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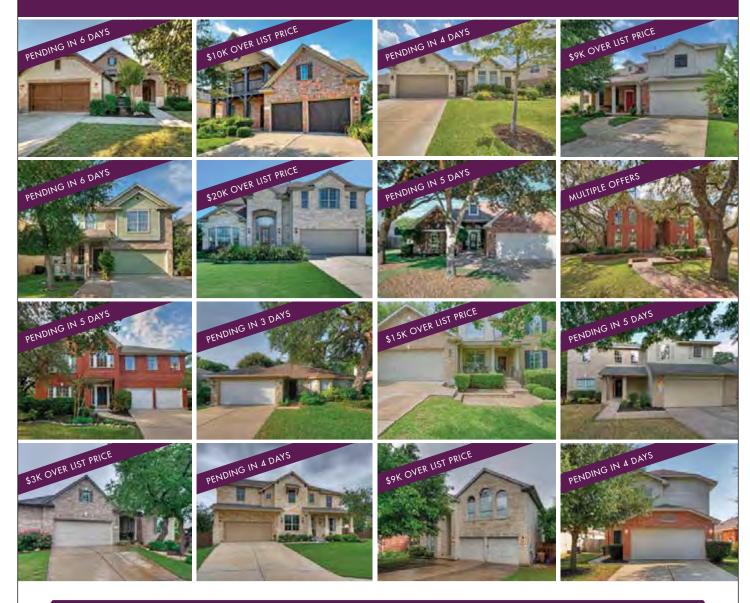
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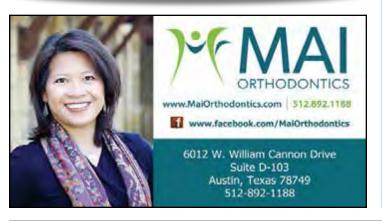
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IMPORTANT DATES

Children's Holiday Party Saturday December 5th

Adult Holiday Party Saturday December 12th

Swim Center Closed – December 20th-27th; December 31st-January 3rd

CCHOA Offices Closed – December 23rd-25th; December 31st-January 1st

ANNUAL MEETING & BOARD ELECTION

The Nominating Committee is accepting nominations through January 8th, 2016 for the three open board seats. Elections are to be held at the Annual Meeting on March 2nd, 2016. The Candidate Questionnaire can be downloaded from the News Section of the Circle C Website at www. circlecranch.info. The Nomination Committee will host a Candidate Forum in February. The date will be posted on the website and in the February Newsletter.

The Annual Meeting and Election will be held on March 2nd, 2016 at the Circle C Community Center. Your ballot and proxy will be printed on the back side of the first 2016 CCHOA dues assessment invoice, which will be mailed February 1st and due March 1st.

ANNUAL REPORT TO THE MEMBERSHIP

The 2015 Annual Report to the membership from the Board of Directors will be printed in the March 2016 newsletter. A copy will also be posted on our website and available in the HOA office during the month of March 2016.

HOLIDAY LIGHTS

Holiday decorations should comply with the schedule listed in the Declaration of Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions – "all decorations, including lights, must be down by January 15, 2016."

ADDRESS PLAQUES

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ARTICLE INFO

The Circle C Ranch newsletter is mailed monthly to all Circle C Ranch residents. Residents, community groups, churches, etc. are welcome to submit information about their organizations in the newsletter. Personal news for the Stork Report, Teenage Job Seekers, recipes, special celebrations, and birthday announcements are also welcome.

If you have an article of interest to the community please submit to <u>sarah@circlecranch.info</u> by the 10th of the month. The newsletter can also be viewed online at www.circlecranch.info.

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Join us and enjoy face painting, arts and crafts, train and pony rides AND a petting zoo! This event is open to residents only. Admission per child is 1 AWESOME unwrapped, unopened gift for our Holiday

Wishes program to lift the spirits of children in need.

Date: Saturday December 5th, 2015 • Time: 10:00am – 1:00pm

Where: Circle C Community Center

Holiday Wishes is an annual program held by Partnerships for Children that gathers presents for children in need and distributes them throughout central Texas in mid-December. This will be Circle C's second year working with Partnerships for Children. Want to get involved? Volunteers will be needed during the daytime the weeks of December 7th and December 14th, contact marcus@partnershipsforchildren.org for more information about volunteer opportunities.

Holiday Wishes

Each year, neglected and abused children in the Austin area are removed from their homes by Child Protective Services caseworkers who work

to make a difference in their lives. Separations occur all year, but are especially difficult during the holidays. Sometimes children leave with nothing but the clothes on their backs. In these circumstances, gifts and the holiday season are often forgotten.



