



TEXAS MOST WANTED INVASIVE PLANT BUY-BACK NATIVE PLANT SWAP

Want to improve your landscape and update it with native plants without breaking the bank?

Then mark your calendars for Sat, March 25th from 10a-12p to join your neighbors at the 2nd annual, "**Texas Most Wanted: Invasive Plant Buy-Back & Native Plant Swap**", being held at 5301 Davis Lane, 78749.

Just dig up your pesky and outdated invasive plants to bring them down for your well-earned bounty; **a FREE native plant replacement!**

"Native plants are acclimated to local climate conditions and soils, provide habitat for wildlife, typically require less water and maintenance once established, and do not rely on chemical fertilizers and pesticides to thrive."

Scout your landscapes for these notorious invasive plants commonly seen in Austin:

Elephant Ear	Pyracantha	Common Privet
Asian Jasmine	Photinia	Chinaberry tree
Nandina (Heavenly Bamboo)	Waxleaf Ligustrum	Mimosa (Silk Tree)

Already have an abundance of native plants in your landscape?

Bring them on down to swap with other like-minded folk who likely grow the native treasures that you are looking for! **Bring your native annuals and perennials, including grasses and saplings.** We already have several native oak sapling varieties, however,

Susans, Artemisia and Mexican oregano on the swap list. The more neighbors attending, the better the swap selection.

The plant list will be dynamically updated on a web page as neighbors RSVP. To receive your invitation, email 'stephanie.vwooa@gmail.com' and you'll receive an automatic reply with more information and a link to the plant list.

To check if your prolific plants are truly native, take a peek to see what Lady Bird says; <http://www.wildflower.org/plants>

PS – In case of rain, the swap will be held on April 1st (no fooling!)



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NEIGHBORHOOD COMMUNITY ACTION BOOK CLUB

The Action Book Club is an initiative started by the nonprofit organization Little Free Library. An Action Book Club is one that combines reading with positive action. Join a group of your neighbors for good reads and deeds!

We will be selecting our first book from the following list of suggestions from www.LittleFreeLibrary.org. If you'd like to join the book club in March, contact Jessica at 512-944-2986.

- A Man Called Ove by Fredrik Backman
- In the Neighborhood: The Search for Community on an American Street, One Sleepover at a Time by Peter Lovenheim
- The Little Free Library Book by Margaret Aldrich
- The New Better Off: Reinventing the American Dream by Courtney Martin
- The Readers of Broken Wheel Recommend by Katarina Bivald
- The Revolution Where You Live by Sarah van Gelder
- The Underground Railroad by Colson Whitehead
- When Strangers Meet by Kio Stark
- The Woman Next Door by Yewande Omotoso
- The Zookeeper's Wife: A War Story by Diane Ackerman

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Project Graduation is a substance free, all night celebration the night of graduation. We are currently seeking donations/door prizes from neighbors and local businesses. Please help make Project Graduation extra special for the Class of 2017.

We welcome monetary donations as well as gift cards, items for the dorm, gas cards, electronics...anything that a high school graduate would enjoy.

Contact Jeanna Crow @ jeannac@alumni.utexas.net or 512-301-0335

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Friends of Dick Nichols Park

Friends of Dick Nichols Park is holding our annual It's My Park Day clean up at Dick Nichols Park on Saturday, March 4th from 10am-12pm. We will meet at the picnic tables near the flagpoles for job assignments.

Please register at <https://www.austinparks.org/volunteer/impd/> to receive an event T-shirt.

This event is for all ages. Volunteers will be spreading mulch, painting, picking up litter and doing graffiti abatement. Please bring a water bottle, work gloves and wheel barrels, if you have any.

This will be a great time to see the new shade structures that were installed over the playground thanks to the Austin Parks Foundation \$50,000 grant and the amazing donations from our local community.

See you at the park!



Mills Elementary Landscape Beautification

The Mills Elementary PTA sponsors a number of landscaping activities throughout the spring including cleaning out gardens, minor construction, rock removal, brush removal, and general beautification. Much can be done to make the campus more inviting, fun, and safe! Please consider putting 2 or 3 of the following dates on your calendar and meet at the campus. Many hands makes light work!

Sat. March 4 from 10 am - 12:30 pm

Wed. March 29 from 6 - 7 pm | Wed. April 12 from 6 - 7 pm

Sat. April 22 from 9:30 am - 11:30 am

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5. Tramp
9. Run
10. Confuse
11. Cain killed him
12. To that time
13. Fraud
15. Compass point
16. Taught
18. Hides
21. Brew
22. Large meals
26. Sheer, triangular scarf
28. Midwestern state
29. Electronic mail
30. First letter of the Arabic alphabet
31. September (abbr.)
32. Polish

DOWN

1. Attired
2. Earring need
3. Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries
4. Efface
5. Egg layer
6. Many times
7. Capital of Idaho
8. Eyed
10. Combustible material
14. Angry
17. Old Testament prophet
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