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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 and the WOSCA website.

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New Location for the Woods of Shavano Meet & Greet

Due to the recent closing of the Dooryard, future Meet & Greets will be held at the clubhouse starting at 6pm on the third Wednesday of each month. For the event, please bring your own snack or beverage. If the weather permits, we will mix & mingle outside and enjoy the pool. As things cool down & the pool closes for swimming, we will stay in the clubhouse, with music & board games provided. The next Meet & Greet will be **October 18, starting at 6pm**. The gate will be open & non-members are encouraged to join us.

TRICK or TREAT

Tuesday, October 31st is Halloween, and lots of cute little ghosts, goblins, superheroes and princesses will be ringing doorbells and shouting “Trick or Treat!” Even teens still get into the spirit and put creative thought into their costumes. It is a fun and happy time!

It's a time for caution as well. While driving, slow down and watch out for these excited trick-or-treaters as they cross streets and scurry from house to house.

Be sure to check your children's treats prior to letting them eat any. Some medical clinics even x-ray candy without charge so you'll know it's safe.

It's also important to protect some other little ones – pets – especially cats ... most especially black cats. Unfortunately, every year we hear of animals being abused on Halloween. To prevent this, please keep your animals inside or safely secured inside your fenced backyards.



Have a safe and happy Halloween!

Celebrate Halloween Early with a Movie in the Park

Fall is a busy time of year with summer vacations ending and the start of the school year. With temperatures cooling down, the WOSCA Board is hosting a Spooky Movie Night in the Park with popcorn on **October 28th** at the Indian Woods Park. The movie will start at sunset, but feel free to come early & bring a picnic dinner. Don't worry, when we say spooky, we mean family-friendly spooky! We invite you to stop by and have some fun visiting with your neighbors!



Members will get details at whatever email you've provided to WOSCA. Non-members, check Facebook for details. We hope to see you there!



Woods of Shavano Events Calendar

October 11

WOSCA Board Meeting, 6:45 PM

October 18

Meet and Greet at the WOS Clubhouse (all are welcome) 6–8 PM

October 28

Spooky Movie Night at the Park, starting at sunset

October 31

Happy Halloween

November 4

WOS Community Garage Sale and Blood Drive 8 AM–4 PM

November 7

Election Day, 7 AM–7 PM local, state, and national elections

November 8

WOSCA Board Meeting, 6:45 PM

November ?

Friendsgiving Dinner – Stay tuned for date and details

November 15

Meet and Greet at the WOS Clubhouse (all are welcome) 6–8 PM

November 23

Happy Thanksgiving

Blood Drive at the Clubhouse

MARK YOUR CALENDARS – In conjunction with the community-wide garage sale, WOSCA & the South Texas Blood Bank is conducting a Blood Drive on **Saturday, November 4, 2023**. Times available by appointment at SouthTexasBlood.org



A Timely Reminder: Clocks Will Fall Back

Don't forget that Daylight Savings Time ends on **Sunday, November 5, 2023**. Set your clocks back one hour so you'll arrive on time for school or work on Monday, November 6th.



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Community Garage Sale & Blood Drive

Saturday, November 4, 2023
8 AM – 4 PM



Blood Drive by appointment, visit SouthTexasBlood.org

As the date draws near for the annual community-wide WOS garage sale, you still have time to clean out closets, attics, and garages and decide what you no longer use or want and what you are ready to sell. Those residents who wish to participate should do the following:

- Purchase a garage sale permit, available at any HEB store.
- To be included on the map of sales, email your address to woodsofshavano@yahoo.com
- Remove garage sale signs after your sale is over.

REMINDER: If posting signs at the Parksite Woods entrance, please place them on the sides of the street rather than on the island, so as not to puncture the sprinkler system pipes. We appreciate your cooperation.

Check Facebook, the WOS website, and emails for any updates.

Need a Nice Place to Invite Your Friends for a Party, Shower, or Small Business Meeting?

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**. First time full members, support members, 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.

Why clean your own home for your next party, shower, or meeting when you can use the clubhouse?

Contact Ruby McDonald at 210-408-8331 to schedule your event.



As with all aging facilities, there are some lingering projects that need to be addressed within the WOS community, but **we can't do them without a substantial increase in revenue produced by a significant increase in membership.** Some projects have been on the WOSCA "To Do" list for a few years but have been put on the back burner due to deficient funds.

