

THE

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Sandia Heights Homeowners Association

June 2009

SHHA Annual/Town Hall Meeting

Church of the Good Shepherd on Tennyson, 10 AM – 12:30 PM, June 6, 2009

Doors open at 9:15 a.m. Drinks and refreshments available.

Come and make your input known. Business to be conducted includes:

- Voting on proposed amendments to the bylaws (go to the website for full information)
- Introduction of new officers elected by the Board
- Presentations by the SHHA committee chairs and officers
- Election of new board members
- Town Hall Meeting following the annual meeting for members to express their concerns
- Door prizes – tickets will be given to members who sign in *before* 10 am

The SHHA Board needs to know the concerns of the community.

Democracy means involvement!

Don't forget to review the proposed bylaw amendments on the SHHA website.
We have the last of the 3 Q&A sessions to answer your questions and concerns on
June 3, from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

President's Message ~ Sy Caudill

The past two years has passed quickly and my time as president is coming to an end with the annual meeting this month. Remember we need your attendance to meet our quorum to conduct business! Please attend!

Over the past two years, your Board and the Committees have made some excellent changes in our association. Most notable are the efforts to provide additional benefits to members. The limited pool passes, Tram passes, free concerts and elimination of Architectural Control Committee (ACC) fees for members are all excellent examples of new benefits for our membership. We have an effective and active Covenant Support Committee (CSC) that is constantly dealing with member-reported violations of our covenants. The ACC has been processing hundreds of projects to make sure

we maintain the original architectural concepts as defined by the covenants. We were recently notified that Bernalillo County has taken action to obtain the 10 acres at Tramway and Paseo Del Norte as open space--which SHHA fully supports.

The new building going on the lot next to our office is nearing completion, filling out the business space on that corner. The vacant lot on the north east corner of San Rafael and Tramway will eventually be developed; at this time we do not know the plans. That leaves the commercial lot next to Futures for Children as the only significant undeveloped large property in Sandia Heights.

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April 2009 Treasurer Report: Ed Tull, Treasurer

CASH FLOW		ACCOUNT BALANCES	
INFLOW		Bank Accounts	
ACC Interest	100.00	CD #2	37625.22
Coffeehouse Ticket sales	435.00	CD #3	15696.51
GRIT advertising	775.84	CD #5	105152.30
Parks & Safety Vests	22.00	Checking	5034.80
Membership Dues	13503.66		
NM Gross Receipts Tax	45.10	Cash Accounts	1008.64
TOTAL INFLOW	\$14,881.60	Money Market	12086.72
		Total Bank & Cash	\$176,604.19
OUTFLOW		ASSET ACCOUNTS	
ACC	20.97		
Community Service & Membership	7772.72	Miscellaneous	1,379.21
Communications & Publications	3139.42	Office Equipment	4,973.06
Executive Committee	226.84	Office Furniture	5,651.99
Parks and Safety	0.00	Software	932.34
Office Expenses	7814.94	TOTAL Asset Accounts	\$12,936.60
TOTAL OUTFLOW	\$18,974.89	Liability Accounts	
		Improvements & Legal Reserve	147,667.00
OVERALL TOTAL	(\$4,093.29)	OVERALL TOTAL	\$41,873.79

ANNOUNCEMENTS & NOTICES:

- **ANNUAL MEETING** & Town Hall Meeting – Saturday, June 6 at 10am at the Church of the Good Shepherd.
- Office hours: Monday – Friday 9am – 4pm. Closed all federal holidays.
- Notary and office services free to members.
- Tram passes free to members.
- Four Seasons Swim Pass free to members.
- Contractor Evaluation Binder free to members.
- Committee meeting dates and times are posted in the monthly calendar found on our website: www.sandiahomeowners.org.
- Classified ads can be found on the website under the News & Information page.
- Safety Vests for sale in the SHHA office. \$2/vest for members, \$4 non-members.



Please join to take advantage of our many benefits.

