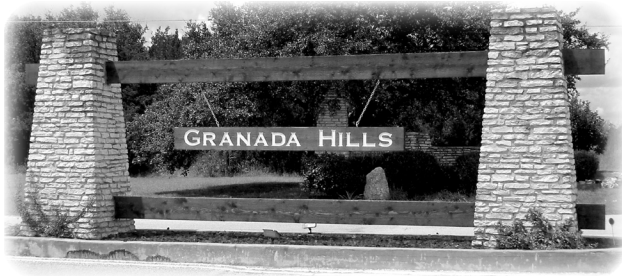


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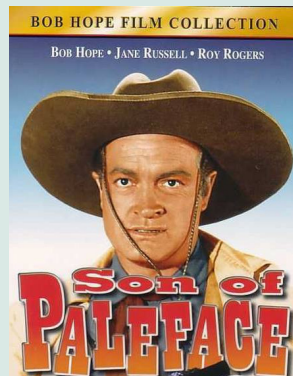
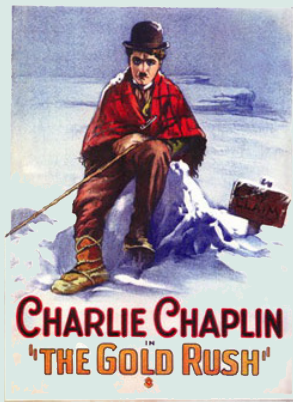
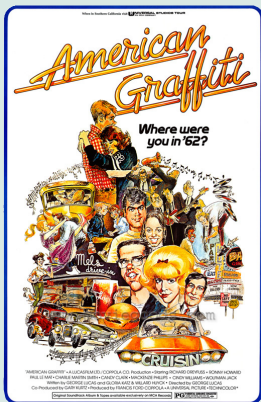
Free Movies at the Park

Come out and join us for Free Film Classics in the Park sponsored by Jim and Edna Maloy of Granada Hills. These will take place in Felder Park around the Tennis Court area, just after dusk. If it rains or is terribly windy, no movie that day. Bring a lawn chair, blankets, drinks, goodies ... and family and friends.

Saturday July 5th: American Graffiti

Friday August 15th: Double Feature with Charlie Chaplin in "The Gold Rush" and Buster Keaton in "The General"

Friday August 29th: Bob Hope, Jane Russell, Trigger, and Roy Rogers in "Son of Paleface"



Welcome to the Granada Neighborhoods

We have new neighbors popping up all over Granada Hills & Estates, and now there are about 10 new homeowners in Granada Oaks, plus add the 2 new homes on Gallant Fox and a couple new ones in Southview. We're getting bigger and lots of new blood is moving in!

For all of the New Folks: You have moved into a unique area of Austin, where the life is fairly laid back and the HOAs aren't going to tell you to bring in your trash or weed your flower beds ... (but please try to do so). New folks in the Granada area should be receiving a Welcome Basket, courtesy of the Granada HOA. (Thanks Donna and Hope.)

If you live in one of the Granadas (Hills, Estates, or Oaks) you can join the Granada HOA for a mere \$60 a year. This gets you tennis court access, free entry to several parties, and pays for your fair share of the park amenities, electricity, maintenance and so forth to run our subdivision. (Fox Run Estates could petition to join the Granada HOA, if so desired, and the Granada HOA membership would vote on that.)

Members of the Granada HOA also share an email listserve that can be quite useful. Just last month, several dogs were reunited with owners which can be directly attributed to the email list. Also, the email list provides neighbors answers to questions about everything from "Who is a Great Plumber?" to "What did you think about that hotel in Vegas?" We have about 175 people in the neighborhoods signed up.

To join the Granada HOA listserve, you must be a member of Granada HOA, and then send an email to GranadaHOA-subscribe@yahoo.com. You will receive a reply that will instruct you what to do next.

