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#### **CCHOA Annual Meeting**

Tuesday, March 25 6:30pm Kiker Elementary Check-in begins at 6pm ID Required

#### **CCHOA Annual Meeting**

The Board of Directors will be hosting the Annual Circle C Homeowners Association meeting on Tuesday, March 25th at 6:30pm at Kiker Elementary, in the cafeteria. Check-in will begin at 6pm and ID is required. There are two Board seats up for election to be voted on at the meeting.

Each resident will be receiving a Notification Packet in the mail the last week of February or the first week of March. The packet will contain instructions on how to vote in the Board election. You may vote ahead of time electronically, by paper ballot or by proxy. Residents may also vote at the annual meeting. If you have any questions about voting, please contact the HOA office at 288-8663.

Election results will be printed online the day following the annual meeting on the HOA website, www.circleranch.info.

#### Happy St. Patrick's Day!

#### Garbage and Recycling Containers

We have received many complaints over the last few weeks about garbage and recycling containers not being stored hidden from street view. With the change to City of Austin Solid Waste services each resident now has two containers to store which we realize may be a challenge for some of you. Please be sure to either keep hidden on the side of the home, in your garage or in your backyard. Thank you for your cooperation.

#### Capital Budget Projects for 2008

As reported in the 2007 CCHOA Annual Report (Feb 2008 newsletter), the Board of Directors has budgeted several capital improvement projects for 2008. They include:

- ☐ Escarpment/Slaughter Entrance
- ☐ Circle C West Post Offices Landscape
- ☐ Turf replacement
- ☐ Swim Center & Café Roof
- ☐ Swim Center Volleyball Courts
- ☐ Fence off BB Court
- ☐ Swim Center Furniture
- ☐ Swim Center Shade
- ☐ Playscape Phase II
- ☐ Escarpment Fence

As we begin work on these projects we will report in the newsletter the progress of each project. We will also have a link on the website that will give updates and what funds have been expended to date.

#### **Upcoming Events:**

March 3rd – Swim Center Re-opens March 20 – Candidate Forum March 22 – Easter Egg Hunt

March 25 – Annual Meeting

April 19 – Community Wide Garage Sale

#### **CCHOA Numbers**

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#### **IMPORTANT NUMBERS**

City of Austin Solid Waste	974.1945
Dead Animal Collection	
Abandoned Vehicle	974.8119
Pothole Complaints	974.8750
Stop Signs	
Street Light Outage	505.7617
Schools	
Clayton Elementary	841.9200
Kiker Elementary	414.2584
Mills Elementary	841.2400
Bailey Middle School	414.4990
Small Middle School	841.6700
Bowie High School	414.5247
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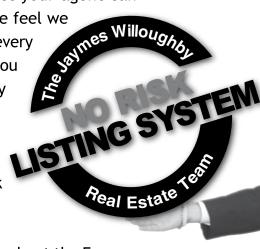
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#### **CCHOA News**

#### **Deed Restriction Update**

Submitted by Denise Nordstrom

We will continue driving two sections of Circle C per month to note any violations of the deed restrictions. Violations may include, but are not limited to: excessive weeds, areas of no turf, dead shrubs and/or trees, yard art, grass that is not edged or mowed, areas of dead grass, boats, RV's, trailers and general home maintenance issues. We encourage each of you to evaluate your lawn now so that you have time to re-sod if needed before the heat of summer. We are required to send notification of deed restriction violations via certified mail and we also send regular mail. If you receive a deed restriction violation notice and would like to speak to us about your plans for

improvement, please contact the HOA office at 288-8663. It's impossible to know everyone's individual situation, so we appreciate communication from you.

If you have a deed restriction to report, you may email us the specific address at info@circlecranch.info or give us a call at 288-8663. Violations that are reported are generally checked with 2 business days and if we are able to confirm a violation, we will begin the deed restriction process (which you can access on the website at http://www.circlecranch.info/documents/ AssociationDocuments/DeedRestrictions/ CCHOA-DeedRestrictionPolicy2003.pdf

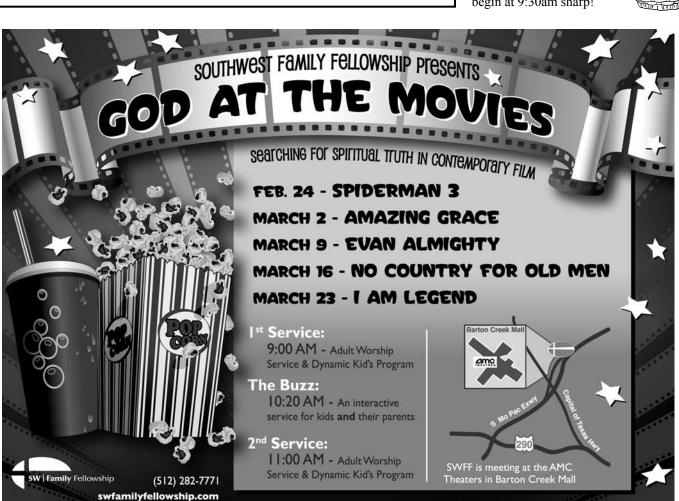
#### **2008 CCHOA Directory**

Thank you to everyone who submitted new or changed information for the 2008 CCHOA Homeowner Directory. The directories will be mailed to your home in late March or ealry April.

#### Easter Egg Hunt Submitted by Denise Nordstrom

Join us for the Annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 22 at 9:30am at the Circle C Child Development Center. Cost is \$3 per child. The Easter Bunny will also

be in attendance. There is an initial limit of 10 eggs per child. If there are eggs leftover we'll send the kids out for another run Please be on time as the hunt will begin at 9:30am sharp!



#### **Board of Directors Candidate Forum**

Submitted by the Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee will be hosting a Candidate Forum on Thursday, March 20th from 6:30pm to 8:30pm at Kiker Elementary. All residents are invited to attend and get to know the candidates running for the two open board seats. Residents will be given the opportunity to ask each candidate questions. We received five candidate bios and questionnaires prior to the Feb 4 deadline and they have been posted on the HOA website at www.circlecranch. info

#### Fire Reported near Circle C North

Residents of Circle C North reported a fire in the adjacent area of land behind Colberg and Allerton Lane (future AISD middle school site). The cause of the fire was unknown, but the Austin Fire Department did encourage residents in the area to call 911 if they observe any suspicious, motorized or foot traffic in this area.