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I think your Board and the ACC have done a very effective job of ensuring that all aspects of our community are in harmony with the 2500+ homes in Sandia Heights.

We have been effective in obtaining repaving for both Tramway and for major streets within the community. We can thank our members who worked these efforts as well as our elected officials for their support for capital outlay funds from the state and county.

We have established a new committee that is working directly with our state representatives, Kathy McCoy and Bill Rehm and county commissioner Michael Wiener. We will continue to work with them on the projects I have mentioned as well as working to gain direct access to Paseo Del Norte for the fire department--this will result in decreased response times in emergencies. I am also glad to report that our finances are sound and we have adequate reserves to handle future demands when they arise.

With all this good news there are still some areas that have not been adequately resolved over the past couple of years. Most notable is our continuing need for Board members. We have a dedicated BOD and they have done a lot for you and YOUR Association. However, we need new members and new ideas, as well as taking a fresh look at established functions. I am asking each of you to please consider giving some of your time to keeping YOUR Association viable and active. You are the only ones who can make this work and continue to improve our community. Please call the office to volunteer--we need your assistance.

It has been a pleasure serving this community and I look forward to new and better improvements in our Sandia Heights in the future.

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Nominating Committee

~ Andy Anderson, Chair

Your SHHA Board of Directors would like to thank Larry Desonier, Michelle Munson and Dick Wavrik for their commitment to serve the Sandia Heights community. In accordance with our bylaws, the SHHA Board of Directors requires 14 members in order to look after the interests of the Association. The volunteer services of these three new directors brings us to a total of 15 directors, which barely allows us to function as an organization to oversee the well being of our community.

Although serving on the Board requires a commitment on the part of individuals, it is truly a rewarding experience when the fruits of our efforts are utilized and recognized by the 2500 households in our community. The Board encourages you to take up the challenge and join us in the experience.

Officer Election Results The following is the slate of officers elected for the 2009-2010 operational year:

Andy Anderson, President
Phyllis Moore, Vice President
Marsha Thole, Secretary
Ed Tull, Treasurer

Returning BOD Member nominations for a second 3-year term:

Ed Tull - 1456 Bluebell Drive
Mike Winokur - 747 Tramway Lane
Burt O'Neil - 1156 Laurel Loop

New Board Member nominees:

Larry Desonier - 1452 Honeysuckle Drive
Michele Munson - 23 Cedar Hill Road
Dick Wavrik - 601 Cedar Hill Road

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Executive Committee

President – Sy Caudill
Vice President – Andy Anderson
Secretary – Marsha Thole
Treasurer – Ed Tull

Board Members

Phil Abshere
Kerney Bolton
Bruce Childs
Frances Desonier
Pete Heinstejn
Jim Irving
Phyllis Moore
Burt O’Neil
Mona Lee Schilling
Mike Winokur

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Betsy Rodriguez – ACC
Administrative Assistant
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GRIT Editorial Policy is:

- Attempt to publish both sides of every issue, including constructive criticism; no abusive or insulting remarks.
- Reserve the right to edit any submission.
- Not to print any unsigned letters or articles.



Stats and more from the Sandia Heights Security Patrol:

Month of April Call Type	# of calls	Month of April Call Type	# of calls
Breaking & entering	2	Suspicious vehicle	17
Alarms	34	Salesman problem	16
Front office	3	Theft	3
Loud music	2	Utility Co. assist	2
Lost/found item / pet	5	Special request	3
Mailbox vandalism	2	Customer assist	2
Motorist assist	1	Parking problem	1
Motorcycle nuisance	1	Vandalism	3
Open door/window	8	Wildlife report	0
Pet nuisance	4	Vehicle burglary	3
Rescue assist	1	Newspaper pickup	12
Snake call	4	Special patrol	25
Speeding vehicle	1	Homeowners on vacation	164
Suspicious person	14	Total Calls	335
Noise complaints	2		

Security Reminder:

It is vacation season. We urge our subscribers to please call us before leaving town so that we may add your residence to our vacation watch list. For those of you who are not subscribers, now is a good time to subscribe. Please feel free to visit our website at www.Sandiaheightsservices.com. You can also call us at 856-6347.



