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## ANNOUNCEMENTS AND WHAT'S HAPPENING



### Important Dates

**Saturday December 2nd**

Children's Holiday Party

**Friday December 8th**

Adult Holiday Party

**HOA Office Closed**

Monday December 25th & Tuesday December 26th,

Monday January 1st & Tuesday January 2nd

**Swim Center Closed**

Thursday December 21st through Wednesday December 27th,

Monday January 1st through Wednesday January 3rd

### Annual Meeting & Election

The Nominating Committee is accepting nominations for the two open board seats through Friday January 12th, 2017. You can download a Candidate Questionnaire from the News & Announcements page on our website at [www.circlecranch.info](http://www.circlecranch.info), under the Stay Connected tab. The nominating 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 Wednesday March 7th, 2018 at the Circle C Community Center (7817 La Crosse Avenue). Your ballot and proxy will be printed on the back side of the first 2018 CCHOA dues assessment invoice (which will be mailed Feb. 1st and due Mar. 1st).

### Annual Report to the Membership

The 2017 Annual Report to the membership from the Board of Directors will be printed in the March 2018 newsletter. A copy will also be posted on our website and available in the HOA office during the month of March 2018.

### CC&R Proposed Future Vote

The Circle C Board of Directors has been working on a proposal to update the Circle C Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions (CC&R's). In order to make any changes to the CC&R's, we will need 66<sup>2/3</sup>% of all votes in favor of the changes. A few changes the board has been working on are as follows:

1. Article III, Section 2 – one vote per home
2. Article III, Section 3 – one assessment rate
3. Article V, Section 3, k – amending to trash pickup one day a week and therefore specifying when trash carts are allowed to be visible
4. Article V, Section 3, m – allowing permanent basketball goals with ACC approval
5. Article V, Section 5 – changing Christmas lights to holiday lights to be all inclusive for all holidays
6. Propose to add 152 Lots to CCHOA

### Address Plaques

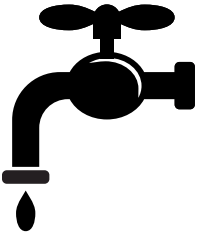
Address plaques are considered an architectural feature of a home and should be visible and in good condition. Shrubbery should be trimmed away from the plaque so the address is in clear view. Ensure that all of your outdoor lights are working, replace bulbs if needed. If your plaque is brass, a brass cleaner should be used. Having highly visible house numbers is a safety issue for Police, Fire, and EMS. **This especially helps USPS, FedEx, and UPS find you with those timely holiday deliveries!**

### Wastewater Averaging Has Begun

The wastewater averaging period spans three consecutive billing periods beginning in Mid-November and ending in mid-March. The water used during the averaging period will determine wastewater charges for most customers for the 2017-2018 service year.



## Lower Your Wastewater Costs



You can lower your wastewater costs for the next year by conserving water during these billing periods. To help you conserve water in the winter months and lower your wastewater average, follow these basic water-saving tips:

- Check your irrigation system for leaks and turn them off during the fall/winter months.
- Fix all leaky faucets and toilets;
- Sign up for the free Dropcountr app and get home water use reports;
- Run your dishwasher and washing machine only with a full load'
- Take shorter showers – place timer in your bathroom
- When buying new water-using appliances look for the WaterSense label;
- Visit [WaterWiseAustin.org](http://WaterWiseAustin.org) for water conservation tips and to find out about rebate programs.



## Holiday Lights and Décor

This is a friendly, in advance, reminder that holiday lights and décor must be removed no later than January 15th.

**Arborwalk**  
*Braker & Mopac*

**University Oaks**  
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**Sunset Valley**  
*Brodie & 290*

**Cedar Park**  
*1431 & 183A*



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# Children's Holiday Party

Saturday December 2, 2017 10am to 1pm  
Circle C Community Center (7817 La Crosse Avenue)

**Join us for a fun filled morning with 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 new, unwrapped, unopened gift for our toy donation drive to lift the spirits of children in need through our partnership with Partnerships for Children's Holiday Wishes program, see flyer for more info.**







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### How You Can Help:

- Sponsor a child by purchasing items from their wish list
- Donate General Gifts for children
- Make a donation and we will shop for you





# Adult Holiday

## AND CASINO PARTY



Join us for this year's Holiday & Casino Party! Enjoy delicious hors d'oeuvres, cash bar, casino tables, raffle drawings and of course music and socializing with great company!

