

Sleepy Hollow BULLETIN

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Sleepy Hollow Homes Association

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SAVE THE DATE

2nd Annual Sleepy Hollow Turkey Trot,
Nov 23

Holiday Gift Market with Coat &
Diaper Drives, Dec 1

Sleepy Hollow Holiday Party, Dec 10

Dear Friends,

As we enter the crisp and colorful season of fall, it's a pleasure to take a moment to reflect on the year that has passed and the cherished moments we've shared as a community. With the holiday season just around the corner, I wanted to send a heartfelt bulletin letter to express the warmth and gratitude that fills our hearts as we approach the end of 2023.

Fall is a season of transition, marked by the changing leaves, cooler temperatures, and the anticipation of the holidays ahead. It's a time when we gather with friends and family, savor the flavors of autumn, and create lasting memories. Sleepy Hollow has always had a special way of bringing people together, and this fall is no exception.

This year, we've seen our community come together in remarkable ways. Whether it's been through neighborhood clean-up initiatives, fun-filled block parties, or simply lending a helping hand to a neighbor in need, the spirit of unity and friendship that defines Sleepy Hollow has shone brightly. Our collective resilience and commitment to one another have been truly inspiring.

As we prepare to celebrate Thanksgiving, Hanukkah, Christmas, and other holidays, let us remember the importance of these gatherings. Let us cherish the laughter and love that fill our homes and the shared meals that warm our hearts. Let us also take a moment to reach out to those who

may be in need of a helping hand or a kind word during this time.

After the annual reading of the Legend of Sleepy Hollow & Pumpkin Carving we will be celebrating unity and diversity, by hosting an inaugural community tree and menorah lighting, along with the Holiday Market, Coat, Diaper & Book drives on December 1. I am also pleased to invite all SHHA members to attend the Sleepy Hollow Holiday Party Sunday December 17th. These festive events will further deepen our bonds and create lasting memories. You can always check: shha.org/upcomingevents for details and opportunities to get involved and grow our community quilt.

As we close out 2023, let's continue to embody the values of compassion, togetherness, and gratitude that make Sleepy Hollow such a special place to call home. May this holiday season be filled with love, joy, and the warmth of our shared friendships.

On behalf of the Sleepy Hollow Homes Association, I want to express my deepest appreciation for each and every one of you. Your contributions, your smiles, and your sense of community make Sleepy Hollow a truly exceptional place to live.

Wishing you all a beautiful fall and holiday season filled with love and happiness.

Gina Singleton, President,
Sleepy Hollow Homes Association

SUPPORT OUR COMMUNITY THIS SEASON

As we approach the season of giving, we humbly request your support for the Sleepy Hollow Charitable Foundation. Your donation will help us further enrich our community center, making it a haven for all to enjoy. Please consider checking if your company offers a matching program to easily amplify and often double your generosity. Every contribution, large or small, makes a difference in transforming our community for the better. Your generosity today will have a lasting impact, ensuring that the

Sleepy Hollow Charitable Foundation continues its vital work. Thank you for the generous donations received throughout the years and for being a part of this wonderful journey towards a more vibrant and inclusive community. Donate now and help us create a brighter future for all. Use your phone to access the QR code above, visit www.shha.org/donatenow or drop off a check. Thank you for your generosity and belief in connection and community.





News & Notes from Supervisor Katie Rice

SHHA October 2023

The SHHA Board invited me to their October meeting to provide a recap on current county projects happening in the Hollow, and an update on Marin's Restrictive Covenant Project which got its start here in Sleepy Hollow. See below for a recap. Many thanks to the Board for their involvement and leadership on these and many efforts that make Sleepy Hollow stronger, safer, more resilient and welcoming to all.

IRVING/BUTTERFIELD COMMUNITY CENTER SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS: Second only to the level of activity at Hidden Valley School crossing, is all the bike/ped/traffic/drop-off/pick-up activity associated with happenings at the Community center. Coming soon is the long-awaited crosswalk at Irving Drive, a collaboration of SHHA, Butterfield Safety, DPW and other partners. County Public Works is applying for grant funding to fully fund the project (approx. \$150k) which will include ADA improvements, a rapid flashing beacon (similar to the Green Valley/Butterfield crossing), curb and gutter and potential median improvements. Anticipated construction date: Summer 2024.

