



The HPWBANA News

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

HPWBANA encourages all streets/ blocks to celebrate National Night Out on Tuesday, October 5, 2010 with other neighborhoods throughout Austin.

'National Night Out' is designed to heighten crime awareness and general support in crime-fighting efforts.

On October 5, 2010, from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., residents in neighborhoods throughout Austin and across the nation are asked to turn on their porch lights, lock their doors and spend the evening outside with their neighbors, police officers, firefighters and EMS paramedics. Events such as cookouts, block parties and neighborhood walks will all occur simultaneously throughout the city and nationwide.

APD will make every effort to have a 1st responder stop by each party that is registered by the deadline date of September 10, 2010.

WHAT TO DO TO JOIN NATIONAL NIGHT OUT 2010?

Get all of your neighbors to turn on their porch lights.

1. Organize a block party or some type of neighborhood event.
2. Fill out and return the 2010 National Night Out Application as soon as possible and mail it to the address below. You may also fax your application to (512) 974-6222. Applications can be downloaded from the city website at www.ci.austin.tx.us/police/downloads/nno_app_en.pdf.

Austin Police Department
 Community Liaison Office
 P.O. Box 689001
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Everyone who completes an application will be notified via mail or e-mail before the event where to come by and pick up a National Night Out bag. The bags will contain crime prevention information, posters, party invitations and items for use at your party.

If your neighborhood association has a Web page, you are welcome to create a link to the Austin Police Department National Night Out Web page at www.cityofaustin.org/police/nno.htm or create your own.

For additional information, please contact Rosie Salinas at the Community Liaison Office at (512) 974-4900 or by e-mail at nno@ci.austin.tx.us.

MOVIE IN PERRY PARK

October 17, 2010

Mark your calendars for October 17, 2010 when Alamo Draft House be onsite for our Movie in Perry Park. Families bring their own chairs or blankets and relax while enjoying a newly-released family movie! The movie will start around dusk and will follow the HPWBANA Annual meeting.

New this year! Slide show illustrating HPWBANA activities and sponsor messages. If you would like to be a sponsor of the Movie in Perry Park please contact Chereen Fisher for details on Sponsorships – chereen@austin.rr.com or 507-9065.

- Sponsorship Levels:
- Producers \$300
 - Directors \$100
 - Production Assistant \$50

If you are interested in helping out with the Movie in Perry Park, don't forget to attend our next planning meeting which will be held Tuesday, August 31, at 5:30 at Jorge's on Hancock.

See you in the Park!

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The HPWBANA Board meets on the 3rd Monday of each month except December at the Yarbrough Library on Hancock. Meetings are held from 7:00 – 8:45 p.m. All neighbors are invited to attend. www.hpwbana.org

HWPBANA is bordered on the north by 2222, on the south by 35th St., on the west by Mt. Bonnell Rd., and on the east by MoPac and by Bull Creek Rd. between Hancock Dr. and 45th St. Mail your membership dues to HPWBANA, P.O. Box 26101, Austin, Texas 78755

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**BLOCK CAPTAINS
NEEDED FOR
NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH**

*TRAINING SESSION: AUGUST 28, 2010,
9:00 a.m. at The Crenshaw's Cottage*

HPWBANA is building a solid neighborhood watch program. APD recommends a Block Captain for every ten houses on a street. For the past two years, HPWBANA has seen a rise in criminal activities, particularly, burglaries of vehicles, but also burglaries of homes. The best defense that we have against this “crime wave” is to make our homes as safe as possible and to join forces with our neighbors to be on the look out for suspicious activity.

Serving as a Block Captain is one way to help keep your street, your neighbors, and your home safe. There will be a training and information session for people interested in learning more or who want to volunteer to be a Block Captain. The meeting will be held Saturday, August 28, 2010 at The Crenshaw's Cottage.

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Independence Day Celebration



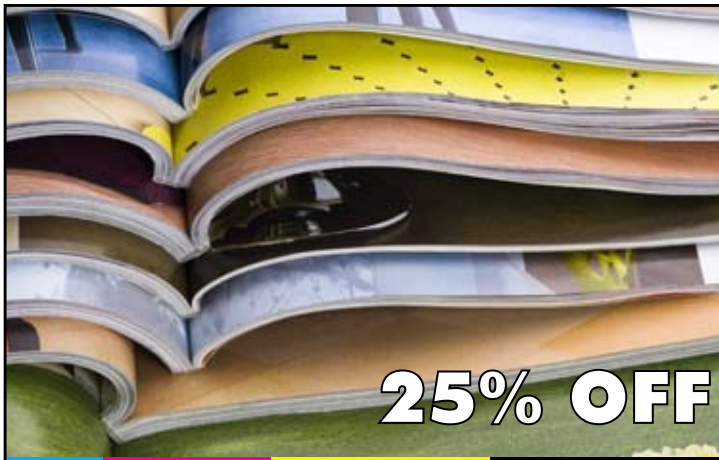
Despite the threat of rain, many patriotic, adventuresome neighbors turned out for the HPWBANA Independence Day Celebration this year. Many thanks to the Boy Scouts and Cub Scout who helped lead the parade, carry the flag, and lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Thanks, to, to Elliott Naishtat and Donna Howard, our state representatives who prove to us that they recognize the importance of HPWBANA by faithfully attending our celebration year after year, rain or shine!. Many thanks also to the Brave Americans just who volunteered to read a section of the Declaration and who received a \$2.00 bill for their efforts!



Congratulations to all of the patriots who decorated their bikes, dogs, tricycles, scooter, wagons...and the one roller blade entry (!) and the special airplane (!)

