## VOLUME V ISSUE IV <u>"It takes a Villa</u>ge.

#### NEWS FOR THE RESIDENTS OF THE VILLAGES AT WESTERN OAKS AND LEGEND OAKS I

#### Food Allergies Annual Walk and Lemonade Stands!

#### Submitted by Nancy Flores

The Austin Families with Food Allergies (AFFA) will be having its second annual Walk on Saturday, October 1st at 11:00. The Walk will be at Mueller Park. AFFA is a local support group for parents and caregivers of children with food allergies and adults with food allergies. For more information about AFFA, visit our website at www.bigtent. com/groups.affa.

My four-year-old son, Noah, will be having two lemonade stands! They will be on September 17th and 24th from 9-1. The location is at 5329 Spirea Cove (corner of Spirea Cove and Tiombe Bend). All proceeds will be going to the AFFA Walk. Noah is allergic to egg, dairy, peanuts and treenuts.



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#### Photos of Historic Manchaca

#### By Marilyn Dunnahoo McLeod

Manchaca Onion Creek Historical Association www.mochaonline.org

Tucked into a quiet forested area just a few miles south of Austin, Manchaca is just a small dot on the map when you look at the state of Texas. Don't let its size fool you though. Manchaca has an old and very interesting history.

The Manchaca Onion Creek Historical Association is a non-profit organization made up of history buffs that are passionate about preserving the history of the area. We are in the process of putting together a pictorial history of Manchaca that spans the years 1835 to 1970. We could really use your help!

If you or anyone you know has access to original old photographs of the Manchaca area we would love to hear from you! Photos of people with buildings in the background, pictures of the businesses that used to thrive there, photos of the schools or activities would certainly be welcome additions to our collection. Your photos can be scanned while you wait and handed right back to you.

If you have a treasured photo you would like to share with us, please contact Ann or Barry Trask at 282-3315 or e-mail them at latrask@austin. rr.com.



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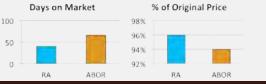
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## THE VILLAGE GAZETTE CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR CIRCLE C PLAYERS

#### USTA NTRP OPEN TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Submitted by Fernando Velasco, General Manager Circle C Tennis Club

The Circle C Tennis Club hosted the 2011 USTA NTRP Open Tournament during the week of July 14-17, 2011. Over 103 players from the Austin and neighborhood areas entered this yearly event. The level of competition ranged from 3.0 to 4.5 rating in singles and doubles play.

Players of the Circle C Tennis programs that participated in this event and reached the finals or semi-finals are shown below. Their names are highlighted in Bold Letters.

#### In order from left to right, top to bottom:

 Christopher Foley and Mark Kizer (Winner Men's 3.5 singles) 2) Danny Rodriguez, Winner; and Carlos Almeida, Finalist, Men's 4.0 Singles 3) Ken Comey, Winner and Giullo Chiarenza, finalist Men's 4.0 Singles Consolation 4) Edwin Chien, Winner and Jeff Rausch, Finalist Men's 4.5 Singles 5) Jack Shriver and Joseph Springli, Winners Men's 3.5 Double 6) Rachel May, Finalist and Masami Fujita, Winner Women's 4.0 Singles 7) George and Mark Kizer, 3rd Place and Roger Keen and Louie Zeng, 2nd Place Men's Doubles 8) Cindy Harbeson and Julie Magnuson, Winners, and Ceci Griffis and Kathy Mungle, finalists Women's 3.5

Doubles **9**) Randy Harris and Raajeev Kalyanaraman Winners, and **Austin Maddux** and Scott Dorf, Finalist Men's 4.0 Doubles



Other Circle C Tennis Club Players who participated were:

- Hector Perez, Quarter Finals Men's 4.0 Singles
- David Laird, Semis Men's 4.0 Singles Consolation
- Glenn Jorden, Quarters Men's 4.0 Singles Consolation
- Jack Shriver, Men's 3.5 Singles
- Jason Nickell, Men's 4.5 Singles

- Tracy Nickell, Women's 3.5 Singles
- Maria Fer Candil and Julie Comey, Women's 3.5 Doubles
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#### ART EXHIBITS

Opens Saturday, September 3

Damian Priour's sculpture exhibit on the grounds and Darvin Jones' show of paintings in the McDermott Learning Center. Open Labor Day / Monday, September 5

#### ANNUAL SEED SALE

Saturday and Sunday, September 17 and 18 Smithsonian Museum Day Saturday, September 24 Free admission to Smithsonian members.

