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IT'S THE FOURTH OF JULY IN THE COURTYARD - 2008

PARADE AT 10:30AM

Join us at 10:15am at Parade Ridge and Courtyard Drive
We will line up behind the Fire Truck and march to the Park
Decorate your bike or wagon and join in the fun
Grab a kazoo and march in the one and only
Courtyard Marching Kazoo Band
Add balloons to the stroller and walk with the
Stroller Brigade

PICNIC IN THE PARK !

There will be a Slip & Slide so come prepared to get wet
There will be a clown, face painting, balloon animals & Moonwalk
Then it's hot dogs lemonade and watermelon the All American All Courtyard
picnic fare. The picnic will end with a piñata

SO COME ONE COME ALL !

WE ARE GOING TO HAVE FUN IN THE COURTYARD
AND YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS IT !!!

Parade Route: Starts at Parade Ridge and Courtyard Drive then proceeds to
Scout Island Circle South. Turns left on Tom Wooten then right on Scout Island
Circle North and on to the Park.

Don't want to wait for the mail?

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Message to Members

Thank you to everyone who has already sent in their information for the updated Courtyard Directory. We've had a good response so far. Please keep the updates coming in. If you have any questions, contact either Leslie Craven, Chairperson of the Communications Committee or Marilyn Childress. (See Page 2 for contact information)

Dog Owners: please take care when exercising your dog(s) in the Community Park. Dogs should be within your control and on a leash. We received a report that one dog attacked another dog in the Park. Neither dog was on a leash. While we understand that the Park is a good place to let your dogs run and play without fear of cars, the Park is for all our residents and they should not be afraid of finding loose dogs when they come to the Park area -- so please be careful. If a dog owner is not completely alone in the Park, they should keep their dog on its leash.

Best wishes for a safe and happy summer and thank you for your continued efforts to drive slowly in the Courtyard.

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Security Issues

Park Trespassers: We are seeing a number of unaccompanied, non-resident people in the park area lately. These include uninvited transients sleeping in the park. Please be careful and call 911 if you suspect any danger. Tell the 911 operator that you have a 'trespassing in progress' when reporting.

Car burglaries: Burglaries continue to be a problem in the Northwest Austin neighborhoods. Please take the time to remove all valuables out of your vehicles. Leave nothing in plain sight that would tempt a burglar.

Gasoline theft: A number of residents have experienced theft of gas out of their vehicles. You can reduce the thefts by buying a locking gas cap.

Finally, stay alert in these summer months when so many of our neighbors are out of town and please share your observations, concerns, and/or suggestions to improve security with the Committee.

Jim Lloyd

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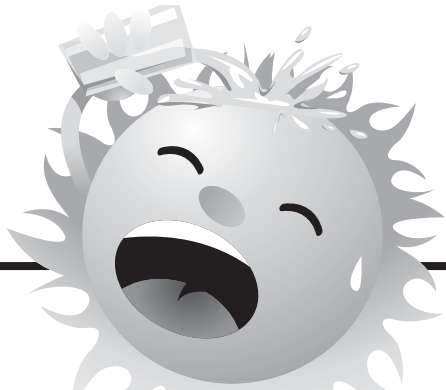
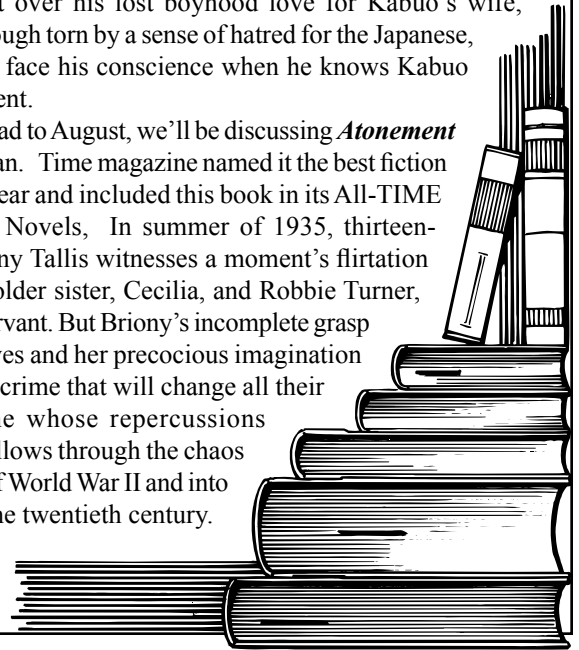
Book Club