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#### Circle C Landscape Update

Submitted by Susan Hoover

The City of Austin has asked us to help them get out the word to all Austin residents to discontinue the use of "weed and feed" products.

The primary culprit in "weed and feed" is Atrazine, an herbicide that has been detected in significant amounts in 70% of the City's groundwater monitoring sites and 50% of their surface water monitoring sites. There are a number of reasons not to use these products, which are heavily promoted in the local stores.

- generally, the times for weed killing and the times for fertilizing do not coincide.
- using a "weed and feed" when the temperature is on the warm side can cause decline in the yard
- using "weed and feed" on St. Augustine can stress the lawn
- "weed and feed" is bad for trees
- "weed and feed" contains a strong herbicide, and it can be tracked into the home.
- spreading a herbicide over the entire lawn is overkill So, what is the best way to handle the weeds? And fertilization?
- Lawns should not be fertilized until mid-April, after you have had to mow the lawn twice

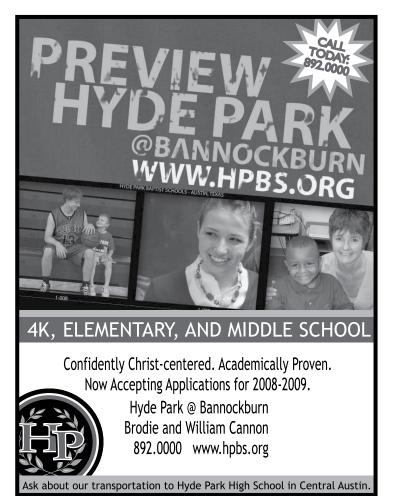
- Use the minimum amount of fertilizer—the City of Austin recommends applying it at a ½ rate of what is listed on the bag. This is important because too much nitrogen causes brown patch, a seasonal ailment of St. Augustine. They also recommend only fertilizing once per year in the spring, and again in the fall only if the lawn needs it.
- Leave the lawn clippings on the lawn for a natural source of nitrogen

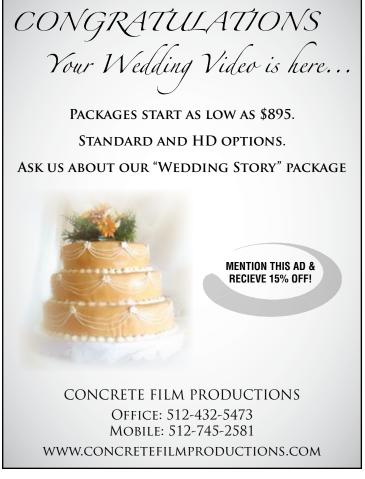
• Water early in the morning rather than late at night

 If you develop weeds, hand weed or spray them directly only on the weed with a post emergent weed killer

Also, as we enter the growing season and move toward summer, it is important for each homeowner to remember that the City of Austin has passed a new irrigation ordinance. This limits residential watering to two times per week and is in effect from May 1 to September

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30. If your address ends in an odd number your days are Wed/Sat, and even numbers are Thurs/Sun. Watering hours are between 7pm and 10 am. The City of Austin is hiring new staff for enforcement.

For the commons areas, our watering days are Tuesday and Friday. Due to some special situations on the commons areas, we will be filing a variance request with the City to allow some areas to be watered on different days as some of our irrigation runs are too long to complete the watering in one day. Nothing will be watered more than 2x per week. The ordinance applies to the commons areas year round.

#### Come View NEW Preliminary West Pool Plans

Submitted by the West Pool Committee

The West Pool Committee encourages residents to come to the Annual March HOA meeting on March 25th to view the preliminary pool and amenity center plans. West Pool members will be there to discuss the three different pool options and answer questions. This is a great time to come see what is being purposed, voice your opinions and offer any suggestions!!

#### Keep bringing us your aluminum soda can pop tabs!

Thank you, thank you, thank you to everyone who has begun the habit of collecting their aluminum soda can tabs! The HOA is continuing to collect aluminum soda can tabs in the management office so please DO NOT throw your cans away without taking off the tabs. The tabs will be donated to the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Austin and Central Texas. To read more about the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Austin and Central Texas, you can visit http://www. rmhc-austin.org/

Thank you to Circle C resident Bob Hendee for helping us to coordinate this effort.







#### **Circle C Swim Center** We Are Open!!!!! Submitted by Brandon Ducote, Aquatics Direcotr

Welcome back! The air outside is still chilly, but we will be turning the heaters on in the Competition Pool to maintain an "approximate" 82 degrees. The Wading Pool/Splash Area is not heated, therefore the water is not tolerable or safe at this time. We will open the Wading Pool once it reaches and maintains a temperature of 80 degrees. We will do our best to send out email notices as this happens, so please make sure that we have your information up -to- date in our system.

We have recently published and started circulating the Spring Activity Guide. This holds all the information you will need to get you going for the Spring season. It includes information for Pool hours, Swim Lessons, Private Swim Lessons, Lifeguard Training, Quick Start and Stroke Clinic, Seals Registration. Please stop by and pick up a guide if you haven't received one or if you have any questions, please give us a call, 288-6057.

#### **Pool Hours**

Monday - Friday

Lap Swim 5:30a - 12:00p Closed 12:00p - 4:00p Lap/Family Swim 4:00p - 8:00p Saturday

Lap Swim 7:30a - 8:00p Family Swim 10:00a - 8:00p Sunday

Lap/Family Swim 10:00a - 7:00p **Spring Break Hours** 

> March 10-14 10am to 8pm

#### **New Aquatics Director, Brandon Ducote**

Submitted by CCHOA

We are excited to welcome Brandon Ducote to our Swim Center team as our new Aquatics Director. He comes to us with a strong background in aquatics. He started his career in the Navy as a Rescue Swimmer. He's also an experienced swim coach and will be the Head Coach for our very own Seals this year. Please stop by and introduce yourself to our newest member.

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#### Pet Waste Pollutes our Water!