Thanks to the HPWBANA board members, who helped with the organization and set-up of the event: Chereen Fisher, event chair, Andrea Torres and Carolyn Robinson. Thanks also to Carl Fisher, Rhett Robinson and Lawrence Lyman for helping with this event and every board event and for taking care of the family while board duty calls.



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UPDATE: TRAFFIC CALMING PROJECT FOR PERRY LANE AND BIG BEND

I have been in communication with City of Austin regarding the commencement of the project. The new start date is set as July 21, 2010. Removal of the existing speed bumps on Perry lane will take place first then the installation of the new speed cushions will begin. The process involves saw cutting out a section of pavement and then placing the new speed cushions in. Normally the construction crew can install about 6 cushions a day which would be about a week and a half of work. However, it may take longer due to the fact that the existing speed bumps will be removed first.

The traffic circle is currently being designed by the city engineer, and the design should be complete by July 14. The gateway design has not begun yet as the city is still discussing engineering issues with its proposed location. I will continue to keep the neighborhood updated as installation of the circle and the gateway become final.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Tonianne Soster, Vice President
Tasconstruction@austin.rr.com

Recipe of the Month Chicken Cordon-Bleu

Ingredients

8 small boneless, skinless chicken breasts	½ C margarine
8 thin slices ham	¼ C white wine
8 slices Swiss cheese	¼ - ½ C sour cream
1 egg salt & pepper	parsely, minced
2 C bread crumbs, with Parmesean cheese	

Directions

Flatten chicken breasts with meat cleaver or mallet. Place slice of ham and cheese on each chicken breast. Roll up and secure with string. Dip chicken in egg and roll in seasoned bread crumbs. Heat butter in skillet. Brown breasts. Reduce heat and cook until done, about 30 minutes. Remove breasts. Add wine and sour cream to drippings. Mix. Add parsely. Put chicken back in wine sauce. Heat and serve.



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WHITE PEACOCK

at Mayfield Hit by Car
By Nadene Morning



Feathers were everywhere. White peacock feathers. This was the scene on the street in front of Mayfield Park and Preserve early June. The preserve manager reported that a white peahen had been struck by a

car. Hopefully people will notice the newly posted peacock signs and children crossing signs and be more careful.

The peacocks freely roaming the grounds of Mayfield are a favorite feature. They are most often the first thing park visitors look for when they arrive at the park. Children and adults just love them. The Mayfield peafowl flock is very well taken care of by a band of volunteers led by Ann Eby, a resident in our neighborhood. These dedicated volunteers ensure the peacocks are fed great quality food every day (grains, fruits, vegetables) and have fresh water to drink. Ann has been caring for the Mayfield peacocks for about 15 years now. That is a lot a daily feedings. To all these volunteers – Thank You!

car and taken to Austin Wildlife Rescue (<http://austinwildliferescue.org/>). The peahen needed surgery to stitch up a 6 inch gash. Peacocks are a common and welcome sight in the general area of 3505 W 35th Street as they wander Mayfield Park and Preserve, Laguna Gloria and the Westwood Country Club. People speeding in that area are also common so it was not really a surprise that something

General information about the Mayfield Park and Preserve peacocks can be found on the park's community website: <http://mayfieldpark.org> Overall management of the Mayfield peafowl flock falls within the PARD Austin Nature Preserves System.

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OAK WILT DISEASE

Submitted by Rich Keith

Oak wilt is a very real and very important concern among Texas landowners. Oak wilt, caused by the fungus *Ceratocystis fagacearum*, is one of the most destructive tree diseases in the United States. The bad news is that it occurs in over 60 Texas counties and will never completely disappear. The good news is that with some basic knowledge about how and why oak wilt spreads, you can take steps to help prevent infections on your land.

The oak wilt fungus kills by clogging the water conducting system of the tree. All oaks are susceptible to oak wilt to varying degrees. Live oaks are probably the most obvious victims of the disease because they die in the largest numbers, mainly because of their interconnected root systems that allow the rapid spread of the fungus. And infected trees often die within 6-12 months. But how do they get it? From red oaks.



Red oaks are extremely susceptible and often die within a few weeks of apparent symptoms. Red oaks act as breeding grounds for the fungus. Under the right conditions, fungal mats under the bark often create cracks in the bark and emit a fruity odor. Tiny, sap-feeding Nitidulid beetles are attracted to these mats and feed on them, gathering fungal spores as they do. When the beetles find a fresh wound on another oak they feed on the sap and transmit the spores, infecting the tree. This is how

new infections are created in live oaks.

Interestingly, red oaks often do not exhibit any clear symptoms besides pale and brown leaves during an unusual time of year. The tree dies shortly thereafter.

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Oak Wilt Disease- (Continued from Page 6)

Since the disease only spreads in two ways and new infections are only established by beetles feeding on wounded oak trees, by taking precautions you can help prevent the spread of oak wilt. Fungal mats tend to form during mild, spring-like weather, when beetles are most abundant. You should avoid pruning oaks during these times to reduce the chance of infection. Winter and hot summer are good times to prune your trees, while spring is the worst time for these activities, even though it may be the nicest time to work outside. No matter when you prune, you should always immediately paint your cuts or any wounds on your oak trees with pruning paint or standard latex paint. Contaminated beetles may be present at any time and painting will prevent them from feeding on the sap from fresh wounds.

Tree health, age, and size have no impact on susceptibility to oak wilt so you should always paint cuts on oaks, no matter how healthy they are. Importantly, if you hire a tree service, insist that they clean all their saws and cutters with a bleach solution before working on your trees. Source: Plateau Wildlife; TX Oak Wilt Information Partnership. For more information contact RKeith@Primerica.com Rich Keith, (512) 632-0162.

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