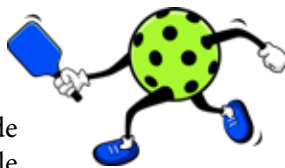
Here's a few of the "To Do" items identified:

- Replacing the **40-year-old air conditioner** in the Clubhouse
- Repairing or replacing the French doors in the Clubhouse
- Repairing the stonework on the side of Clubhouse
- Trimming trees in the Indian Woods Park

Help maintain the safety, beauty, and value of the Woods of Shavano. **Join today.**

We'd certainly appreciate your membership and investment in YOUR community.

Game On!



Tennis/Pickleball Court Use

All current Full and Outside members of the WOSCA are eligible to use the Parksite Woods tennis/pickleball courts or the Indian Woods tennis courts. Codes are needed for entry. If you are interested and eligible to utilize the courts, call or email the WOSCA:

Phone – 210-492-9809

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Cast Your Vote!



On **Tuesday, November 7, 2023**, voters will go to the polls for national, state, and local elections. Researching information on candidates is essential for an informed electorate. Choose information from well-respected sources. Whether you choose to vote by mail, at an early voting polling place, or at the polls on Election Day, remember you have rights and responsibilities when making your voice heard.

If you choose to cast your vote in person, keep these important facts in mind:

- Polls are open from 7 AM – 7 PM. If polls close while you are in line, remain in line. You can still vote.
- The last day to apply for a ballot by mail (received, not postmarked, by 5 PM) is Friday, November 3rd.
- The Polling Place for the Woods of Shavano is at the Woods of Shavano Clubhouse located at 13838 Parksite Woods.
- Have an acceptable form of ID with you as well as your Voter Registration card.
- Federal law gives voters the right to receive help if they have trouble reading or writing in English or if they have a disability. Ask if you need help.
- If an election worker is unable to find your name on the list of registered voters, you are still entitled to vote using a provisional ballot.
- If you are subject to aggressive and intimidating questioning about your citizenship status, criminal record, or voting record, it is a federal crime. Report it to the Election Protection Hotline at 866-OUR-VOTE (866-687-8683).

As a citizen, voting is your right, your privilege, and your responsibility.

Make your voice heard and vote!

Meet Austin!

I'm a local Realtor, and a resident of the Woods of Shavano, I'm love fostering community in the neighborhood, and seeing neighbors connect with one another. I'm passionate about helping people discover their home, and strive to operate my business based on trust, compassion, and helping my clients win and achieve their goals both now and in the future. Outside the office, I'm on staff at a local church here in San Antonio.

My mission is to serve my clients Real Estate needs with the same level of care + intentionality I have provided through ministry. I would love the opportunity to serve you, and earn your business! Give me a call or shoot me a text to discuss how I can help you achieve your Real Estate goals.

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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 **6:45 - 8:00 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 **October 11, 2023, at 6:45 PM.**

Monthly Meet and Greet

Won't You Please Join Us?

October 18, 2023
6PM – 8PM



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- Unlimited access to the pool with Keycard Access from April 1st to October 31st
 - » A Junior Olympic size pool with lifeguards on duty during the summer to ensure the safety of all swimmers
 - » Lower rates for Shavano Sharks Swim Team membership
 - » Lower rates for swim lessons
- Unlimited access to two sets of tennis courts (one with pickleball lines, too)
- Free Admission to Special Events, such as Family Fun Night and 4th of July Event
- A free Clubhouse rental after renewing your initial membership

All of this for the very reasonable cost of \$229 a year!

Additionally, you have the use of the Indian Woods Park and two basketball goals that are available to all residents.

Most importantly, you have the satisfaction of knowing that you support your community's assets with your membership. Membership dues pay for:

- Upkeep of the entrance island
- Utilities for the Pool and Clubhouse
- Salaries for Lifeguards
- Salaries for Pool manager and Resident manager – they keep our operations running smoothly.

Tell me, what neighborhood offers all of this for such a low cost?

You can even brush up on your tennis game or enjoy a friendly game of pickleball. We invite and welcome you to join The Woods of Shavano Community Association.

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Have You Joined the WOSCA or Renewed Your Membership?

With our busy lives, it's easy to overlook something as important as joining or renewing membership in the Woods of Shavano Community Association.

If you have left the task undone, there's no time like today to take care of it. The membership form is in the newsletter. After you complete it, drop it in the mailbox at the WOS Clubhouse, along with your check made payable to WOSCA. For added convenience, Association members may also electronically pay with a credit card at www.woodsofshavano.com

Show Your Community Pride – Join or Renew Your Membership Today!

