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National Public Lands Day

September 29th, 2018
9:00AM - 11:00AM

Shoal Creek Conservancy

Join Shoal Creek Conservancy, and our partner Cirrus Logic, in celebrating National Public Lands Day with a day of service along the Shoal Creek Trail on Saturday, September 29th. Activities will include, but not be limited to trash pick up, graffiti removal, weeding, and some light trail work. Please register below, and we'll have your tools and tasks ready!

Any questions? Feel free to email info@shoalcreekconservancy.org.

Register online at <https://shoalcreekconservancy.org/event/national-public-lands-day/>

DON'T TEST THE WATERS BY SWIMMING IN LADY BIRD LAKE

By Jenny Webster Jurica, TexasHillCountry.com

Did you know that you're not allowed to swim in Austin's famous "Town Lake," also known as Lady Bird Lake? With all of the boaters and stand-up-paddlers, this probably surprises many. It's not a new law though. This law has been in place since 1964.

Swimming Banned Since 1964

Austin's Parks and Recreation Department provided two reasons for the ban on swimming in Lady Bird Lake: one being a combination of poor water quality and the other, the danger posed by debris leftover from bridges and dams. It's also speculated that a series of drowning deaths on the lake in the 1950s and 1960s – including two young sisters who waded into a 20-foot pit – led to Austin City Council passing the ordinance.

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Top local chefs step up to plate for Chef's Table Austin 2018



Local nonprofit Water to Thrive will host its largest annual fundraiser, Chef's Table Austin, on Thursday, September 27 at Brazos Hall. At this gala, guests will bid on the time and talents of Austin's top chefs, including: David Bull, Second Bar + Kitchen; Janelle Reynolds, @t Large; Yesica Arredondo, Cannon + Belle; Sterling Ridings, Guild; Aaron Franklin, Loro; Ben Runkle, Salt & Time; Takuya Matsumoto, Kemuri Tatsu-Ya; Stewart Scruggs, Wink; Brian Moses, Olive & June; Andrew Wiseheart, Contigo; and Wolfgang Murber, Fabi + Rosi.

This uniquely-formatted event allows highest bidders to receive a private dinner for around 10-15 people designed and prepared by each chef. The dinner will take place at a later date at a restaurant, private home or location agreed upon by the chef and winner.

The Sept. 27 event includes a VIP reception at 5 p.m., followed by the silent and live auctions at 7 p.m. All proceeds from Chef's Table Austin will support Water to Thrive's operational costs. Water to Thrive is an Austin nonprofit with a mission of providing clean, safe water for rural villages in Africa. Since 2008, Water to Thrive has funded more than 850 wells in Ethiopia, Uganda and Tanzania bringing clean water to over 475,000 individuals.

Event and registration details can be found at www.chefstableaustin.org.

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THE 20TH ANNUAL KOMEN RACE FOR THE CURE RETURNS TO AUSTIN THIS FALL

On Sunday morning, September 30, 2018, the 2018 Komen Austin Race for the Cure will take place in downtown Austin. For the 20th year, local community survivors, fighters, thrivers and supporters come together in the battle against breast cancer.

This important annual event raises significant funds for the for the breast cancer movement, thanks to supporters and survivors around the world who step up and take action by fundraising for the cause.

Komen Austin serves the women and men in the city's five-county area battling breast cancer by removing barriers to care for the uninsured and underinsured. Of the funds raised annually, Komen Austin invests up to 75 percent into local community health care grants and educational initiatives; the remaining 25 percent is invested into global research to find the cures for breast cancer.

Additional features of this year's event include:

Hope Village: A special space for all who are registered as a breast cancer survivor, currently fighting breast cancer, or thriving with metastatic breast cancer.

Mission Possible Tent: Be sure to visit to learn where your fundraising dollars are making an impact. Be prepared to be inspired and take action.

MoreThanPink Tent: Fundraise \$25 or more and receive access to special treatment and hot breakfast with other everyday heroes in this tent.

VIPink Patio & Tent: Fundraise \$250 or more and gain entry to the VIP tent with perks and swag for our biggest impact makers.

Promise Path: Remember or celebrate your favorite breast cancer survivors with a flag displayed on the Promise Path. Available for purchase during registration or here.

Paws for the Cure: Bring your pooch with you for your morning stroll by adding Fido to your registration.