Partnerships for Children is making a difference in the lives of these children and we invite you to join us by participating in our 10th annual HOLIDAY WISHES program. In 2014, the Holiday Wishes program provided gifts to over 4500 children in Central Texas.



HOW CAN YOU HELP?

- Sponsor a child by purchasing items from their wish list.
- Donate general gifts for children that are not matched with community donors.
- Make a donation and we will shop for you.

For a contribution of only \$75, you can transform a holiday wish into reality for a child in your community.

Join us by becoming a donor or contributor!

For more information, please contact

Partnerships for Children at holidaywishes@partnershipsforchildren.org or 512-834-4756.

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POOL HOURS

October 19th - December 19th 2015

Swim Center 5919 La Crosse Avenue

The Swim Center is now operating on its winter schedule which means the facility hours have been reduced for lap swimming only. The recreational areas are not available.

Monday-Friday

6:00am-10:00am 3:30pm-7:00pm

Saturday

Sunday

8:00am-11:00am

Closed

Closures & Special Hours
The Swim Center will be closed December 20th – 27th and
December 31st – January 3rd. The Swim Center will have
reduced hours December 28th-30th from 8:00am-11:00am.

The Avaña and Community Center pools are closed for the season.

Circle C Aquatics 2015 Guard A Thon

Submitted by Amanda Hartman

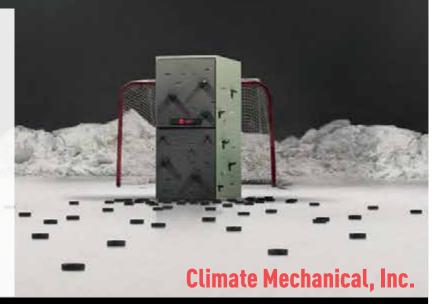
The Circle C lifeguards are hosting another Guard A Thon this year! This time to raise money for Austin Pet's Alive! The Guard A Thon will take place on Sunday December 13th from 4-6pm at the Circle C Swim Center. If you would like to make a donation, please bring checks made payable to Austin Pets Alive or cash to the Swim Center between now and Saturday December 12th. The donations will be delivered to Austin Pets Alive on Wednesday December 15th.

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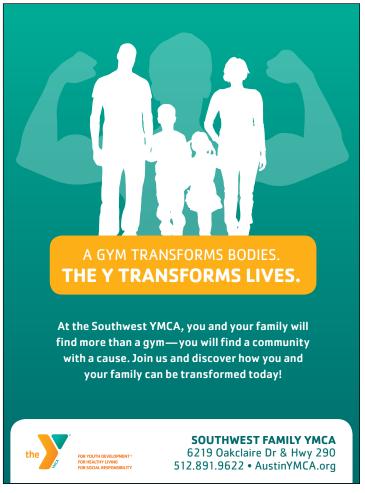


Around Circle C











IN TELE YARD December 2015

Submitted by Jackie Rollins

Park West residents Paula and Larry Jones enjoy the added advantage of a fireplace in their lovely courtyard and a scenic view from the backyard upper deck overlooking the greenbelt.



"Rain Dropped Leaf"

Taken & Submitted by Keira Folkers

My name is Keira Folkers and I am 11 years old. I was walking home from Gorzycki Middle School when I saw a rain dropped leaf and snapped this photo. I have been into photography since I got my camera when I was 7 years old. My favorite subject is nature and animals. I hope one day to have one of my photos on the front cover!