BUTTERFIELD BIKE LANE EXTENSION: Residents and Butterfield neighbors can expect to see County DPW out restriping and installing no parking signage later this year to officially mark the bike lane extension from Sleepy Hollow Drive to Van Winkle. As with the lower stretch of Butterfield, parking will continue to be allowed on the shoulder of Butterfield, as long as the bike lane remains clear. A recent community survey and community outreach demonstrated overwhelming support for this improvement.

SAN DOMENICO CELL TOWER: Verizon Cellular is concluding the permitting process with the County and communicated that it anticipates construction spring of 2024. This new tower should significantly improve cell service for much of Sleepy Hollow for Verizon customers. The project also allows for co-location by other service providers.

ROADS, ROADS, ROADS: A dozen plus roads in Sleepy Hollow have been repaved or received paving treatment within the last five years as part of the County's annual road maintenance program. The next big lift for Sleepy Hollow is Butterfield. While a full repaving isn't included in the current work plan, DPW recognizes the poor condition and heavy use and thus, has slated a host of targeted treatments including patch paving, micro milling and rubberized cape sealing which will help improve roadway conditions for all users.



RESTRICTIVE COVENANT PROJECT (RCP)
The Marin County Restrictive Covenant Project got its start six years ago with an article I wrote for the SHHA bulletin sharing my discovery of the racially restrictive covenant language that exists on the deed for my Sleepy Hollow home.

While illegal since the Fair Housing Act of 1968, such discriminatory CC&Rs were common during the post war development of the 30's, 40's and suburban expansion of the 50's. They were one of many broadly used, institutional practices promulgated by government and the housing industry that combined to effectively limit opportunity for home ownership and restrict where people could purchase property or live based on one's racial, ethnic, and even religious background.

Marin's Restrictive Covenant project (marincounty.org/main/restrictive-covenants-project) has since evolved into a countywide collaborative effort involving multiple county departments (e.g. Marin County Free Library), institutions, student interns and interested residents to educate Marin residents about restrictive covenants and their impact.

A pilot grass roots program was initiated here in Sleepy Hollow by several proactive residents towards helping homeowners research their own deeds. Then, in 2022, AB 1466 was signed into law requiring County Assessor Recorders throughout the state to establish to identify and redact racially restrictive covenants. Marin's program (marincounty.org/depts/ar/divisions/recorder/restrictive-covenant-modifications) is now well underway.

To date the Assessor Recorder's office has surveyed roughly 14,000 properties (out of 70,000) of which over 10,000 include restrictive covenants. In the coming months, letters will be sent to current property owners of those parcels to inform them of the action taken by the Recorder's office, and the Restrictive Covenants project overall. See the most updated version of parcel map at tinyurl.com/3h4xhssd and to view a time-lapse map of recorded restrictions, visit the Restrictive Covenants Time Progression page (tinyurl.com/yc4cypa8).

I encourage everyone to take a look at the Restrictive covenant webpage, check out the mapping of properties identified to date, and learn more about how residential segregation has impacted not only the complexion of our neighborhoods, but the disparity in wealth and opportunity between white and black in our county and nation today.

Trim Overgrown Landscape

Trimming back overgrown shrubs and bushes encroaching on the road is essential for safer driving. These unruly plants can obstruct visibility, especially at intersections, driveways, and curves, leading to dangerous blind spots. Regular maintenance ensures that drivers have a clear line of sight, reducing the risk of accidents and near misses. By keeping roadside vegetation in check, we contribute to safer roads for all, making daily commutes and travel more secure and stress-free. So, let's work together to trim those troublesome shrubs and bushes, ensuring that our roads remain safe and accessible for everyone. If you are unable and need help, please reach out to us at shhapresident@gmail.com so we can work together to make a difference.

FALL UPDATE FROM MARIN WATER

Our reservoirs remain at healthy levels due to the abundance of rain we received earlier this year and the excellent conservation work of district customers. The district is in a good place heading into late Fall and early Winter. Now is the time to keep an eye on the weather and look to reduce or suspend outdoor irrigation as soon as the rains come. If you are looking for additional ways to reduce your water use, our revamped website provides valuable information on our conservation programs, rebates, water-wise landscaping and educational opportunities focused on reduction in water use. The new website layout is designed to be more user friendly and also includes a robust catalog of board and committee meeting agendas.

