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'Circle C' Name

Submitted by Ryan Garcia

The primary mission of the Board of Directors is to maintain and grow our members' property values. We do this through a variety of methods, by working to give our neighborhood top-notch and competitive amenities, a strong reputation in the Austin community, and dealing with the details of our large and growing homeowners association.

Recently, it came to light that Camden, a large and well known national builder, was developing a large apartment complex across the street from Bowie High School with the intention to call the complex "Camden Circle C." The Board of Directors was concerned by an apartment complex using the Circle C name given the strong affiliation residents of Austin have with our name and our neighborhood. No matter what other Austin residents think of our neighborhood, there is a definite sense of what Circle C means in the minds of Austinites and allowing an apartment complex to dilute that name and brand would be something that could ultimately lower our property values.

Over the past several months the Board of Directors has worked with a number of outside representatives to address this issue. We are happy to announce that Camden has agreed to rename its apartment complex to Camden Cedar Hills. While this is unlikely to be the last time another real estate developer attempts to leverage the strong reputation Circle C has in our community by using our name, this is an important milestone in showing that our homeowners association has the ability to prevent this dilution and ensure that we control what the name Circle C means here in Austin. Our thanks to everyone who assisted in this effort.

CCHOA Annual Meeting Election Results

Thank you to everyone who participated in the 2008 CCHOA Annual Meeting and Board of Director Election. Unfortunately the deadline for this newsletter edition was prior to the meeting, but once we have the results of the election we will post on the CCHOA website, www.circlecranch.info

2008 Capital Budget Projects Report

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:

- ☐ Landscape - Esc/Slaughter
- ☐ Landscape - Circle C West Post Offices
- ☐ Landscape - Turf replacement
- ☒ Swim Center & Café Roof - Phase I of this project has been completed (new roofs and gutters on both buildings. Phase II (sealant applied to outside of buildings and re-caulking) and Phase III (new awnings) are currently out to bid and should be completed by early to mid April.
- ☐ Swim Center Volleyball Courts
- ☐ Fence off BB Court
- ☒ Swim Center Furniture - The purchase of three new pool tarps and two lane line storage reels has been completed. New loungers and chairs have been ordered and new tables are currently out to bid.
- ☒ Swim Center Shade - Two new shade structures (to be placed on the northeast side of the pool deck), a replacement shade tarp in between the swim center and café building and new awnings have been bid and should be installed by May.
- ☐ Playscape Phase II
- ☐ Escarpment Fence

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

*Thank You
to Ryan Garcia and Michelle Moran
for their service to the Circle C
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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. Please also refer to the City of Austin Grow Green inserts on lawn maintenance and care. 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. We also recommend that you review the architectural control committee's landscape design guidelines located within this newsletter.

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>)

Picking up after Dog's Waste

Please be sure to follow the City of Austin's Ordinance and clean up after your pet's waste. We have also received complaints of neighbors disposing of their dog's waste in other neighbor's trash cans. Please be sure to dispose of your waste in your own trash can. Thank you for your cooperation.

Outdoor Lighting

Does your home have outdoor lighting that may affect your neighbors? If you have not thought about it before, please check the direction of your outdoor lights and ask your neighbors if they are shining into their home. A slight adjustment could make all the difference in the world.

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Circle C Landscape

Submitted by Susan Hoover

With April showers (hopefully) bringing May flowers, one would think that we don't have to worry about watering just yet. However, the last six months have been the indicators of drought conditions. Many forecasters are predicting a big departure from last year's wet and rainy spring and summer.

If that's the case, then all of us will be facing some challenges as we adapt to the new City of Austin residential and commercial watering restrictions. Here are a few tips for keeping your vegetation alive, and hopefully thriving during the dry weather.

- Trees—trees will need a little extra attention, especially if they are new trees. The best way to water trees is thorough deep root watering on a regular basis. Basically, you want to water your trees with the hose, very deeply. The down side of this is that you have to let the trees dry out between watering periods. They should not be so dry that the soil is cracked and crumbly, but if you have created a mud pit, there will be a problem. The primary cause of decline and death in new trees is over watering!!
- Beds and shrubs—if you have drought tolerant plantings, the twice a week watering schedule should be plenty. If you have an irrigation system, it is preferable for your beds and turf to be running on separate zones. Spray heads for shrubs emit quite a bit of water in a short period, so generally nothing more than 10 minutes in this situation will take care of your shrubs. Watering in the early morning is best; it helps prevent fungus. If you have a lot of run off, shorten the watering time until the water does not run off, and then run two cycles to get in depth watering.
- Turf—perhaps the most tricky. The turf will benefit from regular deep watering. You will be limited to 2x per week watering and the length of watering depends on whether you have rotors or spray heads. One way to tell how much water is emitted in a certain period is to put out a few cans under your rotors; run the section for 30 minutes and measure the water in the can (generally in inches). You can then reference the City of Austin website for information on ET data, but as a rule of thumb ½" per watering will be considered deep watering. This may be needed either 2x per week (maximum allowed) or 1x per week if the conditions are right. Try to water in the early morning hours to prevent fungal diseases of the lawn.

Basic rules of the new watering schedule: residential watering is limited to 2 days per week May 1 through September 30. Odd house numbers water on Wednesday and Saturday, even house numbers water on Thursday and Sunday. No irrigation systems or sprinklers may water between 10am to 7 pm. Hand watering is allowed at any time. If you need additional information from the City of Austin go to www.waterwiseaustin.org.

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Satellite Dishes

We have received quite a few emails and calls recently about whether or not satellite dishes are allowed in Circle C. While the Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions do speak to this, they were written over 20 years ago and referred to the large outdoor satellite dishes of the past. The Architectural Control Committee has written guidelines that we are posting below. Please make sure that you have complied if you have a satellite dish attached to your home.

Satellite Dishes & Play Equipment Guidelines

- Satellite dishes:

According to the Circle C Ranch Covenants Conditions and Restrictions (Article V, Section 3e) "Television satellite reception discs shall be screened by a fence or other similar facility so as to conceal them from view of any public street or Common Area."

