

Candlewood Shores Recreation Committee Meeting Notes

Date: September 15, 2026

Upcoming Events

Almost Ablaze Band Night

Saturday, September 19, 2026

- Almost Ablaze will perform.
- Cilantro Food Truck and J&E Ice Cream will be onsite.
- Facebook post went out September 14.
- Email will be sent September 15.
- Sandwich board and yard signs will be put out September 15.
- Danielle will meet Cilantro.
- Bunny will set up the tent.

Annual Shores Fall Fest

Sunday, October 11, 2026

- Twins BBQ confirmed as the food truck.
- Tapville truck confirmed for **3:00–6:00 PM**.
- Bunny booked and confirmed the steel drum band.
- Submit check request and insurance certificate for the band.
- **Stage/setup:** Determine whether the steel drum band needs a stage.
 - Possible location: concrete pad by the bike rack, since Twins BBQ will be near the parking lot.
- Meegan will book J&E Ice Cream.
- Yard games are needed.
- Bunny will be the main point of contact.
- Meegan will be at football games that day.

Halloween Trivia

Friday, October 30, 2026

- Heather will lead the event.
- Facebook post and email needed.
- Make note that this is an **adult-only** event.

Halloween Kids Party & Doggie Parade

Target date: Sunday, October 25, 2026, or another Sunday morning

- Need to finalize the date.
- Reserve the Clubhouse.
- If weather is nice, consider holding the event on the ballfield.
- Need a volunteer to lead/coordinate. Danielle/Heather, and Meegan can help.
- Facebook event and email needed.
- Activity ideas:
 - Donuts on a string
 - Pumpkin painting
 - Mummy wrap
 - Tic-tac-toe with gourds
- Pumpkin sources could include a local farm, Costco, or Stew Leonard's.
- Need to confirm whether the doggie parade will be part of the event.

Inventory

- Danielle will meet with Meegan to go through the committee inventory for Halloween items.

Food Drive

Sunday, October 11, 2026 — Fall Fest

- Food drive to be incorporated into Fall Fest.

November Ladies Night

- Discuss potential November date.
- Bring a treat to share and BYOB.
- Friday Sip & Paint signage/event concept.
- Bunny suggested a wine-tasting component.

Holiday Events

Holiday Kids Party

Sunday, December 6, 2026 | 11:00 AM–2:00 PM

- Meegan will reserve the Clubhouse.
- Activity ideas:
 - Cookie decorating

- Crafts
- Donuts on a string

Other Holiday Events

- **Doggie Holiday Event:** Need to determine whether to hold one and select a date.
- **Santa Visits the Shores:** Meegan reached out to the Boy Scout troop.
- **Holiday Caroling:** Meegan will ask Heather P. about participation/help.
- **Holiday Trivia:** Proposed for **Friday, December 4, 2026**; adult-only. Confirmed projector. Let vendor know.
- **Holiday Lights Contest:**
 - Have the signs out no later than the week of Christmas.
 - Consider adding new categories.
 - Include a small note regarding returning to the office.

Summer 2027 Planning

Band Nights

Thank you to Bunny for booking the 2027 Band Nights once again!

- **Saturday, June 5, 2027 — JUNK Band**
 - Pizza Truck
 - Tent for newcomers
 - Have event flyers available.
 - Promote the Facebook page and ways residents can stay informed about upcoming events.
 - Provide contact/email information as appropriate.
- **Saturday, July 17, 2027 — Southern Voice**
 - Cilantro Food Truck
- **August 2027**
 - Band and date TBD.
- **Saturday, September 4, 2027 — What It Is**
 - Labor Day Weekend
 - Need a food truck.
 - Rich's Wings and Things is a possible option if available.

Food Trucks

Food trucks to contact:

- Novanta Secondi Pizza
- Rich's Wings and Things

- Cilantro
- Smash Bros — interested in attending all Band Nights
- Other food truck suggestions welcome.

Action: Meegan will reach out to additional food trucks to attend in addition to Smash Bros.

Action: Bunny will reach out to Anchor Management.

Movie Nights — Summer 2027

- Committee agreed to have **3 Movie Nights** instead of the usual 2.
- Proposed months:
 - June
 - July
 - August
- Need to select specific dates.
- Plan for **one food truck per Movie Night**.

Summer Picnic — 2027

- Possible date: **Saturday, July 10, 2027**
- Brief discussion needed regarding caterers.
- Hacienda was suggested as a possible caterer.
- Consider having a mariachi band.

Newcomers

- Discuss creating a **welcome basket**.
- Consider including a general welcome letter/information about the Shores.
- Need to determine who will coordinate this initiative.

Committee Operations / Follow-Up

Invoices, Checks & Event Setup

- Brandon needs to take greater accountability for:
 - Submitting and tracking invoices.
 - Making sure event setups are arranged.
 - Confirming stage/setup requirements.
 - Ensuring checks are available when needed.
 - Communicating the status of outstanding items to the committee.

Next Meeting

October 20, 2026

The Board meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, October 21, 2026**.