District Staff continue to focus considerable effort on the advancement of our identified water supply projects. We receive regular updates regarding progress on planning, compliance work and feasibility studies on our short and medium term projects. It is exciting to see initial progress on some of these projects and I look forward to seeing them through completion. We simply cannot afford to again find ourselves in a place where we almost ran out of water. For the most current water supply updates, please visit the district's website at marinwater.org/WaterSupplyResiliency.

On a separate note, the district is nearing completion on our Recreation Management Plan study that looks to help inform how recreation will continue on the watershed. Marin Water was established as both a water purveyor and a public park. A lot has changed since our establishment in 1912 and this plan is meant to help guide staff when making recreation-based decisions. We understand that watershed user groups have evolved over time and this study will also provide relevant information on current recreational use. I encourage anyone interested in watershed recreation to attend the watershed committee meeting in December.

As a reminder, our new rate structure is in place and bills due out in September will reflect the changes. MMWD continues to offer a very generous rate assistance program for low-income households. I strongly encourage anyone with limited income to please inquire about this program as it provides significant discounts to those who qualify.

If you haven't done so already, please sign up for our electronic newsletter for the most current updates. I am always available for questions and discuss all things MMWD at your request. My email address is msamson@marinwater.org.

**Matt Samson, Division 1 Director
Marin Municipal Water District**



Creek Cleaning Weekend a Success!

We appreciate those of you who spent part of your weekend preparing for winter rains that we hope will come. Whether you cleaned your section of the creek or your drainage areas, it will all make a difference when it comes to localized flooding. If you haven't had a chance to get out there, it's not too late and we urge you to do so.

An extra special thanks to Marin Wildfire Prevention Authority in partnership with Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection District (www.shfpd.org) for the added benefit of the debris pick up for this event. Makes getting rid of unwanted vegetation much easier! The crew removed approximately 3.5 cubic yards of material from the dropoff location.

In the future, if you have questions or see something that you think needs attention, please reach out to Eric Riemer at 415-748-4231 or eric.riemer@icloud.com.

Thanks again for being great neighbors!
Sleepy Hollow Creek Committee



along the trails. This helps keep our trails clean and pleasant for all users.

SAFETY FIRST: Your well-being is paramount. If you encounter any areas marked as off-limits or blocked for any reason, please respect these restrictions for your safety and the preservation of the property. These closures are in place to protect the visitors and the environment.

PROPERTY BOUNDARIES: Please stay within the designated trails, privacy, and property boundaries set by Triple C Ranch. Avoid venturing into private areas or adjacent properties. Trespassing violates the rules and undermines the trust and generosity extended by property owners of Triple C Ranch to Sleepy Hollow residents.

GRATITUDE IN ACTION: Abiding by these rules is a heartfelt way to express your gratitude for the homeowner's generosity in sharing their property with Sleepy Hollow residents only.

Let's continue to cherish and preserve this natural oasis by respecting these rules and treating the property with the care it deserves.

Thank you for being a responsible and considerate user of Triple C Ranch. Your adherence to these rules ensures that this property will remain a shared resource and treasured asset for our community.

Triple C Private Property Rules

LEASH YOUR CANINE COMPANIONS: To ensure the safety and enjoyment of all visitors, please keep your dogs on a leash at all times while on the Triple C Ranch trails. This rule prevents unexpected encounters and helps maintain a harmonious atmosphere for everyone.

POOP PATROL: We appreciate your love for your four-legged friends, but it's vital to pick up after them. Carry your waste bags and dispose of dog waste in the designated containers

SHHA Seeks New Board Members to Serve Our Community

We are excited to announce that Sleepy Hollow Homes Association is seeking passionate and dedicated individuals to join our diverse board of directors. This is a unique opportunity to make a meaningful impact on our community and contribute to our future.

BOARD MEMBER RESPONSIBILITIES

As a board member of SHHA, you will:

Provide Leadership: Contribute to the strategic direction and decision-making processes of SHHA for long term sustainment.

Advocate for Our community: Be a voice for our needs and concerns within the organization

Collaborate: Work closely with fellow board members, advisors, and partners to develop and implement current and future initiatives.

Engage the Community: Connect residents to gather input, build awareness, and promote SHHA's offerings growing our membership.

APPLICATION PROCESS

We invite all interested candidates to apply for the SHHA board member positions. To be considered, please follow these steps:

Review the Board Member Expectations: Take a moment to familiarize yourself with the roles and responsibilities of an SHHA board member, which can be found at shha.org/About-Us.