Tickets will be on sale starting Monday November 6th through Friday December 1st, \$10 per person. Tickets may be purchased from the HOA office Monday through Friday between 9am and 5pm.

**Date:** Friday December 8th, 2017

**Time:** 7:00pm – 10:00pm

**Where:** Circle C Community Center  
(7817 La Crosse Avenue)

We are currently accepting donations for casino prizes! If you or someone you know has a business or company that would like to help out, give us a call at 512-288-8663 or email [sarah@circlecranch.info](mailto:sarah@circlecranch.info).

# Aquatics News

## Swim Center Pool Hours

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The Swim Center is currently open for lap swimming only; the recreational areas of the pool area not accessible. The Community Center, Avaña, and GreyRock pools are closed for the season.

### Monday – Friday

6:00am-10:00am

4:00pm-7:30pm

### Saturday

8:00am-11:00am

### Sunday

Closed

### Attention Residents!

The Swim Center will observe closures and special hours during the winter holidays. The Swim Center will be closed **Thursday December 21st – Wednesday December 27th** and **Monday January 1st – Wednesday January 3rd**. There Swim Center will be open for special hours, **8:00am – 11:00am**, on **Thursday December 28th – Saturday December 30th**.

## Circle C Aquatics Programs

Come swim as the sun comes up with the Masters participants! We offer a 6:00am class on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays; on Tuesdays and Thursdays there is an 8:00am class. Coach Erin will get your heart pumping and energized for the day. Stop by for 2 free practices before you join!

Private lessons? In the winter? Yes! Circle C Aquatics offers private lessons year-round for all swimming abilities with morning and afternoon slots available. Have a swimmer who needs to work on dives or do you need some help with your stroke technique? Sign up for private lessons today!

For more information about our Aquatics Programs visit [www.circlecranch.info](http://www.circlecranch.info) and click on the Aquatics tab.



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## **CELEBRATE THE HOLIDAYS WITH DISTRICT KITCHEN + COCKTAILS**

### **Give the Gift of a Thoughtful Dining Experience with a District Kitchen + Cocktails Gift Card**

This holiday season, District Kitchen + Cocktails introduces a special holiday offer: Spend at least \$100 on one or more gift cards during the month of December 2017 and receive \$20 to use throughout January and February 2018.

### **Host your Holiday and Special Occasion Party at District Kitchen + Cocktail**

We invite you to host your guests for the holiday season at District Kitchen + Cocktails by booking one of our spaces for a private event or luncheon. We offer the dining room or outdoor patio for private parties and social events any day of the week or for private luncheons Monday through Friday. To book one of our spaces for a private event, please call 512-351-8436.

Voted one of the, "Top 100 Neighborhood Gem Restaurants in America," by *OpenTable*, District Kitchen + Cocktails is a chef-driven, New American restaurant located at 5900 West Slaughter Lane that focuses on creating exceptional and innovative menus for the residents of Circle C Ranch. Stop in for dinner, happy hour or brunch to enjoy the thoughtfully constructed dishes and cocktails made from fresh, locally sourced ingredients. The outstanding menu combined with the rustic, yet refined atmosphere makes District the perfect destination for a warm and relaxing dining experience this holiday season.

District Kitchen + Cocktails is open for dinner and happy hour daily with brunch served every Friday through Sunday. For more information or to make a reservation, visit [www.districtaustin.com](http://www.districtaustin.com) or call 512-351-8436.



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## State of the Circle C Ranch real estate market for the last quarter of 2017 into 2018.

Hey there Circle C, well another year is almost over and we are still working very hard daily with our listings and buyers in Circle C and the surrounding areas. The market is definitely tepid right now with about **50** listings total on the market in Circle C Ranch. Last year at this time there were about **38** homes on the market in that the fall market had really slowed down with many homes remaining from the summer rush. That is a pretty solid number and many of those are the brand new homes they are attempting to sell in in Avana at Cal Atlantic Homes. Some of the homes in Avana are selling pretty well, but it all depends on the lot sizes you're looking at. The 70 foot wide lots are selling very well, starting generally in the mid \$550's and going up to approximately \$750,000.+/- depending on the house plan. The smaller lots (50 and 60 foot wide) are not going quite as rapidly. Cal Atlantic is also right in the middle of a merger with Lennar homes and will be the largest home builder in the United States when the merger is complete. This may cause prices to bump up a little, as when builders typically merge they try to show an increase in sales/profit to impress shareholders. We would probably see that result in the 2nd quarter of 2018 depending on when the merge happens. They do not have a name for the new company as of yet. Many buyers are looking for cheaper housing, such as Belterra, Sawyer Ranch and the southwest outskirts of Austin. Many builders in Belterra also built in Circle C for about \$30,000.-\$50,000. less for the same floorplans years ago and those are now re-selling also, giving buyers more choices. They are still selling new homes out there and they have hundreds of lots left. That is what created the spike in sales out there and here last year and this year. If history is to be followed, we will see a lull during the holidays and start off with a bang early in the year by the end of January. The early spring shoppers will dictate how the market rebounds next year. If we see a rush in home sales immediately after New Years, then that will probably equate to another strong spring with prices stabilizing. I do not see prices going up any further than they have in 2016 and 2017, as I believe the market price-height has been reached for now. Call me any time to speak about the market in general, look at some properties or to list your home. On the following page is some recent activity of the Squires Team. Thank you! John Squires

