Northern Hills NEWSLETTER

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Message from NHHA President

MIKE GALLAGHER

The Latest on Northern Hills

One of the best ways to keep up on all the issues affecting each one of us and our community is to attend the NHHA General Meetings. For example, at our meeting in August, we learned all about the security of our neighborhood, City Code complaints, garbage and recycling collections, how the City intends to spend our tax money and much more. Our attendees had a lot of good questions for those giving the briefings. For example, questions were asked about protecting our mailboxes, vehicles blocking roads, sidewalks and alleys, and what materials go in the blue, green and brown bins on garbage and recycle pick-up days. Our Councilman Marc Whyte also answered questions on proposed changes to the City Charter and his zero-based budget initiative.

The zero-based budget initiative (which was approved) also was discussed at the official 2025 City Budget Town Hall held in late August at the NE Senior Center. As Councilman Whyte pointed out, this process of starting from scratch on every dollar spent should be a part of the budget process every year. We need to have good justification for all spending and for all programs run by the City. Those attending the Town Hall expressed very strong support for adding personnel to our Police and Fire Departments, Animal Care Services, and for increasing infrastructure repairs. City Manager Erik Walsh reported that the proposed budget will add 65 more police, 15 more firefighters, and 14 more ACS personnel. A sensitive issue also discussed was the growing homeless population throughout San Antonio and what City government and other organizations can do to resolve it.

Some good news from the Budget Town Hall was that our District 10 will have an additional \$8 million more funding added to the current budget total for infrastructure improvements for our streets, sidewalks, signage, lighting, and more. We need to keep informing our City leaders that all infrastructure must remain a top priority.

I want to again thank the wonderful staff at the NE Senior Center for hosting all our Northern Hills, District 10, and NE Neighborhood Alliance meetings. They have been very helpful in setting up the meeting room, and assisting with the visual and sound systems. Having that beautiful facility at the entrance to Northern Hills has been fantastic.

Mark Your Calendar

NHHA General Meeting

Tuesday, November 19, 2024 6:30 pm Northeast Senior Center 4135 Thousand Oaks Dr. Please note change of time & location.

NHHA Open Board Meeting

Held second Tuesday of the month 5 p.m. - Northeast Senior Center 4135 Thousand Oaks Dr.

NE NEIGHBORHOOD ALLIANCE & DISTRICT 10 MEETINGS

NE Neighborhood Alliance Meeting Monday, October 21 6:30 p.m. - Northeast Senior Center 4135 Thousand Oaks Dr. **District 10 Meeting** Monday, November 18 6:30 p.m. - Northeast Senior Center 4135 Thousand Oaks Dr. Please note change of time & location.

GARAGE SALE & CLEAN-UP

Garage Sale - Saturday, October 5 Clean-up - Saturday, October 12

Neighbors Together Event

Thursday, October 3 6 - 8 PM Northeast Senior Center 4135 Thousand Oaks

COP Training Classes
SAPD North Station - 13030 Jones Maltsberger Monday, October 7 at 6:00 pm Saturday, November 9 at 9:00 am For information, please contact: Cathalina Schneider - 210-207-5182 Cathalina.Schneider@sanantonio.gov COP Manager - Pam Hays 210-865-1224

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November 1, 2024 For article and photo questions Email Jan Kirby at jsk1965@att.net

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Area 1: Helen Fesler, 210-656-4644

Beltway, Bentway, Deer Top, Fondren, 4302-4318 Hollow Hill, Hypoint, Quail Mountain, 13500-13700 Blk. Scarsdale, Smokey Bend, Smoke Ridge, Windswept, Burnt Ridge.

Area 2: Ganu Lor, 210-243-0920, Alex Salazar, 401-330-8357

13600 Blk. Bell, Brushy Hill, Harvest Bend, Putting Green, Heather Wood, 4322-4346 Hollow Hill, Sandy Crest.

Area 3: Area Representatives Needed 4600 Blk. Barhill, 13700 Blk. Bell, 4600 Blk. Bohill, 4500-4600 Briardale, Briarforest, Briargrove, Briarmeadow, Briarwick, Chatwood, Gaywood.