Complete the Application: Please fill out the SHHA Board Member Application Form, available at shha.org/About-us.

Submit Your Application: Send your completed application form and any additional materials to pierre.andre.mayer@gmail.com (or deliver or mail to 1317 Butterfield Rd).

Application Deadline: December 1

Selection Process: Applications will be carefully reviewed by our selection committee, and selected candidates will be invited for interviews.

Join Us in Making a Difference: If you are passionate about our special community, believe in the power of advocacy, and want to contribute to the current and future of our community, we encourage you to apply for an SHHA board member position. Your dedication and leadership can make a significant impact.

Should you have any questions or need further information, please don't hesitate to reach out to pierre.andre.mayer@gmail.com.

Thank you for considering this exciting opportunity to be part of SHHA and help shape the future of the Sleepy Hollow Homes Association. We look forward to receiving your applications!

Sleepy Hollow Fire District Update



Direct Assistance Program contractors removing a dangerous dead pine that was at risk of falling on a structure.

According to statistics published by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (Cal Fire), as of October 9, 2023, a total of 6,001 fires have burned a total of 317,191 acres. This is below the state's five-year average of 1,509,952 acres burned during the same period. Fortunately Marin has not experienced a large wildfire this season. Nonetheless, it is important for all of us to be wildfire prepared.

Sleepy Hollow has benefited from a number of major fuel reduction projects. This includes the work done on the Greater Ross Valley Shaded Fuel Break across all of our ridge tops. Goat grazing was completed on some of the ridges, San Domenico School and the Triple C Ranch. Several chipper day events were also held. It was great to see many residents at the Evacuation Drill Information Event on October 13th at the Sleepy Hollow Clubhouse. A top way to be prepared is to be signed up for alerts from Marin County (sign up here: emergency.marincounty.org/pages/alertmarin).

When it comes to reducing wildfire fuel in our community, the Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection District Direct Assistance Program continued to deliver great results. So far this year, hundreds of cubic yards of hazardous vegetation have been removed from over 25 homes in Sleepy Hollow. Juniper, bamboo, and dead trees are once again the most common forms of vegetation flagged for removal. Feedback from residents on the Direct Assistance Program has been overwhelmingly positive, with many kudos given to program staff and contractors for their spectacular work and excellent customer service.

Rich Shortall

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

The SHFPD Direct Assistance Program will be ending later this year. The last day to submit an application is Friday, November 10. If you are interested in participating, SHFPD encourages you not to wait until the last moment. Get your application in ASAP! Application link: 2ziieai6lfy.typeform.com/shfpd23-direct

UPCOMING EVENTS

Week of November 6 is the final chipper day curbside pickup

SHFPD plans to work with the SHHA and the Safe Streets team to improve safety on Butterfield Road

Bids have gone out for installation of the fire safe landscape plantings at the SHHA Community Center

It's About "Bloomin" Time!

Thanks to special efforts by the Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection District (SHFPD) and their landscape architect on the Fire Smart Planting for our Community Center, there is a new plan and bidding underway to select a contractor who will complete the job before swim team season 2024. Revisions are final and being approved by Marin Municipal Water District.

Gardens will include interpretive signs and showcase a wide variety of plants, shrubs, and even a few more trees for conditions of shade, sun, very dry, and with a bit more water. All Fire Smart and water wise. Landscaping areas include the Butterfield facing gardens and inside the gate throughout the courtyard. Watch for safe mulching (including recommended mulch based on scientific research) and spacing you want to try at your home.

The Sleepy Hollow Charitable Foundation installed the irrigation infrastructure as part of the Renovation Master Plan - thank you again to the many generous donors who made that work possible. SHFPD sponsorship of the demonstration gardens has allowed progress in other areas of the Master Plan to move forward. We look forward to an even more beautiful and welcoming Community Center next year.

WHY I AM GRATEFUL TO THE SHHA



Sleepy Hollow/Terra Linda Ridge Open Space

Having somehow become a member of the Sleepy Hollow long-timers (SHHA member since 1976), I reflect regularly on how the Association has made my life better.

Not long before I moved here, the SHHA played an important role in defeating a development proposal that would have built a road from Butterfield over the Terra Linda divide. Traffic from all over central and west Marin would have used it as a short-cut to get to 101 North.