Thank You!

To Everything There is a Season

Residents of the Woods of Shavano are fortunate to live in an area with such beautiful live oak trees. They provide shade, food and shelter for small animals, beauty, and oxygen for the atmosphere. They are an important part of landscaping in San Antonio. Live oaks are slow-growing trees, but when they reach maturity, they often live one hundred or more years. If one dies, it will take many years for a new one to grow to maturity. Despite their hardiness, they are sometimes susceptible to a disease called oak wilt. One important way to prevent the disease is by proper pruning. Some things to keep in mind when you prune follow:

- Late winter is the ideal time to trim, prune, and reshape trees and large shrubs. Diseases are often transmitted by insects. Most insects are dormant during colder months of the year.
- Trees can be damaged by aggressive pruning. Give trees only a modest reshaping.
- Remove any growth that touches your house. It can cause damage to your home as well as creating a pathway for insects such as carpenter ants to invade the wood on your home.
- Use only disinfected tools when trimming (1 part bleach to 9 parts water). If you hire a company to do the work, make sure they disinfect their tools after each trimming, but especially before they begin work on your trees.
- Tools should be well-sharpened before being used to prune trees.
- Paint or seal cut surfaces. Plant sealants can be purchased from Home Depot, Lowe's, or plant stores. This will lessen the development of fungus or oak wilt.
- Consult a certified arborist if you suspect diseases or insect infestation in your trees and shrubs. They can answer any concerns you have about your trees and recommend any needed treatments.

Keeping your trees in excellent health will provide you with shade and beauty for many years.

WOSCA Statement of Cash Flow August 31, 2023

Revenue:	
Donations	\$148.00
Key Card Income	\$60.00
Pool Guest Passes.....	\$150.00
Membership:	
Full Memberships	\$1,145.00
Supporting Memberships	\$300.00
Outside Memberships	\$1,100.00
Rental Income.....	\$920.00
Concessions	\$60.00
Swim Lessons	\$570.00
Total Revenue	\$4,453.00

Expenses:	
Administrative	\$111.40
Key Card System	\$302.02
Merchant Fees (Bank, Square, PayPal)	\$162.51
Facility Maintenance	\$246.41
Payroll (Resident Manager, Lifeguards, Swim Instructors) ..	\$5,677.88
Payroll Taxes & Fees	\$1,130.95
Local Taxes.....	\$51.00
Utilities	\$1,523.64
Pool Signage.....	\$15.03
Pool Equipment (Service, Maintenance, Supplies).....	\$1,133.32
Total Expenses	\$10,339.13

Difference: **-\$5,886.13**

Balances on 8/31/23 by account:

Checking	\$50,511.40
Money Market	\$42,469.61
Capital Improvement Fund	\$2,918.45
Ending Cash Balance (all accounts)	\$95,899.46

Membership Summary:

	As of Aug. 31, 2023	Last Month	Change from prior month
Full	248	249	-1
Support	99	100	-1
Outside	60	56	4
Total WOS memberships	407	405	2
Total Pool memberships	308	305	3

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Woods of Shavano Community Association Teen Service Directory

The Woods of Shavano Newsletter contains a Teen Service Directory each month that lists teenagers who are interested in babysitting, housesitting, animal care, and lawn care for Woods of Shavano residents. If your family is a member of the Woods of Shavano Community Association and you would like to include your name on the directory, call 210-492-9809 to have your information listed. If your name is on the list but you want it deleted, please let us know that as well.

Name	Phone Number	Child Care	House Sit	Animal Care	Lawn Care
Emilia C.	210-760-5924			Yes	

Hi, my name is **Emilia C.**, and I am a Junior at Clark High School. I love working with animals, in fact, I regularly volunteer at the Animal Defense League of Texas, and I own 2 dogs and 3 cats. My passion for animals has driven me to pursue a career in veterinary medicine soon. I am available to help you with animal care!

Name	Phone Number	Child Care	House Sit	Animal Care	Lawn Care
Kaylee C.	210-544-4789	Yes		Yes	

Hello, my name is **Kaylee C.**, and I am the oldest of 4 girls. I am a student at Clark High School. I play the violin, love plants, animals, and love to read and write. I am available to help you with child and animal care!