#### AUSTIN MUSEUM DAY

Sunday, September 25

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Free admission, extended hours. Meet Austin Women in Science, 2 to 4 p.m. Meet artist Darwin Jones in the McDermott Learning Center, 1 to 4 p.m.

## **CUB SCOUT** Pancake Breakfast

Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast and Cub Scout fun day September 17 The Shady Hollow Kiwanis Club and Cub Scout Pack 82 will be hosting a Pancake breakfast and membership recruitment Saturday September 17, 2011 from 8:00 am to 11:00 am. The Cub Scouts from Pack 82 will be there with some of the fun games and activities they do in Pack 82. All are invited to come have a great breakfast, have some fun and learn about the many ways the Kiwanis club and the Cub Scouts serve our community. So come out to the Shady Hollow Community Center 3303 Doe Run Austin, Tx. 78748 on Saturday September 17th 8:00 -11:00 and have some good food and fun.

#### FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

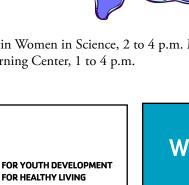
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We invite any family with a child (age 2-6) diagnosed on the Autism Spectrum to please visit our website www. ImagineAWayFoundation.org or call (512) 220-4324 for more information on how to apply.

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## ADOPTION COALITION

Omar is a sweet, loving boy—and he almost always has a smile on face! While he is extremely active and loves to play sports and be outside, Omar does well academically and is a very polite young man. Omar, who turns ten in November, needs an active and involved family who can provide him with consistent expectations, boundaries and structure. An abundance of support and patience will help Omar achieve success in his promising young life.

To find out more about Omar, please contact Grace Lindgren, LMSW, Wendy's Wonderful Kids Recruiter, at the Adoption Coalition of Texas (512) 810-0813 or gracelindgren@adopttexas.org. Adopting a child from the foster care system requires little or no cost to the adoptive family and funding may be available to help the adoptive family support the child or sibling group. To learn more about the foster care adoption process, please call the Adoption Coalition of Texas at (512) 301-2825, email info@adopttexas.org and visit our website at http://www.adoptioncoalitiontx.org

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#### 9th Annual Barktoberfest & PLEDGE WALK FOR HOMELESS PETS

Have a howling good time and help the Central Texas SPCA save homeless pets in our community. This year's event will be bigger and better than ever on Saturday, September 10th at Old Settler's Park in Round Rock, Texas. The morning starts with a 2K pledge walk for homeless pets and then the festival fun begins. We'll have music, food, vendors, fun games and activities for kids, activities for dogs, low cost microchippping, a costume contest for dogs and humans, and much more. The top fundraisers in the 2K pledge walk will win great prizes! Please visit www. centraltexasspca.org for more information.

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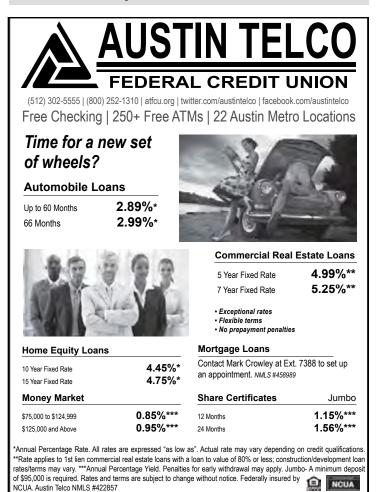
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Dear Friends,

Greetings! It's time again to gather your neighbors and team up with your Law Enforcement Agency to give crime a going-away party.