Courtyard's Book Club meets monthly at the Courtyard Tennis and Swim Club, where attendees may enjoy a light lunch from the grill and a lively discussion of the book selection. Join us this month on Tuesday, **July 8 at 1:00 p.m** to discuss ***Snow Falling on Cedars*** by David Guterson.

Themes of loss, justice, racism, community and conscience interlaced within the context of a murder trial make Guterson's book a page turner as well as a human drama. Set in 1954 on a fictional island in the northern Puget Sound region of Washington state, San Piedro is a community of 500 "damp souls" who support themselves through fishing and berry farming. Respected war veteran and local fisherman, Carl Heine, drowns under mysterious circumstances and Kabuo Miyamoto, a first-generation Japanese American and decorated American war veteran, is on trial for Carl's murder. The trial occurs in the midst of the community's still deep anti-Japanese sentiments, and Kabuo and his wife, Hatsue, do not believe he can get a fair trial. Their own resentment stems from years of bigotry that culminated during World War II, when thousands of Japanese Americans were interned in government relocation camps and Kabuo was effectively robbed of land that his father had worked and paid for. Covering the case is the editor of

the town's one-man newspaper, Ishmael Chambers, an embittered World War II veteran who lost an arm fighting the Japanese, and has never got over his lost boyhood love for Kabuo's wife, Hatsue. Although torn by a sense of hatred for the Japanese, Ishmael must face his conscience when he knows Kabuo is truly innocent.

Looking ahead to August, we'll be discussing ***Atonement*** by Ian McEwan. Time magazine named it the best fiction novel of the year and included this book in its All-TIME 100 Greatest Novels. In summer of 1935, thirteen-year-old Briony Tallis witnesses a moment's flirtation between her older sister, Cecilia, and Robbie Turner, the son of a servant. But Briony's incomplete grasp of adult motives and her precocious imagination bring about a crime that will change all their lives, a crime whose repercussions *Atonement* follows through the chaos and carnage of World War II and into the close of the twentieth century.



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Classified Ads

Personal classifieds (one time sell items, such as a used bike...) run at no charge to Courtyard residents, limit 30 words, please e-mail LouBetty@aol.com.

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Congratulations to Another Courtyard Author



Courtyard resident Dr. Melody Chatelle recently published her first book entitled, *Journeys of Heartache and Grace: Conversations and Life Lessons from Young People with Serious Illnesses*. This non-fiction work stemmed from her PhD research at the University of Texas at Austin, College of Communications. In *Journeys*, Dr. Chatelle interviews young people, ages six to twenty, who are living with life-threatening illnesses and analyses how family members communicate and what life lessons are learned when children become seriously ill. Dr. Chatelle is proud of her work in *Journeys*, and believes that it contains information that can be of value to people of all ages, noting that "everyone goes through times of serious illness, whether it's with our family members, friends or even us personally." She added that, "Knowing what to say, and maybe more importantly -- what not to say, and how to interact with others rather than isolating ourselves, is important." If anyone is interested talking more with Melody about this topic, please feel free to contact her by telephone at (512) 502-9545 or email www.chatelleandassociates.com. *Journeys* was published by LangMarc Publishing of Austin.

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How will it work?

After the new service launches, all your recyclables will go in one cart:

paper, cardboard, boxboard, aluminum cans, metal cans, plastic and glass. Small blue bins will no longer be used at curbside for collection. Crews will collect recycling with automated collection trucks, and recycling collection will occur every other week. You will receive complete Single Stream Recycling instructions and a calendar showing your collection schedule with your new recycling cart.

