

Church of the Good Shepherd on Tennyson, 10 AM – 12:30 PM,
June 11, 2011

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

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

- Ratify 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. Must be present to win door prize. Tree Lottery Drawing.

The SHHA Board needs to know the concerns of the community. Please plan to attend and make your input known. Democracy means involvement!

President's Message

~ Kate Fry

Please mark the above date and time on your calendars and plan on giving some of your time to help us meet the quorum requirements established by our bylaws for the SHHA Annual Meeting. As usual at this time of year, we are in need of committee volunteers and board members. We need a minimum of 14 board members to conduct the business of the community. Counting the members scheduled to leave, we are projected to have 14 board members. If you have an interest, please consider volunteering as a board member. You can e-mail me at kfry4956@yahoo.com or call me at 828-9618 to talk about what board membership entails and about your interests. We are always in need of volunteers to serve on our committees, especially the

Community Service and Membership Committee and the Covenant Support Committee. We would welcome you as a volunteer to serve on one of our committees to assist your association in areas where we need your support. You can read the committee charters on the SHHA website under the "Board" tab. I will be happy to talk to you about committee membership too. I hope to see all of you at the Annual Meeting!

Officer Election Results: The following is the slate of officers elected for the 2011-2012 operational year:

Kate Fry, President
Andy Anderson, Vice President
Michele Munson, Secretary
Dick Wavrik, Treasurer

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The following is a list of candidates to be voted on at the Annual Meeting:

Returning board member nominations for a second 3-year term:

Phil Abshere



SATURDAY, May 14, 2011

SHHA Meet

'N' Greet

SHHA

Office, 11am to 1pm



Join your friends and neighbors at the SHHA office, 2B San Rafael for delicious hot hors d'oeuvres.

Special feature: Dan Caudillo, Sandia Environmental Design, will be speaking and answering your questions about gardening in Sandia Heights. He will have some particular observations on the severity of our last winter and its effect on our plants.

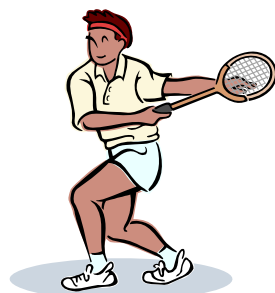
Come and learn more about SHHA and the various committees and services.

Free potted plant for the first 20 attendees!

Hosted by your SHHA Community Service and Membership Committee.



Rusty? Grab a round of tennis at the Four Seasons Club!



Free tennis passes are now available at the SHHA office for Association

members, their families, and house guests.

- Up to 4 persons per visit, 3 visits per season
- Up to 16 persons total per day, no deposit required
- Get your passes in advance or the same day, space permitting

Not a member? Join now and take immediate advantage of the many benefits offered by the Sandia Heights Homeowners Association. Visit the SHHA office for complete details.

Another great benefit from your Community Services and Membership Committee.



SHHA SECRETARY

~ Michele Munson

The proposed amendments to the bylaws are available on the website. We will vote on them at the annual meeting scheduled for Saturday, June 11, 2011. If you have any questions regarding the proposed amendments please contact the office.



SECURITY ALERT

The office has a security email alert that can be emailed to all of those people whose email addresses are in our database. If you would like to receive such an email please call the office at 797-7793 or email us at sandiaheights@comcast.net.



Also, if you have changed your email address please notify us so that we can update the database. Thank you.





TRAM PASSES:

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SHHA Tree Lottery

There is still time to
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for winning remain
extremely good.



Lottery Rules

- Must be a member of the SHHA
- Trees must have been cut and removed after June 12, 2010
- Any size Siberian Elm** may be entered (including young sprouts)
- Siberian Elm stumps must be treated to prevent re-growth
- Trees of all species over 26 feet tall are eligible
- Trees on County rights-of-way are eligible
- Only Tree Owner can give permission for tree removal

To Apply

- Fill out a Lottery application at the SHHA Office
- Provide a paid copy of the invoice for tree removal

Please see the SHHA website at sandiahomeowners.org or drop by the Office for complete Lottery eligibility, entry, and rules information.



SHHA member benefits

Your SHHA member benefits and services include: office and notary services, annual classified ads, Coffeehouse Concert Series, Sandia Tram passes, Four Seasons Tennis and Swim passes, tree lottery, covenant enforcement, no-fee ACC applications, restaurant discounts and discounted safety vests.

Check out the entire SHHA Member Benefits Program at sandiahomeowners.org and enjoy discounts at our supporting local merchants.