Call John Squires with Keller Williams Realty at **(512) 970-1970** for a free, no-obligation, listing market analysis on your valuable Circle C Ranch property.

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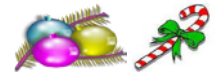
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**"COMING SOON!"** John's rare listing in LMR. Need a little more elbow room, yet still be close into town? This beautiful Peerman, Tuscan mini-estate in Lewis Mountain Ranch is quickly coming to market. This home comes with 4 large bedrooms, 3 and 1/2 baths, 3 living areas and is loaded with upgraded features and designs. It also features a barrel tile roof, a 5 car garage for the car enthusiast and a stunning resort-style pool with waterfalls, beach and jumping rocks. Gorgeous views from top of the hill! Have your outdoor bbq's on the huge limestone patio with fireplace. This amazing home is on approximately 1.25 acres and is on one of the most secluded and private cul-de-sacs in Lewis Mountain. The tax rate is 2.00%, yet you have city water and Pedernales Electricity! Where is Lewis Mountain Ranch you ask? It's *right* behind Circle C on the other side of 1826. All of the homes are on varying acreages and the schools are Baldwin, Gorzycki and Bowie. Call John to see the property. Offered at **\$729,000.!**



Call John Squires directly on his 'sell' phone at **(512) 970-1970** for a free, no obligation appointment to find the value of your home or be professionally represented in the purchase of any real estate in Texas. Go to **SquiresTeam.com** to view how John illustrates his previous and current listings.



**"COMING SOON!"** John's bringing a new listing in the Fairway Golf Course Estates to market! Stunning 5 large bedroom, 5 full bath home, custom built with master suites on the first floor *and* second floor! Gorgeous granite kitchen with stainless appliances looks over the big family room with gas fireplace. All of the bedrooms are huge and there is tons of extra storage space. The entire back patio is covered and the 5th full bath (pool bath) is already installed. This yard is over 1/3rd acre and you can build your resort-style, dream pool back here and still have plenty of room for soccer. On a deep culdesac too! Home is over 4000 sq. ft. TCAD. Offered at **\$749,000.**



John **"JUST SOLD!"** this beautiful 1-story home in Circle C North with wood floors listed at **\$359,000.** Perfect for investor or retiree.

John **"JUST SOLD!"** this stunning little 1-story *also* in CC North. Want to start an investment portfolio? Please call me. Listed at **\$329,000.**

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## WHAT'S IN SEASON AT THE WILDFLOWER CENTER?

*Submitted by Amy McCullough, Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center  
Photography by Joseph A. Marcus (bushy bluestem) and Lee Clippard (Texas persimmon)*

Here's what's likely to be blooming, fruiting or setting seed in Central Texas this time of year. Look for these native plants around town, at the Wildflower Center and perhaps in your own backyard!

### **BUSHY BLUESTEM** (**ANDROPOGON GLOMERATUS**)

The fluffy flower heads of bushy bluestem have been said to resemble chunks of silvery cotton candy, catching sunlight and glowing against coppery winter foliage. It's also easy to imagine this native grass's feathery racemes (or the type of simple, sheathed inflorescences you see here) adorning a certain jolly fellow's red costume. Yes, *Andropogon glomeratus* seems made for winter, and it can add a striking, unique beauty to home gardens at otherwise dull times. Bushy bluestem prefers low, moist areas in full sun — meaning that low, soggy corner of your yard is about to get a lot prettier!