Submitted by the City of Austin Watershed Protection

Were you aware that you could be fined for failing to remove and dispose of pet feces in Austin? Pet waste is a subject everyone likes to avoid, but pet waste is more than smelly and unsightly: it is a health risk to pets and people, especially children. When it rains, pet waste left on trails, sidewalks and grassy areas can wash into the nearest creek or lake. Even if you can't see a waterway near you, the feces go into storm drains where it then travels to your neighborhood creek or lake untreated. According to a study conducted by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, approximately 1,327 lbs. of dog waste is deposited into the Town Lake watershed everyday or nearly 500,000 lbs. per year! Like human waste, animal waste may contain harmful bacteria and viruses, rendering the water unfit for irrigation, recreation or other uses. In addition, pet waste contains nutrients that will accelerate the growth of nuisance algae. So please, scoop the poop-it's the healthy and neighborly thing to do!

Austin City Code 3-4-6 DEFECATION BY A DOG OR CAT:

"An owner or handler shall promptly remove and sanitarily dispose of feces left on public or private property by a dog or cat being handled by the person, other than property owned by the owner or handler of the dog or cat."

Potential Fine: Up to \$500

Make a difference:

- Bring plastic bags with you when walking your dog (tie bags on the leash if you don't' have a pocket or pack)
- Look for mutt mitt dispensers in City parks, follow directions on dispenser box and throw the bag in the trash
- Remove pet waste from your yard
- Place a scoop the poop sign in your yard to encourage your neighbors to scoop (call 974-2550)

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#### **Pet Registration**

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Register your pet with the city of Austin today!

A pet registration tag is a lost pet's ticket home! Tags can be purchased at most veterinary clinics in Austin. Tags can also be purchased at the Town Lake Animal Center, 1156 W. Cesar Chavez.

#### What is the Pet Registration Program?

It's the Law. All dogs and cats over the age of 4 months MUST be registered with the City of Austin . Registration allows the City to identify pets and more quickly reunite lost pets with their owners, and also to insure that all pets in Austin and Travis County are vaccinated against rabies as required by law and have ownership identification.

Significant benefits are conferred to registered pets and their owners. If your pet is already tattooed or microchipped, the tattoo or chip number will be recorded at no extra charge with purchase of a Pet Registration Tag.

#### What are the Fees?

Pets that are spayed or neutered can receive a "Lifetime Pet Registration" for only \$5.00. All pets that are intact (not spayed or neutered) must be registered EVERY year, and the price is \$20.00 per

year. Dogs trained and certified to assist the disabled can be registered at no charge. Pets must be up to date on rabies vaccinations prior to registration.

For animals that cannot be vaccinated for health reasons, please have your veterinarian call the Pet Registration office at 972-6007. Why should I register my pet?

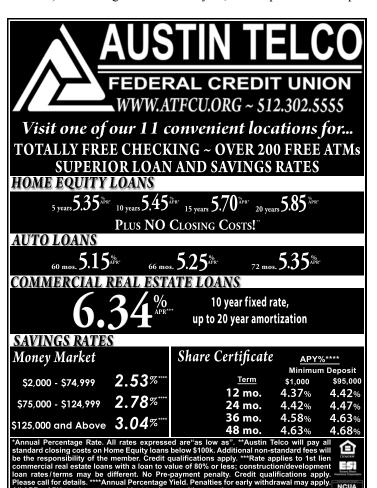
Pets that are wearing a current City Pet Registration Tag receive the following benefits. Pets receive 365 day lost-and-found service. Finders of lost pets can call 972-LOST to be put in touch with the pets owners.

The Vacation Alert feature protects your pet even when you travel. When a pet owner goes on vacation, a simple phone call can add to the pet's file the information regarding the location of the pet.

Red Carpet Service from Austin Animal Control. Registered pets get a free ride home (limited to one time per registration period) if impounded.

Guaranteed emergency medical care (up to \$300) if an injured pet is brought to the Town Lake Animal Center or taken to any veterinarian by the person finding it. (Owners are expected to reimburse the City for medical expenses)

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**Pet Registration** - (Continued from page 10)

Staff will make reasonable attempts to notify owners if a tagged pet is brought in to the Town Lake Animal Center.

Registered pets are held for a minimum of 10 days (a full week longer than untagged strays) if brought to the Town Lake Animal Center.

Owners receive a 50% discount on impound fees for pets picked up by Animal Control. Limited to one time per registration period.

Free registration of tatoos and microchips for registered pets.

Where can I purchase registration tags?

Tags can be purchased at most veterinary clinics in Austin. Tags can also be purchased at the Town Lake Animal Center, 1156 W. Cesar Chavez (formerly W. 1st Street). If purchased at the Town Lake Animal Center, or from a veterinarian other than the one which rabies-vaccinated the pet, a current rabies vaccination certificate must be presented.

Is this required?

ALL cats and dogs over the age of 4 months must be registered, EXCEPT those visiting the City for less than 60 days. Some pets are however exempt from having to pay the registration fees. Fee-exempt registrations may be issued for the following:

Certified police K-9s used by public law enforcement officers.

- Dogs trained and certified by recognized professional authorities as assistance dogs for the disabled.
- Neutered or spayed dogs or cats owned by persons age 62 and over. (\*Limited to 2 free pets per household).
- Pets enrolled in the Town Lake Animal Shelter's low-cost spay/ neuter program.

How is the information processed after I purchase tags?

Generally, once the City Pet Registration Office receives the information from the vet clinic, it is entered into the computer within a week. Failure to register your pet is a Class C misdemeanor and could result in a fine of up to \$2000.00 per violation.

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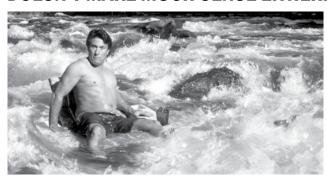


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## CCHOA Annual Easter Egg Hunt



Saturday, March 22 9:30am sharp \$3/per child 10 egg limit per child

#### **Circle C Amenities**

#### How To Start Playing Tennis: Practice and Playing Tips Submitted by Fernando M. Velasco, General Manager and Director of Tennis, Circle C Tennis Club

Last issue, we discussed on how to start playing tennis, whether it was your first time, or you decided to start playing again. In this issue, we will give you tips on how to practice and start playing for

<u>Purchasing a Tennis Racket</u> – Make sure that someone with experience has helped you with the selection of a tennis racket. They come with different sizes of grips, shapes and thickness. Your swing speed and your ability will determine what will be best for you.