The Architectural Control Committee has clarified this provision by adopting the following guideline:

Small satellite dishes, (smaller than 3 feet in diameter) shall be installed behind the main ridgeline of the home and out of view of any public street. If this is not possible or if you live on a corner, please submit a proposal for location to the Architectural Control Committee for approval.

In the event that a home backs to a major boulevard or Common Area (such as Escarpment, LaCrosse, Slaughter, Barstow, Dahlgreen, Eclipse, South Bay, and any other future areas common areas) residents must go through the Architectural Review Process and receive approval in writing.

Information about how to submit a proposal to the Architectural Control Committee is available at www.circlecranch.info.

CCHOA Annual Garage Sale

The Circle C Homeowners Association will host the Annual Garage Sale on Saturday, April 19th from 8am to 5pm. We will advertise this event in the Austin American Statesman, Oak Hill Gazette and on Craig's List. Each resident is encouraged to have their own individual garage sale on this date as there is a high amount of traffic. We will post neighborhood street maps on the website and reference in our ads so that shoppers will have a map of our neighborhood. We are currently working on having a non-profit group such as the Salvation Army or Goodwill stationed in the CDC parking lot to take any leftovers once your sale is over. We will confirm this information and post on the HOA website, www.circlecranch.info, so check there for more details.



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Monday - Friday

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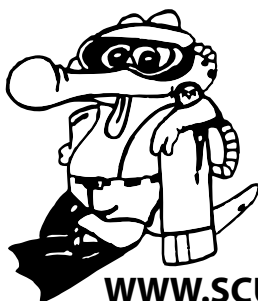
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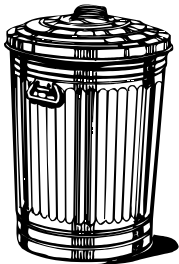
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Come View NEW Preliminary West Pool Plans

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!!

Hide Your Garbage Can & Recycle Bin!



We are continuing to receive many complaints from residents about owners who are storing their garbage can and recycle bin in view from the street. Garbage cans and recycle bins should be hidden from view – either behind your fence or in your garage. The vast majority of homeowners are able to hide their cans out of view, please do YOUR part to keep Circle C a beautiful place to live.

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.





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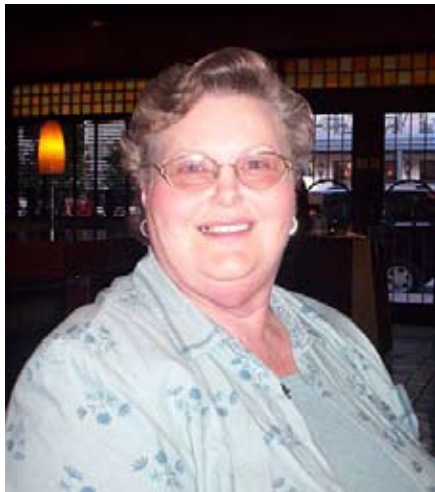
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CCHOA Clubs & Announcements

Surprise Birthday Party for Ida!

Submitted by Amy Mills



Ida is turning 60!

We decided to have a surprise celebration on April 11 at the Manchaca Fire Hall. It is located at the end of Manchaca Road with a quick right on 1626. We want to invite everyone who knows Ida... a.k.a. Bus Driver Ida! The party will start at 7pm. The fire hall has an all you can eat catfish buffet for \$9.95 and kids eat for \$3.50. There is also beer and wine available for purchase. The band starts at 7:30pm and we will have a GIANT BIRTHDAY CAKE with 60 candles! Please come and celebrate this important day with Ida. SHHHHHHHH... let's keep it quiet! We will have her there at 7:15pm so try to get there by 7pm! We are sending this invite early so you can mention it to everyone who knows Ida...man, woman, former bus rider.

Scrabble Anyone?

Looking for kitchen table Scrabble players. Daytime or evening, but preferable daytime. Interested? Call Carolyn at 394-0959.



South Austin Mystery Book Club

*Submitted by David Schieck,
a resident of Circle C*

If you love a good mystery story, come join us once a month at the South Austin Mystery Book Club. We meet on the third Tuesday of each month, at 7:30 pm, at the Sunset Valley Barnes & Noble on Brodie Ln.

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Submitted by Bob McKenna,

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Jackie's Story

Submitted by Vanessa Coppola



Growing up in foster care is not something children should have to do. Imagine not being able to hang out with your friends as often as the other kids, attend slumber parties or always worrying about moving. Children in foster care worry every day about their future

and where they will be. They are often in survival mode, feeling that they must look out for themselves because who else is? While there is an entire system working very hard to find permanency for these children, it can never replace the feelings of loneliness and isolation these children feel. Who is there to guide them over their lifetime, to teach them the little things in life we take for granted.

Meet Jackie, a beautiful spirited girl with a heart of gold. Yes, she is a teenager. Yes, she is afraid for her future. Yes, her defenses are up. She is like so many others. The spark in her eye is the hope – the hope that someone will want her; someone will claim her unconditionally as his/her child.

Jackie, a beautiful and loving girl who enjoys dancing, will be 15 in June. She is on the volleyball team and pep squad at school. She describes herself as "funny and thoughtful". Like most teenage girls, she loves to shop and talk on the phone. Her favorite subject in school is Math and she is working hard to pull up her grades.

Jackie hopes for a single mother to adopt her and she wouldn't mind being the only child. Jackie looks forward to going to the movies, going out to eat and attending church with her new family. She is

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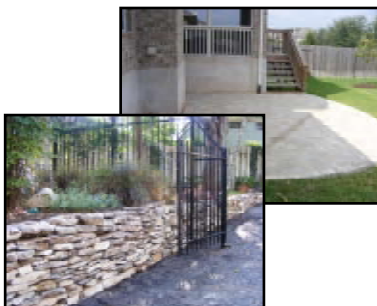
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Jackie's Story - (Continued from page 12)

excited about getting a family to call her own and spending holidays together. Jackie would do well with a family who could also act as a mentor to help guide her into adulthood.

Everyone needs someone.