The SHHA Merchant Benefits Program includes the following current participating merchants:

Asian Café

Bair Medical Spa

Best Way Carpet

Black Diamond Taekwondo

Bob's Painting

Chiropractor, Mark L. Schwartz DC

County Line of Albuquerque

Curves

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High Finance Restaurant

Sandiego's Mexican Grill at the Tram
(\$1 parking fee will be reimbursed with purchase of lunch)

Jade Enterprises

Los Equipales

Massage Envy

The UPS Store

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Vice President – Vacant
Secretary – Michele Munson
Treasurer – Ed Tull

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Phil Abshere
Ana Acosta
Andy Anderson
Bob Bower
Sandra Brown
George Connor
Pete Heinstejn
Burt O’Neil
Joe Pappé
Michael Pierce
Sarah Pirkel
Dick Wavrik

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Betsy Rodriguez – ACC
Administrative Assistant
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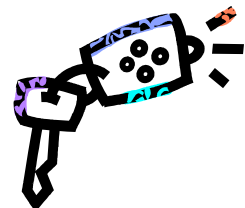
Stats and more from the Sandia Heights Security Patrol:

Month of March Call Type	# of calls	Month of March Call Type	# of calls
Alarms	25	Noise complaints	4
Animal control asst.	0	Open door/window	5
Breaking & entering	2	Parking problem	4
Assault/Battery	0	Pet nuisance	4
Car accident	2	Rescue assist	1
Customer assist	5	Salesman problem	4
Dumped/spilled material	1	Special (extra patrol)	18
Family dispute	0	Special request	3
Fire	3	Speeding vehicle	1
Fireworks complaint	0	Suspicious person	3
Front office	7	Suspicious vehicle	19
Loud music	0	Theft	4
Lost/found pet	1	Threat/personal	0
Mailbox vandalism	0	Utility Co. assist	6
Motorcycle nuisance	1	Vandalism	4
Motorist assist	5	Vehicle burglary	3
Neighbor dispute	0	Wildlife report	0
Newspaper pickup	18	Total Calls	153

If you have questions regarding these stats, please call Security at 856-6347. Please be reminded that Sandia Heights Security is a subscription service separate from Sandia Heights Homeowners Association membership. Membership in SHHA does not include SHS membership. You can call Security to confirm your membership with them.

Security Tip:

If you do not have an alarm system in your home, leave your car keys next to your bed within easy reach. If you hear someone trying to break in, hit the panic button on your car keys. Most have the range to reach your vehicle and the alarm will go off, and continue to do so until you turn it off or your battery dies.



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Member Benefits

- Copies, Faxes and Notary Services, Annual Resident Directory & Guide
- ACC applications at no charge, Tree Lottery
- Free Classified Ads, Sandia Peak Tram Passes
- Merchant Benefits Program, Great discounts with cooperating merchants
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Covenant Support Committee

Vacation season is rapidly approaching and your Covenant Support Committee would like to pass along a friendly reminder regarding the long-term parking of Recreational Vehicles (RVs), travel trailers and boats in the Sandia Heights neighborhood. This is not a new issue within our community, and at times becomes a major irritant for other residents. Although the published covenants for the earliest developed units do not specifically spell out RVs, the Second Judicial Court in the late 1990s determined long-term parking of RVs, camper trailers and boats on all residential lots in Sandia Heights is prohibited. The court allowed parking of such vehicles for a period of no more than 48 hours for maintenance and provisioning.

The CSC does not police the neighborhood for violations, however, if a complaint is received, your homeowners association and the CSC will act upon it with the full authority and backing of the judicial system. We would ask all residents with RVs, travel trailers and boats to be good neighbors and respect the rights of other residents and adhere to the covenants. Please keep in mind that the covenants are here to ensure we can continue to live in a pristine community and maintain the value in our homes.



FROM THE ACC: ELECTRONIC ARCHIVING OF ACC FILES

Over the past several months, the SHHA office staff completed the monumental task of electronically archiving all of the ACC files, which presently take up seven large

metal filing cabinets. The new files are stored on a large volume hard drive in PDF format. The same data are also stored on a backup hard drive. Access to these electronic files will be limited to the respective property owner of record, the SHHA staff, and the ACC. At the ACC meeting of March 16th, the office staff demonstrated the new electronic system to the Committee and will shortly begin the task of destroying all inactive hard copies of existing ACC files. Active files will not be destroyed until the projects have been completely closed and all of the pertinent information in the hard copy files has been transferred to the electronic files. This method of electronically archiving a large volume of information is standard business practice and will result in a significant increase in the efficiency of storing, securing, and accessing the large amount of material contained in the current ACC files.

The ACC also maintains a library of large-format rolled plans for many of the residential properties here in Sandia Heights. To scan these documents for electronic archiving is an expensive proposition due to their large size. The ACC is considering returning these plans to the respective homeowners for their retention. The plan is to advertise this activity in several upcoming issues of the GRIT and on the website with the intent of distributing all of those plans to the property owners of record by January 2012. In addition, the ACC application form will be amended to require one hard copy and one in digital format with submittals of applications beginning in January 2012. The SHHA office is willing to assist those homeowners with these new requirements and, in some cases, may waive the requirement for the electronic copy if it makes no sense to submit the documentation in the electronic format due to the simplicity of the project.



