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Neighbors get visit from the Easter Bunny!

On March 29th, Thanks to Pemberton Place residents (Watson Family, Goodman Family, Auby Family, and the Martinez-Stapleton Family), the Easter bunny delighted local children with a multitude of eggs to be found in the annual PHNA Easter Egg Hunt.

The children had a delightful treasure hunt looking for hundreds of eggs hidden (and in plain view) everywhere in the lawn and gardens at 2405 Pemberton Place .

Refreshments and help were provided by Anita Vangelisti, Lauren Fornes, Hadley Watson, and Carolyn and Scott Bryant.



Neighborhood & Government Issues To Be Discussed

At The Lunch Meeting May 28

Come discuss various neighborhood and government issues in Pemberton with board member Diane Umstead. If you cannot attend, email Diane or Betty at addresses below about any neighborhood issues you may have.

The monthly lunches are an excellent opportunity to get acquainted with your neighbors on a casual basis and talk about issues of interest to Pemberton Heights.

WHERE AND WHEN:

The April lunch will be Wednesday the 28th

Time: 11:45.

Place: Russell's at Kerbey Lane

Cost: Each attendee pays for their own lunch by separate check.

Contact: Betty Trent at betty@austinchplus.com to RSVP, Contact Diane with any issues at dedeumstead@gmail.com You are welcome to come without RSVP, just ask the hostess for the PHNA table.

A Realtor's Insight

How Do We Get More Sidewalks In Our Neighborhood?

Adding sidewalks to any neighborhood is not a simple process, and the influence of residents on that process is more limited than many realize. Still, there are opportunities for input by individuals, groups of interested neighbors, or neighborhood associations.

There are three main sources of funding for sidewalks:

1. The City of Austin

A recent bond issue included a line-item allocating money for sidewalk construction. The bond issue passed, and now decisions will be made based on a prioritization matrix that takes into consideration traffic volume, proximity to schools, residential population, and pedestrian/automobile accidents, among other criteria.

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2. Sidewalk Fund for Fee-In-Lieu

When property owners build a home or commercial property, they are required to set aside money for the construction of a sidewalk. They can choose to build a sidewalk themselves or put the money into a special fund: that is, they pay a fee "in lieu" of creating the sidewalk themselves. That fund will be used to build sidewalks in locations, usually in the same neighborhood, consistent with the Sidewalk Master Plan that addresses city priorities--and with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

3. Neighborhood Partnering Program

In this program, a neighborhood partners with the city for projects of high priority to that neighborhood. Money can come partly from the Fee-In-Lieu fund and partly from residents themselves. The advantage of this pathway is that decisions need not be tied to the Master Plan; all that is necessary is for the neighborhood to bring something to the table, whether funds or the willingness to care for the land around the sidewalk.

For more information, contact Tina Weinberger at tina@tinaweinberger.com or 512-680-9697.

SEND US YOUR EVENT PICTURES

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Pemberton Pet Of the Month: **GRACE**

nominated by Peter Hayman

When I came to America I fell for two exceptional sheilas (that's Australian for females): my wife Jane --and Grace, a Ragdoll cat. Aussie men usually don't like cats because they're lazy and can't heard sheep. But Grace is a beauty and her first owner wanted to breed her. She liked Tom well enough but when the kittens arrived and she tried to eat them, well, he gave her to us. You can't make an aristocrat (aristocat?) into a baby machine .

Here on Wooldridge, Grace lives near a castle and has the life she was born for. She rises late, dines, grooms herself, naps, gets a massage, dines, relaxes, patrols the kitchen, dines, and retires. The vet says she's fat and suggested less food and more exercise, but she's not the type: being out in the woods might matt her fur. Grace can be scornful, arrogant, entitled, and demanding, but so could Queen Victoria, and nobody called her worthless.

Maybe I have a weakness for that sort of woman: bossy, soft to the touch, but with with a lot class. (interpreted by Tina Weinberger)




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It all started with a Turtle.