If you are interested in learning more about the adoption process, contact the Adoption Coalition of Texas at tracyeilers@adoptioncoalitiontx.org (512-301-2825). If you are interested in learning more about Jackie, please contact Vanessa at:

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Wendy's Wonderful Kids Recruiter

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Notice from the Circle C Political Action Committee

Submitted by Ken Rigsbee, Chairman, CC PAC

The May 10, 2008 City of Austin election is likely to be an important one for the people of Circle C Ranch. There are three city council seats up for election. Consequently, your Circle C PAC Board has decided to solicit contributions in order to be a "player" in this election, so that we have established relationships with people to whom we will have to go in the neighborhood's future interest.

Typically, the CC PAC recommends contributions of about \$25 per household, but you are free to contribute any amount you wish. Contributions should be made to the CC PAC, c/o Darlene Wilson, Treasurer, 11221 Readvill Lane, Austin, TX 78739.

We sincerely appreciate your support.

(The Circle C Political Action Committee is an independent organization managed by its own, separate board of directors. All members of the CCHoA are also members of the CC PAC.)

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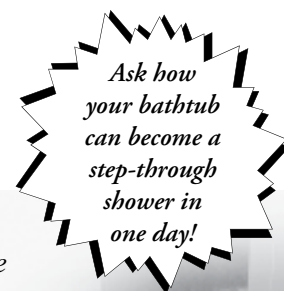


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Park West HOA News

Submitted by Jackie Rollins

By the time this newsletter arrives, the deadline for storing garbage and recycling containers from street view will have come and gone. The container storage issue is so important that it received front page coverage in the March issue of the CCR Newsletter. On April 1, the extension previously granted by the PWHOA Board of Directors expired and our garbage and recycling containers must now be stored hidden from street view. This is in keeping with the Circle C Covenants and the Park West HOA Rules. If storage is still a challenge, consider exchanging the large garbage container for a smaller 30 or 60 gallon size. The recycling container is available only in the larger size. Beginning April 1, both containers must be stored in the garage or kept hidden from street view, either on the side of the house (but out of street view) or in your backyard.

Spring is springing, the birds are singing.....soon, anyway. In Park West, you'll know that spring is here with the scheduling of the popular Spring Garden Tours event. The Park West Social Committee is looking for residents who would like to share their gardens, courtyards or greenhouses with their neighbors on Sunday, May 4, from 1 P.M. to 4 P.M. Your garden or landscaping does not have to be perfectly manicured. This is not a contest for the neatest

garden but rather a way to share ideas and meet your neighbors. Do you have hardscape features such as fountains, arbors, pathways, garden art or water features that are pleasing to you? Attractive plants or collections? Do you garden for wildlife? Perhaps you have success stories or disappointments to share. The deadline to register is April 15. Information on registering is posted on the mail center bulletin boards, on the PWHOA website and in a flyer that you may have already received. You can also contact committee members Jean Griffith at grifthj@bresnan.net (phone 695-5569) or Nancy Hall at nansuehall@aol.com (phone 638-3807) with the requested information.

As the publication of this newsletter approaches, plans are being finalized for maintenance and repair of our streets and automatic gates in late March or early April. It is anticipated that the long-term advantages of this major project will far outweigh any inconvenience to Park West residents. Thank you in advance for your cooperation and patience.

Pet waste and the disposal thereof is another topic that must be repeated. Several Park West residents are walking their dogs

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Park West - (Continued from page 14)

without a plastic bag in which to place waste, and there have been complaints galore. Some grassy areas are littered at times with dog waste. This is unacceptable because not only can it be hazardous to one's health as spelled out in an article in the March 8 issue of the American-Statesman, but it's an eyesore, messy and leaves one with a not-so-glowing impression of our lovely community. We all know the rules as spelled out by the City of Austin Code and adhered to by Circle C Covenants and Park West HOA rules: in short, scoop the poop! If you see an offender, it's okay to give them a gentle reminder, or call Board Director Jackie Rollins at 301-1839 and she will talk to them and/or send them a letter.

And - last but not least - thank you for your overwhelming response in signing up for the Park West Neighborhood Maintenance Newsletter from Pearson Landscaping Services. With an initial subscriber list of only 30 homes, the number climbed to nearly 100 after it was publicized in last month's column, on the PWHOA website, the bulletin boards and the Parkwest Villas discussion group. Enjoy!

See you next month. Keep those suggestions for future topics coming to Jackie Rollins at 301-1839 or JackieRollins02@aol.com

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Oak Hill World's Fair to Raise Money for Trails and Parks in Southwest Austin

Submitted by Corinne Carson

The Oak Hill World's Fair – a spectacular, community building, family fun filled festival will be held on April 5th of 2008 at Fire Lake, on Fitzhugh Rd. off Hwy. 290 West, from noon until 10 P.M., with a rain date of April 6th. It is presented by the Oak Hill Association of Neighborhoods (OHAN), the Oak Hill Business and Professional Association (OHBPAA) and the Oak Hill Gazette.

Oak Hill World's Fair is a non-profit event with a mission to raise funds for Oak Hill community groups. This year's festival will raise funds for Oak Hill parks and the Oak Hill Trails Association (OHTA).

The festival will feature some of the best musical talent the Oak Hill area has to offer, including Grammy Award winner Cyril Neville and his band Tribe 13 as well as Grammy Award winner Floyd Domino, and his hand picked band the Oak Hill All-Stars, including Red Volkart, longtime guitarist for Merle Haggard. Other confirmed acts include Jane Gillman, The Sunset Valley Boys, and THAT Damned Band with more entertainers to be announced. Musical performances will be on an island stage in Fire Lake (so called because of it's fire-spewing fountain) and on a smaller acoustic stage under the oaks.

There will be a diverse assortment of entertainers, vendors, food, interactive exhibits, and activities. The Oak Hill World's Fair will also feature the debut of Convict Sledding Hill – the area's first year-round snow sledding experience! In addition, the fair marks the debut of Pyro-palooza, which will culminate in a huge fireworks display.

There will be classic cars, along with many other quirky, creative and educational events, attractions and competitions that exemplify that special Oak Hill state of mind.

Underwriters include AMD, Brokers National, the Y@71 Professional Building, and other community-minded businesses.