<u>Tennis Shoes</u> – Running and walking shoes are not ideal to play tennis. They have different support and soles than tennis shoes. Many clubs will only allow proper tennis shoes to be worn on their tennis courts, not only for safety for the player, but also because other shoes mark and damage the tennis courts. We suggest always purchasing a shoe a half-size bigger than normal shoes, to allow you to wear good tennis socks. Many players, including myself, always wear two pair of socks to help with cushion and avoid blisters and calluses.

Clothing - One of the beauties of the game, is that you do not need to spend a great deal of money on clothing. We suggest a comfortable top and pair of shorts/skirts with pockets to be worn when playing. Tank tops for men are not allowed on Club's tennis courts. Make sure you always protect yourself from the sun with a hat, visor or cap. We strongly recommend wearing at least a 20-50 spf ultra sweat-proof sunscreen lotion to protect you from the sun.

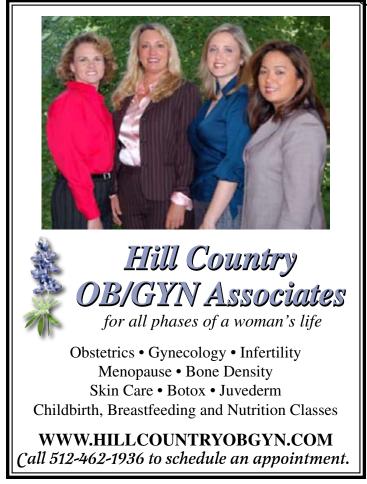
Playing time – When arriving on the tennis court, spend at least 20 minutes stretching. Most injuries occur in the first half hour of playing due to muscles and tendons being tight and not stretched. Start with the legs, back shoulders, neck, and finish with the arms for serving motion. Spend at least 5 minutes playing "mini-tennis" to feel the court, the wind, and the speed of the ball. Once you feel warmed up, then pull back to the baseline and start hitting groundstrokes, just keeping the ball in play. Your warm-up should also include hitting volleys, overheads and serves.

Now you are ready to start playing the game, either with your friends, in a tournament or in league play.

In the next issue, I will discuss how to get "mentally prepared" prior to competing and playing socially with spouses, friends and children.

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#### **Circle C Amenities Continued**

Tennis - (Continued from page 14)

If you want to get started playing again, the Circle C Tennis Club offers many programs to fit the need of both adult and junior players. Our programs are available to both Members and Non-Members of the Circle C Tennis Club. For more information, you can contact us at 301-8685 or visit our website: www.circlectennis.com

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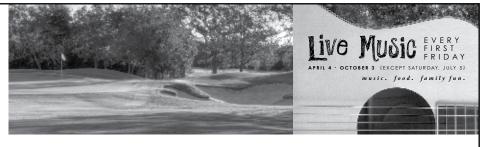
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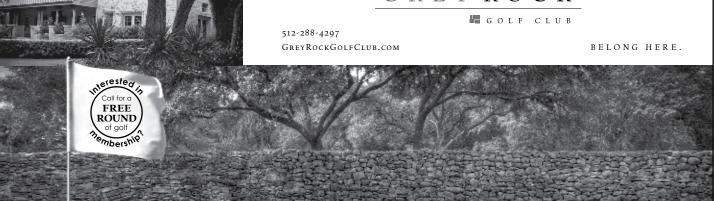
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#### **Circle C Amenities Continued**

#### **Grey Rock News**

Submitted by Denise Fisher

#### GREY ROCK FOUNDING MEMBERSHIPS NOW AVAILABLE

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#### **MEN'S LEAGUE KICKOFF**

Come out on Friday, February 29th for the Men's League Kickoff Party at 6pm. As a member of the league you'll play in competitive events every Wednesday and participate in weekend tournaments including a member/member, club championship, member/guest and the Grey Rock Cup. First league event is Wednesday, March 5th. Call the Pro Shop at 288.4297 ext. 1 to learn more.

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#### **Circle C Amenities Continued**

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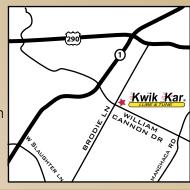
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#### **School News**

#### Join the Fun at Clayton's 2nd Annual Fun Run

#### Saturday April 12th 3pm to 6pm

Submitted by Catherine Thurk

The Clayton Fun Run is an exciting fundraising event for all pre-K and elementary aged children (you don't even have to attend Clayton to participate, so tell all your friends and family to join in!!). Age/ Grade groups with staggard start times will run laps around the school, and every child will be recognized for each lap they complete. The kids can run towards a total distance of 6 laps (2 miles). Parents of Pre-K to 2nd grade aged children are encouraged to run with their child. Plus all participants will receive some cool race goodies including a one of a kind T-Shirt, water bottle and more. What could be better than a fun, family activity that supports Clayton, and encourages fitness? Download an entry form today www.claytoncardinals.org.

Some other fun activities at this great event are an inflatable obstacle course, moonwalk, radar soccer ball kick, bungee run, jousting game, Velcro wall, face painting, air brush tattoos, hot dog dinners, and a silent auction. For more details please contact Clayton PTA VP of Fundraising Tara West at tarawest@austin.rr.com.