The character and ambience of our neighborhood would have been radically altered – needless to say, not for the better.

A few years later, one of the last remaining large, privately-owned parcels of land along that same divide was put up for sale, and possible development. Again the SHHA played a role in rallying residents to choose to pay a relatively small amount per household to purchase the acreage and deed it over to the Open Space Commission.

These big achievements, plus a number of others – helping to secure cellphone coverage for the Hollow, safeguarding local concerns through the Ross Valley Fire District, supporting local activities such as the swim team and the tennis club – all help ensure that we have the peaceful, friendly, beautiful neighborhood that means so much to all of us.

I am grateful, too, that we have extraordinarily generous neighbors in Triple C Ranch and San Domenico. They, plus the tireless efforts of generations of SHHA volunteers, create a singular place we are privileged to call home.

Thank you!
Helen Cameron



Sleepy Hollow Presbyterian Church

Make music, make friends of all ages, and work in teams to build a more just and peaceful world for all people!

All are welcome Sundays at 9:30 a.m. for music, inspiration, and friendship in our renovated indoor-outdoor sanctuary.

Children's activities are based on respect, kindness, sharing, and planet care.

If you aren't able to make it in person, watch our live stream on zoom. Email Pastor Bev for a zoom invite: beverlybrewster@comcast.net.

Help us feed the hungry, support the children of Laurel Dell Elementary and San Pedro Elementary, or make music for super seniors and the newly housed.

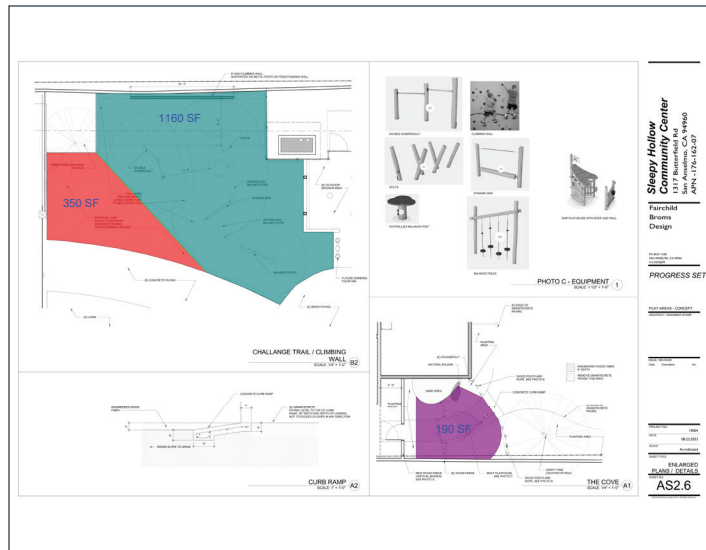
- **Sing with Alex Walker and Pam Selvig:** Sundays before the service at 9 a.m. Teens welcome. No auditions!
- **Youth Band with Alex and Pam:** Sundays at 11 a.m. Teens, tweens, younger children, all welcome, with or without instruments.
- **Music Lessons and Laughs with Director of Music Alex:** Guitar, piano, drums, saxophone, voice. Sunday afternoons at the church by appointment: alexwalker.walker@gmail.com.

THE HOLIDAYS ARE COMING! Beautiful music of the season, and turkeys and holiday gifts for needy families.

Contact Pastor Bev if you would like to get to know more about the church, and/or you'd like to help make the world brighter for needy folks.

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Play Areas will further activate the Sleepy Hollow Community Center for all

Imaginative Play and Fitness Fun

The latest piece of the Sleepy Hollow Community Center renovation master plan are the play and fitness areas.

Imaginative play for our youngest children will be focused in the "Cove," (just to the left of the CERT building) evoking a beach with shipwreck playhouse and sand play. Space also allows other features to be brought in for special events of permanent addition.

This is a "no fall zone" area with all play at ground level and accessible. We will be looking for local artists (any age!) to paint a seascape mural on the back wall, and a craftsperson (any age) to make the name sign.

Fitness and fun challenges for ages 5 and up will be on the north lawn, leaving almost half of the lawn for picnicking or table set up. The entire lawn will be artificial grass, with the play area including a special shock pad for impact reduction. Features flow in a challenge trail to the traverse climbing wall or can be enjoyed in any order.