### **TEXAS PERSIMMON** (**DIOSPYROS TEXANA**)

Do you break out the loofah and exfoliating scrub this time of year? If so, you've got something in common with Texas persimmon. This native tree, which is usually small and multi-trunked, reveals smooth, pinkish-white flesh after rougher strips of bark peel away. This happens in relation to age more than season, but the low-angled light of winter and fewer view-obstructing leaves make persimmon bark particularly beautiful and beholdable in winter woodlands. And *Diospyros texana* has more to offer than just glowing skin: It's extremely drought-tolerant and disease-resistant, and it's an undersung Texas edible; its fruit, which ripens from late summer into fall, is eaten by mammals (including humans) and birds alike. Talk about the gift that keeps on giving!

Find these plants at the Wildflower Center and learn more about them at: [wildflower.org/plants-main](http://wildflower.org/plants-main)



## GIVE EXPERIENCE

Gift memberships to the Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center invite those special someones on your list to experience the wonder of the outdoors. Membership includes free admission all year, discounts in our store and on classes, a subscription to our beautiful biannual magazine, and more. The gift of nature is sure to please even the most finicky of recipients. As Mrs. Johnson said, "The environment after all is where we all meet." More information at [wildflower.org/join](http://wildflower.org/join)



## Start Your Engines, Dawgs!

### TEST DRIVE A NEW FORD CAR OR TRUCK AND RAISE MONEY FOR BOWIE BOYS LACROSSE

Test drive the hottest and newest Ford cars and trucks right here in Circle C Ranch and support your local lacrosse team at the same time! Bowie Boys Lacrosse has teamed up with Maxwell Ford to bring Ford's Drive 4 UR School program to our community. For every test drive, Ford will donate to Bowie Boys Lacrosse. Circle C gets a fun, no-hassle way to check out new car models — no sales pitches and no strings attached — while Bowie Boys Lacrosse gets much-needed funds for all levels of the program. It's a win for everyone!

Bring friends and family to test drive a new Ford and help your community, too! You don't have to live in Circle C to support this program. This event is open to everyone, but drivers must be 18 years or older.

**When:** December 9, 2017 10am-2 pm

**Where:** 5917 La Crosse Ave, Austin  
(Child Development Center)

**What to bring:** Driver's license for proof of age; 18 yrs & up.

**Cost:** Free



## Cover Photo

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## CARPET BEETLES



Carpet beetles adults can be found outdoors on crape myrtles or other plants where the adults eat pollen and nectar. The adults may also be found in rodent or bird nests. When these adults move into homes, they may lay eggs which can lead to

problems. These beetles can be pests in warehouses, homes, museums and other locations.

Carpet beetle adults are small, round to oval shaped and often brightly colored. Larvae are small, tan, and ringed with bands of long hairs.

Carpet beetle larvae feed on high protein foods, usually animal based, but they can also feed on plant material. They can be found in a variety of locations throughout the home. In the pantry, you may find them in items such as powdered milk, dried meats (jerky), or pet food. Other areas of the home they can be attracted to items made from wool, fur or feathers, areas where dead insects accumulate (i.e. light fixtures), leather book bindings, hair, silk or dried plant products. If the larvae are seen feeding on synthetic fibers, it is because the material is stained with body oils or food.

A program utilizing sanitation, exclusion and insecticides should be able to get a carpet beetle problem under control.

- Clean accumulations of hair, dead insects, and bird, rodent or wasp nests

- Regularly clean rugs, carpets, upholstery, etc.
  - o make sure to get along edges, under cushions, and under furniture where debris may collect
- Inspect animal based items (taxidermied animals, leather, wool, silk, etc.) once a year to avoid infestations
- Keep pantry items/ dry goods in sealed, air-tight containers
- Infested items (if possible, depending on the items) can be heated or cooled to kill any beetles
  - o freeze 2 weeks at temperatures below 18°F
  - o heat for at least 30 minutes to temperatures above 120°F
- Insecticides should be used as spot treatments- make sure carpet beetles are listed on the label as well as the area/ item you are treating
  - o make sure the product will not stain

If you find a few adult carpet beetles in your home, squish them on vacuum them up. A few adults usually do not warrant a full treatment, but you should watch for a developing infestation.

For more information or help with identification, contact Wizzie Brown, Texas AgriLife Extension Service Program Specialist at 512.854.9600. Check out my blog at [www.urban-ipm.blogspot.com](http://www.urban-ipm.blogspot.com)

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## MoPac Intersections

### MoPac at Slaughter Lane and La Crosse Avenue

Improvements are on the way for Loop 1 (MoPac) at the intersections of Slaughter Lane and La Crosse Avenue! Congestion and traffic volumes have grown at accelerating rates, causing difficulty for drivers who pass through and use these intersections.

