Team Registration is Now Open!

We are excited for another sensational season with the Shavano Sharks Swim Team and thrilled that Coach Segrest from Clark High School will be returning to coach the 2023 season! Practices begin May 1st, and the season ends after the championship meet on June 25th.

If you would like to register your children or grandchildren for the swim team this summer, visit www.woodsoshavano.com for more information and registration.

Seeking Sponsors for the Shavano Sharks 2023 Swim Season

If you or someone you know owns a local business, the Woods of Shavano Sharks Swim Team would deeply appreciate your support. Our 2023 season opens in mid-May, and we're looking for corporate sponsorships. Different sponsorship levels, from \$100 - \$1000, are available to suit your business. As a sponsor, you help keep our swim team registration fees affordable. Your business will be acknowledged on a sponsor banner displayed at the pool and on team t-shirts. Our team members' parents, pool guests, and 1,100 neighborhood residents say THANK YOU!

Please direct questions or requests for more information to WOSsharks@gmail.com. **GO SHARKS!**



Woods of Shavano Events Calendar

March 1

Shavano Sharks Swim Team registration begins

March 8

WOSCA Board Meeting, 6:30 PM

March 12

Daylight Savings Time begins

March 13-17

NISD Spring Break

March 15

Meet and Greet at the Dooryard, 5-8 PM

March 25

WOSCA Blood Drive, 10 AM-3 PM

April 7

NISD Holiday - Good Friday

April 12

WOSCA Board Meeting, 6:30 PM

April 28

NISD Holiday - Battle of Flowers



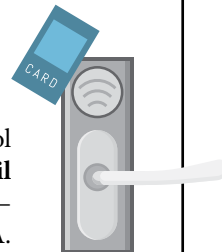
Neighborhood SPOTLIGHT



Ron Stephens recently stepped down from the WOSCA Board. His passion for number crunching, data analysis, and writing skills will be sorely missed. As Secretary, he helped keep our organization running smoothly by recording and organizing minutes at our monthly board meetings. You can enjoy some of his hobbies by viewing his nature photography pictures on Nextdoor. He is always walking about and has an eye for beautiful nature shots! So, if you see him out in the neighborhood or on Nextdoor give him a hello! We extend a sincere **THANK YOU** to Ron.

Keycard Access is GOING LIVE!

The WOSCA is excited to announce that the WOS Pool will open for **unguarded** swimming starting **April 1st**. The pool will be accessible between 7:00 AM-8:00 PM via keycard to **full** members of the WOSCA.



**** WAIVERS MUST BE COMPLETED TO OBTAIN A KEYCARD ****

**** NO LIFEGUARDS WILL BE ON DUTY ****

Go to www.woodsoshavano.com to download the waiver. Check your WOS emails for more details.

Note: Our pool is not heated, so water temperature depends on the weather.



District 8 Field Office Has Moved!

The City of San Antonio Council - District 8 is proud to announce that its field office has moved to the Medical Center. The new location is at **8431 Fredericksburg Road, Suite 114 (78229)**.

As always, the field office is there to help address any of your neighborhood concerns - reach out to them by phone at 210-207-0943 or by email at council.district8@sanantonio.gov.

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Some of the “fan favorites” are scheduled as follows:

- April 21-23..... Taste of New Orleans
- April 21-22 St. Mary’s Fiesta Oyster Bake
- April 24Texas Cavaliers River Parade
- April 25-28..... NIOSA® (A Night in Old San Antonio®)
- April 27 Battle of Flowers Association® Band Festival
- April 28Battle of Flowers® Parade **
- April 29 King William Fair
- April 29 Fiesta Flambeau® Parade **

** NOTE: Due to continued construction on Broadway, the 2023 route will be the same as the modified 2022 route. The parades will begin with a new forming area at San Antonio College and surrounding streets and march south down N. Main Street. They will still pass by Alamo Plaza and will end and disband at Commerce and St Mary’s Street.

There is a full lineup of events featuring music, dance, art, and food. San Antonio enjoys a rich culture, so get out and enjoy some of your favorite events. A full event calendar and parade route map can be found at <https://fiestasantanio.org>.

¡Viva Fiesta! ¡Viva San Antonio!



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Woods of Shavano Resident

Woods of Shavano Blood Drive

Please **save the date** and plan to participate in our neighborhood’s community blood drive. Just an hour of your time can help save up to 3 patients’ lives!

Location: WOSCA Clubhouse
Date: Saturday, March 25th
Time: 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM



All donors at this blood drive will be entered into a drawing for a Six Flags gift basket (\$455.90 value) including 4 complimentary admission tickets and MORE.

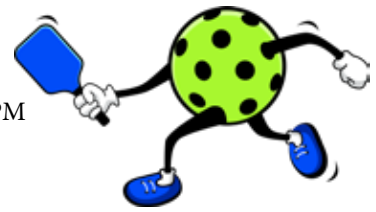
Later this month, we’ll share a link where you may schedule your appointment to donate. Please help us help our neighbors in need.

Kids Pickleball Continues

Junior Match is at Woods of Shavano tennis courts by the pool! We are looking for kids ages 6-12 that want to play pickleball. The current season started 02-07-2023, **but it’s not too late to sign up!! We will pro rate your price.**

Register online at juniormatch.org and enter code WOSWIN2023 for a \$10 discount for this season. If you have any questions, you can email info@juniormatch.org or call (915) 201-4475.