The festival will charge a \$5 parking fee per car and a \$3 admission charge per head, with kids under 12 admitted free. To reach the Oak Hill World's Fair grounds at Fire Lake, head west on Highway 290 and make a right on Fitzhugh Road. Head approximately 3 miles down the road to Fire Lake Event Center, located at 13317 Fitzhugh Rd. More information on the Oak Hill World's Fair can be found by visiting <http://oakhillworldsfair.org>.

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Trinity Episcopal School

Submitted by Quentin Fennessy



A small school in Westlake Hills is making a big splash in the world of Austin independent schools. Trinity Episcopal School, now in its ninth year of operation, is a K-8 school that offers daily chapel, enriched academic offerings, robust athletics, and a diverse community, all on 15 wooded acres in the middle of Westlake Hills.

With more than 370 students, Trinity has been growing and innovating ever since its founding days. My daughter Colleen Fennessy has been a Trinity student three years. Now in 7th grade, she just represented the school in the Private School Interscholastic Association (PSIA) academic competition, placing 2nd in the math competition, and 4th in the vocabulary competition. She'll now move on to the state competition, which will take place in Fort Worth on April 26. "I'm very excited about this next level of competition," she says. "Eight of us from Trinity will be going, and I think it's going to be a lot of fun."

Trinity students graduate ready to excel at Austin's finest public, independent, and boarding high schools. Last year, 40 of 41 graduates were accepted at their first-choice high school, and more than 25% have achieved academic honors in their freshman year.

"We believe our job is to engage our students, to capture their imaginations and draw them into their studies in innovative ways," says Middle School Head Brenda Leaks. "Our students leave us as mature learners, ready for a world that will require them to be creative, adaptive, and expressive."

Trinity prides itself on offering unique opportunities for growth and learning at every level, from kindergarten through 8th grade. In the elementary school, the schedule includes daily physical education, music, art, drama, and more. By middle school, our students are ready for greater challenges that include integrated coursework, drama and musical groups and productions, and a slate of class trips that sends students to the Grand Canyon, Washington, DC, and Costa Rica.

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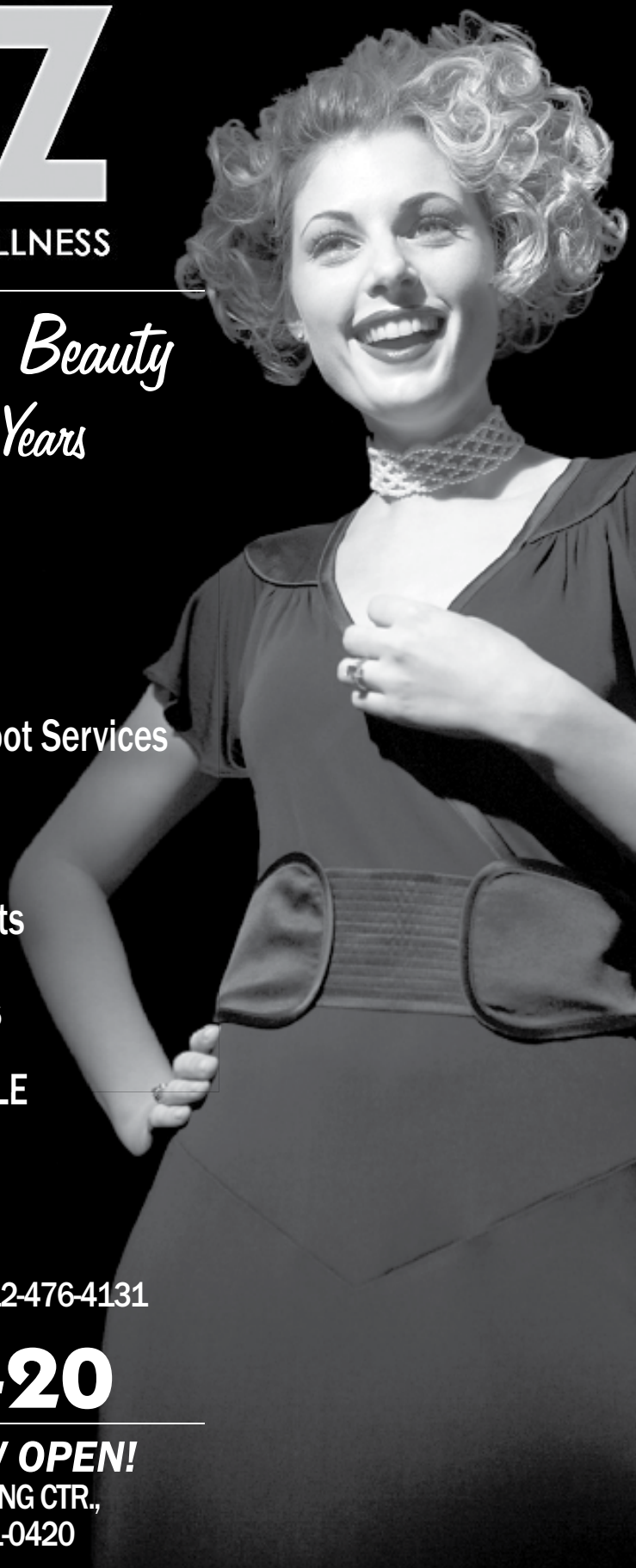
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Circle C Amenities

Circle C Tennis Club Manager is Named Master Professional

Submitted by Fernando Velasco

The Professional Tennis Registry (PTR) presented its annual awards during the 2008 PTR International Tennis Symposium. The event, which includes 60-plus on court and classroom presentations, a tennis trade show and \$25,000 Championships, was being held February 16-21, 2008, at Van der Meer Shipyard Racquet Club on Hilton Head Island, South Carolina.

PTR established the Master Professional level of certification to recognize those individuals who have made significant contributions to the game of tennis throughout their careers.

The designation of Master Professional is an important distinction in which PTR members must demonstrate their broad involvement in tennis over many years. They have shown growth in their knowledge of the game, a strong involvement in introducing tennis to their community, expertise in teaching and coaching and a commitment



to developing professionally. PTR Master Professionals are a strong representative of the sport and display the highest standards in the tennis teaching profession.