Improvements will enhance safety for all modes of travel, decrease wait times at the intersections, decrease overall travel time, and improve left-turning movements.

Planned improvements include:

- Constructing two mainlanes in each direction on MoPac underneath Slaughter Lane and La Crosse Avenue to improve traffic flow at the intersections and on MoPac
- Constructing a Diverging Diamond Intersection (DDI) at MoPac and Slaughter Lane to address congestion by allowing vehicles to travel more efficiently through the intersections (check out an example animation by visiting [https://youtu.be/TRs\\_ncEMkCY](https://youtu.be/TRs_ncEMkCY))
- Improving the intersection at MoPac and La Crosse Avenue
- Improving and adding pedestrian and bicycle accommodations

The contractor for the project is Webber, LLC and construction is anticipated to begin in early 2018. Both intersections are expected to be complete within three years, weather permitting. Crews will begin by preparing the right of way and excavating at both intersections. Construction will begin with the MoPac and Slaughter Lane improvements and, once complete, crews will construct improvements at MoPac and La Crosse Avenue.

Working with property owners, business owners, residents, and all other stakeholders is a priority for TxDOT and the project team. We will identify opportunities to reduce impacts and provide updates on construction, as they become available. A webpage is being created with more details and will be available soon. To receive updates on the project, please send an email to [MoPacIntersections@txdot.gov](mailto:MoPacIntersections@txdot.gov) with "Updates" in the subject line.

Contact

MoPac Intersections Project Team

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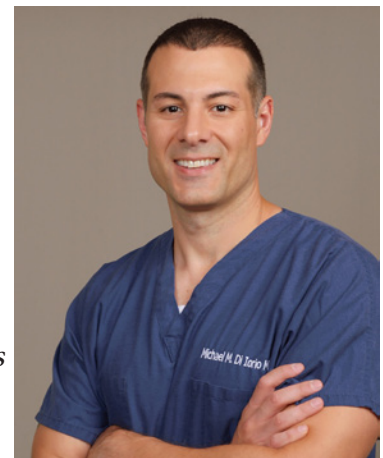
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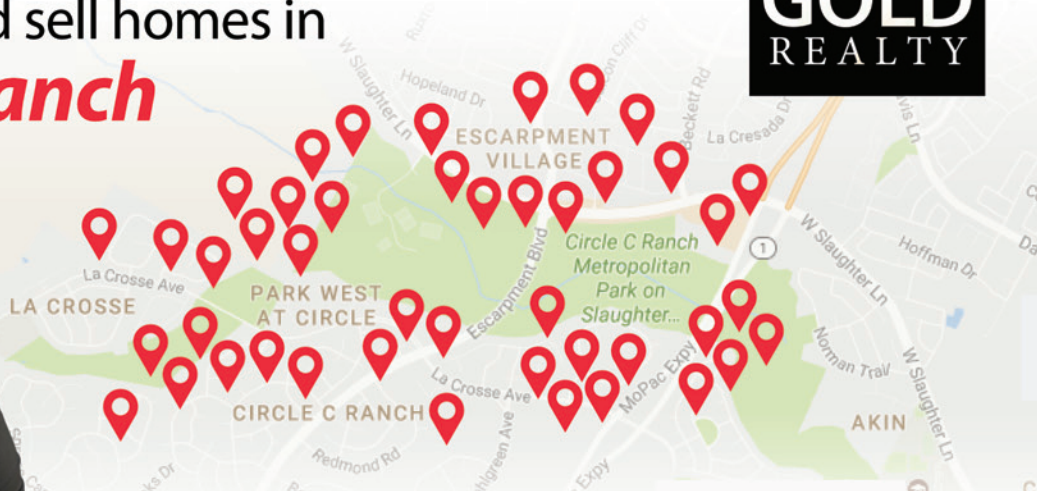
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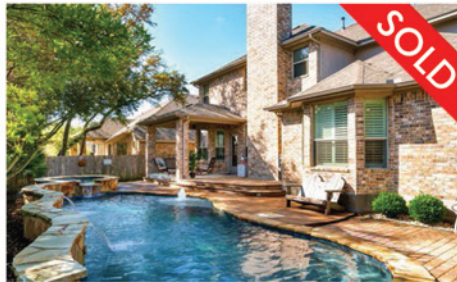
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