#### **Mills Elementary News**

Submitted by Carrie Turlington

Spring Festival

Mark you calendars, the biggest school Spring Festival is returning to Mills Elementary, April 26th, 3 to 7. The most entertaining day you will have with your kids at a school campus. More details to follow soon at www.millspta.org

#### Crosswalk Safety

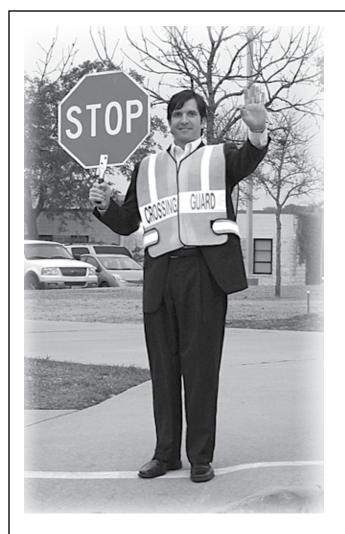
A member of the Mills PTA Executive board made a presentation to the New Villages of Western Oaks HOA Board last month and explained to them our pedestrian safety initiative, as well as our proactive solution of posting "Use Our Crosswalks!" signs to serve as a visual reminder to our parents to follow common sense pedestrian rules when bringing their children to school every day. After informing the HOA of our 10 signs that will span the median from Davis to Lantana, as well as at the corners of La Carman Drive & Lantana and Taylorcrest Drive & Lantana, the HOA voted to approve our sign campaign and requested we keep them informed on whether it solves our problem. It is very important that we, as parents and community members, help teach all children, as well as follow the rules they already know all too well.

Another area of safety concern for the Mills neighborhood is the recent number of daytime burglaries on La Carman Drive, Salcon Cliff Drive, Tanak Lane and Hitcher Bend in the past 2 months. Austin Police Department visited with the New Villages HOA in November and cited two car burglaries in the Fall, but our neighborhood had been quiet for the most part. Things have changed drastically, especially with the graffiti that popped up at the school mid-late January. We all must be proactive and never hesitate to call 9-1-1 when we see something suspicious. APD and Travis County Sheriff's Office can't respond to what they don't know about.

#### **Circle C Newsletter**

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#### **CCHOA Clubs & Announcements**

#### Park West HOA News (this news pertains to Park West Residents Only)

Submitted by Jackie Rollins

The PWHOA Annual Meeting was held on February 5 and included the election of one Board member. Congratulations to Jackie Rollins for her re-election to a three-year term. Filling out the meeting's agenda were presentations by each Board member summarizing their accomplishments since December 19, 2007 and outlining major projects (not necessarily in order of priority) that will be the focus of their activities in 2008: Covenant changes; completion of the Reserve Study; street maintenance; gate repair and repainting; and the development of plans for mail center improvements and for Lot 103. Residents will be kept informed about these projects as the work progresses since some may require your direct input and others are not yet budgeted for. For those of you who were unable to attend the meeting, you can view the slides of all the presentations, including the 2008 budget, on our website. The minutes of the meeting will also be posted to the site after they are reviewed.

Speaking of the budget, funds have been designated for repairing street cracks and applying a "seal coat." This will be the first time that Park West streets have had major maintenance performed, yet many authorities on this subject recommend that it should be done periodically. The work is planned for some time in the summer and

will cause some inconvenience to us for an estimated 12- to 24-hour period. However, the work will be scheduled so that the entire neighborhood is not affected at the same time. Stay tuned for more detailed information on this project.

Park West's transition to the City of Austin trash and recycling program went smoothly, with little or no problems, except for the quandary some residents are in as to where to store two very large containers! Please be aware that Circle C Covenants require that the containers must be stored out of sight from the street within 12 hours of being left at the curb. The PWHOA Board of Directors is granting a reasonable grace period from this rule so that everyone can make appropriate arrangements for out-of-sight storage if their garage doesn't have enough room. There will be a reminder issued well in advance of the grace period's expiration. Remember, you can scale down to a smaller garbage bin (30 or 60 gallon size) at no charge. Instructions for doing this are in the packet that came with your carts or you can call 311 for more information. The recycling bin is not available in a smaller size.

The PWHOA Board of Directors is pleased to announce that a three-(Continued on page 21)





Park West News - (Continued from page 20) year contract has been signed with Pearson Landscape Services. Feedback from the 2007 landscape survey revealed overwhelming approval of the quality and performance of services received from Pearson, and this contract will ensure that we continue to enjoy the level of landscaping care we've become accustomed to - for the next three years! Reminder: the maintenance crew mows, prunes and trims in a consistent manner from yard to yard. Our contract does not provide for "customized care" of individual front yards. And while we're on the subject of landscaping:

• Do you have a comment or question about your FRONT YARD landscaping? Make sure your voice is heard by sending a "Request" directly to Lance Pearson of Pearson Landscape Services and Board Director Jackie Rollins while logged on to your Park West website account! Go to the "Info from the Board" page for information and detailed instructions. Your account will keep a copy of your request and you can check at any time to view the "status" of each request.

• Extra! Extra! Read all about it! Pearson Landscape Services has come out with a really cool "Park West Maintenance Newsletter," written just for us! Some of the features you can look forward to in upcoming issues include Plant of the Month, special pricing on certain services, plant care, other services Pearson provides – and more! If you didn't receive the first issue on February 5, it's probably because Lance doesn't have your e-mail address, or at least not a current one. To sign up, just send an e-mail to: info@pearsonlandscape.com

Until next time, a reminder that this is your column and your input is important. Please contact Jackie Rollins at 301-1839 or JackieRollins02@aol.com with your suggestions and items of interest.

#### Calling all Bridge Players

Submitted by Margaret Lalk

Looking for bridge players, low-key, not cut-throat, just friendly bridge. Daytime or evening. call Kate or Margaret at 394-9092, or email mlalk@txcyber.com, even if you haven't played in years!

#### Classified Ads

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We meet during the day, when at-home mothers need the most support. Children are welcome at our activities, and we have mothers of all ages among our members. Each of us has a unique parenting style and we are able to share and learn from each other in a fun, relaxed

Email Heather Morrison hhmorrison@ hotmail.com or Jodie Long jodielong@ gmail.com or call 512-964-8051 or 512-215-9628 to join or for more information!

#### Clean Sweep 2008

Submitted by Jessica Wilson, Keep Austin Beautiful
Help give Austin a major spring cleaning, and have a lot of fun,

Clean Sweep 2008 is just around the corner. On Saturday April 5th, Keep Austin Beautiful encourages all Austinites, young and old to step outside and help give that area that needs a little help a great BIG Clean Sweep!

This is a great opportunity to meet your neighbors by working together to beautify your community. It is SO easy to participate! We will provide you with everything you need to plan your own neighborhood cleanup.

