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Cherry Creek on Brodie Lane Neighborhood Association

December 2006

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Silk Oak Park construction continues



The shape of playscapes to come
Photo by Phil Brown
(See photos in full color at www.peelinc.com)



Fresh curb marks upper play area
Photo by Phil Brown

Dick Nichols pool open year-round

The Dick Nichols pool, 8011 Beckett Dr., will be open year-round, the city has announced. The pool has been heated and the city offers several programs to the public.

Recreation swim and lap swim hours

Monday-Friday: 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. and 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Weekends: 1-4 p.m.

Winter season entry fees are: adults, \$2; seniors age 62 and over, \$1; juniors ages 12-17, \$1; and children ages 11 and under, free.

Programs

Youth Fitness Swimmer, ages 5-17

Participants must have no fear of the water and must be able to swim 25 meters unassisted. The program is designed to develop lifelong fitness habits and increase strength and endurance.

Cost is \$45 per session. Class times are 6-6:40 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays.

The session dates are:

Winter Session 1 - Jan. 8- Feb. 1

Winter Session 2 - Feb. 5-March 1

Spring Session - March 5-29

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2006 Annual Christmas Decoration Contest

Merry Christmas and pass the extension cord! We always have some outstanding streetscapes at this time of year, and we enjoy honoring those who go all-out with nativities, Santas and snowmen. Hey, it's the closest to snow we're likely to get around here.

So enter the street address of your nominees and put the ballot in the box by the marquee by the end of the day, Dec. 18.

Best Overall Design

1st Place _____

2nd Place _____

3rd Place _____

Other categories

Childrens' Favorite _____

Best Front Door _____

Best Use of Color _____

Best Daytime Decorations _____

Best Indoor Decorations Visible from Outside _____

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Association Info

Cherry Creek on Brodie Lane Neighborhood Association
 main.org/ccobna cherrycreekonbrodie@yahoo.com

You can join the association by paying annual dues of \$25. (See application form elsewhere in this edition.) Please mail your dues to the following:

Kristy Brown
 Treasurer, CCoBLNA
 3322 Silkgrass Bend

Our address for other correspondence:
 CCoBLNA
 PO Box 150127
 Austin, TX 78715-0127

We also have a drop box attached to our entrance marquee. **This is not a US Mail box**, so please don't put your utility bill in it. You can put dues checks or other correspondence in this box and be sure to raise the red flag. Board members check it frequently.

CCoBLNA is a member of the Oak Hill Association of Neighborhoods and the Austin Neighborhoods Council, and a non-profit corporation of the State of Texas.

Dick Nichols pool - (Continued from Page 1)

Advanced Fitness Swimmer

The City of Austin will offer a swimming program for adults ages 18 and older. The classes will be supervised by Sandy Neilson-Bell, 1972 Olympic triple medalist, and Dr. Keith Bell, former university of Texas Swim Coach. The program is designed for competitive swimmers, tri-athletes and fitness swimmers alike. Minimal swimming skill is required along with some equipment.

Practice days and times: 6:45-7:45 p.m. Monday and Thursday and 9-10 a.m. Saturday; or noon-1 p.m. Monday and Wednesday and 9-10 a.m. Saturday.

Sessions begin Nov. 27 and Dec. 11. Cost is \$45 per 2-week session. A yearly American Swimming Association membership fee of \$15 is also required.

For registration information, you may call 974-9332 or see the Web site:

<http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/parks/aquatics.htm>

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I (we) are willing to serve on a committee:

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- Landscaping Development Social events
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Mutchlers take Yard of Month honors

Photos by Phil Brown

Jason and Jeannie Mutchler, 9321 Silk Oak Cove, have received the November 2006 Yard of the Month award.

The longtime residents have consistently maintained one of the most beautiful homes in Cherry Creek on Brodie. Theirs is the first home visitors to our neighborhood see, and it always makes a great first impression.

In addition to keeping a great house, the Mutchlers are longtime supporters of the neighborhood association and area activities. They also help keep an eye on things at our entrance and in the front park, and we have long valued Jason's presence as an Austin Police Department officer in our neighborhood.

Please offer them your heartfelt thanks and congratulations next time you see them.

Who will be our next Yard of the Month winners? See the "You Make Us Look Good" ballot in this issue and let us know what you think.



Corner lot reflects years of care



Eye-catching bed anchors the yard's corner



Trees gracefully frame the entrance walk

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Come as a sheep, servant or king!

By Oak Hill UMC

Oak Hill United Methodist Church invites your family to worship at 5 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 24, at its annual Christmas Eve Family Service.