National Night Out (NNO) is an annual event held on the first Tuesday of October. NNO is sponsored by the National Night Out Association of Town Watch. This past year's NNO campaigns involved citizens, law enforcement agencies, civic groups, business, neighborhood organizations and local public officials from more than 9,000 communities from all 50 states, U.S. territories, Canadian cities and military bases worldwide. In all, more than 29.5 million participated in National Night Out last year.

NNO is designed to heighten crime and drug prevention awareness, generate support for and participation in local anti-crime efforts, and to strengthen neighborhood spirit and law enforcement - community partnership. But its primary goal is to send a strong message to criminals to let them know neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.

#### FIND THE REGISTRATION FORM ON PAGE 12

Along with the traditional display of porch lights and frontyard vigils, cities, towns and neighborhoods celebrate NNO with a variety of events and activities such as block parties, cookouts, visits from local law enforcement officers, parades flashlight walks contests and youth programs. NNO has proven to be an effective, inexpensive and enjoyable program to promote neighborhood spirit and policecommunity partnerships in our fight for safer communities. The benefits that your community will derive from NNO will most certainly extend well beyond the one night.

The Travis County Sheriff's Office has promoted NNO for the past 27 years. Our participation has grown from helping with a handful of neighborhood get-togethers to more than 4,000 participants enjoying block parties, carnivals, parades and an assortment of other activities. Our involvement has grown from a couple of crime prevention officers, to dozens of patrol officers, Sergeants, Lieutenants, Captains, Majors, County Commissioners and the Sheriff.

NNO is a great way to get together with your neighbors, find out what's going on in your community and visit with local law enforcement officers about what you can do to help reduce the opportunities for crimes to occur. Participation can be as simple as a small block party, or as big as a parade or carnival. To get involved, or to find out how to register your event for NNO, call the Travis County Sheriff's Office at 854-8413.

Deputy James Kitchens Travis County Sheriff's Office Community Services & Outreach Unit (512) 854-8413 Fax: (512) 854-4719 James.kitchens@co.travis.tx.us www.tcsheriff.org



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#### to support pediatric cancer research

On Saturday, September 10, Austin will host a large, city-wide bake sale, with 100% of proceeds going to Cookies For Kids' Cancer.

Cookies For Kids' Cancer raises funds for pediatric cancer research through local bake sales. It was founded by Gretchen Witt, a very determined mother, to help increase her young son's odds in his cancer battle. When 2.5-year-old Liam was diagnosed in 2007, Gretchen was shocked to learn that the main reason over 25 percent of kids diagnosed with cancer do not survive is because of a lack of effective therapies. And the reason for the lack of therapies was very simple: lack of funding. Cookies for Kids' Cancer support research at leading pediatric cancer hospitals, including Texas Children's in Houston.

Sadly, Liam lost his battle to the disease this past January. Now, a group of Austin residents, Austin's Good Cookies, are determined to honor Liam's life and raise funds for pediatric cancer research.

The Austin City-Wide Bake Sale will take place at several locations throughout Austin, the main event being at the Hill Country Galleria Amphitheatre. We will have live music by Joe McDermott and Staci Gray, dance troupe performances, bounce houses, Kiwi the Clown, Gymboree on the Go, Beary Stuffables, raffles for Hill Country Galleria stores gift cards and more!

Austin City-Wide Cookies For Kids' Cancer Bake Sale

WHAT: A bake sale to raise funds for pediatric cancer research.
WHERE: Steiner Ranch: Bella Mar & Towne Square soccer fields
WHEN: Saturday, September 10; 10 am – 3 pm

COST: All donations for activities and cookies go directly to Cookies for Kids' Cancer!

For more information on satellite locations for the bake sale and the Hill Country Galleria event, or if you are interested in volunteering, please go to our blog, www.austinsgoodcookies.com

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Important Note: This form must be returned to: (1) officially register your area, (2) receive organizational materials and updates.