Shinichi Suzuki and Fernando Velasco were named as PTR Master Professionals.

Fernando Velasco is the Manager and Director of Tennis at Circle C Tennis Club in Austin, Texas. He has been a guest speaker at PTR symposia for 15 years. His presentations on management and on-court teaching in both Spanish and English have been well received by attendees. In 1999, Velasco was named PTR Professional of the Year. Last year in Texas, he was ranked

#5 in Singles and #4 in Doubles in the Men's 60 division, and has captured the PTR's Men's 55s Doubles and 60s Singles, and this year the 65s Singles titles. In addition to PTR, Velasco has been a speaker at local, regional and national conventions of the CMAA,

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Tennis - (Continued from page 20)

IHRSA, USPTA and USTA. A USPTA Master Professional since 1984, Fernando has written several articles that have been published at the regional and national levels, including TennisPro. He is a member of the Wilson Premiere Advisory Staff. Fernando is known for his passion on the court, but also for his compassion off the court. It is this sterling quality, in addition to his tennis coaching skills that has earned him the PTR Master Professional rating.

Velasco has been the Manager at Circle C Tennis Club since 2000 and, together with his staff, has been instrumental to the present success of the Club. For more information of Membership and programs, call 301-8685 or visit their website: www.circlectennis.com

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Grey Rock Golf Club News

Submitted by Denise Fisher

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Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center Announcements

Submitted by Saralee Tiede

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School News

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School News Continued

Kiker Elementary Sponsors Annual Community Event

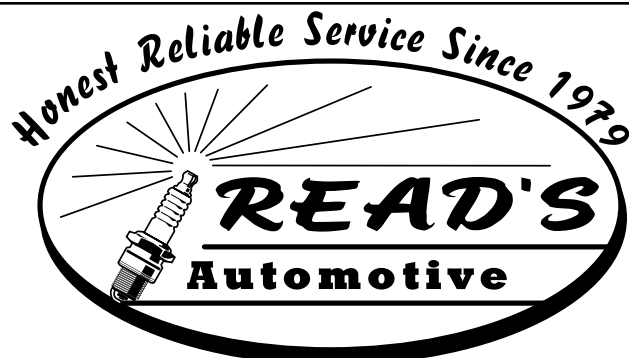
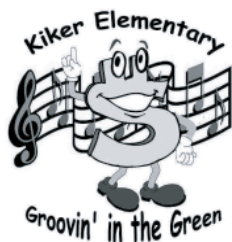
We're Golfin' & Groovin'—Join Us! May 3 & 4, 2008

A relaxing day of golf in the beautiful Texas Hill Country, camaraderie, and all with the intention of helping children! Can you think of a more perfect day? The Kiker Community invites you to join in for the Annual Golf Classic on Saturday, May 3, 2008, at Grey Rock Golf Club (formerly the Golf Club at Circle C). The event, coupled with an Auction, Dinner & Dance, is expected to raise more than \$30,000 for school-wide projects, student and classroom materials, and staff development.

More than one hundred golfers will enjoy a challenging round of golf at one of the premier courses in the Texas Hill Country – Grey Rock Golf Club. The outing will begin with a shotgun start at 1:30 p.m. Prizes will be given to the first, second, and third place teams. Players will receive complimentary beverages, a boxed lunch, and dinner hosted by The Outback Steakhouse. The player registration form is available online at <http://www.austinschools.org/campus/kiker/> and in Kiker's front office. Send questions to Karen Syzdek at ksyzdek@yahoo.com. The cost is \$125.00 per individual or \$400.00 per team of four if registered by April 21, 2008. After April 21, a fee increase will apply. **Make it a family event!** Come on out for children's activities offered by Kiker staff and faculty, Partners in Education volunteers, and parent volunteers. The fun and games will be 1:30–2:30 p.m. at the Grey Rock Golf Club putting green.

On Sunday, May 4, 2008, 300+ community supporters will gather for Kiker's Annual Auction, Dinner & Dance at Creekside Pavilion in Driftwood. Unique auction items, including a variety of fantastically themed gift baskets, A&M and UT memorabilia, kids activities, and much more, will be on display and available for competitive bidding. Participants will feast on a bar-b-que dinner and enjoy live music by Austin's own Third Language (www.thirdlanguage.com). The event is **open to the public** and is for adults only. Tickets are \$25.00 each. Information on ticket sales will be sent home with Kiker students and placed in Bowie, Bailey, Baranoff, Clayton, Mills and Small newsletters. If you do not have a child at one of these schools and wish to attend, please contact Karen at ksyzdek@yahoo.com or visit Kiker's front office. **You can help make the auction even better – donate an auction item by contacting Jenn Hunt at kikerauction@yahoo.com, 970-1499 or 301-0043!**

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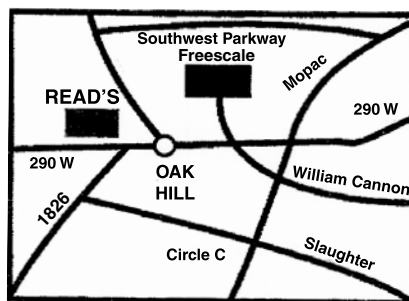
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Be safe: When an Armadillo Sees its Shadow, is it Boating Season in Texas?

Submitted by LCRA



Have fun this summer but remember:
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The time of year known nationally as the official boating season is about as relevant to Texans as Punxsutawney Phil seeing his shadow on Groundhog Day in Pennsylvania.

Our climate does not limit water recreation to three months out of the year as in many other states across the country. Many a Texas Christmas photo shows family members sporting shorts. On Feb. 25, Austin's 92-degree high was one of the warmest on record for that date. With warm, sunny days today, boaters and swimmers are not waiting until May to enjoy water recreation.

And with LCRA's meteorologist Bob Rose forecasting a trend of warmer temperatures, we can expect to see the numbers of lake visitors on the rise well before the official first day of spring. What we don't want to see, however, is more lake accidents occurring earlier as well.

Unfortunately, the first two Highland Lakes drownings already occurred in February. They were both at Lake Travis and both victims were Austin-area residents. This is the earliest in a year that a lake fatality has occurred on Lake Travis in at least eight years.