If you would like to see if your child would be interested in playing, stop by one of the practices on Tuesdays at 5:45 PM to try it out! Hope to see you out there!!



Spring Break...March 13th – March 17th

This is a reminder that Spring Break for Northside ISD is scheduled from March 13th through March 17th to give students time to relax and spend time away from their studies. Please take extra caution when driving through the neighborhood because children will be outside playing!

Keeping our neighborhood safe is everyone’s responsibility.

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Membership Dues

Now is the time of year when many WOSCA members renew their memberships. We ask that you pay your dues during your renewal month. When we create the budget for the Woods of Shavano, we count on membership dues to make needed improvements and for maintenance and repairs to the following:

- Landscaping in the Indian Woods Park and at the clubhouse
- Clubhouse upkeep
- Equipment in the Indian Woods Park
- Tennis courts
- Pool area

Thank you so much for your consideration. If you have had no changes to your phone number or email address, you do *not* need to include the renewal notice. Simply put your check in the WOS Clubhouse mailbox or respond to the renewal invoice. If you *have* made changes, please include those with your renewal notice.

Most of all, *thank you* for your membership and your support of the community! If you have not yet joined the Association, consider doing so. If *every* homeowner does his/her part to support the community, we will continue to be a very desirable neighborhood. Membership applications are available on the back of the monthly WOS Newsletter, on our website, and on Facebook.

Thank you for your membership.

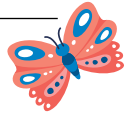


A Reminder

The Indian Woods Park is available to residents of the Woods of Shavano until 10:00 PM. This includes the basketball courts in the park and at the clubhouse.



Spring Cleaning



As springtime approaches, more residents may be taking their dogs out for walks around the neighborhood and at the Indian Woods Park. Wherever you walk, please remember to properly clean up (bag it) after your pet. Your neighbors will appreciate your effort, as will the WOSCA Board Members and other volunteers who empty the trash cans in the park and put the park trash bins out for collection. This is a responsible, thoughtful gesture, and it does not go unnoticed. Thanks!



Daylight Saving Time Begins Again

Mark your calendars for **Sunday, March 12, 2023**. Daylight Saving Time begins again on that date.

Remember to "spring" forward one hour.



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March 15, 2023

5PM – 8PM

at **THE DOORYARD**
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(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
March 8, 2023 at 6:30 PM.**

Reserve Your Clubhouse Rental TODAY



Don't wait! 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 [redacted] 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.

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St. Patrick's Day Leprechauns



By Sharon Reynolds, Neighborhood News Staff Writer

This year, St. Patrick's Day will be on **Friday, March 17, 2023**. For those interested in learning more about leprechauns, this is the article for you. Leprechauns are ill-natured and mischievous creatures. They work as cobblers and shoemakers, by trade, and go around creating mischief wherever they may.

Why do people wear green on St. Patrick's Day?

Most people know that if they are not wearing green colors on St. Patrick's day then chances are they will get a pinch or two. However, do you know why you are really supposed to wear green? The real reason is because when you wear green, you become invisible to leprechauns who love to go around pinching everyone.

Where do leprechauns come from?

Leprechauns were originally seen in Ireland. Folklore reveals that they were created from an evil spirit and a degenerate fairy and are therefore neither all good nor all bad.

What do leprechauns look like?

Leprechauns usually take the form of an old man with a white beard and is no taller than a small child. They typically wear a green coat, green pants, green hat, and black shoes with lots of buckles.

Where do leprechauns live?

Some say leprechauns live in the forest. They are extremely difficult to catch due to their quick movements and trickery.

What is the reward for catching a leprechaun?

It is said that each leprechaun has his own pot of gold for which he must guard and only he knows where it is stored. If you are lucky enough to catch a leprechaun, he must either give you his pot of gold or give you three wishes. But be careful and watch him closely so he doesn't escape! Leprechauns are known for their devious trickery, so if you choose three wishes, be very careful how you word them.

Are leprechauns rich?

Ever the misers, leprechauns are penny-pinchers who loathe spending any money, even a single penny. Leprechauns are rich and are great hoarders of gold and jewels.

Resources:

- <https://unnaturalworld.fandom.com/wiki/Leprechaun>
- <https://mythus.fandom.com/wiki/Leprechaun>



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DESIGN:

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CONDITION:

Age, deterioration, renovations, upgrades, added features.

HEALTH & SAFETY:

Structural integrity, code & compliance.

SIZE:

Lot size, square footage of living area, # of rooms & garages.

NEIGHBORHOOD:

Is the property conforming to the neighborhood?

FUNCTIONAL UTILITY:

Is the property functional as built—style & use?

OTHER:

Curb appeal & lot size & conforming to the neighborhood are obvious to the appraiser when they drive in to the neighborhood & pull up in front of your home. Upon entering they will look at the overall design, condition, finish work, upgrades, any defining features, functional utility, sq footage, number of rooms, health & safety issues.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Full Membership | \$209.00 | Full use of pool and tennis courts (Pool passes are assigned, may not be shared) |
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I hereby apply to The Woods of Shavano Community Association for membership as indicated above and agree to abide by all governing rules and regulations. I understand all dues are paid annually in the month I joined on the day set by the board. For Full or Non-Resident Membership, I certify the information regarding children and others residing in my household is true and correct.

Signature (required): _____ Date: _____

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