

# BRUSHY CREEK

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## Village

### FUN Ice Cream Social

The Ice Cream Social on Sunday, June 24th, was a great get-together with neighbors. Kids played on the swings and slides, ran around with some new toy trinkets, and both kids and adults made gooey ice cream sundaes! Enjoy the attached pictures.



### National Night Out 2007

#### What is National Night Out?

#### It's America's Night Out Against Crime!

The "24th Annual National Night Out" (NNO), a unique crime/drug prevention event sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch (NATW), has been scheduled for Tuesday, August 7, 2007.

Last year's National Night Out campaign involved citizens, law enforcement agencies, civic groups, businesses, neighborhood organizations and local officials from over 10,000 communities from all 50 states, U.S. territories, Canadian cities and military bases worldwide. In all, over 34 million people participated in NNO 2006.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT is designed to:

- Heighten crime and drug prevention awareness;
- Generate support for, and participation in, local anticrime programs;
- Strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships; and
- Send a message to criminals letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.

Brushy Creek Village will celebrate NNO with a variety of activities in the BCVillage park:

- Sam Bass Fire Department will bring a fire truck for kids to explore;
- Williamson County Sheriff's Department will send a Sheriff to talk about D.A.R.E. Program and visit with residents;
- County Commissioner Lisa Birkman will stop by to greet constituents;
- Free Cookout of hotdogs & fixings, beans, chips, drinks, watermelon and ice cream;
- Face Painting and balloon toss for kids!

COOKOUT STARTS AT 6:15 P.M. ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 7TH IN BCVHOA PARK.

Hope to see you there, neighbor!

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## President's Column

Greetings to everyone in the Brushy Creek Village Community! A big "Thank You" for all of you who attended the Annual Meeting held on July 11, 2007. Some great suggestions for future projects were introduced and free pizza and drinks were enjoyed by everyone. Please visit our BCVHOA website for upcoming details at bcvhoa.org.

Our August public meeting will be cancelled due to the National Night Out event which falls on the same Tuesday night, August 7th. We are looking forward to a large turn out at our park. Food, drinks and games will be held from 6:15pm to 8:30pm. Come join the fun!

School will be starting again in our area on August 27th; please slow down and watch out for the children walking and riding to school.

Please attend the Brushy Creek Parks Meetings, held on the 1st Monday of each month beginning in August, if you want to have input about upcoming changes to the areas previously deeded to the Brushy Creek MUD.

We still need volunteers to help us out on several committees. Please consider donating just a few hours of your time 2 or 3 times a year.

I look forward to seeing you at the next BCVHOA Meeting on September 4th. If you have any questions or suggestions, I look forward to hearing from you. My e-mail is Judy@bcvhoa.org.

Sincerely,

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## Tree Dedication Ceremony

On Sunday, June 24th, the BCVHOA Board and other volunteers dedicated a Bur Oak tree in our park to Paul Domaruk of Tree Folks. Paul was instrumental in giving our HOA 32 free trees for our park in December 2005. We honored Paul for his dedication to our little Village and to bettering the environment. As you walk through our park, please take a moment to enjoy Paul's tree!



## The Oak Tree

*By Johnny Ray Ryder, Jr.*

A mighty wind blew night and day  
It stole the oak tree's leaves away  
Then snapped its boughs and pulled its bark  
Until the oak was tired and stark

But still the oak tree held its ground  
While other trees fell all around  
The weary wind gave up and spoke.  
How can you still be standing Oak?

The oak tree said, I know that you  
Can break each branch of mine in two  
Carry every leaf away  
Shake my limbs, and make me sway

But I have roots stretched in the earth  
Growing stronger since my birth  
You'll never touch them, for you see  
They are the deepest part of me

Until today, I wasn't sure  
Of just how much I could endure  
But now I've found, with thanks to you  
I'm stronger than I ever knew

## Back to School News

August 27 - First Day of School

Brushy Creek Elementary

- August 23rd - Third Annual Blue Jay Palooza, 6:00-7:30 p.m. Come and join an evening of family fun for the upcoming school year.
- September 10th - K-2 Parent Orientation, 6:00-7:30 p.m. Kids show off their classrooms and grade level presentations.
- September 13th - 3-5 Parent Orientation, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Kids show off their classrooms and grade level presentations

Cedar Valley Middle School (CeVMS)

- August 9-10 - New Student Registration, 9:00AM-12:00 p.m. and 2:00-4:00 p.m.
- August 13 - New Student Registration, 5:00-7:00 p.m.
- August 17 - Jaguar "Cub" Camp for incoming 6th Grade Students and Parents, 3:30-6:00 p.m.
- August 21- Mandatory athletic meeting for parents of 7th and 8th grade athletes, boys and girls. Athletic forms will be available. Physicals are required for all 7th and 8th graders. CeVMS Gymnasium at 6:00PM
- August 22 - Welcome Walk for all 6th grade students & new 7th and 8th grade students. 4:00-6:00 p.m.