As we read the Christmas story, children are invited to come forward and play the role of Mary, Joseph, the wise men and even the animals.

"Last year, we had nine Mary's, all up there with their baby dolls," said the Rev. Valerie Sansing, associate pastor. "It's a relaxed, family-friendly service."

Oak Hill United Methodist Church will hold three other services on Christmas Eve, featuring carols by candlelight at 7 and 9 p.m., and a communion service at 11 p.m.

Oak Hill United Methodist Church is located across from the ACC Pinnacle campus on Highway 290 West. Worship services are held at 9 and 11:15 a.m. Sundays.

Cherry Creek Chronicles is pleased to publish news of special church and school events. Please contact pgbrown@mac.com for more information.

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Cowan Elementary needs box top\$ for education

By Megan Larkin

MegansAvon@yahoo.com

Ever wonder what to do with the Box Tops for Education coupons that are on many General Mills products? You can donate them to Cowan Elementary! They can then be redeemed by Cowan for 10 cents each.

So cut them out and drop them in the mailbox by the front marquee. I will collect them periodically and get them to the school. They save them all year long, so you can help our Cherry Creek elementary school any time of the year, and it won't cost you a dime!

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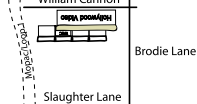
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Old stone meets new concrete ramp



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Past editions of the community newsletter also have been archived online for readers' convenience. The online newsletter continues to be a vital resource for the public to get up-to-date information about Austin City News, according to the Web site.

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County offers tips to prepare for possible pandemic

The Austin-Travis County Health and Human Services Department is preparing for a possible flu pandemic by reaching out to the community and offering some practical steps everyone can take.

Pandemic flu is a global outbreak of a new and different flu virus. A pandemic would occur worldwide, unlike an epidemic, which occurs locally or regionally. A pandemic virus spreads rapidly between people, affecting a large number in a short period of time. Because it would be a new virus, people would have little or no immunity and there would be no vaccine. It would be far more serious and deadly than the regular flu.

It is difficult to predict when the next flu pandemic would happen or how severe it could be. There were three worldwide pandemics during the last century. The important thing is to be aware and prepared:

- Stay healthy by washing your hands frequently, covering coughs and sneezes and staying home if you are sick.
- Make an emergency readiness kit with non-perishable food and water, emergency medical information, prescription medications and cough and cold medicines. Include a basic first-aid kit, flashlight and radio.
- Even though it will not protect you against pandemic flu, be sure to get an annual flu shot to avoid seasonal flu.
- Keep yourself informed about pandemic flu. Visit the Web site at www.cityofaustin.org/pandemic.

For more information or to request a speaker, contact the Austin-Travis County Health and Human Services' pandemic flu information line at 972-7111, or e-mail pandemicflu@ci.austin.tx.us.

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1—AUSTIN: Sweet Honey in the Rock Six African-American women join their powerful voices to create a narrative that shares history, encourages activism and praises life. Their harmonies mix gospel, blues and jazz. Paramount Theatre. www.austintheatre.org 512/472-5470

1—GEORGETOWN: First Fridays, a Celebration of the Arts www.downtowngeorgetownassociation.org 512/868-8675

1-2—AUSTIN: Austin Symphony "Young at Heart" Bass Concert Hall. www.austinsymphony.org 512/476-6064

1-3—AUSTIN: Way of the World UT's MFA Actors play a kooky cast of intertwined characters competing for profit and love in 1700 London. UT PAC's Oscar G. Brockett Theatre. www.utpac.org 512/477-6060

1-3—AUSTIN: An Arts & Crafts Affaire At the Austin Automobile Dealers Association Car Show. Austin Convention Center. www.samishow.com 512/441-7133

1-3—AUSTIN: Wild Ideas: The Shopping Event Hours are 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center. www.wildflower.org 512/292-4200

1-3—GEORGETOWN: Sun City Kiwanis Christmas Home Tour 512/818-8181

1-10—AUSTIN: European Works on Paper: Rembrandt's Etchings Museum presents more than two dozen of the artist's etchings that span his life and development. Works by followers and later generations of artists inspired by Rembrandt also will be shown. Blanton Museum of Art. www.blantonmuseum.org

1-23—GEORGETOWN: Meet Me in St. Louis Palace Theatre. www.thegeorgetownpalace.org 512/869-7469

1-31—AUSTIN: 37th Street Lights Enjoy the funky holiday display along 37th Street from Guadalupe Street to Home Lane. www.texaslesstraveled.com/37thstreet.htm