What goes in the recycling cart?

Paper: (newspaper, office paper, junk mail, cereal and soft drink boxes, corrugated cardboard)

Aluminum and metal cans: food cans (labels left on OK), soda cans

Glass: Jars and bottles

Rigid plastics: # 1 through # 7, including yogurt and margarine tubs

What cannot be recycled?

Plastic bags, Styrofoam (cups, egg cartons, take-out containers).

<http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/sws/singlestream.htm>

Sudoku

The challenge is to fill every row across, every column down, and every 3x3 box with the digits 1 through 9. Each 1 through 9 digit must appear only once in each row across, each column down, and each 3x3 box.

	5		7		8		9	
				1				
9		6			3			
			2			8		
3	7				5			
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			1			4		

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Summer Workouts for the Brain

(Answers to last month's questions)

- A. From youngest to oldest, the six brothers are ten, fourteen, eighteen, twenty-two, twenty-six, and thirty.
- B. Dropping it in the rowboat. Since the marble is denser than water, dropping it in the rowboat will raise the water level higher. But -- try substituting a marble for a fully inflated balloon. If you managed to push the balloon underwater it would raise the water level considerably higher than if you dropped the balloon into the rowboat.
- C. Twelve cupcakes. Tessa ate half the remaining cupcakes plus three more to leave none, so she must have eaten six cupcakes. Kevin ate half the cupcakes and left six, meaning there were twelve to start with.
- D. Sylvester made each person ride another person's horse. This would ensure that everyone would want to come in first so they wouldn't lose.

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New Workout for July

- A. Ben and Brittany each have a bag containing the same number of marbles. How many marbles must Ben give Brittany so that Brittany will have ten more marbles than Ben?
- B. Ed decided to propose to Teresa and went shopping for a ring. At the first jewelry store, he found a one-carat ring for \$3000. At the second jewelry store, he found the same one-carat for \$3500. The first jewelry store had a 20% fee for any rings that were returned and the second store had no fees for returns. If there is a 50% chance that Teresa will say no, which jewelry store should Ed buy the ring at to maximize his risk/reward?
- C. Stephen is playing roulette in Las Vegas. If there are 36 numbers on the wheel, figure out which two-digit numbers Stephen has placed his bet on, given the following facts:
 - a. The number is divisible by 3.
 - b. The sum of the digits in this number lies between 4 and 8.
 - c. It is an odd number.
 - d. When the digits in this number are multiplied together, the total lies between 4 and 8.
- D. The family dog, Max, weighs eighty pounds more than Matilda, the cat. If their combined weight is 120 pounds, how much does Max weigh?



15-MINUTE SALMON

Prep time: 15 minutes

Ingredients:

- 2 - 6-oz. salmon steaks (a normal portion size for meat and fish is 3 oz.)
- butter or vegetable oil cooking spray or fat-free canola cooking spray

Directions:

1. Preheat the broiler. Cover the broiling pan with aluminum foil and lightly grease the foil with butter or vegetable oil cooking spray.
2. Place the steaks on the pan and broil the salmon for 5 minutes. Turn the steaks carefully and broil the other side for 4

to 5 minutes or until the fish is firm but still springy and a bit translucent in the center.

3. Serve immediately topped with the sauce of your choice.

Serves: 2

Serving size: 1 salmon steak

Nutritional analysis (per serving):

350 calories
34 g protein
20 g fat
114 mg sodium
0 mg calcium

Note: Nutritional analysis may vary depending

on ingredient brands used.

Variations and Suggestions:

This recipe can easily be doubled to serve 4. Salmon freezes well if prepared properly. Freeze each piece separately, wrapped first in plastic and then in aluminum foil to preserve freshness and facilitate defrosting. Serve with Orange Ginger Sauce.

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