So just as our mild Texas winters don't limit use of the lakes, actions and precautions that make lake visits safer should not be limited to Memorial Day through Labor Day. That doesn't mean folks won't hear plenty about National Safe Boating Week when it takes place May 17-23; it just means we want the safety reminders to be heard now when it's already warm enough to enjoy the lakes.

Plenty of water in the Highland Lakes and warm temperatures provide a great opportunity for people to enjoy the water by boat or from the shoreline. And lake visitors of all types can benefit from following a few easy water safety tips such as swimming or boating with a friend, wearing a life jacket, drinking responsibly and taking time to learn about risks such as water-related illnesses that are associated with any lake.

For the third year, LCRA will promote safe enjoyment of the lakes through its Nobody's Waterproof™ campaign. See www.nobodyswaterproof.com for dates and locations of these interactive lake events as well as tips to make sure your lake visit is fun and safe from start to finish.

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Be Safe and Prepared in the Water

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Reach To help someone in the water, reach first with a fishing pole, long stick, floating noodle, or boat oar, but don't get in the water yourself.

Throw Scan the area for items such as an empty milk jug, cooler, ring buoy, other flotation device or a rope. Bring a boat cushion that floats and keep it close at hand.

Row It is not safe to go near a swimmer with the boat motor running. Turn the motor off and use oars to bring the boat close enough to reach or throw.

Don't Go Without training and experience in life-saving techniques, you could put yourself in danger along with the person you are trying to help.

Know and Call Know where you are on the lake or at the park so that when you call 9-1-1, emergency personnel can locate you.

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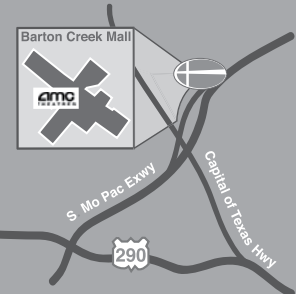
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Spring is Here. . . Head for the Parks

Submitted by LCRA



The unseasonably warm weather just might bring out the wildflowers, creating a wonderful opportunity for photos.

Spring break and Easter have come and gone, so you know what that means in Central Texas: It's time to head for the parks to camp, fish or just take a long day to play in the warming weather.

The busiest weekends of 2008 recreation season are upon us as outdoor lovers by the thousands pull out their stored-away camping equipment to give it a check and uncover the boat to make sure it still runs and is safe.

Then they head for outside adventures, including flocking to LCRA's 40 parks and recreation areas that are located from the Highland Lakes down the Colorado River to Matagorda Bay.

Because of the drought-breaking floods last summer, the Highland Lakes are full and offer plenty of water for recreation of all types.

Depending on what Mother Nature does with the weather — remember this is Texas and spring can mean rainy and cold or perfect 70s or higher — some people will even jump in the cold river or lakes for an early springtime dip. Or maybe water ski. If you do this, consider these safety tips: Don't stay in the water too long and swim with a buddy.

Back on land, it's a little early for wildflowers. Some trees will start to bud and the prime wildflower season is just around the corner.

This is also a good time to watch birds migrating north, such as hummingbirds,

robins and purple martins.

If the weather is right, early spring can provide some of the best tent camping of the year. RV camping is good even if it's raining and chilly because you can be snug in your camper anywhere.

Word to the wise: Campgrounds and particularly cabins and RV spots get reserved early. In fact, reservations can be made 333 days out. For instance, some reservations were made last fall for Memorial Day. So the sooner you call the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Reservation Center at (512) 389-8900, the better chance you have to get the spot you want when you want it. Plan ahead.

Special discounts may still be available during the spring at some LCRA parks. Call the individual parks to check.

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SCOUTS AIM TO "KEEP TEXAS FED"

*Scouting for Food drive has goal of collecting
250,000 pounds of food in Central Texas*

AUSTIN – Thousands of Scouts will visit homes in April to collect more than a quarter-million pounds of food for needy Central Texas families.

The 2008 "Keep Texas Fed" Scouting for Food drive is on Saturday, April 12, 2008. In its inaugural year in 2007, the drive collected more than 83,000 pounds of food for the Capital Area Food Bank and its Partner Agencies.

"Many people donate food during the traditional holiday months," says Adrienne Longenecker, Deputy Director Community Relations for the Capital Area Food Bank. "But we have a serious need just before summer, as children who were counting on meals at school spend more time at home. The 'Keep Texas Fed' drive was a tremendous help last year and we know that Scouts will rise to the occasion again this year."

76% of households receiving assistance from Capital Area Food Bank Partner Agencies report incomes below the federal poverty level (source: Hunger in America 2006: Central Texas Report, in association with America's Second Harvest). These are families that are working, trying to support themselves but have trouble making ends meet.

Starting in April, Scouts will leave door hangers on the front door of homes in their communities, informing residents that Scouts will be back on Saturday, April 12, starting at 8am, to collect food donations. Instead of providing bags for the donations, Scouts are asking people to put the food in plastic shopping bags already in their homes. After Scouts pick up the bags, the food will be donated and the bags will be recycled.

If you have any questions about the Scouting for Food drive, contact the Capitol Area Council, Boy Scouts of America, at (512) 617-8641 or (800) 444-1910 ext. 641. You can also visit the Capitol Area Council's website, www.bsacac.org, and click on the "Contact Us" link to send an email.



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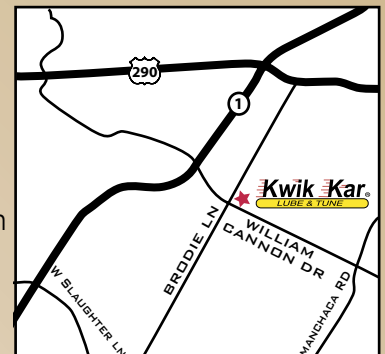
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NatureWatch

by Jim and Lynne Weber

There's No Such Thing As Buzzards

To most Texans, vultures are simply "buzzards," an unfortunate misnomer that stems from the term early settlers used to describe these birds that reminded them of a common, medium-sized hawk found in Europe. American vultures have their own distinct family and differ from vultures found on other continents, which are more closely related to hawks and eagles.