Name	Phone Number	Child Care	House Sit	Animal Care	Lawn Care
Ashlyn C.	210-544-4789	Yes		Yes	

Hello, my name is **Ashlyn C.** I have 3 sisters and am the second oldest. I am a student at Rawlinson Middle school. I love animals and all little critters, bugs included! I play the violin. I am available to help you with child and animal care!

Name	Phone Number	Child Care	House Sit	Animal Care	Lawn Care
Alyssa C.	210-544-4789	Yes		Yes	

Hello, my name is **Alyssa C.**, and I have 3 sisters. I am in the 5th grade at Lockehill. I am giggly and fun to be around. I love animals and enjoy reading. I am available to help you with child and animal care!

Name	Phone Number	Child Care	House Sit	Animal Care	Lawn Care
Luah E.	726-444-7368	Yes		Yes	Yes

Hello! My name is **Luah E.**, and I attend Clark High School. As an experienced and dedicated caregiver, I provide exceptional services for both children and furry friends alike. With a passion for nurturing and a deep understanding of the unique needs of both kids and pets, I offer a safe, engaging, and fun environment for your little ones whether you're looking for a reliable babysitter for your children or a trusted companion for your beloved pets. When it comes to babysitting, I prioritize

your child's safety, well-being, and happiness above all else. With a warm and friendly approach, I strive to create a nurturing environment where kids can feel comfortable and loved. I am trained in lifeguarding and CPR, ensuring that your child is in capable hands. From interactive playtime to helping with bedtime routines, I am committed to making sure your children have a wonderful experience under my care. With me, you can expect professionalism, reliability, and a genuine passion for childcare and pet care. I am flexible with schedules, and I understand the importance of open communication with parents and pet owners. Your peace of mind is my top priority, knowing that your little ones and beloved pets are in capable hands. I am excited to meet you and your family, and I look forward to providing exceptional care and companionship for your children and pets.

Name	Phone Number	Child Care	House Sit	Animal Care	Lawn Care
Miranda E.	726-444-7368		Yes	Yes	

Hello! My name is **Miranda E.**, and I am a freshman at Clark High School. I am a dedicated and experienced pet sitter and house sitter. I understand that your furry companions and your home are incredibly important to you, and I am here to provide top-notch care and peace of mind while you're away. With a deep love for animals and a passion for creating a safe and comfortable environment, I have been professionally caring for pets and houses for 3 years. Whether you have a mischievous pup, a curious cat, or a collection of unique critters, I am adept at handling a wide variety of animals, each with their own specific needs and personalities. My pet sitting services go beyond simply providing food and water. I strive to create an engaging and stimulating environment by providing ample playtime, exercise, and attention to ensure your pets are happy and content during your absence. As a responsible house sitter, I understand the importance of maintaining the security and integrity of your home. You can rest assured that while you are away, I will keep a watchful eye on your property, ensuring everything runs smoothly. I am meticulous in following your instructions regarding home care, including collecting mail, watering plants, adjusting lighting, and any other specific requirements you may have. If you are looking for a reliable and dedicated pet sitter and house sitter who will treat your pets and home as if they were my own, please don't hesitate to reach out. I would love to discuss how I can best meet your needs and give you peace of mind during your time away. Thank you for considering me as your pet sitter and house sitter. I look forward to the opportunity to care for your cherished pets and provide exceptional house-sitting services.



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When ghosts and goblins ring the chime,
Beware and be scared
it is Halloween time!**



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Please Print

Last Name _____	First Name (s) _____	<i>Check All That Apply</i> <input type="checkbox"/> New Member <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal <input type="checkbox"/> Upgrade to Full Membership <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Resident Membership <input type="checkbox"/> Pool Resurface Donation
Address _____	Zip _____	
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E-mail Address (s) _____		

Full Membership only: Please list **ONLY** those family members who actually reside in your home and your grandchildren. Other family members are welcome as guests at the pool and will pay the \$5 Guest Pass fee per visit. Please note: Names and DOB's provided are not shared – For Association use only.

Name	Date of Birth (Month & Year)
1. _____	_____
2. _____	_____
3. _____	_____
4. _____	_____

Membership Levels		
<input type="checkbox"/> Full Membership	\$229.00	Full use of pool and tennis courts (Pool passes are assigned, may not be shared)
<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Resident Membership	\$275.00	Full use of pool and tennis courts (Pool passes are assigned, may not be shared)
<input type="checkbox"/> Supporting Membership	\$60.00	Supports Landscaping in Park and Entries – no pool / tennis court privileges

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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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