Area 4: Nancy Keating, 281-796-2030, Susie Schmidt, 641-990-1110

13700-13800 Blk. Brays Forest, 14000 Blk. Fairway Oaks, Player, 13600 Blk. Landmark Hill, Snead, 13700-13800 Blk. Winding Hill.

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Anchorage Hill, 1400 Blk. Bell, Bermuda Hill, 13900 Blk. Brays Forest, Kingsbury Hill, Light Bend, Smokey Way, 13700-13800 Blk Landmark Hill, Temple Hill, 13900-14000 Winding Hill, Mesquite Smoke.

Area 6: Area Representatives Needed

Begonia Circle, Boxdale, 4400 Blk. Briardale, Bridgewood, Buckmoor, Exmoor, Grantilly, Hay Market, Hunter Hill, Kramme Circle, Old Bond, Queensway.

Area 7: Jasmine Meme, 210-380-7918

4700 Blk. Barhill, 4700-4800 Blk. Bohill, 14300 Blk. Bellcrest, Cedar Moss, Crested Creek, Crested Grove, Farmwood, Crested Rock, Old Castel, Pleasant View, Saddle Ridge, 14000 Blk. Sunny Glen, Shady Breeze, 13800 Blk. Woodbreeze.

Area 8: David/Jan Hadley, 210-653-9387

13700 Blk. Bellcrest, Cobble Crest, Cobble Hill, Crested Land, Crested Point, Crested Rise, Oak Climb, Pebble Glen, Pebble Walk, Stoney Climb, Stoney View, Sunny Grove, 13700-13900 Sunny Glen, Sunny Walk, 13800 Blk. Woodbreeze.

Area 9: Kathy Green, 210-627-0153

Clear Lake, Glenover, 4200 Blk. Hilton Head, Mill Bend, 12600 Blk. Sandtrap, Tamarron, 12600-12900 Blk. Scarsdale, Stafford Court, Thistle Down, Woodbrace.

Area 10: Pam Hays, 210-865-1224

13400-13500 Blk. Bell, Moss Bend, 4300-4400 Blk. Hilton Head, Moss Cave, Moss Court, Pebble Circle, Pebble Hill, Pebble Hollow, 12700 Blk. Sandtrap, Oak Wind.

Area 11: Carol Garza, 210-410-5254

Fairway Basin, Fairway Court, Fairway Crest, Fairway Glen, Fairway Hedges, Fairway Peak, Fairway Hill, Northern Oaks, 14100-14200 Blk. Fairway Oaks.

NORTHERN HILLS WEBSITE: www.northernhillsconnect.com

WELCOME PACKET

If you have recently moved into Northern Hills and have not yet received a Welcome Packet, please call your Area Representative. (President's article continued from page 1)

Now is the time for all of us to once again pull out our calendars and mark down the upcoming neighborhood events including Neighbors Together on October 3rd (6 p.m. to 8 p.m.), Garage Sale Day on October 5th, and Clean Up Day on October 12th. You can find out more about these events in this edition of the newsletter and on our new website at www.northernhillsconnect.com. The Northern Hills Neighbors Together event at the NE Senior Center will be a great opportunity to meet our neighbors and have our kids play a variety of games, meet our police and firefighters, and see up close a big fire truck. And don't forget pizza and refreshments will be available!

If you haven't paid your annual NHHA \$50 dues yet, please do so as soon as possible. You can make your payment during our Neighbors Together event using cash, check or PayPal. And if you can, add a few extra dollars as a donation to our wonderful NHHA Scholarship Program to help out our senior high school students planning on attending college next year. Let's do all we can to keep Northern Hills one of the best neighborhoods in San Antonio!

SAWS NEW WATER RESTRICTIONS

The San Antonio Water System sent out a warning in a recent newsletter telling residents that the times for watering our lawns and gardens have been changed. The new watering hours are 5 a.m. to 10 a.m. and 9 p.m. to midnight. These restrictions apply to anyone using sprinklers, but do not apply to anyone hand watering. SAWS also reminded us that our watering days are based on the last number of our home address. They are as follows: Mondays 0 and 1, Tuesdays 2 and 3, Wednesdays 4 and 5, Thursdays 6 and 7, and Fridays 8 and 9. PLEASE avoid any possible fines (which will appear on your SAWS bill) by following these new time restrictions.