Oh yes, and don't forget that everyone can join the Pool at the Granada Club. For more info contact Jim Covell at jim@granadahoa.org or 288-3010.

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Help Build the Slaughter Creek Trail

A group of volunteers who like to ride horses, ride mountain bikes, and hike and bird-watch, are meeting to complete the Slaughter Creek Trail at the Wildlands. This is very close to the Granada neighborhoods. Just get out on FM 1826 and drive south (to the right), pass Slaughter Lane (on the left) and continue about a half a mile where you will cross Slaughter Creek. (Look closely because the bridge has no side rails.) Immediately after Slaughter Creek, on the left hand side, you will see a driveway, with two brick pillars on either side. Turn in there and proceed through the gate to the house and park there. If the gate is locked, simply wait for someone to show up. The work begins promptly at 8 am to take advantage of the cooler weather in the morning for 4 hours each day.

The Slaughter Creek Wildlands are a 300 acre parcel of land along Slaughter Creek that was purchased by the City of Austin. It is dedicated to be a limited access park for hiking, mountain biking, and horse riding.

Work days in July are: Saturday July 12th, Sunday July 20, Saturday July 26, and Sunday July 27th. Show up at precisely 8 am.

What to bring: sturdy shoes or boots, sun block, bug repellent, work gloves, eye protection, WATER, & food (i.e., energy bars and/or sandwich).

If you can only make one day and can only work for 3 hours come on down. See you there!

Oak Wilt Info – When to Cut

Chris Dolan, the City of Austin Arborist specializing in Oak Wilt, spoke at a meeting recently. He said that the best months for trimming Live Oaks is July and August, or December and January. During the other times of the year, the beetle that causes oak wilt is active and can fly between trees.

The most common way to spread Oak Wilt is through the transmission of spores underground in the roots of the trees. He said that typically an infected tree can have a root spread of a radius of about 100 feet. So, anyone with Live Oaks about 150 feet or so from an infected tree, should have their uninfected trees injected with a fungicide.

We have heard stories of Oak Wilt on the other side of FM 1826 in the Loma Vista subdivision, and it may be that FM 1826 will act as a barrier to keep the spores from transmitting underground to our trees, but then again, the beetles could fly over and infect a tree that has been freshly cut.

So, the rule at ANY time of the year, is to immediately spray the cut of a Live Oak tree with the black protective pruning paint. Immediately, in this case, means within a couple of minutes. After 6 to 8 hours, there is no benefit to painting the cut, according to Chris Dolan.

A lot more info is available at www.texasoakwilt.org. A very informative brochure is also available "How to Identify and Manage Oak Wilt in Texas" and we will obtain these and circulate them to the neighborhood.

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Family-friendly Summer Jam Returns to Oak Hill UMC

Oak Hill United Methodist Church will hold its annual live music festival, called **Summer Jam '08** on Saturday, August 23, from 6pm to 9pm. The family-friendly event, which is open to the community, will feature the Mark Swayze Band a contemporary Christian band from San Antonio, Texas as well as performances by the Oak Hill UMC and Dripping Springs UMC praise bands. A wonderful barbeque dinner will be served and there will be plenty of fun kids' activities including a waterslide...bring a bathing suit!

Like last year, there will be a silent auction featuring crosses designed and created by members and friends of Oak Hill. The auction will also include some unique items and services donated by local merchants and members of the congregation. The proceeds of the silent auction will benefit youth ministries at the church.

Summer Jam will be held at the Oak Hill United Methodist Church, located 1 mile west of the "Y" across from the ACC Pinnacle campus on Highway 290. Tickets for the festival are \$10 for adults and \$7 for children under 12. The ticket price includes entry to all children's activities and a barbeque dinner. Tickets can be purchased at the door, or in advance at the church office. For more information, go to www.oakhillumc.org.

Oak Hill United Methodist Church holds worship services on Sundays at 8:45am, 10am and 11:15am.



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