Structures arrive late November/early December and bids are being received for all aspects of installation. This has been a long time coming, and we believe the time spent will show in the results, which preserve lawn space, engage children of many ages, support challenging, safe individual or group play, and take best advantage of our limited space.



Chili Kai Team: Casey Scollin, Riley Fitzgerald, Jeff McFarland, Ryan Nail, Joey Elefante, Hal Davis

Spring Gala Donation Highlight

Legendary Sleepy Hollow resident Erin Badala purchased a cook-out in her back yard at the 2023 Sleepy Hollow Charitable Foundation Spring Gala, donated by award winning local chili cook-off team Chili Kai.

Erin cashed in on her purchase on a sunny Saturday in September and the event did not disappoint.

Chili Kai (the bad boys of chili) provided appetizers, chili, signature cocktails, dessert, and their own creative playlist in a karate action-packed entertaining evening to welcome Erin and her 50 festive guests to Erin's new home.

The Foundation thanks Erin for her purchase and Chili Kai for their generation donation which is helping to bring the new play areas to life!



HOLIDAY EVENTS

HOLIDAY GIFT MARKET

Thursday, Dec 1 • 4:00 – 7:00 p.m.
Sleepy Hollow Community Center
shha.org/event-5450155

HOLIDAY TRADITIONS: Witness the enchanting lighting of the Christmas tree and Menorah, a magical moment for the entire family. We strive for inclusion so if you have a tradition that you'd like us to celebrate, please reach out to shhaevents@gmail.com.

SHOP LOCAL: Discover unique, handcrafted gifts from our talented local vendors, perfect for everyone on your holiday list. Know a business that should be featured? Email shhaevents@gmail.com.

COAT & DIAPER DRIVE: Spread warmth this season by donating gently used coats and winter gear, and any size (unopened) diapers. Thanks for your help making this season brighter for those who need it most.

SPECIAL GUEST: Rumor has it Santa might pay us a visit! Capture the excitement with photos and share your holiday wishes.

FOOD, MUSIC, AND JOY AWAIT. Let's celebrate the holidays together in the spirit of giving and community. Don't miss out on this festive day for the whole family!



HOLIDAY PARTY

Join us for the Annual Holiday Party
for SHHA Members!
Sunday, December 10 • 5:00 – 8:00 p.m.
Sleepy Hollow Community Center • Adults Only
shha.org/event-5409834

'Tis the season to celebrate and be grateful. So let's make it memorable together meeting new neighbors and connecting with old friends. Your presence is the best gift we can ask for!

Drinks will be provided. Please bring your favorite dish to share. A potluck sign-up sheet will be included in the invite that will go out.

Dress in your festive best, and let's toast to the joy of the season. It's a night of good company, great food, and holiday cheer.

We can't wait to see you there!



Book Drive for Child Literacy

I am collecting lightly used children's books for grades preschool through 12 grade for the Book Exchange, a non profit in San Rafael. The book Exchange is a community service organization run entirely by volunteers who believe in the importance of child literacy and equal access to books for children. The Book exchange provides weekly field trips to Title 1 schools in Marin, and each student takes home ten books for their library. We also provide low cost books to teachers,

families, and other non profits. Please help by donating books in your home that are in good shape. We are looking for all genres but graphic books are a hit as well as any books your children have enjoyed! Please drop off in front of the Sleepy Hollow Community Center in the box labeled Book Exchange, to right of front entrance, under the awning. Please drop off through November 18.

If you have a larger donation, please contact me at mitchel.ludlow@gmail.com and I can pick up the books.

Thank you for your help with supporting reading in underserved children in our community.

Mia Mitchel Ludlow
Sleepy Hollow resident, Mom of 4, & Book Exchange Volunteer

Activities & Events

You can always find the latest upcoming events at: shha.org/UpcomingEvents

American Style Mah Jong: Thursdays
1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Nov 1 – Dec 20: Modern Dance for Youth:
7 Week Session, Ages 7-10. Wednesdays
2:15 – 3:30 p.m.

7 Week Session, Ages 10-15. Wednesdays
3:40 – 4:55 p.m.

Nov 11: Middle School Mixer:
Save the date!