Do you know of anyone who needs a little Sunshine in their life? Maybe someone who has been ill? Suffered the loss of a loved one? Someone who needs a little cheer? Please contact us and share the information, Northern Hills Sunshine Committee would love to be of assistance by calling or sending a card or note to those people. Thank you for your much needed help. Please contact Jasmine Meme 210-380-7918 or MJ Barnes 210-202-9474.





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Area 2: Ganu Lor, 210-243-0920; Alex Salazar, 401-330 -8357

Hello neighbors! Area 2 is looking great with all the rain we received. We would like to congratulate the Area 2 winners of the 2024 Yard of the Month: Annie Flaharty, Pam Powers, Peggy Roecker, Chris Whisler and Andrew Brown & Deb Ferris.

Fall is here! Have a great Halloween and a blessed Thanksgiving holiday. For everyone who's planning on traveling, have a safe trip! Please remember to check up on your neighbors. Also, we would like to remind everyone to be mindful of the public street we all share. If you are new to Northern Hills, please contact us! We would like to welcome you to the neighborhood and give you a Welcome Packet with valuable information about our community.

Area 4: Nancy Keating, 281-796-2030; Susie Smidt, 641-990-1110

Hi Neighbors! With the heat behind us and the holidays ahead, it's time to start thinking about turkeys and tree ornaments! You might also want to budget for your annual \$50.00 homeowner dues, and perhaps a little extra for the NHHA Scholarship program this year! Our goal is to get more folks involved in our neighborhood. There was a day when people knew their neighbors, front doors were never locked and sharing a meal was just what folks did. Times have certainly changed, but with your help we can bring back the things we loved about 'the good old days'. Northern Hills is the neighborhood it is, because of volunteers who work to keep us safe and informed. Are you willing to invest a couple of hours a month to make a difference? And speaking of volunteers, don't hesitate to contact Susie (641-990-1110) or Nancy (281-796-2030) with interest, ideas or concerns regarding our neighborhood. If you're new to Area 4,

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please reach out and give us a chance to introduce ourselves and provide a NH Welcome Packet listing the many resources San Antonio makes available. The new Northern Hills website can also offer a great deal of information: www.northernhillsconnect.com.

Make this your time to take initiative! Remember, we are all volunteers in life - it's what you do with your time that makes a difference to others.

Area 6 - Representative Needed - Please text or call Alicia Weber, 210 - 383 - 1576

Area 8: David and Jan Hadley, 210-653-9387

Welcome to our new neighbors who have recently moved to Northern Hills. If you have not received a NH Welcome Packet, please call us and we will bring it to you.

We need all residents who live in Northern Hills to join the Homeowners Association. The cost is only \$50.00 a year. The membership money is used for mowing, planting flowers, newsletter, COP program, website (www.nothernhillsconnect. com), and other events to make Northern Hills a safe, and better place to live. Information on joining the Homeowners Association is in the newsletter that is mailed to all residents and on our website. Our schools are now open and students are walking to Northern Hills Elementary. If you live on Sunny Glen and your home backs up to Uhr Lane, it is important for the homeowner to keep the back of your fence to the sidewalk clean so children and adults can walk safely.

Neighbors Together (National Night Out) for Northern Hills will be on Thursday, October 3 at the Northeast Senior Center (District 10) 6:00p.m. We will have pizza and drinks etc. This is a good time to meet people who live in Northern Hills and to pay your membership dues if you have not done so.

Northern Hills will award two scholarships to high school seniors who will graduate in May 2025. The application will be on the Northern Hills website in January. The scholarship deadline is April 1, 2025. Scholarship donations are greatly appreciated and

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(Area 8 News continued from page 4)

can be mailed to the address on the newsletter or call me and I will pick your check-up. We hope to see our Area 8 residents at our next General meeting, November 19, 2024. We hope you have a safe and happy Halloween, and a Thanksgiving of love, and peace.

Area 10: Pam Hays, 210-865-1224

Hi neighbors. Area 10 had two residents on Hilton Head recently celebrate milestone birthdays. Col Bill Barnes turned 104! Mary Lou Bass turned 105! Another of their neighbors, Vivian Bender, will reach 100 in January! Please let me know if any other Area 10 residents are celebrating milestone events to include birthdays, anniversaries or new arrivals and you want me to include you in the newsletter.