ACC Activity Log

Summary of Approved Projects activity since the last GRIT:

53 Rock Point Place – Swamp Cooler Replacement
111 White Oaks Drive – Landscaping
425 Live Oak Loop – Deck & Patio
519 Black Bear Loop – Restucco, Reroof & Trim
546 Black Bear Loop – Recoat Stucco
549 Black Bear Road – Landscaping
554 Black Bear Place – Stucco & Trim
533 Black Bear Road – Restucco
711-42 Tramway Place – Window Replacement
725-18 Tramway Vista Drive – Reroof
760-12 Tramway Lane – Roof Repair & Garage Door Replacement
795 N Tramway Lane – Window Replacement
875 Tramway Lane Court - Footbridge
941 Bobcat Blvd. – Restucco & Fence Replacement
960 Antelope Ave. – Driveway Repair
1033 Tramway Lane – Reroof
1053 Red Oaks Loop – Reroof
1065 Tramway Lane – Reroof
1191 Laurel Loop - Reroof
1482 Morning Glory Road – Paint Trim
1708 Quail Run Court – Window Replacement
1838 Tramway Terrace Loop – Fence Replacement
1863 Tramway Terrace Loop – Swamp Cooler Replacement
1922 Quail Run Drive – Stucco and Trim
2014 Quail Run Drive – Restucco & Trim
2302 Calle de Rafael - Wall
2448 Tramway Terrace Court - Restucco
2505 Tramway Terrace Court – Restucco, Trim and Window Replacement
2717 /Tramway Circle – Garage Door Replacement
2826 Tramway Place – Window Replacement

2887 Tramway Place – Fence Repair

2897 Tramway Place – Trim

12612 Carmel Court - Restucco

Go to the website: sandiahomeowners.org. to read about all projects currently under ACC management




FROM THE ACC: TIPS ON DRAINING YOUR SWIMMING POOL, ETC.

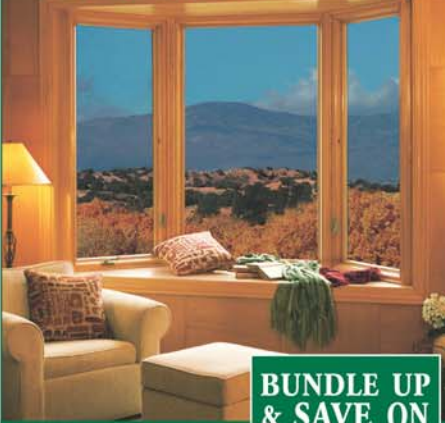
If you have a swimming pool, a large outdoor pond or fountain, or a hot tub or Jacuzzi that requires periodic draining, the following tips should be helpful to you:

--If you have a septic system, do not put any of the wastewater directly into the septic tank. The water may overload the septic system and cause it to fail. You should also avoid discharging the water near any part of the septic system since the water may find the drain field and saturate it. Again, this could lead to a failure of the septic system.

--The County has no specific ordinances that specifically address the discharge of water from a pool, etc. It is recommended that the water be discharged in a place that will not affect neighboring properties, not cause erosion, and not cause any structure to be flooded.

--Ideally, the wastewater should be evenly dispersed across a large area to prevent negative consequences. This is easily done on large lots but more difficult on smaller lots (those lots less than an acre.) You should consider a combination of slow and even dispersal of the water across an area of your property that is away from a septic system drain field AND collection of the water by a pumper truck for discharge at a wastewater treatment plant or other suitable place depending on the quality of the wastewater. Heavily chlorinated wastewater may cause permanent damage to native and non-native landscaping. It is best that this wastewater be transported to a wastewater treatment plant.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS & NOTICES:

- **Office hours:** Monday – Friday 9am – 4pm.
- **Annual Meeting: Saturday June 11 at the Church of the Good Shepherd.**
- **Notary, copies and faxes** free to members.
- **Tram passes** free to members.
- **FREE Tennis passes** – see page 2 for details.
- **Contractor Evaluation binder** free to members. We are in need of evaluations for Handymen, Propane and Septic Tank Contractors.
- **SHHA Board Meeting** – Wednesday, May 11 at 7pm in the SHHA Office.
- **Classified ads and lost and found notices** can be found on the website under the News and Information page. Classified ads are free for members.
- **SHHA membership cards:** do not forget to go to the website to get a full listing of the companies that offer a discount!

Siberian Elm in Setback Areas

“Generally the County Code requires that folks keep their “setback areas” (the part between the edge of the road and the property line within the public right of way (50’ wide)) trimmed and to maintain the landscaping, this would include the rogue elm saplings. We’ll do our usual 45-deg angle or flat mowing for a few feet of the shoulder. If property owners are having a hard time with elms that have gotten too big for them to handle, they may call 848-1503 for only the trees in front of their homes (not their neighbors’) and make a work order request directly to the County that will go to the Road Supervisor. He will help out as best he can for trees in the right of way on an individual request basis.”

David K. Mitchell, P.E.

Are solicitors bothering you?

Solicitors in Albuquerque are forbidden by law to knock on any door where a sign is posted, clearly stating that solicitors are not welcome. Such signs should include the words: “No Trespassing,” or “No Peddlers,” or “No advertisements” or “No Soliciting.”



The "no trespassing" is especially important in addition to the "no solicitation" sign. Security officers can then ask the solicitor to leave private property. Remember virtually all of Sandia Heights is County roadways, and there is no County ordinance that can keep them off the roadways. Signs should be posted where they can be seen from the roadway.



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