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Letter from the President



Remember when you were a kid and summer seemed to last forever? The days were long and you did a whole lot of nothing? Times sure have changed. Summer is just as busy as any other time of year.

The Shandon Neighborhood Council has been busy planning for the months ahead. The third annual National Night Out event will be held on Tuesday, August 2, at 6:00 p.m. at Sims Park. This is a great opportunity to meet your neighbors and to speak to city leaders about whatever is on your mind, including crime prevention. The council has also been exploring ways to improve the neighborhood website so that it will become the go-to site for information concerning Shandon. The committee for the Homes for the Holidays Tour has been meeting and looking for houses to make this year's tour one of the best. And plans are underway for another successful Turkey Trot in November.

The neighborhood council has also spent some time giving back. The council recently voted to donate a bulletproof vest to the City of Columbia in honor of the police officer who was shot while on duty in our neighborhood. The vest was presented to Officer Broder at a

City Council meeting in May. Words cannot express our gratitude to the officers who kept us safe on that sad and scary morning in April. Many of you attended the neighborhood meeting and stood to give the officers and SWAT team a standing ovation.

One of the many lessons that came out of the shooting incident that shocked our neighborhood is that if you see something suspicious, please, please, please call 911. That is what our neighborhood newspaper delivery man did and who knows what would have happened if he hadn't. We plan to recognize Mr. Thomas Scott at the next neighborhood meeting.

Finally, I would like to welcome Annie Caggiano to the neighborhood council. Annie is a lifelong resident of Shandon and has already brought great ideas and enthusiasm to the council.

I hope you will stay in touch through Shandon's Facebook page and the neighborhood website at www.shandonneighborhood.com. You can also join our neighborhood email list by emailing me at tcundari@gmail.com or Carla Moore at carlalewismoore@gmail.com.

Wishing you a long and easygoing summer,

Tina Cundari

President, Shandon Neighborhood Council



Members of the SNC presented a check for \$700 in honor of CPD Officer Alexander Broder to the City of Columbia on May 17, 2011. These funds will purchase one bulletproof vest/body armor for a CPD officer. Officer Broder was shot in the line of duty while on patrol in the Shandon neighborhood on April 27. Representing the SNC at the City Council meeting were Annie Caggiano, Caroline Clarkson, Mary Greene, Carla Moore and Julie Ruff.

Fundraiser for Harvest Hope, July 23rd from 11am-6pm at Brittons on Devine. Please bring canned goods or \$10.00 donation. Thanks!

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT in the Park!

How to Train Your Dragon: July 29th
Cars: August 26th

Location: Emily Douglas Park Amphitheater
Admission: one can of food for Harvest Hope Food Bank
"Gates" open at 7:30pm and the movie starts at 8:00pm.

Family Movie Night in the Park will be a FREE event for the Shandon community, sponsored by several local businesses. We will show a family-friendly movie, give away FREE popcorn and drinks, and have tons of giveaways and door prizes. Feel free to bring something to sit on and/or a picnic.

In case of rain or for movie details, call 803-760-9106 or check Shandon Neighborhood's Facebook page

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Homes for the Holidays 2011

The annual Shandon/Hollywood-Rose Hill Holiday Tour of Homes is scheduled for Sunday, December 4th. The committee is hard at work organizing this year's Tour and is looking for neighbors who would like to either put their home on the Tour or may know someone who has a home that would be great! We are also looking for volunteers to be docents for a shift that day (you would receive a ticket to see the homes yourself). Please contact either Julie Ruff at jluff@sc.rr.com, Mary Greene at greenegrassroots@aol.com or Caroline Clarkson at acc3@bellsouth.net. In addition, if you know of a business who may want to advertise, let us know! And if your home is on the Tour or you are a docent, you will be invited to a great wrap-up party that evening that is a lot of fun!

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From Senator John Courson



The first session of the 119th General Assembly should adjourn by July 1.

I am honored to represent you in the Senate and to serve as Chairman of the Senate Education Committee. The areas of governance on which I spend a majority of my time are education, protecting our environment, and fiscal responsibility.

This year we were able to provide increased funding for education, which is approximately 56% of the state budget. We passed no legislation that would adversely affect the environment. There is no general tax increase in the appropriations bill, and the Palmetto State will continue to be one of only a handful of states to enjoy a AAA bonding rating. We are continuing to attract new businesses and the unemployment rate in Richland and Lexington Counties is below the national average.

The United States Constitution mandates that states begin the reapportionment process after the decennial census to reflect equal representation. Senate District 20, in which you reside, has a population of 100,750, of which 11,323 reside in the Shandon, Wales Garden, and Rosewood neighborhoods. There are 32 precincts in the district (23 in Richland, 9 in Lexington). I am very pleased to report the reapportionment plan the Senate will adopt keeps the precincts in our neighborhood together.

My family (Lisa, Jay, Elizabeth, Harris) and I have lived on the same square block in Shandon for 35 years. This is a great neighborhood, and we have been pleased to have so many friendships that transcend political affiliations. I hope to see you at National Night Out in August and movie nights in Emily Douglas Park. Kindly contact me, at seducomm@scsenate.gov or 212-6250, if I can be of assistance.

Fill the Red Truck Pet Drive 2011

Shandon neighbors and friends from the greater Columbia area again demonstrated their commitment to needy animals with an exceptional outpouring of generosity. We delivered 5 truckloads of food, litter, cleaning supplies, toys, treats and much more to the Columbia City Shelter, and donated a record \$1500 to the Animal Mission to support their free spaying and neutering program. Our monetary contributions have tripled since our first drive in 2009!