Kids for the Cure: Race morning is family friendly and the Kids for the Cure area will offer a petting zoo and fun activities for the 12 & under crowd.

Entertainment: This year's Austin's Race for the Cure will feature a performance by Courtney Santana on the Main Stage, DJ's along the Race Course, and more.

This year's race route will start at Race Village, located at the Austin Statesman Headquarters, and extend down historic Congress Avenue to the Texas State Capitol and back. All are welcome to walk, jog, run, or even participate virtually.

Susan G. Komen® Austin is an Austin-based nonprofit committed to saving lives locally and fighting breast cancer globally. Komen Austin is the only local breast cancer organization attacking the disease on all fronts – education, screening, treatment, follow-up care, survivorship, support, advocacy, and research.

As the largest nonprofit funder of breast cancer research outside of the U.S. government, Komen Austin's goal is to reduce the number of U.S. breast cancer deaths by 50% by 2026. The Race for the Cure is the primary fundraising event for local breast healthcare grants and global research grants.

Visit the Komen Austin Race for the Cure website to register, and for more information on the event, fundraising, and the Susan G. Komen organization.

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Partnerships for Children & Girls



On Thursday, September 20, 2018, Partnerships for Children and Giving at The Hotel Van Zandt in downtown Austin. It will be an evening of giving back as we enjoy food, signature cocktails, exciting raffles, live music, and dancing!

Last year our event sold out, so if you have not already

reserved a spot, we encourage you to act now – you don't want to miss this opportunity! You can view a complete listing of sponsorship benefits and purchase your tickets on our website - www.partnershipsforchildren.org.

As a nonprofit in Central Texas, Partnerships For Children leads a collection of programs that offer resources, support, and comfort for foster children and families in our community. Our accessibility to Child Protective Services, efficient practices, and ability to connect with kids at all stages in their lives allow us to better serve those who need us most by providing real and impactful solutions.

(Don't Test the Waters continued from Cover)

The City of Austin created the reservoir in 1960 as a cooling pond for the new city power plant. The reservoir is named in honor of former First Lady of the United States Lady Bird Johnson, who called Austin her home for much of her life. In the 1970s, Lady Bird focused her attention on the Austin riverfront area through her involvement in the Town Lake Beautification Project. From 1971 to 1978, she served on the board of regents for the University of Texas System. She also served on the National Park Service Advisory Board and was the first woman to serve on National Geographic Society's Board of Trustees. So, nature and preserving our resources was clearly one of her passions.

Are You Ever Allowed in the Water?

What happens if you are kayaking on Town Lake and you fall in? The rules explain that you're only allowed to swim in the lake if you are "rescuing someone (presumably yourself included), doing construction authorized by the city or swimming in a permitted event."

So, if you fall out of your kayak, you'd better get back to the boat as quickly as possible. The punishment for being caught swimming in Lady Bird Lake is a \$500 fine. Why risk it when there are so many other places to swim?

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National Hispanic Heritage Month 2018

www.hispanicheritagemonth.org

During National Hispanic Heritage Month (September 15 to October 15) we recognize the contributions made and the important presence of Hispanic and Latino Americans to the United States and celebrate their heritage and culture.

Hispanics have had a profound and positive influence on our country through their strong commitment to family, faith, hard work, and service. They have enhanced and shaped our national character with centuries-old traditions that reflect the multiethnic and multicultural customs of their community.

Hispanic Heritage Month, whose roots go back to 1968, begins each year on September 15, the anniversary of independence of five Latin American countries: Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua. Mexico, Chile and Belize also celebrate their independence days during this period and Columbus Day (Día de la Raza) is October 12.

The term Hispanic or Latino, refers to Puerto Rican, South or Central American, or other Spanish culture or origin regardless of race. On the 2010 Census form, people of Spanish, Hispanic and/or Latino origin could identify themselves as Mexican, Mexican American, Chicano, Puerto Rican, Cuban, or "another Hispanic,

Latino, or Spanish origin."

Today, 57.5 million people or 18% of the American population are of Hispanic or Latino origin. This represents a significant increase from 2000, which registered the Hispanic population at 35.3 million or 13% of the total U.S. population.

Share in this special annual tribute by learning and celebrating the generations of Hispanic and Latino Americans who have positively influenced and enriched our nation and society.

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