After the cleanup efforts, volunteers are invited to Waterloo Park for a "Thank You Party" with free lunch, free t-shirts, great door prizes, music, a rock climbing wall, environmental exhibits and other family and environmentally-friendly activities.

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#### **Attention: Business Owners,** Marketing & Sales Professionals Submitted by Bob McKenna, Circle C Ranch Resident

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#### **Meet Baily**

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Bailey has been separated from his sister in

Submitted by Adoption Coalition of Texas foster care but is very bonded with her. When asked what type of family Bailey would like to have, he answers "I want a nice family who will let me see my sister". While those that work in the system try to keep siblings together, sometimes it simply is not possible. However, the ability to visit occasionally, talk on the phone or even write letters helps.

If you would like to learn more about Bailey, please contact Vanessa Coppola, Wendy's Wonderful Kids Recruiter, Adoption Coalition of Texas at 512-687-3209. On March 22nd at the Old Quarry Library, the Adoption Coalition of Texas is hosting its free monthly Foster Care Adoption Information Meeting at 10:15am. For more information about foster care adoptions, please do not hesitate to contact Tracy Eilers at tracveilers@adoptioncoalitiontx.org / 512-301-2825 / www.adoptioncoalitiontx.org



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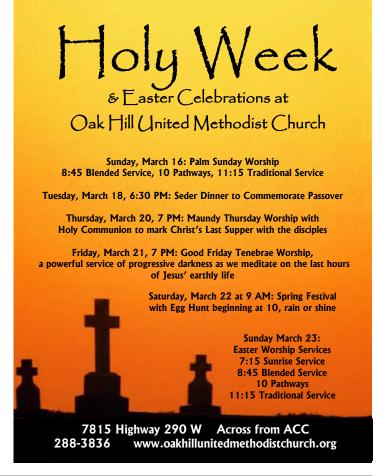
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#### Home Owner's Association FAQ FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

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#### What are the rules on trash containers and recycle cart storage?

Trash containers and recycle carts are permitted to be at the curb only on your scheduled collection day. Trash containers and recycle carts are to be stored where not visible from the street at all other times.

#### Are basketball goals allowed in Circle C?

Permanently installed goals are not permitted in Circle C. The deed restrictions state that basketball goals are to be stored out of the view of neighbors when not in use. City of Austin code states that only motorized vehicles are allowed to be parked on public streets and all sidewalks must remain clear and open for pedestrians.

#### Are cars allowed to be parked on the street?

The CCHOA does not have jurisdiction over the streets in Circle C; they are the responsibility of the City of Austin. Obviously inoperable vehicles may not be parked or left on public streets for more than 72 hours. Please call 974-8119 to report an abandoned or non-operating vehicle. Please call 311 to report illegally parked vehicles.

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#### What should I do about barking dogs and stray animals?

Stray Animals may be picked up by animal control by calling 311. The City of Austin states it is unlawful for dogs to make frequent noise disturbing to persons in the neighborhood and violations should be reported to the City. You may also call the CCHOA office at 288-8663 with specific date and time for excessive barking. The staff will send a cooperative letter to the homeowner.

#### How do I report a street light outage?

Every light pole has an assigned number mounted on the pole. Jot down the number and call the City of Austin at 505-7617.

#### Are boats, trailers and recreational vehicles allowed in Circle C?

The Deed Restrictions require that any vehicle or trailer other than a conventional automobile be stored, placed or parked in an area concealed from view of other Homeowners.

#### What are the rules on maintenance?

Homes are to be kept in a well-maintained, safe, clean and attractive condition at all times. Lawns and garden areas should be

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#### Frequently Asked Questions - (Continued from page 26)

kept alive, free of weeds and attractive. Lawn mowing is required on a regular basis. Trees and shrubs are to be pruned. Public right of way and sidewalks should be clear and unobstructed. Litter, trash, dead vegetation and debris should be promptly removed.

#### What are the rules in Circle C on walking with your dog off leash and what about picking up after your dog?

Both of these issues fall under the jurisdiction of the City of Austin. It is against CoA ordinance to have a dog off leash except on your private property. It is also a requirement by the City that dog owners pick up and properly dispose of their dog's feces. In this regard, we recommend dog walkers carry a plastic grocery bag or newspaper sleeve. Slide it on like a glove, pick up the offensive matter, pull the bag back over your hand, knot it and throw it in your trashcan when you return home. Please keep our landscaped commons areas beautiful and clean for the enjoyment of all.

#### Do I have to submit plans for improvements and/or additions to my home?

All improvements such as decks, patio covers, pools, change in fencing or any other permanent structure must be submitted to the Architectural Control Committee. You may download an application form as well as a fee schedule on our website at www. circlecranch.info under the "ACC" quick link section.

#### What do I need to visit the Swim Center?

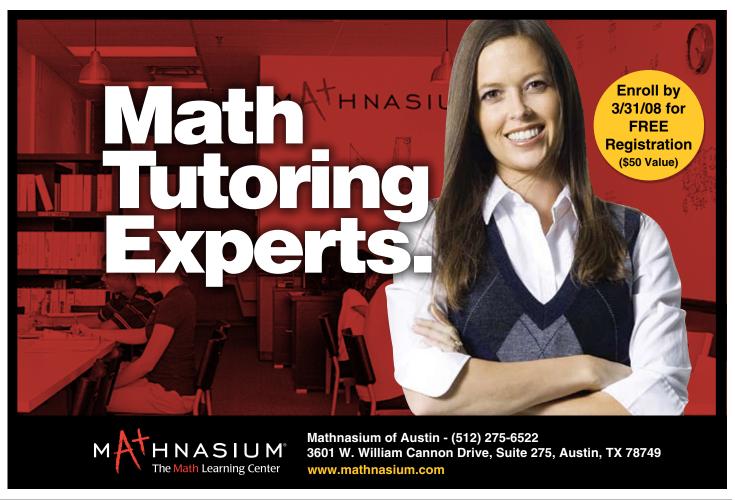
All residents must possess and show their swim center ID card to enter the facility. ID cards are available at the aquatic office. Contact 288-6057 for information on what is required to obtain an ID. Guests of Circle C residents must pay a \$3 entrance fee and sign a liability waiver before entering the facility. Children under 3 are free.