Lemonade Day was founded in 2007 when Lissa, Michael Holthouse's daughter asked her dad to buy her a turtle. When Michael drew a line in the sand saying she had enough pets, Lissa decided to open a Lemonade stand and purchase the turtle with her own money. Michael, a successful entrepreneur, soon found himself offering Lissa numerous tips to make her lemonade stand a success. He quickly realized the tips were valuable business lessons that she could apply to any entrepreneurial situation. As a result, Michael was inspired to pour the same principles for success into other youth and empower them to realize their entrepreneurial dreams: Lemonade Day was born!

The money made on Lemonade Day at each stand belongs to the budding business owners who operate that stand. 100% of what they make is their business profit. They are encouraged to spend a little on themselves for their hard work, save a little and open a bank account and share a little with a local non-profit in

their community, but the money is their own.

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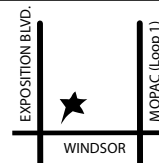
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The DeWitt Greer House

This Colonial Revival house located at 2508 Jarratt was the home of DeWitt and Helen Greer. It was designed for them by Hugo Kuhne and built in 1936. The Greers lived there for 26 years. DeWitt Greer was described as "Texas' greatest servant" and "the father of the Texas highway system." In a career that began in 1927 and ended in 1980, Greer saw the number of miles of roadways in Texas jump from 20,000 to more than 67,000. In the 1950s, Greer helped inaugurate the development of interstate highways in Texas, which became one of the largest paved roadway systems in the nation. The 1933 DeWitt C. Greer Building, which houses Highway Department offices at 11th and Brazos, was named in his honor. The Greer house was demolished in 2003.

DeWitt and Helen Greer attended an Easter egg hunt with their daughter, Ann, on the lawn of the Governor's Mansion in April of 1942. Coke Stevenson was governor, but left office to run for the U. S. Senate against Lyndon Baines Johnson. Stevenson lost by 87 votes and the course of history was changed, as LBJ went on to become President of the United States.

Photographs courtesy of Ann Juul. The above is adapted from pp. 98 and 99 of Austin's Pemberton Heights, a photo history of the neighborhood written by Suzanne Deaderick and Elizabeth Cash.

For more information about the book, go to www.austins-pemberton-heights.com.



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GARDENS ON TOUR - A MOTHER'S DAY WEEKEND TRADITION

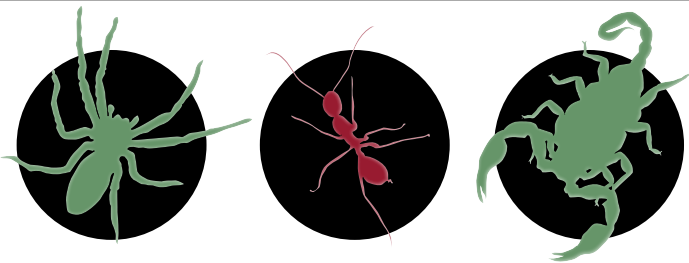
9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, May 11

A self-guided tour of five inspirational private native plant gardens plus the Wildflower Center. Tickets available April 20 at Barton Springs Nursery, TreeHouse, Shoal Creek Nursery, the Natural Gardener and the Wildflower Center Store.

TEXAS HIGHWAYS WILDFLOWER PHOTOS

Saturday, May 4 through Sunday, May 12

In honor of National Wildflower Week, striking photos from Texas Highways are on display and photo editor Griffin Smith offers a photo workshop at 9 a.m. on Saturday, May 11. In the McDermott Learning Center. Closed at 3 p.m. Friday, May 3, for the Wildflower Gala. Open Memorial Day May 27. More information at www.wildflower.org.



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January through March 2013

Income

Interest Income	0.19
Membership Dues	340.00
Security Donations	2,025.00
Triangle Donations	
Gail's triangle	1,225.00
Triangle Donations - Other	2,000.00
Total Triangle Donations	3,225.00
Total Income	5,590.19

Expense

Accounting	175.00
Bank and PayPal Service Fees	138.58
Contract Labor - Patrol	9,633.00
Dues	35.00
Triangles	
Improvements	2,583.37
Total Triangles	2,583.37
Total Expense	12,564.95
Net Income	-6,974.76



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