Community Service & Membership

~ Kerney Bolton

COMING SOON! SHHA Membership Cards

All Sandia Heights Homeowners Association members will soon receive membership cards in the mail.

This exciting new member benefit will speed member access to Tram Passes, Coffeehouse Concerts, and Swim Passes. It will also come with reduced price offers from participating local merchants.

Watch your mail for an envelope with “*your SHHA member cards enclosed*” marked in red ink.

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GET EMERGENCY ALERTS ON YOUR CELL

*By: Karen Ziegler, Bernalillo County
Emergency Communications Center*

Bernalillo County and its Emergency Communications Center are pleased to announce that residents and business owners in the unincorporated areas of Bernalillo County may now register their cellular and/or VoIP phone number(s) to receive important and/or emergency notifications. The Emergency Notification System can send thousands of messages in a very short time, specifically targeted to certain areas.

Examples of Emergency Notifications include:

- Evacuation notices caused by emergency situations such as fires, floods, and severe weather
- Notifications of dangerous situations such as an environmental hazard, law enforcement investigation or other instance in which you may be instructed to stay in your home.

***Notifications are NOT automatic and are sent at the direction of an incident commander or other managing authority of a situation.**

If you have a landline, your phone number has automatically been entered into the system and you will already be set up to receive emergency notifications. If you would like to receive emergency notifications on your cellular/VoIP phone number, please register your number by visiting www.bernco.gov and follow the links below:

- Select and click Depts., Offices and Divisions
- Select and click Emergency Communications

- Click on the Emergency Notification Opt-In link

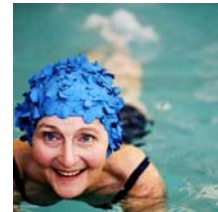
Keep in mind, however, that when you register and the Bernalillo County Emergency Communications Department sends an emergency message; you will receive the notification even if you are NOT in the affected area at the time.

Also, if you change your cellular/VoIP phone number you will have to re-register.

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Community Service & Membership ~ Swim Pass

Your Association has made arrangements with the Four Seasons Club to purchase a limited number of passes for members to the



swimming pool this summer. It is hoped that this program will encourage annual membership in the Four Seasons Club and in SHHA.

Each SHHA member family will be allowed three (3) visits (free passes) for the summer. Each pass is good for four (4) family members or guests each visit. Passes will be available at the SHHA office and available on a requested date. A limit of 10 passes could be issued on any one day (40 people.)

Unlike the Tram passes, there is no deposit required; however, members are reminded that an unused pass will count as one of the three allowed per family and might also deny someone else a pass for that day. Other specific details and rules are available at the SHHA office.

This is another great benefit provided by your Sandia Heights Homeowners Association.

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ACC Activity Log

The following is a summary of your Architectural Control Committee's activity since the last GRIT.

19 Cedar Hill Road – Stairs, fence, & gate. Approved with condition on fence height
65 Pinon Hill Place – Replace windows. – Approved
155 Juniper Hill Road – Replace garage door. - Approved
167 Juniper Hill Road – Replace windows. Approved
534 Black Bear Road – Landscaping. Approved
536 Black Bear Road – Re-stucco. Approved
564 Black Bear Road – Replace garage door. Approved
662 Roadrunner Lane – Replace roofing. Approved
711-31 Tramway Place – Replace windows. Approved
760-2 Tramway Lane – Replace roofing, skylights, & vents. Approved
778 Tramway Place – Replace windows. Approved
795-P Tramway Lane – Replace windows. Approved
807 Tramway Lane – Replace windows & doors. Approved
908 Tramway Lane – Landscaping. Approved
1452 Honeysuckle Drive – Sunroom addition. Approved
1477 Morning Glory – Landscaping. Approved with condition
1532 Eagle Ridge Drive – Replace roofing. Approved
1536 Eagle Ridge Drive – Re-stucco, replace windows, & raise wall height. Approved with condition