1-Jan. 7—AUSTIN: Miss Ima's Quilts Exhibition showcases 25 quilts Ima Hogg collected representing traditional American quilting — pieced, appliqued, whole cloth, patriotic and album quilts. Bob Bullock Texas State History Museum. www.thestoryoftexas.com 512/936-8746

1-Jan. 14—AUSTIN: Luca Cambiaso, 1527-1585 Art Exhibit Retrospective of famous 16th Century Italian painter. Blanton Museum of Art, University of Texas. www.blantonmuseum.org 512/471-7324

1-May 28—AUSTIN: Power to the People: The Electrification of Rural Texas Tells the unique story of one of the most dramatic events in Texas history. Lyndon Baines Johnson Library & Museum. www.lbjlib.utexas.edu 512/721-0200

2—AUSTIN: Texas State Capitol Tree Lighting/KUT Holiday Stroll John Aielli, host of local NPR affiliate KUT's "Eklektikos," leads the group in traditional carols. Texas State Capitol Grounds. www.capitol.state.tx.us

2—GEORGETOWN: 26th Annual Christmas Stroll www.downtowngeorgetownassociation.org 512/868-8675

2, 5-7—AUSTIN: German Christmas Market Enjoy live performances of traditional German Christmas music and a special visit by Saint Nikolaus on Dec. 2. Hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Dec. 2 and noon to 4 p.m. the other days. German Free School building. www.germantexans.org 512/482-0927

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3-31—AUSTIN: Trail of Lights & Zilker Christmas Tree Begins with the tree lighting on Dec. 3. Pedestrian Trail of Lights, which begins Dec. 11, transforms a mile-long stretch of the park into a wonderland of lights. Zilker Park. www.cityofaustin.org/parks 512/974-6700

8—ROUND ROCK: Bah Humbug! Offers a unique, one-man adaptation of the classic A Christmas Carol. Part of the Christmas Family Night. www.thecompanytheatre.org 512/963-8499

8-10—AUSTIN: Luminations The center's landscapes glow with soft light from thousands of luminarias, torches, lanterns and twinkle lights as music fills the air. Children make crafts and are entertained by storytellers. Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center. www.wildflower.org 512/292-4200

9—AUSTIN: On Tap – The Souls of Our Feet Tapestry, Austin's multi-form dance company, celebrates America's indigenous art form. Begins at noon. One World Theatre. www.oneworldtheatre.org 512/329-6753

9-23—AUSTIN: The Nutcracker Ballet Austin presents this beloved holiday tradition with live accompaniment by the Austin Symphony Orchestra. Bass Concert Hall. www.balletaustin.org 512/476-2163

9-24—AUSTIN: Armadillo Christmas Bazaar Art and music coalesce in this seasonal celebration of Austin's unique culture. Browse among paintings, jewelry, ceramics, drawings, photographs, sculpture, toys, leather goods and much more. Austin Music Hall. www.armadillobazaar.com 512/447-1605

112—AUSTIN: Austin Symphony Presents Handel's Messiah The symphony teams up with Chorus Austin to present this immortal masterpiece and ring in the holiday season. Riverbend Centre. www.austinsymphony.org 512/476-6064

14—AUSTIN: Scottish Christmas with Bonnie Rideout Celebrate the holidays with traditional Scottish music and caroling tunes. Traditional dancers add grace and excitement. Paramount Theatre. www.austintheatre.org 512/472-5470

17—AUSTIN: Jingle Bell 5-K Bell-clad runners jingle along their course. Features photos with Santa, games and costume contests for people and pets. Auditorium Shores. www.runtex.com 800/777-6233

19—AUSTIN: Austin Symphony's Christmas Sing-along The symphony invites families and friends to sing holiday favorites with a full orchestra. Riverbend Centre. www.austinsymphony.org 512/476-6064

20, 27—AUSTIN: Holiday Favorites in the Museum Local musicians perform holiday favorites in museum galleries while guests browse the Miss Ima's Quilts exhibit. Bob Bullock Texas State History Museum. www.thestoryoftexas.com 512/936-8746

21—AUSTIN: Bah Humbug! This is a unique, one-man adaptation of the classic A Christmas Carol. Dougherty Arts Center Theatre. www.thecompanytheatre.org 512/963-8499

30-31—AUSTIN: Holiday Pops with The Association Palmer Events Center. www.austinsymphony.org 512/476-6064

31—AUSTIN: First Night Austin Family-friendly and alcohol-free New Year's Eve festival revives the ancient tradition of marking the passage of time with art, ritual and festivity. Downtown. www.firstnightaustin.org 512/476-5577

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