Around Circle C



December 2015

Café # 288-6058

Hours: Monday - Friday 3:30pm-7:30pm; Saturday & Sunday closed

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
All Specials \$10.00 Ready at 5pm		Blackened Shrimp 1 Scampi, Fettucine, Cesar Salad	Chicken Fried 2 Chicken, Mashed Potatoes & Creamy Gravy, Roasted Corn	Orange Lime 3 Halibut Champagne Coriander Sauce Acorn Squash Roasted Vegetables	Fresh Tarragon 4 Grilled Porkloin chop, Oven Roasted Potatoes, vegetables	5 CHoA Kids event – SATURDAY, DEC 5 th for more info call 288-8663
6	Caribbean 7 Cornish Hens Basmati Rice, Roasted Garlic Sauce Glazed carrots	Blackened Salmon 8 Served with a Lemon Caper Sauce, Orzo Pasta, Ceasar Salad	Chicken Stuffed 9 Brie Cheese & Cranberry, White Wine Crème Sauce, Basmati Rice, Vegetables	Blackened Mahi 10 Mahi, Crème Sauce, Sage Polenta, Vegetables	Apple Ginger 11 Pork Tenderloin Sundried Fruit Sauce, Sage Polenta, Vegetables	Check out the Wildflower Center's Luminations CHoA Adults event DEC 12th – for more info call 288-8663
Check out the Wildflower Center's Luminations	Pistachio Crusted 14 Porkloin, Cabernet Cherry Sauce Garlic Mashed Potatoes Grilled Vegetables	Sage Pesto 15 Marinated Chicken Pomegranate Sauce Cranberry Rice Vegetables	Grilled 16 Rib eye, Baked Potato, Shallot Sauce, Green Beans	All Spice 17 Grouper, Fennel Crème Sauce, Tourne Potatoes, Vegetables	Sliced BBQ 18 Brisket, Chicken, Sausage, Ranchero Beans, Potato Salad, Corn Bread	Closed for the Holidays Will reopen Jan 6th

We wish your family a Merry Christmas & we look forward to serving you in the New Year!

We appreciate your business, Chef Jaime



The 25th Annual "Wild Ideas" at the Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center

Submitted by Barbra Rodriquez

The Wildflower Center will be hosting is 25th Annual "Wild Ideas", Friday December 4th – Sunday December 6th, where Austinites can buy holiday gifts at the Store, with a much expanded offering of artists' who work with a nature theme. Artists will likely have booths in the Visitors Gallery as well. Friday & Saturday from 9am to 5pm, Sunday from 12pm to 5pm. Admission is free! There will be a 20% discount on All Store Merchandise! Members receive their standard 10% discount in addition to all special discounts!

Friday, December 4

- Joan Son "Kaleidoscope of Butterflies" Origami Items, 11 am to 4 pm
- · Lambrecht Toffee Sampling all day
- Charles Viancin Demo by Chris Brown, Noon to 3 pm

Saturday, December 5

- Patti Johnson inscribes ornaments, Noon to 4 pm
- Keep Austin Weird book signing with James Wassenich,
 1 to 4 pm
- Tim Gaskin, Music of the Spheres wind chimes,
 1 to 4 pm

Sunday, December 6

- * Meet Artist Shou Ping, Noon to 3 pm
- * Apparel Power Hour 25% off all apparel Noon to 1 pm!

Vendors

Shop the following vendors Saturday and Sunday:

- 2016 Wildflower Days™ Artist: Anna Lisa Leal
- Connie Colten Jewelry
- Caitlin Hill Silk Creations
- Wild Soap Bar
- Curtis Laudermilk Mesquite Creations
- Jerry Touchstone Kimmel Watercolors
- David Wayne Warren Pottery & Jewelry
- Suzanimation! Oil Paintings & Gifts
- Victoria Designs Linens by Victoria Corbett
- Texas Botanical Prints Roberta Smith
- Lunita Handmade Jessica Goff Quilts & Sewn Gifts
- Sarah St. Laurent Encaustic Paintings
- Card Happening Elizabeth Grant Hand Painted Greeting Cards
- Artist Laura Jackson Prints, Cards



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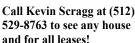
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"The Rise, Fall and Levelling Off of the Circle C Market"

