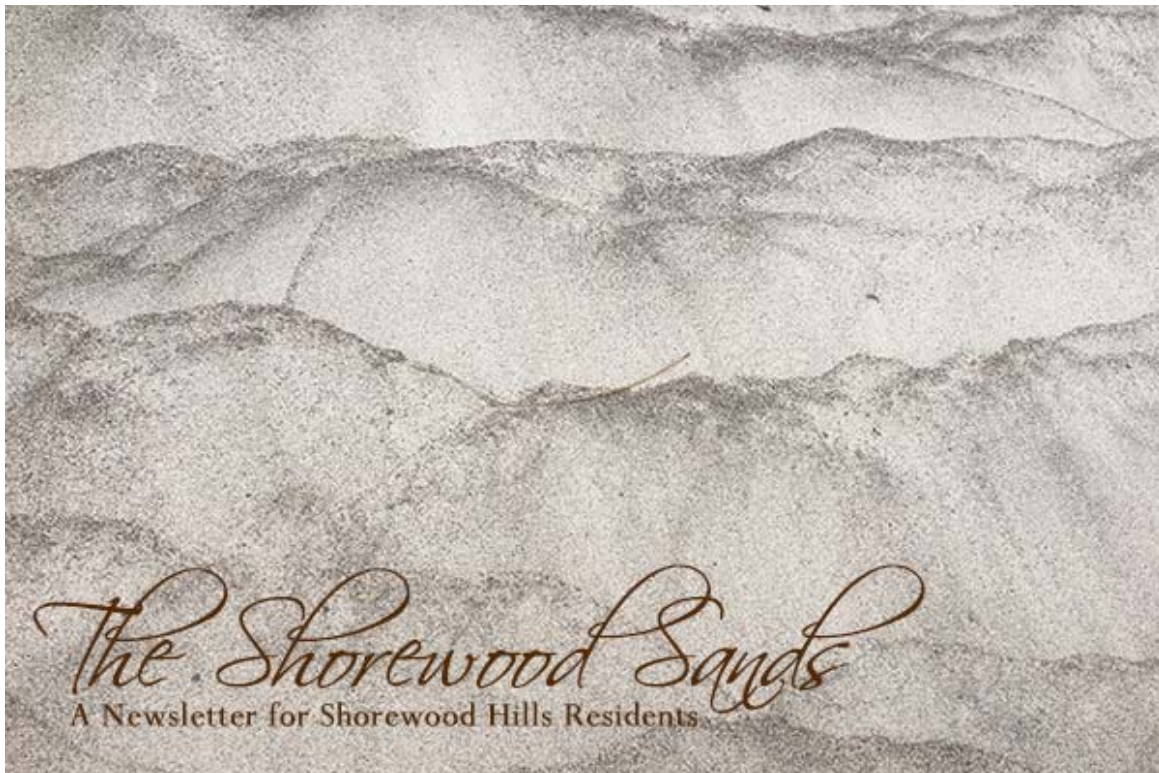


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Important news and information from Shorewood Hills.



So much to do, with great fun!

Just some thoughts to remind us that there's so much more here than just the gorgeous lake and woods and kind people who live around us! Have you tried these:

- the paths in the conservation easement across from our main Shorewood entrance! Trees even have identity plaques!
- the many breweries in addition to Greenbush, up and down Red Arrow!
- the trails in the dunes at the end of Floral Lane, two miles above the state park! One place is higher than Tower Hill!
- the many offerings at the Acorn Theatre in Three Oaks. Little theatres often are the best!
- sunsets from either our North or South decks! Seriously, some have never gone down to observe how wonderfully they are made!

- biking on Browntown and up Snow for breakfast at one of the four great local-color restaurants in Bridgman! Do not do Red Arrow!
- the free concerts on Saturday evenings, in the Cannon park in Three Oaks! One last summer included our own Jos Davidson!
- the many challenging dunes to climb in the state park! Not just Tower Hill!
- worship services at 10:15 on Sundays at nearby Bethany Beach Tabernacle! Guests are welcome and singing is strong!
- paddle-boarding for the first time, even if you do not have a board! Several paddlers at both of our beaches are eager to teach and share!
- a walk on the beach, or cross-country skiing there, in the winter when it seems like walking on the moon! Beauty of a different sort!
- coffee or other drinks with a new resident! Several are moving in next Spring!
- checking your walking or jogging pace on our lower main oval with Orchard on the east and Hillside on the west. Almost exactly a mile!
- Summerfest events and mixing! It is not just for kids! (Next year on July 21, a little earlier than usual!)
- a nap on the beach in October when it is still warm! Several tried it last week!
- a donation of furniture or clothing to the new home of Harbor Country Mission, the new occupants at the corner of Tower Hill and Red Arrow. Someone in the area will benefit!

See what you think, or add some I missed!

Your Board's concerns and actions

Our quarterly meeting of the officers and ten chairs of areas of responsibility heard reports including...

...home building and improvement activity, especially around south loop. Drive with caution and rejoice with owners!

...a sprinkler system and new flowers are now at our front gate, and improvements for our Community House. Thanks to Cindy Ellis and Sue Johnson for caring for these.

...ongoing discussions with government agencies about water testing, especially for our creek. We always urge caution and refraining from swimming there.

...five houses and two lots for sale right now.

...very positive reports on our budget and financial reserves, which are designated for scheduled needs. We are grateful!

President's Letter

The weather has turned cooler and the leaves are turning a rainbow of colors. Autumn is a beautiful season in Shorewood -- come enjoy it!

A special committee of your Board of Directors is working through the issue of commercial short-term rentals, many of which go through third-party media sites like Airbnb or VRBO. Rental activity was noticeably up this summer.

Renters who are not friends and family do not typically have an understanding of our community, appreciate the importance of our rules, or value Shorewood's long-term well-being. An influx of strangers can also increase the density and diminish the enjoyability of our beaches as well as potentially raise legitimate public safety issues.



Mike and Liz

It also leads to economic free-riding as all owners pay the same dues but only some pocket substantial rental income. There is no doubt that rents are higher in Shorewood than elsewhere because our homes, roads, beautiful beach, and commonly owned property are all private.

How do we maintain the wonderful quality of life we are blessed with in Shorewood? If you have an opinion or thoughts, please contact Mike James, Sue Johnson, Carolyn McKellin, Judy Modica, Steve Foertsch, or me.

A related problem is strangers using our beach. Shorewood is no longer a secret. We have seen people walk in or be dropped off who are not members, friends or family, or legitimate renters. How do we identify those rightfully on the beach from those trespassing? Again, please forward your comments to a committee member.

Concerned, as you probably are,
Mike

At both beaches, please, by November 1



Here is beach chair Mike James getting ready to remove boards from the North Beach post area, and also asking all of us to clear the South Beach and the posts area of the North Beach by the end of October, please.

And remember your post to use the same one next summer, please.

Bottom steps are back at North Beach

The sand moved and created the need, so we have added five more for immediate use -- same builder, same good material.



Dates for any and all!

For any: Octoberfest on Saturday, October 28, 1:00-3:00 p.m. at Haymaker Pub and Brewery. \$15 includes all the pizza you choose and a free beer or beverage. Sign up in the mailroom or with nmrwessen@sbcglobal.net, Noreen Wessendorf.

For all: dues, please, to support all we do. The annual dues amount of \$650 is due no later than December 1 and can be delivered to our Property Manager or mailed to Stacy Gustin, Financial Secretary. Thank you for great and prompt responses these last two years.

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