#### Are door to door solicitors and door flyers allowed in Circle C?

Both of these issues are governed by the City of Austin. By City ordinance, solicitors must abide by "No Soliciting" signs on private property. Some neighbors have had success in placing a small "No Soliciting" sign near the doorbell and/or a small staked sign near the front porch.

#### What do new Texas residents need to know?

According to the Texas Department of Public Safety (www. txdps.state.tx.us) a new Texas resident is required by state law to obtain a Texas driver's license, get a Texas vehicle inspection and a vehicle title/registration within 30 days of moving to Texas to legally operate a vehicle.



#### Is teaching Spanish to a toddler a good idea?

Submitted by Carolina Alvarez

Well, first let me correct myself as teaching is not the right term. Language is **developed** in children **by exposing them to it**. Coming back to the question—although the answer might seem obvious—some parents experience a kind of fear to expose their little ones to another language at this early age. We could assume that it's basically because parents are more eager to see their child communicating in English and they are afraid that introducing a different language could confuse their child. However, research proves the opposite to be true. With a little online research, one can find much data proving the academic and social benefits of learning a second language in this early stage of life. For instance, from the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages' website:

"There is a correlation between second language learning and increased linguistic awareness.

[A] study postulated that children who received a precocious learning of 2 languages may develop enhanced awareness and control of syntactic structure since they need an appropriate syntactic repertoire in each language. In return, these children will gain access to the written language with more ease. The results showed an advantage for the children who attended bilingual classes since kindergarten: they were better at grammatical judgment and correction tasks and word recognition."

The well-renowned Dr. Maria Montessori writes in her book, The Absorbent Mind, about the immeasurable capabilities that a child's brain possesses and the great ability of easily acquiring the language she/he is exposed to in an unconscious manner. And it is this unconscious ability to learn which is the great treasure and mystery of a child's first 6 years of life. The laws of nature equip the child with a mechanism for absorption and retention of language through the sense of hearing.

When we get older, this process doesn't come so naturally. This reminds me of my own experience learning English in my hometown in Ecuador. After 4 years of ESL studies, I saw myself being able to read and write English, but I had a poor understanding of spoken English and as a consequence I wasn't able to speak it. I couldn't

consciously understand what I was hearing and therefore I couldn't reproduce it. I realized that the only way I would be able to learn to speak English was if I lived for a period of time in an English–speaking country. Therefore, I enrolled in an Intensive Business English summer course in Cambridge, UK. Part of the program included living with a family, so that I would be exposed to the language 100% of my conscious time. The process was exhausting, but after a month there–listening to nothing but English–I was finally able to put what I had in my mind into my mouth. It worked! I finally could "get it out!" Over the years, I have been perfecting my English. Still, I am conscious that most likely I will never "own" the language as a native English-speaking person does, because I learned it too late.

That is exactly what the point of this article is. I think it is a great idea to give our children enough exposure to a second language so that they can "painlessly" become bilingual and get all the benefits that derive from it:

- Positive effect on intellectual growth.
- Enrichment and enhancement of a child's mental development.
- Flexibility in thinking, greater sensitivity to language, and a better ear for listening.
- Improvement of a child's understanding of his/her native language.
- Ability to communicate with people she/he would otherwise not have the chance to know.
- Understanding and appreciation of different cultures.

If you have a toddler, a second language program offers them many benefits. This is the ideal stage of development for learning a second language and Spanish is a logical choice because it is the second most widely spoken language in the United States. It is also the most popular studied foreign language in U.S. schools and universities. Therefore, it offers more opportunity to hear it, remember it and practice it.

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- Shou Ping Exhibit, Saturday, March 8, to Sunday, May 18. A return engagement of Shou Ping's beautiful scissor art, hand cut watercolors of wildflowers! McDermott Learning Center.
- Artists & Artisans Festival, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, March 15, Noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, March 16
   Our annual festival showcases the work of more than 20 artists in metal, painting, photography, jewelry, pottery and other crafts.
   Artist Dalhart Windberg will sign limited issues of his new print, Her Life's Work, on Saturday, noon to 5 p.m. On Sunday, L.Ray, this year's Wildflower Days™ artist, will sign the 2008 Wildflower Days poster, and Patti Johnson will display her hand painted glassware from 1 to 4 p.m.
- Nature Nights, 6 to 9 p.m. Friday, March 21.

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#### **Austin Takes Top Billing Among America's Filmmaking Cities**

Annual MovieMaker Poll Lauds Texas Capital for Cooperation, Film-Friendliness

AUSTIN, TX - The latest issue of MovieMaker magazine names Austin as number one in its eighth annual ranking of the "Top Ten U.S. Cities to Live and Make Movies." The Capital City has appeared among the top three cities on this notable list for seven consecutive years.

"Austin is the prime example of a Texas city that has caught onto a deceptively simple tactic not always employed in many other cities or states or within the film industry in general: cooperation," says MovieMaker. The article praises Austin for working with the rest of Texas to pass a statewide incentive program that provides producers with rebates for filming in the Lone Star State. Another highlight is the Austin Film Commission's new "Now Playing: Cast and Crew Bonus Features" discount program, which extends discounts at local businesses to industry professionals filming in Austin. MovieMaker also cites the region's diverse geography, broad industry infrastructure (including a sufficient crew base and ample studio space) and film-friendliness as other reasons the city remains a favorite.

"Austin is back on top of the MovieMaker rankings – an award that is well deserved. We have long been considered a film friendly city, and the industry here has worked hard to get the word out, "says Gary Bond of the Austin Film Commission.

"The support of city government and local professionals including the Austin Film Festival, Austin Film Society, Austin Studios and South by Southwest are crucial to our success as a film hub. Our golden reputation is furthered by the city's progressive culture, hip reputation and the fact that Rodriguez and Linklater, along with a few other notable celebrities, call Austin home."

In the past year, production has wrapped on dozens of feature films and television shows including Fireflies in the Garden, Stop Loss, Grind House, Friday Night Lights and the highly-anticipated Teeth, which opens today.