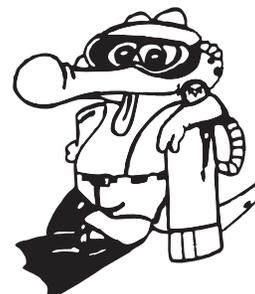
McNeil High School

- August 21 - Colt Camp
- September 20 - Open House night

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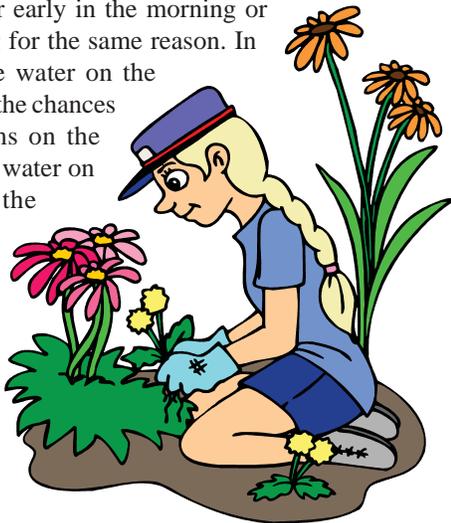


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## Garden Tips for August

It is a good idea to let the landscape rest in August, and make the best of the heat while you plan for the fall gardening season. The exception is the vegetable garden, where it is your last chance to plant certain veggie seeds and plants.

- Plant vegetable seeds. Beans, corn, cucumber, garlic, potatoes, shallot, summer squash, Okra, black-eyed peas, spinach, winter squash. Keep these "cool." Give them bright sun, but perhaps some shade from the hottest afternoon sun, or an "awning" made of 30% shade cloth. Also, broccoli, Brussels sprouts, cauliflower, chard, Chinese cabbage, fennel, kale, rutabaga, collards, endive, head and leaf lettuce, mustard.
- Plant vegetable plants. Okra, spinach, summer or winter squash
- Plant herb plants. Mexican mint marigold, mints, oregano, rosemary, sage.
- Plant annual flower/ornamental plants.
- Plant perennial plants. Ornamental grasses, sedum.
- Water deeply (If it has finally stopped raining!) Concentrate on trees, newly planted and established ones. Anytime we go for four to six weeks without at least an inch of rain, established trees need water. Trees less than two years in the ground need water every one to two weeks, depending on the soil, weather, and species of tree. Place a bubbler, a small sprinkler, or a soaker hose at the dripline of the tree (the area on the ground - a circle - corresponding to the furthest reaches of the branches above), and water for 30 - 60 minutes or more with a low flow of water.
- Conserve water. Use only sprinklers that spray the least amount of water into the air, where it is lost to evaporation. Water early in the morning or late in the evening for the same reason. In addition, the more water on the leaves, the greater the chances of fungal problems on the leaves. Even plain water on the leaves while the sun is out can also burn the leaves.
- Mulch, mulch, mulch! Avoid putting mulch or compost onto plant stems.  
Use about three inches total wherever possible.



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## Brushy Creek Community Center

- August 4 Movie in the Park – Enjoy watching “The Neverending Story” at Cat Hollow Park.. All movies shown at dusk. Check the website for rainout dates
- August 17 Parents Night Out ( Summer Splash Night) – Enjoy an evening out on the town while we entertain the kids with games, crafts, projects, and fun. Dinner and a G-rated movie provided. Age 3- 12 Advance registration is required. Fee \$15 for first child ( \$10 for each additional child)
- August 18 Saturday Morning Gardener Club- Come and enjoy a lecture and presentation from our resident horticulturist. 9 AM- noon

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- August 3- August 18 Sam Bass Community Theatre Presents The Velveteen Rabbit- A classic children's story of a stuffed rabbit and his quest to become real. Contact the theatre at (512) 244-0440.
- August 12 Main Street Artisan Stroll- Come and enjoy shopping in the historic downtown Round Rock. 11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., East Main Street. Contact Jamie Rood at [info@MainStreetStroll.com](mailto:info@MainStreetStroll.com)
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- August 18 Project Linus Blanket Makers - Blanket making meetings help children in our community. 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m., McConico Building, Community Room, 3102 W. Bagdad Ave. Contact Diane Whitehouse at [austinpl@suddenlink.net](mailto:austinpl@suddenlink.net)
- September 1- Austin Belly Dance Association: One night of belly dance performance after one year of preparation. Dougherty Arts Center 1110 Barton Springs Road, Austin, 7:00 p.m. Contact Russell Wiseman at 512-397-1468 for additional information.
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Food can be spoiled even when it looks safe. Germs cause the food to go bad. You can't see, smell, or feel these germs. It takes one to three days to get sick from eating spoiled food. Germs can be spread in the kitchen by getting on cutting boards, counters, sponges, forks, spoons, and knives. There are four easy ways to keep food from going bad: Clean, Cook, Keep Apart, and Chill. Here are some helpful suggestions for keeping safe in the kitchen:

- Wash your hands with hot, soapy water. Do this before touching food.
- Wash your cutting boards, counters, dishes, forks, spoons, and knives. Use hot, soapy water, Do this after working with each food item.
- Use plastic cutting boards. Do not use wood cutting boards. It is easier for germs to hide in wood. Wash all boards in hot, soapy water after use.
- Use paper towels to clean up kitchen counters and tables. If you use cloth towels, wash them often in the hot cycle of the washing machine or in hot soapy water.



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