Hey Circle C! Well, another crazy year has gone by and Circle C is still one of the top-selling (if not the topselling) neighborhood in Austin, and possibly the nation in the given price range. I can give you many examples on how the market rose, but will use one of my personal lease-home purchases as a direct example. A couple purchased 5004 Hibiscus Valley in June 2011 for \$262,000. A year later, almost to the day (June 2012), they called me to list their home for sale. It was a stunning 1-story Streetman home with white stone, wood floors, granite counters, stainless appliances and it backed directly to the veloway with a private back yard. Super-clean. The current analysis then showed \$275,000., but I told them with the updates and nice lot, it would probably be in the \$285,000. range. The sellers thought it highly improbable that it had appreciated \$23,000. in one year and questioned the accuracy of my extrapolation of value. To make a long story even longer, she was pregnant, wanted to sell and lease back for 6 months. I told them a new home buyer would probably want to be in by the time school starts. So, I wound up buying it (yes, for \$285,000.) and leased it back to them for 2 months until his job required him to be in Boston. We wound up closing in September and in October 2012 the market exploded and went straight up. Circle C Ranch had hit "critical mass" where there were few homes on the market, nothing really to rent and the new homes were taking 10 months to build. The builders had either gone out of business in the downturn, couldn't find contractors to build their homes for them or new land to develop. Banks still were being stingy and had not loosened up yet either. Now, you did have Standard Pacific building in the neighborhood. With super-high demand and no supply, the new home sales caused the resale market to skyrocket in value. Standard Pacific raised their prices \$5,000. on every house any time they wrote two contracts. Prices would go up \$20,000. in 2 weeks sometimes. 5004 Hibiscus Valley rose about \$10,000. per month for 10 months straight. In August of 2013 I could have possibly sold 5004 Hibiscus Valley for \$400,000.+/- at 1930 square feet. That's about a 40% increase in value in 11 months. That craziness carried through the new year into 2014 and 2015, as there were few homes on the market and very high demand. This summer the market did not really pick back up, as July was lukewarm as it went into August. Buyers are just so price-weary right now, as they have been paying tip-top dollar for these homes for the last 3 years now and losing out to multiple offers, etc. They've all just stepped back a little and don't make any rash decisions. They will let a house go if it does not meet all of their criteria. The market has finally hit it's peak and the buyers have cooled off dramatically. Depending on the individual property, many have gone down 2,3,4% since July. Homes that are properly updated, upgraded, cleaned, staged and priced with the market are still selling rather quickly. Instead of 1-2-3 days to generate an offer, it may take 2-3-4 weeks to get a good buyer mix through the home, assess their feedback and receive an offer. The buyers are sensing the decline/levelling off in the marketplace and are holding out for just the right house that meets their needs. Instead of getting 3-4 offers on a home, we are seeing just 1 and sometimes 2 come in on a property. The buyer pool only has so many people that can afford \$400,000. \$500,000. homes in the first place, so the affordability shift was just a matter of time. Of course, there are always certain homes that receive mass interest whenever they come on the market, whether it is because of an over-sized lot, greenbelt, upgrades, location, cul-de-sac, plan, pools or a combination of any of the above. Now, with the holiday season approaching we have seen the builders (Standard Pacific, etc.) take measures to move their inventory before the end of the year. During September/October, Standard Pacific reduced the prices of at least 15 spec homes in Avana to try and capture the holiday buyers. Those buyers typically want to close by Thanksgiving or Christmas so the relatives can come see the house. Standard Pacific was really pushing the envelope at \$200.+ per square foot, so a correction was imminent in this area. We will see quite a few listings probably transfer into the new year and those early buyers in January and February will dictate how the market will progress in late winter/early spring. Circle C is a year-round market and I'll do all I can to keep the values UP for you! Happy Holidays! Please call me if you would like a market assessment on your valuable Circle C Ranch property. John Squires



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10809 Redmond Cove-John's listing -JUST LISTED! Stop the car! 5 bedroom, 4 full bath David Weekly on a big cul-de- sac lot backing to permanent greenbelt!! At over 3500 square feet, PLUS game room, high ceilings and granite, it will go quickly. HUGE deck also and gazebo. Call John for price.





11508 Via Grande-John's Listing-COMING SOON! Stunning golf course home, 3-car garage, wood floors with high ceilings, granite kitchen, absolutely loaded! HUGE back vard on golf course just waiting for a pool. Beautiful white, chopped stone with covered front porch and great street appeal. Call John for price.



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6813 Hansa Loop-John's Listing- "JUST SOLD!" Gorgeous 1-story backing to permanent greenbelt, loaded with upgrades and updates. High ceilings, hardware, fans, huge deck-has it all. Listed at \$439,000.



6801 Barstow Court -John's Listing "JUST SOLD!" Sweet 1-year old Streetman home with wood floors throughout. Silestone, stainlessperfect home for retiree or young couple. Listed at \$389,000. 1890 sq.ft.~



120 Atwater Cove John's buyer- "JUST SOLD!" Amazing stone and brick mix at almost 4000 sq. ft.! 5 beds, 4 full baths, game room, media room and with hill country views. Listed at \$459,000.



10907 Grassmere Court-John's listing- "JUST **SOLD!**" Complete remodel with 20 mile views from master suite and huge back vard. Listed at \$389,000.





Wildflower Center Luminations

Thousands of luminaries and twinkling lights turn the Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center into a holiday wonderland during Luminations, an Austin holiday tradition!

