

October 2009

**Sleepy Hollow
Homes Association**
1317 Butterfield Road
San Anselmo, CA 94960



**Next SHHA
Board Meeting**
Thurs., Nov. 5th
7:30 pm
**ALL ARE
WELCOME!**

Bulletin Deadline:
Nov. 1st

**Clubhouse
Rentals:**
Kim Emge 297-1679
kemge@pacbell.net

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Supervisor:**
Hal Brown
499-7331
hbrown@marin.org

President's Message

If you've wandered around the SHHA Clubhouse and grounds lately, you might have noticed that we've done a fair amount of "sprucing up" this year.

There are two new windows being installed on either side of the fireplace. Not only will these let in more light inside the clubhouse, but they'll help retain the heat during the winter and keep it cooler during the summer. Surrounding the new windows are new interior walls.

If you've been at the clubhouse during swim season this summer, you may have noticed many of the many repairs that were made to our rest facilities. Both the women's AND men's bathrooms have had baby change tables installed, plus the women got new and additional mirrors and hair dryers!

We opened up the doors between the inside and

outside bathrooms to give access to more stalls, and fixed any broken shower heads.

We're also in the process of replacing the door from the kitchen to the back alley to bring it up to fire code.

Finally, we added more tan bark to the playground area (thanks to the SHNS for distributing!) to cushion the tushes of our little one's.

The bike rack was installed earlier this summer and now we're looking at adding bricks to the area directly in front so the kids can easily put their wheels into the rack and have their bikes stay vertical. If you're interested in purchasing a brick and honoring a family member, please shoot me an email at

Carolyn@goodmanmarketing.com or send a check to SHHA and note your inscription request. Just like the bricks that are on the

ground in front of our Snack Shack, these bricks are an opportunity for you to leave your mark for future generations. A donation of \$50 per small brick, \$100 for a large brick is requested.

Many, many thanks to SHHA Vice President Rolf Selvig and his construction crew for taking on the never-ending SHHA Buildings and Grounds upkeep challenges.

As we get ready for Halloween (it's on a Saturday night this year), remember to keep your little one's safe with reflective tape, flashlights and a firm grip. Unfortunately, we do get a lot of traffic in many neighborhoods that night, so if you're planning to drive, S-L-O-W down and help keep everyone safe.

Finally, we're accepting nominations for the 2010/11 SHHA board. If you're interested, please contact me before Nov. 1st.

Carolyn Goodman

Mark Your Calendar!

- *Saturday, Dec. 5th: Children's Holiday Party*
- *Sunday, Dec. 6th: SHHA President's Party*
- *Sunday, Dec. 13th: Holiday Music Festival, SH Presbyterian Church*

Important Contact Information

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MONTHLY BULLETIN

More vandalism in the Hollow — and one very big sigh of relief

It seems our beautiful neighborhood is a target for fun and some not-so-fun acts of vandalism.

While many of us with teens know what it's like to wake up and discover our home, trees and yard have been tee-peed, that relatively harmless act is merely an annoyance — especially if it rained during the night!

I have been troubled to discover that kids have found it humorous to

throw feces into a homeowners' pool. Not only is it not funny, it's a health hazard for all concerned.

After multiple incidences of this activity, this homeowner has issued a warning that once he catches the culprits, they will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. In addition to adding motion detector-activated floodlights, discussion is underway for the addition of hidden cameras. So... consider yourself warned.

While other teens (and adults!) find it fun to drive at excessive speeds on our streets, Penny Mcphail was relieved when a driver was showing caution — saving her baby's life!

"We were approaching Butterfield from a quiet, flat side road. My kids were on bikes, I was jogging beside them with baby in a stroller. Inexplicably, one child suddenly lost control. Her bike crashed into me and I was knocked from my feet, my legs entangled in her bike. Breathless in horror, I realized my hand was empty — I had lost my grip on the stroller and looked up to see it already some distance away from us, bounding down the road towards Butterfield. It is every parent's nightmare. The baby inside was singing. I screamed at the top of my lungs, the only thing I could do to try to communicate with the traffic ahead. I could see that I was not going to catch the stroller before it reached the road. All I could do was sprint and yell and watch. At that moment my baby's life was dependent on what vehicle was coming along next and how attentive the driver was. If it was a car, were they putting on lipstick, fiddling with music, glancing at a cell phone, lighting a cigarette, arguing with a passenger...and what speed they were going? A car stopped in time. I reached the stroller when it was half way across the first lane. We were all fine.

I have stood on crosswalks on that road with a baby in my arms and two small children by my side, waved a foot in the air to show just how very much we wish cross only to have vehicles hurtle by so fast we feel in danger of losing our noses. Sometimes the driver mouths a silent 'sorry'.

I'd like to thank the lady who was able to stop. She wore a red sweatshirt and had long dark hair. And thanks to the lady who took my son to school so I could tend to my daughter. Please.. drive as if a stroller might come shooting out of the next side road ahead of YOU.