We will miss long-time resident Howard K since he recently moved to assisted living. Mercedes and Ernie A were called back to California where Ernie will be back in military duty there. They did COP patrols and walks with their friendly labradoodle Diego. Joe N has been renovating his newly purchased home in our area. If you are a new resident, owner or renter, and need a NH Welcome Packet, please let me know. You can read details about the neighborhood on our awesome website northernhillsconnect. com. Two of our Area 10 residents, Alicia Weber and MJ Barnes, created and maintain our new neighborhood website. Please join our Northern Hills Homeowners Association, it is only \$50.00 a year and the dues help pay for our website, our bi-monthly newsletter, Citizens on Patrol car signs, annual Neighbors Together event, and more. Details can be seen on the website and there is a link to pay dues there too.

CITIZENS ON PATROL

Were you aware the training for this program is available to everyone? Held monthly at the SAPD Sub-station on Jones Maltsberger, the program is designed to help you recognize suspicious activities that lead to crime in the neighborhood. There are 4 hours of classroom training and the opportunity for a ride-along experience with a district patrol officer. The ability to recognize various crimes, including burglaries, thefts, gang activities, narcotics and vice activities can help keep our neighborhood safe. There is NO COMMITMENT to patrol Northern Hills, although volunteering to do so would be an outstanding and welcome offer! Knowledge is power, and with a bit of training you will have the knowledge to be a powerful force in the community! For additional information, please contact Pam Hays COP Manager @ 210-865-1224.



Northern Hills Ladies —— Luncheon ——



The Northern Hills Ladies Luncheon is a great way to meet neighbors and enjoy good conversations and food. MJ Barnes selects excellent restaurants around San

Antonio for the luncheons

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Upcoming Luncheons for Oct. & Nov.

October 9, @ 1 pm

Jingu House Japanese Tea Garden

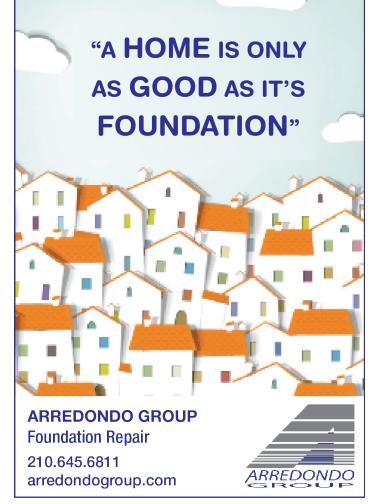
November 13, @ 1 pm

PF Chang's, 255 E Basse Road (The Quarry)

December 10, @ 12 pm

Petroleum Club, 8620 N. New Braunfels (Reservations required)

Locations subject to change



YOU CAN STILL PAY YOUR 2024 NHHA DUES NOW!

By: Carol Garza

You can now pay with PayPal. Residents may now sign up for the 2024 Northern Hills Homeowners Association membership by also going to the website www.northernhillsconnect.com.

If you go to www.paypal.com, log in to your account, click on send and request at the top of the page, enter the NHHA email address, northernhillshoa@gmail.com, click on next, enter the amount \$50, enter your physical address and email address in the memo box, click continue, click send payment. If you have a PayPal app, you can also use the app.

You may sign up for membership if you are renting or leasing your home or if you are the owner of the home and are renting or leasing it. Any questions may be addressed to Carol Garza at 210-410-5254. Please call or text.



THE ANATOMY OF AN ATTACK

By: Nancy Keating

I attended a class recently that was presented from the standpoint of a predator out to do harm. There is a very detailed 'Attack Cycle' that occurs when a predator is on the prowl for a victim. He/she is aware of those around him/her and will choose the target of least resistance. It might be an elderly person putting groceries in their car, or a young person walking with their head down over their phone. It will be the person paying the least amount of attention to their surroundings. Once the target has been identified, the predator will stalk. He/she will get close enough to verify the target, i.e. is there someone else in the elders car? Is the youth talking on the phone or playing videos? He/she will have already determined an escape route and formulated their intentions. This all happens within a matter of minutes...the minutes you are not paying attention. The next action taken will be to assume an attack position. This could be in the form of a conversation or distraction of some sort. (Can I help you with those groceries? Is that the new iPhone?) The attack itself will come with speed and violence and will be over before you know what's happened. Something heard too often: It happened so fast...they were there one minute and gone the next. It is UP TO YOU to BE AWARE of your surroundings! This is known as Situational Awareness and should become part of your DNA.