We will offer a food collection for the Capital Area Food Bank. Find their most requested items here: www.austinfoodbank.org/how-to-help/donate-food.html

Saturday December 12th and Sunday December 13th from 6pm to 9pm

Admission:

- Adults \$5
- Seniors 65 and older \$5
- Students with college ID \$5
- Youth ages 5-17: \$3
- Free for members and children 4 years and under

Activites:

- Visit with Frosty the Snowman
- Enjoy children's activities in the Gallery
- Munch on warm kettle corn, available for purchase from

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• Members can enjoy a complimentary hot beverage in our Members' Lounge!

December 12:

Susan Holt Kralovansky signs Twelve Cowboys Ropin' in our Store from 6pm-9pm. While shopping, try our holiday toffee and Crispy Cakes!

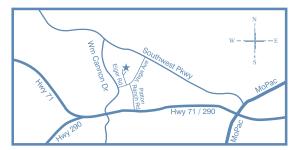
December 13:

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Phorid or Humpbacked Flies



Humpbacked flies, also known as Phorid flies, are small gnat-like flies that do not bite. They often are yellowish to black in color. They get their name from the way their back is humped when viewed from the side. Sometimes they are called scuttle flies from their habit of running around in an erratic manner.

Phorid flies vary widely with some being pests while some species are beneficial and attack and kill red imported fire ants.

Pest species that are found indoors are often associated with moist, decaying organic matter. These flies can become a problem in homes because they can mechanically transmit bacteria to food and food prep areas.

Common sites where larvae develop (and areas you would need to locate a.k.a. "the source") can include the organic matter built up on the inside of drain pipes; on aging fruits, vegetables or other food matter; the bottom of garbage cans, dumpsters or recycling bins; in broken sewage pipes; or under broken floor tiles.

Develop a sanitation plan. Locate "the source" where larvae are living and clean it thoroughly. If drains are accessible, clean with a stiff brush and flush with boiling water. Food should not be left out for long periods of time and trash/ recyclables should be removed on a regular basis. Repair any plumbing leaks.

Spot treatments with properly labeled insecticides and fly lights can help reduce adult populations.

For more information or help with identification, contact Wizzie

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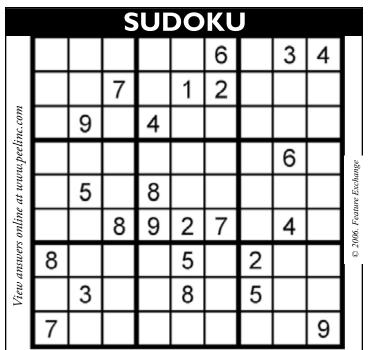
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Not only do mistakes cost the SELLER \$\$\$, they also add additional stress...the homes above stayed on the market, on average, an additional 34 days. Let the numbers do the talking...compare Webb Real Estate with all other Realtors just in Circle C.

	Webb Real Estate	All Other Circle C
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The Do's and Don'ts for getting that Perfect Christmas Photo of Your Pet

Photographing animals can be really difficult. They get distracted easily, they're almost always moving, and they even make silly faces. This can make it difficult to get a photo worthy of a Christmas card, but it is possible! Here are some Do's and Don'ts to help you out.

DO keep plenty of treats handy

Our animals often need a bit of extra reward and loving to sit there and look cute for us, so make sure to have plenty of their favorite treats available.

DO have toys and noise makers to grab their attention

They don't always listen to us, so bring their favorite toy to hold up next to you and they're sure to look over with an inquisitive face.

DO look at your background first and move around until you have eliminated distracting items

You don't want to turn your horse into a carousel ride by having a pole in the background looking as though it is going straight through their belly.

DO have an assistant or two to help out

It can be really tiring and frustrating if you are the only person out there and you are repeatedly putting your camera down and running over to your animal to pose him or fix a prop, and then running back and only hoping he is still where you left him.

DO use a fast shutter speed

If you are shooting in Manual mode on your camera be sure to use a

fast shutter speed (at least 1/250), so that even if the animal is moving when you click the shutter you will still get a clear picture. If you do not have a Manual mode on your camera, try using the Sports mode.

DO be aware of colors

Choose complimentary colors for the props and costumes you use. The same goes for taking a picture of the pet with his owner- don't wear a shirt that is the same color as your dog- you want contrast.

DO focus on the eyes

Especially when taking close up shots. Their eyes can be very expressive so you want them to be sharp and clear.

DON'T forget that candid shots can be cute, too!

Don't automatically throw out all the photos where your pet is not looking or making a silly face. Those shots can be just as good as posed ones, because they show the personality of your pet.

DON'T just throw props and costume pieces on your pet before letting them "OK" itLet you horse smell whatever prop you're going to use first or rub it on them gently until they are relaxed. They are much more likely to cooperate if they aren't scared of the Santa hat on their head.