School News

San Domenico School:

Open House-October 17th

Boys & Girls: Pre-K- Grade 8—10 a.m. and

Girls: Grades 9th-12th— 11 a.m.
Call 258-1905

Film Festival

Did you know San Domenico is a very proud sponsor of the 2009 Mill Valley Film Festival? We'll be co-sponsoring two films during the October event: Homegrown (with Whole Foods) and Project Happiness (with Lucas Film). Join us in the audience...visit cafilm.org for show times and tickets.

Dogs on Campus

Remember, San Domenico is part of a private parcel of land at the end of Butterfield Road. Access to campus roads and trails has always been openly available to our Sleepy Hollow neighbors and dogs, however in doing so you must adhere to the leash law: every visiting dog must be on a leash for the safety of students and other animals.

Thank you neighbors!

Ring Mountain Day School:


70 Lomita Dr.
Mill Valley, CA 94941
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Open House-November 15

Preschool- Grade 8

Middle School Parents Visiting December 9th

For additional information please contact your neighbors
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Ask us about our programs for youth:

- Challenge Class for the High School and college crowd
- KAT program for kids Grade 6—8

Also: Al-Anon Meetings:
Monday 10:00am

The 2009 Men's Tennis Tournament Story

2:00 PM Friday September 11, 2009 A warrior goes down.

Kay gets the call from Haden Ongaro - released from the emergency room after the Thursday "crash and burn" off his mountain bike, on the descent from Loma Alta - his shredded body sewn up - he reluctantly has to withdraw from the BEARS team.



5:00 AM Saturday September 12, 2009 Tournament Day

FLASH + BOOM + RAIN A lighting & thunder storm rolls over Sleepy Hollow and the tournament is in jeopardy of cancellation on this tenth year anniversary. Power fails in the Hollow.

8:30 AM Gray sky, sprinkle, stop, sprinkle, stop, sprinkle

The mighty combatants DOGS, BULLS, BEARS and EAGLES drift onto the San Domenico courts uncertain about the day. Hamish McPhail studied the teams and the draw and predicts victory for the Bobby Diskint, Bill Malet, Brad Schauer, Reinhard Ludke led BULLS.

10:30 AM Rain Pours from the sky - Rain delay - how long will this last ?

The ground crew sweep the courts - and Round 3 commences again after a 40 minute rain delay - the tennis warriors are eager to return to the battlefield. Jerry Kellerher starts the fire to cook the battles commence again. Courts dry, racquet swords flash and the five rounds are completed.

2:00 PM Sun shines, beer flows, the warriors feast on the beast, and a winner is crowned

Those might BEARS, led by Chris Staskus, Hamish McPhail, Elliot Morshead and JB Baulis amass 178 games easily besting the 168 game total of the BULLS. The EAGLES Johnny Rushworth, Joel Hiser, and the DOGS Jeff Wells, John Miller and Mike Pierce also have to wait another year for that taste of victory. The families at home will admire that shining victory trophy that dad adds to his collection.

4:00 PM the well is dry - the teams disburse - practice begins for 2010 - Eleventh Year Tournament

By Reinhard Ludke, Tournament Director

Classifieds

SCHOOL OF FANTASY ROCK- Pam Selvig, local piano teacher/producer is seeking aspiring young musicians to record on a CD for the YES FOUNDATION and/or DRAKE HIGH SCHOOL as a fundraiser. Call Pam Selvig @457-9908 of e-mail pselvig@comcast.net for details.

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Summer Never Ends

September/October 2009

Saturday, August 29, 2009--The Unofficial Ending of Summer in some parts of the country is just another PERFECT DAY for tennis in Sleepy Hollow. Temperatures in the 70s (at 8:00 am) and the courts filled--4 women on Courts 1 and 12 men on Courts 3,4, and 5. And then lo and behold, the men migrate to the women's court, challenge the women to a set or two of doubles and yes, as expected, get their collective rear ends kicked. Tennis in the Hollow--Priceless.

Mixed Tournament, October 3, 2009: A full slate of participants on a picture perfect day with Brad "Backboard" Schauer and Pamela Plummer eeking out victory over Luke Hargreaves and Colleen Bertiglia followed by a wonderful gala at the home of Robert and Christina Diskint. Kudos to Tournament Chairman Joel Hiser. Best news, no injuries and racquet abuse was at a minimum.

Speaking of racquets, it's time for the answer to last month's teaser--What are the Origins of Throwing One's Racquet. The Answer: No one seems to know although we can confirm that throwing one's racquet did not (repeat did not) originate on the courts at San Domenico (although it is occasionally practiced there and some have made it into an art form).

Next month: Why do tennis balls have "fuzz" on them?

Have a great October.
Richard, SHTC President

Babysitting: Are you looking for a babysitter, perhaps two?! We live in Sleepy Hollow, are both 14 yrs. old, and are very experienced. We both have our CPR and Babysitting certificates. Please contact MacKenzie or Madison at 482-8454

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