1608 Quailwood Road – Landscaping. Approved with condition, tree species disapproved, removal required
1820 Tramway Terrace Loop – Landscaping. Approved
2014 Quail Run Drive – Replace fence. Approved
2182 Cattail Willow Avenue – Replace windows. Approved
2729 Tramway Circle – Replace roofing. Approved
2821 Tramway Circle – Conversion to refrigerated air & replace doors. Approved with conditions
2881 Tramway Place – Landscaping. Approved
2882 Tramway Place – Re-stucco. Approved
12613 Colony Place – Re-stucco wall, refinish garage door. Approved
12713 Colony Place – Conversion to refrigerated air. Approved with conditions
Check the ACC Project Log at the Sandia Heights Homeowners (SHHA) website sandiahomeowners.org. Click on THE A.C.C. then on Architectural Control Committee Project Log and read about all projects currently under ACC management.

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Bylaws Committee Update

~ Marsha Thole, Chair

The Bylaws Committee has worked very hard to draft proposed bylaws to help manage the Association better. The Board has been hampered by some very outdated bylaw sections in conducting its business. Thus, the proposed amendments. We scheduled three Q&A sessions to address your questions and concerns, and to hopefully shorten the meeting time as well. Unfortunately, no one came to the first two sessions. There is one more session on Wednesday, June 3, from 11:30 - 12:30 at the SHHA office. We would love to meet you and discuss the proposed amendments. Refreshments will be served.

Community Event Bulletin Board

*Not all of these groups are sponsored by SHHA.
Information is provided to keep residents informed*

Sandia Heights Wildflower Club

The Wildflower Club Garden Tour is on June 13th, from 8:00-a.m. until noon and the first home is that of Lori Templeton, 1812 Tramway Terrace Loop. A map with the other Garden Tour sites will be distributed at the first home.

Events planned for the remainder of the SHWC Season include: Field Trips in July and August to The Great Outdoors Nursery and Shady Lakes; a Wildflower Hike led by Charlie McDonald in September; and the Annual Pot Luck Supper at the home of Beverly and Phil Abshere on Saturday September 19th, on which date the business year will officially recommence, with new officers. Interested persons and prospective members may call President Dan Caudillo for further information, 856-6617.

Notice to artists...

The Sandia Heights Artists (SHA) are enthusiastically planning the 6th Annual Artists Studio Tour to be held September 26 and 27, 1-5pm. Interested in taking part in this event? Talk with Bruce Childs 797-2090 or Lynda Burch 856-0195 or Terry Matthews 270-9943 for more information. June 10 is the deadline for artists to join the studio tour.

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Condition of SH Street Signs

~ Alyson Clark

Most of the street signs in Sandia Heights are in good condition but a few are not. Some of them are either leaning, bent or otherwise damaged. Several are positioned in such a way that is misleading and therefore would be confusing to visitors who are not familiar with our community.

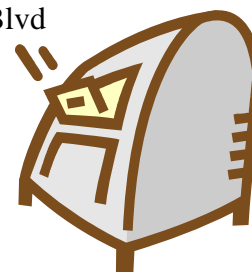
Imagine yourself trying to follow these signs at night or during a snow storm. Please take note of any signs in your neighborhood that are in poor repair. Call our SHHA office at 797-7793 to report the name and location of these. Our goal will be to notify the

county and have them repaired. This includes the brown fire hydrant posts and any street signs that are missing, unclear or ambiguous.

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Missed your letter carrier?

Despite rumors to the contrary, there is a USPS collection box at the site of the old Circle K, at Tramway Blvd and Tramway Lane. It has only 1 pick-up, at 4 pm, from Mon-Sat. No holiday pick-up.





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