HOLIDAY EVENTS

Nov 23: 2nd Annual Sleepy Hollow Turkey Trot

Dec 1: Holiday Gift Market & Giving Drive.
Sip and shop local vendors for all your gift giving needs with the whole family. Bring gently used coats and new diapers to support those in need. More info: shha.org/event-5450155

Dec 10: Sleepy Hollow Annual Holiday Party (formerly known as the President's Party): All SHHA members invited! Join us for a festive night for adults. There is no charge to attend and beverages will be provided. Sign up to bring a holiday treat to share: shha.org/event-5409834

GROUP FITNESS CLASSES*

Body Sculpting with Catherine:
Mondays 9:00 – 10:00 a.m.

Cardio & Strength RIPPED with Marin.FIT:
Tuesdays 8:35 – 9:35 a.m.

Gentle Yoga with Kari:
Tuesdays 10:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Cardio & Strength COMBO with Marin.FIT:
Wednesdays 9:15 – 10:15 a.m.

Evening Yoga w/Kari: Wednesdays
5:30 – 6:40 p.m.

Cardio & Weights BURN with Marin.FIT:
Thursdays 8:35 – 9:35 a.m.

Body Sculpting with Catherine:
Fridays 9:00 – 10:00 a.m.

Check the schedule on SignUpGenius (SUG). Sign up at signupgenius.com/go/10c0c44a9ad2aabfbc70-group#

Visit shha.org/fitness for registration information.

Purchase your 10 Class Pass here! shha.org/Sys/Store/Products/249547

***Classes subject to change.** Please refer to the SUG for the most up to date schedule.

The Sleepy Hollow Community Center is available for your family parties and events! Visit shha.org/rental for more information.

The Community Center building can hold up to 150 people. We have a catering kitchen with refrigeration. No stove or oven.

We have 15 folding tables that will seat 6 people per table. There are two large tables that seat 10 people. We have 140 chairs.

The rental agreement is for the Community Center building. The courtyard and lawn area can be accessed by guests if the pool is not in use or after the pool closes.

Please check our calendar for availability. If you are interested in renting the facility, or you have questions, please email us at shharental@gmail.com.

Contact Aya at shhaevents@gmail.com with questions/comments!

Making Hard Conversations Easier

Wellness Program Sponsored by
Zamira Solari, Realtor.

We had a great turnout and response from the Screenagers film screening which led to a follow up conversation led by neighbor and parent Abigail Wald for a follow up conversation around screens & tweens/teens. If you are interested in watching the film, please email shhaevents@gmail.com for viewing information.

From Abigail: My name is Abigail Wald (@motherflippingawesome), and I live here in Sleepy Hollow. I have two teen boys, now 14 and 16 years old, and was really heartened to see the viewing of Screenagers that Zamira set up so we could all take a look at the relationships our tweens and teens have to their screens. It certainly brings up a lot of thoughts and feelings for us as parents! Tech is definitely a very interesting issue for all of us, as our children are growing up in quite a different world than we did, and this can make for some challenges. While tech definitely has its advantages, sometimes we parents can worry that there are not enough real-world skills that our kids are developing.

We are looking forward to a program led by Moms Demand Action Marin at the Sleepy Hollow Community Center on the Be SMART Program (besmartforkids.org) in November. Please check shha.org/upcomingevents for more information.

The Be SMART campaign was launched in 2015 to promote responsible gun ownership in order to reduce child gun deaths. Whether you're a gun owner, or you know someone

who owns a gun, there is a role for everyone in the conversation around secure gun storage. Be SMART is a framework that parents, caretakers, and community leaders can follow to help keep their communities safe. Ultimately, you can help prevent kids from accessing firearms by storing them securely, and encouraging others to do the same. Because children deserve to feel safe, no matter where they are.

WANTED: Sleepy Hollow Historian

Seeking a dedicated Sleepy Hollow Historian to archive and organize our local history for our library space. Preserve the past, enrich our community, and bring our heritage to life. Join us in shaping our future by preserving our past.

Inquire at shhapresident@gmail.com



Kudos & More

These lovely little ladies spent two days baking and making items to raise money for Maui! Congrats on bringing our community together to help theirs by raising almost \$200!

