

Courtyard Homeowners Association, Inc.

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Message to Members

May brings the end of the school year and increasingly longer days that give us more time to enjoy the outside before the really hot summer weather arrives. We have a beautiful community, and it is good to see so many of our residents out walking (people and pets), jogging, riding bikes, and enjoying the Courtyard's easy access to Bull Creek. With this in mind, thank you to everyone for their continuing efforts to keep driving speeds down while traveling through the neighborhood. Please keep it up and encourage anyone visiting you to do so.

Many Courtyard residents will be gone from the neighborhood for some portion of the summer months ahead, and sometimes vacationers forget to make arrangements for their newspapers and mail. If you know your neighbors are out of town or simply notice that newspapers or mail/deliveries are accumulating on porches or driveways, be a good neighbor and please consider collecting these items and keeping them for the homeowners until they return. Left alone, they serve as a tip-off that homeowners are not home and are an invitation for trouble. Neighbors can also help each other out by keeping an eye out for strangers wandering through back yards or between houses. If you aren't sure what to do, please contact a Board member, our Security Committee chairperson, or the police and let someone know your concerns. While residents need not be fearful, it is good to be watchful and proactive about our safety and that of our community. In this month's Caller, we have a few of the pictures taken at the April 11 Easter

In this month's Caller, we have a few of the pictures taken at the April 11 Easter Egg Hunt in the Park. We had a great turnout and many thanks go to the parents who organized this event and worked to stuff and hide the 1000-plus eggs this year.

Finally, note that we have three recycling "blue" trash collection days this month: May 1, 15, and 29. Please keep this schedule in mind so that these trash cans do not appear at odd times and/or sit around outside for days awaiting collection. Best wishes to everyone for a safe and happy summer ahead!

Your Courtyard Homeowners' Association Board of Directors

Book Club

One satisfied reader responded to the Courtyard Book Club's May selection as follows, "I am still smiling and thinking of the characters. Had I the time and money, I'd be booking a trip for Guernsey right this minute." Join the group on May 12, Tuesday, 1 p.m. at the Courtyard Club and have your say about The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society by Mary Ann Shaffer and Annie Barrows. Ms. Shaffer became intrigued with the isle of Guernsey and its history while stranded there in 1976. Some years later when considering a topic for a novel, she returned to her fascination with the Channel Islands under Nazi occupation during World War II. The central character, a writer herself, tells the story of how the population copes with occupation with warmth and humor. In declining health when finishing the book, Ms. Shaffer asked her niece, Annie Barrows, to assist her in preparing the novel

for publication. The book is written as a series a letters which introduces the reader to the islanders and community that is formed as they join to support each other, engage classic pieces of literature, and brace themselves against the grim wartime occupation.



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Book Club - (Continued from Cover)

In June, the Club will review Nancy Horan's *Loving Frank*. In this first novel by Horan, she explores to clandestine affair between Mamah Cheney and the imminent architect, Frank Lloyd Wright.

Come, give the Book Club a try! You are welcome to join in whether or not you have read the monthly selection. It is a great way to get to know Courtyard neighbors!

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How to Set Out Extra Garbage

City of Austin (City) utility customers receive once a week curbside collection of garbage. Extra garbage that does not fit into your cart with the lid closed must be placed next to the garbage cart and tagged with an extra garbage sticker. Bags set out for collection without an Extra Garbage Sticker will be collected, but an \$8 per bag (plus tax) charge will be added to your next utility bill. The least expensive way to pay for the additional garbage that does not fit within your cart is to attach a \$4 extra garbage sticker (plus tax) to each bag of extra garbage. Extra garbage stickers are available from the following stores, listed in alphabetical order:

- Albertsons
- •City Market
- Crestview Minimax
- •Fiesta Mart
- •H-E-B
- Northwest Hardware
- Randalls



Scheduling Use of Community Facilities

FYI --- Residents who wish to schedule the use of Community's facilities (e.g., the pavillion in the Park), should contact our property manager, Marilyn Childress at Goodwin Management, 512/502-7509. Our Park Committee is responsible for plantings and general upkeep of the Park, but cannot help you with scheduling needs. Ms. Childress can also help you find answers to other questions you might have concerning the use of Community facilities.





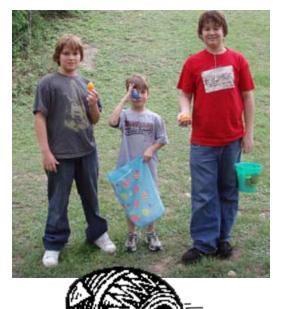


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COURTYARD NEIGHBORHOOD GARAGE SALE

Here's your chance to clear out those old "treasures" from closets, attics, and garages and earn a little money while you're at it. The first Saturday of May (May 2) is our annual neighborhood garage sale. If you haven't participated before, it's simple. You collect the stuff, and

the Homeowners Association provides advertising in the Austin American Statesman and will put out signs in the neighborhood. Call Mary Lou Nilsson (346-8432) or Judy Daffer 231-0817 to reserve a sign or if you have any questions.

HINTS FOR A SUCCESSFUL SALE:

- You can add your own signs if you feel it will help. Home Depot and others have them. Just be sure they come down when the sale is over;
- Feel free to open earlier or later that day;
- It is advisable to have prices on every;
- Children's items are especially popular;
- Multi-family sales tend to be more successful, so you might want to join with your neighbors to pool sale items at one location and take turns running the sale.

Saturday, May 2nd (Rain Day - May 9)



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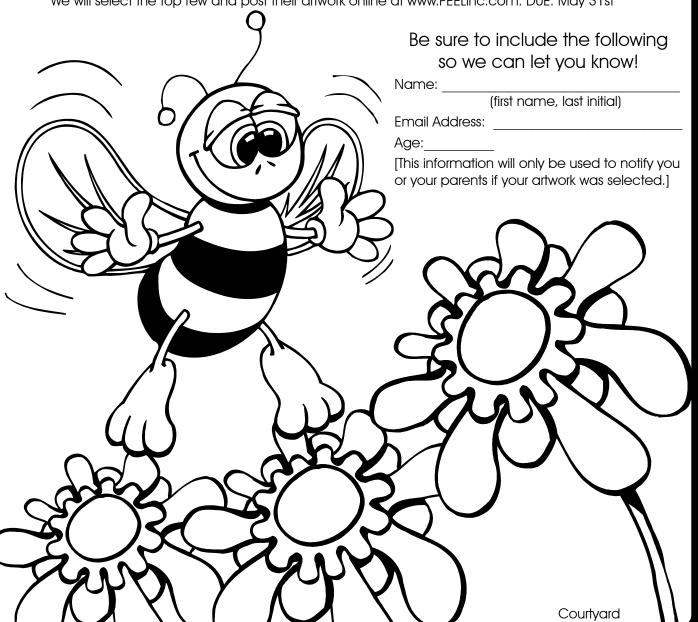




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