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Homes Sold in Northern Hills						
2013	2014	2015	2016 Sold	2017 Sold	2018	
13734 Bell	4615 Barhill	4503 Briardale	13702 Landmark Hill	13742 Fairway Hedge	13519 Harvest Bend	
13910 Brays Forest	4706 Barhill	4702 Crested Grove	13710 Player	14107 Smokey Way	4507 Briardale	
4515 Briarwick	13515 Beltway	4204 Hilton Head	5834 Larkmeadow	13822 Northern Oak	13603 Pebble Walk	
4459 Brushy Hill	4010 Bentway	13615 Landmark Hill	4603 Stoney View	4207 Smoke Ridge	12614 Scarsdale	
4501 Buckmoor	14023 Fairway Oaks	13816 Landmark Hill	13822 Brays Forest	4315 Heatherwood	4002 Bentway	
4701 Crested Grove	4238 Hilton Head	14007 Player	4443 Briardale	14123 Fairway Glen	13743 Fairway Hedge	
13422 Harvest Bend	4239 Hilton Head	4418 Pebble Hill	13723 Brays Forest	13815 Fairway Crest	4263 Hilton Head	
4434 Haymarket	14223 Hunter Hill	4519 Temple Hill	4403 Hilton Head	13422 Harvest Bend	4434 Grantilly	
4462 Haymarket	13830 Landmark Hill	13919 Winding Hill	4627 Barhill	4327 Putting Green	4338 Hollow Hill	
14215 Hunter Hill	14211 Mesquite Smoke	13415 Pebble Hollow	ow 4527 Briarwick 4458		4458 Haymarket	
4319 Putting Green	13823 Northern Oak	13802 Brays Forest	4431 Brushy Hill 445		4455 Brushy Hill	
4297 Putting Green	4426 Pebble Hill		4443 Brushy Hill		13618 Bell	
4434 Putting Green	4711 Pleasant View		4311 Temple Hill			
4714 Shady Breeze	4283 Putting Green		4526 Buckmoor			
14115 Smokey Way	13507 Scarsdale		14215 Hunter Hill			
14115 Smokey Way	4118 Smokey Bend		13911 Winding Hill			
	13907 Winding Hill					

	13307 Williams I'm			
2019	2020	2021 Sold	2022 Sold	2023 Sold
13926 Sunny Glen	13419 Pebble Hollow	14327 Bellcrest	4507 Temple Hill	13919 Anchorage Hill
14202 Light Bend	4107 Deer Top	13847 Crested Rise	13414 Harvest Bnd	13819 Winding Hill
4279 Putting Green	4319 Putting Green	4207 Burnt Ridge	4338 Hilton Head	4006 Stahl Rd
4706 Stoney Climb	14015 Fairway Oaks	4318 Putting Green	4418 Briardale	13611 Bell Dr
4302 Moss Cave	13515 Scarsdale	14219 Light Bend	13630 Landmark Hill	13515 Harvest Bend
4323 Snead	4358 Putting Green	4315 Sandy Crest	4294 Putting Green	4310 Mill Bend
14111 Fairway Oaks	14215 Light Bend	13814 Kingsbury Hill	14011 Fairway Ct	14011 Fairway Ct
4326 Putting Green	4235 Clear Lake	14011 Fairway Court	4106 Deertop	4106 Deertop
13818 Woodbreeze	4511 Briarwick	4303 Hilton Head	14123 Fairway Oaks	14123 Fairway Oaks
4407 Hilton Head	12618 Thistle Down	4315 Windswept		4226 Hilton Head
4303 Putting Green	14115 Fairway Oaks	4020 Bentway		4247 Hilton Head
4510 Bridgewood	4510 Bridgewood	4358 Putting Green	2024 For Sale	2024 Under Contract
		4262 Putting Green	13742 Fairway Hedge	4207 Burnt Ridge
		4214 Fondren		13907 Brays Forest

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