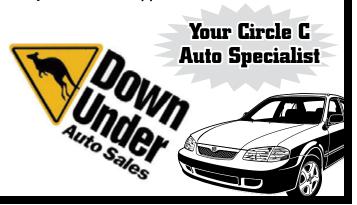
Other cities listed among MovieMaker's top ten cities include, in order: (2) Albuquerque, (3) Shreveport, LA (4) New York, (5) Philadelphia, (6) Wilmington, NC, (7) Seattle, (8) Portland and (10) Baltimore. Last year, Austin was third, behind New York and Philadelphia.

Excerpts from the article (introduction and Austin listing) are available at www.austintexas.org/film. The full article will be online at www.moviemaker.com starting in April, when the spring issue hits newsstands.





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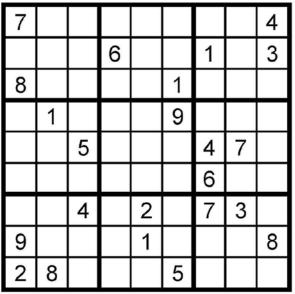
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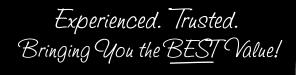
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15-22—FREDERICKSBURG: Texas Hell Week Bicycle Tour Headquarters is at the Sunset Inn, 900 S. Adams St. www.hellweek.com 806/683-6489

15, 22, 29—BANDERA: Cowboys on Main Includes a Western display in front of the Bandera County Courthouse with strolling musicians on Bandera's Main Street from 1 to 4 p.m. E-mail: growthr@texas.net • www.banderacowboycapital.com 800/364-3833

15-Jun. 1—AUSTIN: Texas Wildflower Season Drive along rural highways to view the wildflowers blanketing the rolling. Learn about bluebonnets, wine cups, wild blue asters and more, or explore the butterfly garden at the Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center. www.wildflower. org 512/232-0100

16-22—FREDERICKSBURG: Spring Break Living History Week Features living history demonstrations all week. Pioneer Museum, 309 W. Main St. www.pioneermuseum.com 830/997-2835

18, 22, 25, 29—VANDERPOOL: Walking Birding Tour Walk down trails with experienced birders to identify birds in their natural setting. Begins at 8:30 a.m. Lost Maples State Natural Area. 830/966-3413

19—KYLE: Easter Egg-stravaganza Enjoy free carnival-type games, age appropriate Easter hunts, face painting, train rides and music. Begins at 5 p.m. Gregg-Clarke Park. www.cityofkyle.com 512/262-3939

21—AUSTIN: Boney James One World Theatre. www.oneworldtheatre. org 512/329-6753

22—NEW BRAUNFELS: Gartenfest Includes lectures and vendors. Hours are 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Conservation Plaza. www.nbconservation. org 830/629-2943

22-30—HONDO: Shooting Star Museum Bluebonnet Walk www. hondochamber.com 830/931-3837

23—ELDORADO: Cowboy Sunrise Service/Easter Egg Hunt — Family Day E-mail: eoboc@hotmail.com 325/853-3678

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27—KERRVILLE: Camerata at the Movies Includes chamber music of film composers. First Presbyterian Church. E-mail: events@ kerrvilletexascvb.com 210/492-9519

27—MASON: Country Opry Odeon Theater. E-mail: masontexas@ verizon.net • www.masontxcoc.com 325/347-5758

27-29—KERRVILLE: Round Up 2008 Showcases the works of the

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> 27-Apr. 20—KERRVILLE: Bloomin' Good Show Features floral art in many mediums. Kerr Arts & Cultural Center, 228 Earl Garrett. www. kacckerrville.com 830/895-2911

> 28-30—SONORA: Vernon West Memorial Invitational Team Roping Begins with preliminary roping and continues with the elite invitation roping. Wraps up with some of the toughest bulls on earth. Sutton County Civic Center. www.sonoratx-chamber.com 325/387-2880

> 29—AUSTIN: Henry & Mudge One World Theatre. www.oneworldtheatre. org 512/329-6753

> 29—AUSTIN: Austin Civic Chorus Mendelssohn's St. Paul Begins at 8 p.m. Northwest Hills United Methodist Church. www.chorusaustin. org 512/719-3300

> 29—AUSTIN: Junior 'Dillo Kids Run This is a certified 1-mile course for kids age 12 and younger. There is a Junior 'Dillo Kids 1/2-mile Family Fun Run & Walk for children age 6 and younger with their parents. Auditorium Shores. www.cap10k.com 512/445-3598

> 29—HONDO: Medina Community Hospital Auxiliary Gala www. hondochamber.com 830/426-3037

> 29—KERRVILLE: Mounted Peace Officers Wild Game Dinner Youth Exhibit Center, Hwy. 27 E. www.kerrvilletexascvb.com 830/257-7611 or 210/478-9888

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> 29—WIMBERLEY: Love is a Circle Concert opens with the music of Salamone Rossi. Also featured will be John Muehleisen's setting of Elizabeth Barrett Browning's poem, Perplexed Music, and David Asplin's For the healing of nations. Begins at 7:30 p.m. St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, 6000-A FM 3237. www.conspirare.org 512/476-5775

> 30—AUSTIN: Love is a Circle Concert begins at 7:30 p.m. Congregation Agudas Achim, 7300 Hart Lane. www.conspirare.org 512/476-5775

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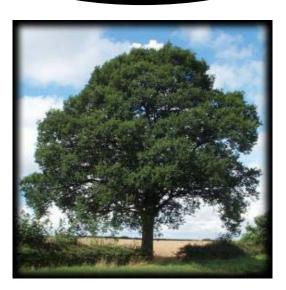
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North	21	2,181	\$ 128	1996	41	7	5			
Wildflower	10	2,326	\$ 125	2002	41	2	5			
On The Park	6	3,450	\$ 114	1997	42	2	0			
Vintage Place	4	3,494	\$ 108	2003	54	2	2			
Hielscher	13	3,055	\$ 120	2002	58	8	0			
West	16	3,426	\$ 124	2004	72	5	4			
Park West	6	2,444	\$ 138	2002	69	8	1			
Park Place	4	2,555	\$ 128	2005	62	1	1			
Muirfield	4	3,943	\$ 145	2007	82	5	1			
Enclave / Stone Creek	8	2,738	\$ 121	2006	54	8	3			
Alta Mira	10	2,893	\$ 134	2007	58	3	2			
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