DON'T crop off just the feet or hooves

Be careful when you are framing your picture, you don't want to crop out just their feet or tail or ears. Step back for a whole body



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Do's and Don'ts for Residents Where Urbanized Coyotes Live

- Do not feed coyotes or other wildlife.
- Eliminate sources of water.
- Position bird feeders so that coyotes can't get the feed.
- Do not discard edible garbage where coyotes can get to it.
- Secure garbage containers and eliminate garbage odors.
- Feed pets indoors whenever possible. Pick up any leftovers if feeding outdoors. Store pet food where it is inaccessible to wildlife.
- Trim and clean, near ground level, any shrubbery that provides hiding cover for coyotes or prey.
- Don't leave children unattended.
- Don't allow pets to run free. Keep them safely confined and provide secure nighttime housing for them. Domesticated cats should be kept inside at all times. Walk your dog on a leash and accompany your pet outside, especially at night.
- Don't be polite! If you start seeing coyotes around your home or property, let them know they're not welcome by hazing and harassing. Chase them away by shouting, making loud noises, moving your arms and legs or throwing rocks.

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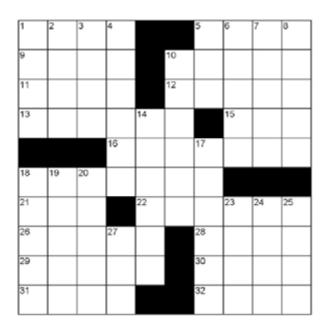




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TENNIS TIPS

By USPTA/PTR Master Professional Fernando Velasco Owner, Manager and Director of Tennis Grey Rock Tennis Club, Austin, TX



HOW TO EXECUTE THE FOREHAND VOLLEY

In previous newsletters, I offered tips on how to hit a forehand groundstroke, a two-handed backhand and a one-handed backhand. In this issue, I will give you instructions on how to execute a forehand volley for a right hander. This stroke is used whenever the player is forced to hit a ball in the air. In these pictures Grey Rock Tennis Club player, Camille Palafox, demonstrates the proper form and technique. Photos by her husband Charlie Palafox.

Step 1: Ready Position: The body is facing the net. The right hand is holding the end of the racket in a forehand grip position and the left hand is next to the right hand. The left hand is holding the racket slightly tighter than the right hand. Feet are a shoulder width apart and the body is in equal balance. For beginners it is okay to use the forehand and backhand grips for the forehand and backhand volleys. As the player gets stronger and the balls come at a faster speed, it will be best to use the continental grip for both volleys.

Step 2: Back Swing: Since the volley is usually executed when a player

is close to the net and there is very little time to react to the incoming ball, the back swing is very short. The right arm should take a short turn and the head of the racket should align to the flight of the ball. The right wrist should be "cocked" back slightly and the head of the racket should be above the wrist. Eyes are still focused on the incoming ball. Here I am helping Camille to feel the hand on the racket to tilt back and still keep the head of the racket above her wrist.

Step 3: Point of Contact: The right foot is now taking a step forward and the racket is making contact with the ball. It is important to keep the left shoulder closed and not rotate the right hip too early. Flexing the right knee will allow more flexibility to find the proper point of contact and give power to the ball.

Step 4: Follow Through: Once the racket has made contact with the ball, the follow through is very short to allow the player to immediately get back to the ready position. The left arm should be close to the body.

Look for in the next Newsletter: The Two-Handed Backhand Volley







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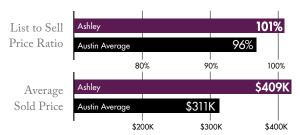
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Wildflower	17	2,151	\$	166	\$	357	2000	26	1	4
Park West	5	2,371	\$	169	\$	401	2002	55	2	0
Vintage Place	5	3,338	\$	143	\$	477	2000	21	1	2
Hielscher	19	2,972	\$	162	\$	481	2003	21	2	2
West	20	3,430	\$	146	\$	501	2005	45	1	1
Park Place	9	2,457	\$	169	\$	416	2005	12	0	0
Muirfield	5	4,001	\$	160	\$	640	2006	69	3	1
Enclave 1&2	3	2,588	\$	164	\$	425	2007	30	0	1
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Enclave Estates	1	3,397	\$	156	\$	530	2010	12	1	0
Avana & Cornerstone	32	2,820	\$	177	\$	498	2014	135	17	17
Barstow Village & Court	n/a	n/a		n/a		n/a	n/a	n/a	0	1
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