#### HEALTH BRIEFS - SEPTEMBER EASE YOUR CHILD BACK INTO SCHOOL

Establishing a normal school routine can be hard for children of any age after the long lazy days of summer. Dr. James H. Bray, a family psychologist and associate professor of family and community medicine at Baylor College of Medicine, offers the following tips to help make going back to school a less stressful experience for children and parents.

- Get kids into the school mode early. Many children have a summer schedule that includes staying up late and sleeping in. Kids need at least a week before school starts to get back into the school schedule.
- Develop a plan. Doing things like buying supplies and clothes, and finding out about schedules and teachers in advance, rather than waiting to the last minute, helps reduce stress for parents and kids.
- Talk with children about their fears and concerns and do some advance problem

solving and planning.-Get involved with your child's school by getting to know the teacher and discussing their expectations.

• Talk to your children about what they want to accomplish and get out of their school year. Discuss their academic and social goals, but emphasize balance.

#### BACK-TO-SCHOOL CHECKLIST SHOULD INCLUDE EYE EXAM

Preparing for the start of a new school year? Remember to get a new backpack, paper and pencils, and get your children's vision screened as part of their back-toschool checklist.

"Poor vision can interfere with learning, school performance, participation in sports and other activities, as well as self esteem," said Dr. Kimberly Yen, assistant professor of ophthalmology at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston and an ophthalmologist at Texas Children's Hospital.

Yen said if parents know that eye problems run in their family or if they suspect problems, it is especially important that their child receive eye exams regularly. All children should have their eyes examined, as part of their well-child check ups and children who exhibit no signs of visual problems should have their vision screened by age 3.

Good eye care should also include wearing protective eyewear during sports activities. Children who play basketball, baseball and racquet sports are more susceptible to eye injuries. Sports goggles can significantly reduce the likelihood of potentially sight damaging injuries. Good vision not only helps children develop in the classroom, but it teaches them the life-long value of regular vision screenings.

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#### Health Briefs - (Continued from Page 13)

#### STUDENT ATHLETES' HEALTH STARTS OFF THE FIELD

Even though it is students who will be taking the field as extracurricular school activities begin, doctors at Baylor College of Medicine say parents play an important role in keeping their kids safe. Family health history, especially heart illnesses, is important information for doctors to know during an exam, said Dr. John Rogers, professor of family and community medicine at BCM.

A certain type of heart murmur and rapid heart beats can be detected during a physical, but the exam can't determine if past family members have heart problems or if anyone has died suddenly due to a cardiac problem. Being armed with that information helps doctors know whether the student-athlete should undergo an echocardiogram or ultrasound for a more in-depth examination.

Parents' knowledge of their child's previous injuries can also be helpful. Teens may downplay an injury, because they don't want it to prevent them from taking part in their favorite sport. However, a parent might remember lasting effects that will help doctors determine the severity of the injury.

Rogers said other issues that cannot be detected during a physical are light-headedness or shortness of breath that is not proportionate to the exertion level of the activity. Parents should keep an eye out for these issues and let their doctor know at the time of the physical exam.

#### TEENS BENEFIT BY MAKING TIME FOR BREAKFAST

Teens who start their day without breakfast are twice as likely to have diets low in iron - a shortfall that could be hurting their grades. "Breakfast supplies more than just the energy kids need to get through the morning," said Dr. Theresa Nicklas, a professor of pediatrics at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. "Teens who eat breakfast are also two to five times more likely to consume at least two-thirds the recommended amounts of most vitamins and minerals, including iron."

Iron-deficiency anemia has long been known to have a negative affect on behavior and learning. Eating breakfast has been linked to improved memory, grades, school attendance and punctuality in children. In addition, intakes of other vitamins and minerals, including zinc, calcium, and folic acid, are higher among breakfasteaters, while fat consumption is lower.

"It's important for parents to realize that the nutrients teens miss when they're allowed to skip breakfast are rarely recouped during other meals," said Nicklas, also a researcher at the USDA/ARS Children's Nutrition Research Center.



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