Not only was the drive a record success thanks to your incredible support, we had an *event* at Heyward and Holly, celebrating community, meeting neighbors, making new friends, many with their beloved furry companions in tow. Contributors came from Blythewood and Chapin; Mayor Benjamin came by. Two friends came from Darlington to help, and to learn how to organize a drive in their community! TV and print media coverage promoted the drive and especially the work of the Animal Mission, which provided spay/neuter vouchers to be donated as needed.

Clearly, we are a neighborhood which loves our pets and cares for the welfare of all animals in our community. Thank you all for "Filling the Red Truck" to overflowing!

National Night Out 2011

Please join us for the third annual National Night Out in Shandon on Tuesday, August 2, from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. at Sims Park. National Night Out is a nationwide event held on the first Tuesday in August. The purpose of the event is to bring neighbors together to show that we are united against crime. Neighbors are encouraged to leave their porch lights on.

Hot dogs and Baskin-Robbins ice cream will be served, and we will have dog biscuits and water bowls for our four-legged residents. The spray pool will be open and fans will be on the table. City leaders are invited to attend.

We hope to see you there!



Richland County to Help Shandon “Make the Switch” at National Night Out in August

Shandon residents will be able to “Make the Switch” from regular light bulbs to energy efficient ones at the neighborhood’s National Night Out event in August. Richland County will sponsor this event. Participants may exchange regular household bulbs for four energy efficient Compact Fluorescent Bulbs. Please note this is an exchange, so start saving old bulbs and bring them to the event.

It’s a bright idea that saves green while helping residents go green! By making the switch, residents can save up to 20% a year on their utility bills, plus if every house in the United States changed all of the light bulbs in their house, it would be equivalent to taking one million cars off the streets.

For more information about the Light Bulb Exchange program and other recycling events in Richland County call 576-2067 or visit www.rcgov.us.

Recipe Corner

Hot Dog Chili

Here’s another great recipe from our neighbor Mary Greene, and one we can all use this summer!

- 1 Pound Ground Beef (I use extra lean)
- 1 Medium Onion, chopped
- 1 cup Water
- 1 cup catsup
- 1 teaspoon salt
- ¼ teaspoon black pepper
- ¼ teaspoon red pepper
- 1 Tablespoon prepared mustard

Cook beef and onion over low heat until done. Drain on paper towels and pat top to remove excess grease. Return to pan and add remaining ingredients and cook over low heat for 45 minutes. Top hot dogs with chili or use for nachos.

24 servings.

We would love to have recipes sent in for the newsletter, so if you have one to share contact Julie Ruff at jlruff@sc.rr.com.



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Seth Rose

Dear Shandon Neighbors:

It is an honor to serve you on County Council. Since taking office in January we have accomplished much but there is still more work to be done.

If there is anything I can do for you please contact me on my cell phone at 803.361.2360.

Most sincerely,
Seth Rose

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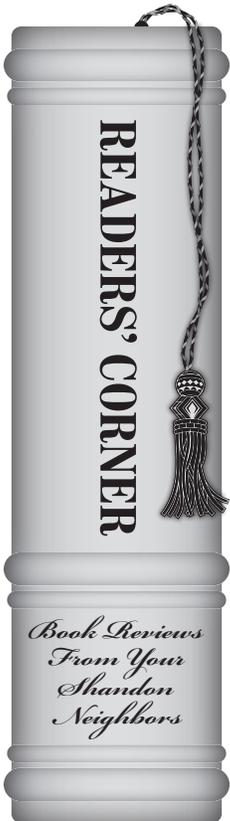
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Green tip

Make the most of summer fruits and vegetables: buy local. Local food doesn't have to travel far; this reduces carbon dioxide emissions and packing materials. Buying local food also helps to make farming more profitable and selling farmland for development less attractive.

2011 Meetings of the Shandon Neighborhood Council: July 11, 6:15 pm at Sims Park • September 12, 6:15 pm at Emily Douglas Park • November 14, 6:15 pm at Sims Park



My Reading Life, by Pat Conroy

Reviewed by Mary Greene

If you enjoy reading Pat Conroy's works of fiction, you will also enjoy his latest book, *My Reading Life*, and see many glimpses into his characters from the books *he's* read or the people he's met along the way and their favorite books. In his Mother and her love of *Gone with the Wind*, you see where the Mother characters in *The Great Santini* and *The Prince of Tides* took root. In his favorite High School English Teacher Gene Norris, and Cliff Graubart, the owner of the "Old New York Book Shop" in Atlanta, you see "Harrington Canon," the antique dealer mentor from *South of Broad*. His beautiful, raven-haired French Teacher at Beaufort High, and his similarly tragic wife in *Beach Music* share the same fate. And in his recounting of meeting Martin Luther King at St. Helena's Penn Center in the early '60s, you see the sweet, gentle nature of "Toomer," one of the central characters in *The Great Santini*. (I also learned a great inside joke about why he chose to call that character "Toomer," since I am originally from Beaufort.)

My Reading Life is a great summer read—each chapter stands alone, and if you are lucky enough to be going off for several weekends this summer, you don't have to worry about remembering what the characters were doing when you were last able to pick up the book. But one word of caution—it may make you want to go back and re-read Conroy's novels now that you know more about where the characters originated, which may not be such a bad thing after all.



Calling all Dogs—

big, small, and everything in between! If you are looking for your dog and you to have a good time together and want to meet other dogs and dog owners in the community, come out to Emily Douglas Park every Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. or 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Come on out for a DOGGONE good time! Treats will be provided for dogs and water for dog owners to cool down. If you have any comments, questions, or concerns you can contact Cory Etheridge by email at coetheridge@columbiasc.net or by phone at 803-733-8531.