Vultures are characterized by small, unfeathered heads and hooded beaks, which help them feed on the carrion that makes up most of their diet. As scavengers, they often feed together and assemble in large groups to roost at night. These gregarious birds become solitary during the spring nesting season, from March to June in Texas, and prefer protected rock ledges, caves, hollow trees, and even deserted buildings as nesting sites, as they do little to no nest construction. Male and female vultures look alike, and they have no song or call, although they will grunt and hiss when feeding or frightened.

Turkey vultures are one of two vulture species common in central Texas. Large, sleek, and black with a naked red head, white beak, and longish tail, the turkey vulture has a six-foot wing span. Combined with its relatively light weight, you will often see this bird using thermals to carry it aloft, soaring high above the ground in sweeping circles. From below, its slender wings appear two-toned, with leading

edge black wing linings contrasting with trailing edge light grey flight feathers. Unlike other vultures, the turkey vulture uses its sense of smell to locate carrion. And like its stork relatives, this vulture often defecates on its own legs, using the evaporation of the water in its feces to cool itself down.

Smaller, with a shorter tail, naked black head, and a wing span of less than five feet, the black vulture is not built for endless soaring like the turkey vulture. As such, you will often see this bird alternate rapid flapping of its wings with short glides. From below, its wings also appear two-toned, but with the light grey feathers appearing only on the wing tips. Unlike the turkey vulture, the black vulture will supplement its carrion diet with small mammals, reptiles, and young birds, and will depend solely on its vision to find food. A more aggressive bird, black vultures will often form small groups and gang up on a larger turkey vulture to drive it from a carcass.

Populations of turkey and black vultures fluctuate throughout the year in central Texas. Although some stay year-round, many turkey vultures spend the winter in Central America. Black vultures also migrate, and may travel as far south as Brazil for the winter. Protected by the Migratory Bird Treaty Act of 1918, it is illegal to take, kill, or possess turkey or black vultures, except for birds that are injured and unable to return to the wild.

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Nature Watch - (Continued from page 32)

While vultures may not be the most attractive bird around, you have to admire their majestic stature, graceful flight, unique social characteristics, and the role they play as nature's best recyclers!

Send your nature-related questions to naturewatch@austin.rr.com and we'll do our best to answer them.

Want to submit an article of interest?

If you would like to contribute to the HOA newsletter, please send your article to info@circlecranch.info. The deadline is the 12th of the preceding month July's deadline will be June 12). Photos and graphics must be submitted as a jpg, tif, or wmf file.

TAX TIPS – 2008

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Looking for your refund? If you have already filed your return and want to know the status of your refund, you can now log on-line and find out when you can expect to receive it. This option is available whether you requested automatic deposit into one or multiple accounts or a check mailed to your home address. Log on to: www.irs.gov for a link to this feature.

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- **RUN with the HEROES – 04-20-2008**

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- **Texas Round Up 5K & 10K – 04-26-2008**

The Texas Round Up 5K & 10K will be on Saturday 26 April.2008. Start Time is set for 8:00 a.m with the Kids-K at 10:00. There is always a big turn out from people all over the state of Texas. All abilities and all ages. Over 7,000 people attended this fitness Festival in 2007. Check the web site: www.texasroundup.org and click on "Events" and stay tuned for more details on their website.

It's My Park – April 12th, 9 am

The annual "It's My Park" Day is sponsored by the Austin Parks Foundation, which is a non-profit organization not affiliated with the City of Austin (www.austinparks.org). This year you can go to their website at www.austinparks.org, type in your zip code, and find activities around your house where you can help beautify a park.

Alternatives to Lawn Expense

By Dale Bulla

For a long time now, most American landscaping has focused on maintaining a manicured green lawn. This requires a lot of water and fertilizer. Native trees, shrub masses, ground covers, prairie or meadow patches, wildflower beds, and attractively mulched areas are better environmental choices for people and for wildlife. Below are some more reasons to consider reducing your lawn and the expense that goes with it.

If you are fed up with lawn maintenance, here are some alternatives to consider...

- native species of ground cover instead of grass
- native trees and/or shrub masses
- water garden or pond
- rock garden
- mulched paths
- native annual or perennial beds
- meadow or prairie patch
- hedgerow
- organic vegetable garden
- butterfly or hummingbird garden

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Teenage Job Seekers

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You're just one phone call away from a beautiful lawn and carefree weekends.

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Try our lawn care & landscape services for one month. --- If you're not absolutely delighted with the results, we'll refund 100% of your money.

Professional Lawn Care & Landscaping You Can Trust!

Austin Detailers --part of the Better Business Bureau since 2003, without a complaint! When you hire our professional lawn care team, you'll be assigned your own personal lawn care account manager; someone dedicated to your neighborhood; someone you'll know on a first-name basis; and someone you can trust to take care of your lawncare and landscaping needs, 100% guaranteed.

We're a year round professional landscape management company, not just a "lawn service" or part time "lawn guy." We offer a full range of lawncare and landscape management services, and we deliver with integrity and competence. We proactively manage your lawn, landscape, and sprinkler system so you can avoid unsightly or expensive problems down the road.

- We actually show up when promised, within a two-day mow window.
- When you call, you don't get passed from one department to another.
- We offer quarterly, service satisfaction visits so that we can continue to provide the highest level of service satisfaction that we can.
- As an optional service, we'll advise you of the best ways to landscape at the lowest costs to enhance your homes re-sale value. Do you know any "lawn guys" who can do that?