Reese Singleton, Kaya Andrews, Reese Wise and Clare Ruud

While walking with Jan on Butterfield, I dropped my iPhone. We retraced our steps but were unsuccessful. Two hours of high anxiety turned into elation when Gina Neri called to report that she and Phil had found the phone. Plus, meeting them led to an exchange of home grown tomatoes and fresh baked cookies. LESSON: We live in an amazing community noted for the goodwill among its neighbors. Let's keep paying it forward. It will only get better. *Franklin Blackford*

WANT TO THANK YOUR NEIGHBOR? Email carolinebruister@gmail.com your kudos for our next Bulletin. She thanks you in advance <3



Successful 2023 Pool Season

We are wrapping up the 2023 pool season in great shape for next year. This year we added an amazing Aqua Fitness class (truly the best workout for any age and level) led by Brigitte Kroetz. Brigitte grew up in Los Angeles, where she learned to swim before she could walk or talk. She was swimming competitively by the time she was 3 years old and fell in love with everything aquatic. Brigitte began lifeguarding at 15 then taught swim lessons and coached swim teams. Her passion grew as she pursued teaching Lifeguarding courses and Aqua Aerobics. She is also certified in Advanced Scuba Diving. She is in the pursuit of growing gills and creating a safer environment in and around aquatic areas.

In October, Brigitte ran a Red Cross Lifeguarding course for 9 participants at the Sleepy Hollow Homes Association. The goal was to certify adults in the community who could help out in lifeguarding when school starts back in August and other activities when our "regular" lifeguards are not available. The primary purpose of the American Red Cross Lifeguarding course is to provide entry-level lifeguard participants with the knowledge and skills to prevent, recognize, and respond to injuries and any life-threatening emergencies. When necessary, they must provide professional-level care until emergency medical services personnel take over. All 9 participants

were successful in completing all components of this course and passing the written and skills exams. Brigitte is thrilled to have taught such an amazing group of people who are extremely responsible, enthusiastic, and eager to help.

Thanks to everyone who participated in making this pool season a success including SHHA Volunteer Board Members Diane Fiddymont who led this large role and Dave Baker who manages the pool equipment. Also making the pool season work was Colleen Bertiglia, Cate Orlich, managing the guard and snack bar staff and Jan Blackford who facilitated getting the Sleepy Hollow Pool designated as a Red Cross Licensed Training Provider which allowed us to offer the lifeguarding course.



Sleepy Hollow Sitters Relaunch

Know someone who wants to be a sitter or have a question about the Sleepy Hollow Sitter process? Reach out to sandracmurtagh@gmail.com to request an informational packet and/or sitter application*.

The Sleepy Hollow Sitters (SHS) are a secure database of local childcare sitters available, coordinated by the SHHA & the Sleepy Hollow Social Club and available to all SHHA & Friends of the Pool Members.

For new families looking for a sitter, please COMPLETE THE FAMILY REGISTRATION on the SHHA website (shha.org/SleepyHollowSitters) to request access to the Sitter directory, and find a sitter that matches with your family's needs.

Families that have registered in the past, do not need to reregister, and will receive an email with the link to the updated Sitter Directory for the 2023 school year (old link will continue to work as well).

Sandra Murtagh, SHHA Sleepy Hollow Sitter Advisor

*Sitters under 18 need parent's approval to apply.



Sleepy Hollow Tennis Club Fall Mixed Doubles Tournament

A Sierra storm was brewing in the skies when 24 men and women met on the San Domenico tennis courts to make some new friends and play some tennis!

Thanks to Sleepy Hollow Tennis Club Presidents Carolyn Goodman and Patty for leading the charge again. And to Carolyn who hosted the dinner that evening.

The finals match was Tom (Ringer) Mayes and Jamie (Backboard) Staskus versus Ted (Tall) Walsh and Betsy (Net Monster) Gozzie. Tom & Jamie prevailed then joined the rest for a toast and hoist of the trophy.

PLEASE JOIN US NEXT TIME! The Sleepy Hollow Tennis Club is open to all and includes casual drop in games on the weekends for beginners and more advanced players. Visit sleepyhollowtennis.org for more info.

Coming Soon!

In an exciting collaboration, Butterfield Corridor Safety Committee, Sleepy Hollow Homes Association, and Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection District are working together to bring about improvements to Butterfield Road that will enhance wildfire evacuation safety and support improved bicycle and pedestrian safety... and you can help! Keep an eye out for future emails from SHHA/Butterfield Safety/SHFPD on how you can get involved. The campaign will launch toward the end of the calendar year.



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The Annual Pumpkin Carving and reading of *The Legend of Sleepy Hollow* was a success! See you at the Turkey Trot, Holiday Gift Market and Holiday Parties.

Visit shha.org/upcomingevents for more info.