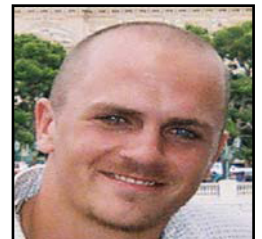
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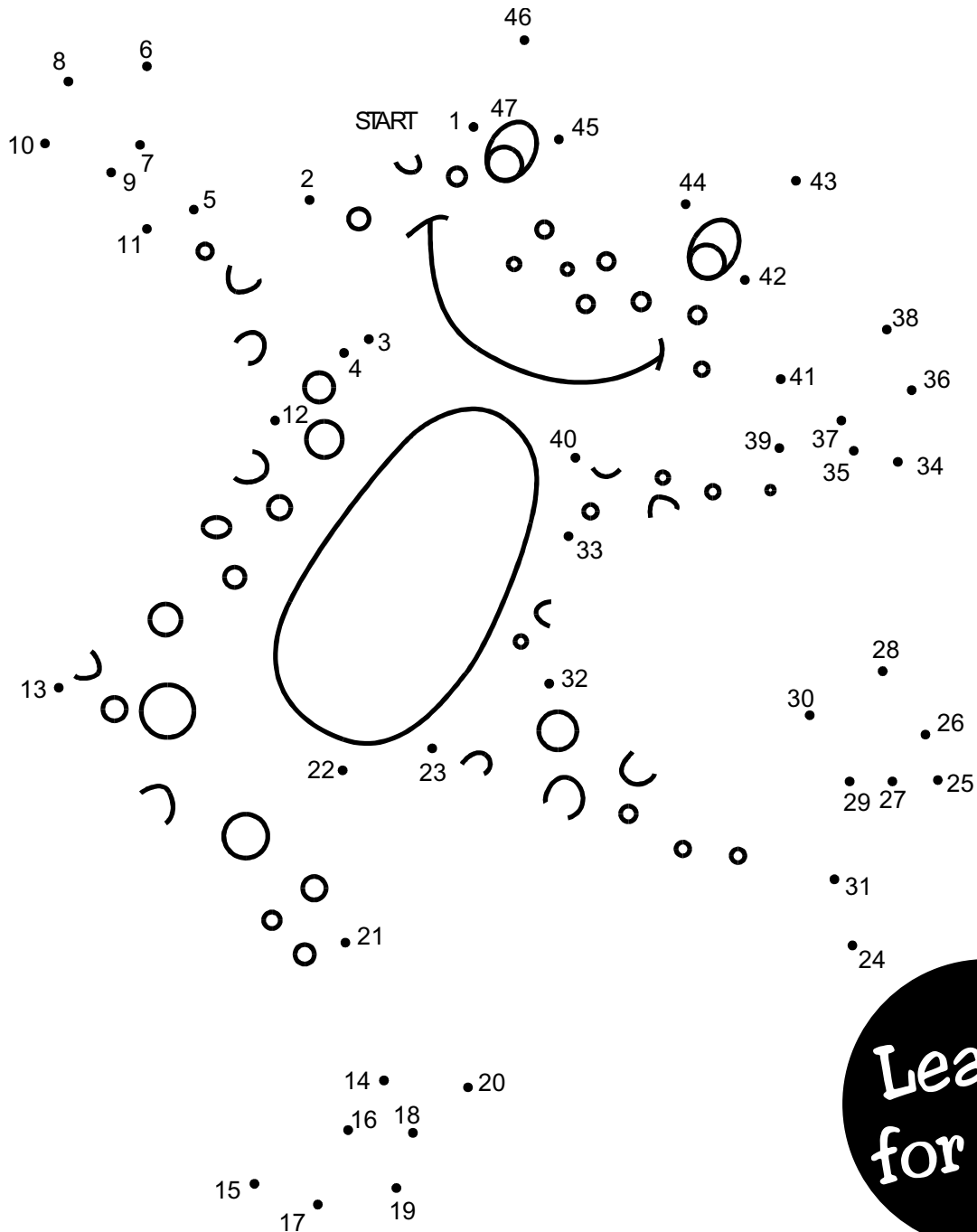
**David Hunsaker,
Owner**

Attention Teenagers: The Teenage Job Seekers listing service is offered free of charge to all Circle C Ranch teenagers seeking work. Submit your name and information to info@circlecranch.info by the 12th of the month!

Circle C Kids

Dot-To-Dot

Connect the dots to find the hidden image.



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for Joy!



Attention KIDS: Send Us Your Masterpiece!

Color the drawing below and mail the finished artwork to us at 203 W. Main Street, Ste. D, Pflugerville, TX 78660. We will select the top few and post their artwork online at www.PEELinc.com. DUE: April 30th

Be sure to include the following so we can let you know!

Name: _____
(first name, last initial)

Email Address: _____ Age: _____

[This information will only be used to notify you or your parents if your artwork was selected.]



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Austin Children's Museum

BAT SEASON BEGINS!

Nightly on Congress Ave. Bridge

Which Circle C agent sold homes faster and for more money per square foot in 2007?

Bob McKenna of Austin Real Estate Partners

Source: Multiple Listing Service, January 2008 among agents with 10 or more listings in Circle C Ranch

Austin Real Estate Partners Market Report							
Circle C Ranch by Neighborhood	6 Months Sold History (Sep '07 - Feb '08)					CURRENT MARKET	
	TOTAL	AVERAGE				TOTAL	
	Homes Sold	Square Feet	Price / Sq. Foot	Year Built	Days On Market	Available	Pending Sale
Circle C Central	40	2,838	\$ 109	1992	57	19	6
North	17	2,040	\$ 130	1996	48	5	6
Wildflower	12	2,327	\$ 123	2002	36	3	2
On The Park	3	3,628	\$ 112	1997	33	1	2
Vintage Place	6	3,366	\$ 112	2004	80	3	0
Hielscher	12	3,106	\$ 119	2001	70	8	1
West	17	3,463	\$ 123	2004	92	6	2
Park West	7	2,382	\$ 142	2001	61	9	1
Park Place	4	2,462	\$ 133	2005	55	1	0
Muirfield	2	3,815	\$ 168	2005	89	4	0
Enclave / Stone Creek	8	2,703	\$ 121	2006	46	10	3
Alta Mira	8	2,932	\$ 134	2007	76	2	3
Circle C Ranch Total	136	2,813	\$ 121	1999	61	71	26
% Change Mo/Mo	-12%	0%	0%	0%	17%	15%	-16%

Market Report data was obtained from the Austin-Multiple Listing Service (MLS) on 02/07/2008. In some cases new construction and FSBO homes are not included in the MLS data and therefore are not represented. Data is deemed accurate but not guaranteed.

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